

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

30 JUNE 2024

Readings for Sunday, June 30: Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24; 2 Corinthians 8:7, 13-15; Mark 5:21-43.

Because of sin, sickness and death have entered the world, but are overcome through the resurrection of Jesus. He hears the cry of those in need, healing the sick and raising the dead to life. He made himself poor that we might become rich.

Readings for Sunday, July 7: Ezekiel 2:2-5; 2 Corinthians 12:7-10; Mark 6:1-6a.



St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish Special Day of Prayer is Wednesday. Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday after 9:00 A.M. Mass to 5:00 PM in the Church. Benediction at 5:00 PM.



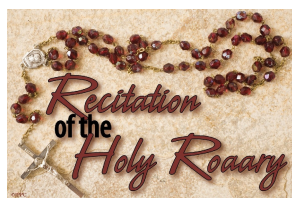
<u>Date</u>		<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested By</u>
1 July	MON. 9:00 AM	Theresa Romahn	St. Gabriel Women's Society
2 July	TUE. 9:00 AM	Margaret Buccaglia	Nikki Gambino
3 July	WED. 9:00 AM	Albert Ferrizzi	Debbie Lombardi
4 July	THU. 9:00 AM	Mary & George Harbacs	The Family
6 July	SAT. 4:00 PM	Parishioners of St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish	
7 July	SUN. 9:00 AM	Those Enrolled in St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Parish Memorial Fund	



ETERNAL REST grant unto them, O Lord. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.
PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING of the parish especially those in homes and hospitals.
REMEMBER OUR TROOPS: Pray that God will bless and protect our young men and women in the military.



NOVENA IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL on Mondays after the 9:00 AM Mass. All are welcome to join in this special Marian Devotion.



THE ROSARY PRAYER GROUP leads the recitation of the Rosary every Sunday before the 9:00 AM Mass. They also pray the Rosary before the 9:00 AM weekday Masses. All

are welcome to join in these Marian Devotions.



MAGNIFICAT SUBSCRIPTIONS:
 Cost for one year is \$39.00. Subscription begins with **NOVEMBER 2024** issue. Anyone interested in subscribing, please call the Parish Office. Deadline to sign up is Monday, August 19.

THE PARISH OFFICE will be closed Thursday, July 4 for the Independence Day Holiday.

Collections ©PPC thank you

DEPOSIT FOR JUNE 23, 2024..... \$3,807
 2023-2024 Year to Date Collections..... \$227,220
 2022-2023 Year to Date Collections..... \$231,440

MASS ATTENDANCE for June 22/23:

4:00 PM Mass - 95
 9:00 AM Mass - 107
 Total Attendance - 202

CONSIDER REMEMBERING YOUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL.
 Call the Parish Office for more details.

"ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK"

ST. GABRIEL LODGE
 610-326-4137



APPAREL ALERT! Orders are being accepted for our parish apparel. Items available are: T-Shirt - \$10; Sweatshirt with hood - \$25; Men's and Women's Polo Shirts - \$25. Colors available are Kelly Green and Sunburst Yellow. 1/4 Zip - \$35; Full Zip hoodies - \$30 - color is Forest Green.

Logo on all apparel is in the upper left corner. Sizes: S to XL - larger sizes are available (just add \$2) and we have youth sizes too! **PROMOTE YOUR PARISH!!!** Complete the order form in the vestibule of Church and return to the parish office along with payment or contact Maria Boyer (mboyer@sgsm62.org).



CHURCH MAGNETS are available at the Parish Office. They can be placed on your car or refrigerator. Cost is \$5.00 each.



PARISH LOTTERY RAFFLE TICKET
 based on the PA Pick 3 Evening Number. Winning ticket number must be the exact number drawn for the PA Pick 3 Evening Number. Tickets are \$5.00 each and are sold on a monthly basis.

The prize for the winning ticket is \$50.00 on weekdays and \$100.00 on Sundays and one specially-designated weekday. **This is our major fund raiser for the parish. We encourage each family to purchase at least one ticket each month.** Your support is greatly appreciated.

LOTTERY RAFFLE TICKET WINNERS

June 17 - #683 - unsold
 June 18 - #917 - unsold
 June 19 - #573 - unsold
 June 20 - #764 - unsold
 June 21 - #621 - unsold
 June 22 - #934 - Marian Lippert - \$50.00
 June 23 - #683 - unsold



AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES

on July 5 from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM and July 15 from 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM in the social hall. The American Red Cross is experiencing a blood shortage as the nation faces the lowest number of people giving blood in 20 years. Please consider donating blood today! Call 1-800-RED-CROSS to make an appointment.

The Corner

"Since Christ Himself has said, 'This is My Body,' who shall dare to doubt that it is His Body?"

—St. Cyril of Jerusalem, 4th century Bishop and Doctor of the Church

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - JULY 6/7

4:00 PM Mass

Lector - Nester

Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break, Tammaro & Tammaro; Choir, Bracaglia

Altar Server - Wasylkowski

Greeter - Wade

9:00 AM Mass

Lector - Iannozzi

Ministers of Holy Communion - Front, Deacon; Break, Gerasimowicz & C. Bucciaglia

Altar Servers - Francis & Miller

Greeter - Carr

UPCOMING EVENTS AT CASEY SERVICE CLUB

Our next dinner adventure will take you to the tiny Island of Malta. Held on Friday, July 19 at the Knights of Columbus, Stowe. Dinner will include Maltese Kuskus Minestra Soup, Maltese Bragioli and Timpana and Maltese Pudina. Cost is \$20.00. Served from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Reserve your spot by calling Franco (484-433-9160)

Sunday Morning Breakfast on Sunday, July 28 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Bacon, sausage, ham, eggs to order, omelets, pancakes and waffles. Cost is based on your selection.

ANNUAL PRO-LIFE GOLF TOURNAMENT hosted by The Valley Forge Chapter and Fr. Bally Council #1192 Knights of Columbus on Friday, August 9 at Twin Ponds Golf Course, Gilbertsville. Event includes breakfast, lunch, banquet dinner, golf and individual/team skill prizes. Cost per golfer is \$150. Dinner only tickets available for \$40 per person. Contact Gary Huster (610-972-0356 or thebighue@aol.com) or Mark Nunan (610-772-1734 or marknunan6614@gmail.com).

CMC LIONS FOOTBALL - Ches-Mont Catholic Lions Football registration is now open for the Fall season for players entering Grades 5-6 (Junior Varsity) and Grades 7-8 (Varsity). Visit www.cmccyo.org for more information.

RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE - Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held August 9-11 at the Family Life Center, Malvern. For more information or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.



REDNER'S REGISTER TAPES

Thank you to everyone for collecting the Redner's register tapes for our Parish. Money we receive from this fund raiser is put towards our Parish

Religious Education Program (PREP). Just a reminder that the Redner's register tapes only count when you use a Save-a-Tape card and that information prints out at the bottom of your receipt. Containers for the register tapes are in the vestibule of church.



HAND-MADE BABY BLANKETS

are being sold by the Women's Society. Cost is \$10.00. The blankets make a very nice gift for a new baby or as an additional gift when giving a gift card. Blankets are available at the Parish Office.

FR. WILSON'S INSTALLATION AS PASTOR OF ST. ALOYSIUS CHURCH -

Bishop Chylinski will install Fr. Wilson as Pastor of St. Aloysius Parish on Saturday, July 13 at the 5:00 PM Vigil

Mass at St. Aloysius Church. All are welcome!



13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Like flies at a garden party, sickness and death are never welcome. But nevertheless, they hover over our lives on earth and often descend just when it is most inconvenient. When they hurt the most, interrupting our plans and exposing our vulnerability, Gospel stories like these tell us that Jesus knew all about such, but that He had the wondrous divine ability to take away their sting.

Case in point are the two stories told us by Mark today that exemplify his trademark “sandwich” device to make his point. Interesting enough, the two stories have several points in common: female sufferers, the number 12, and vocabulary (“faith,” “fear,” “sane,” “daughter,” etc.) Yet the style used points to a separate origin.

The story of Jairus’ daughter is told in short sentences in the so-called historical present tense. The story of the woman with the flow of blood is told in longer sentences and in the imperfect tense.

What is more important for us is to note the faith of both Jairus and the sick woman and the reaction to both of Jesus. First Jairus. He was a Jewish official, privy to all the gossip about Jesus and the opinions of fellow Jews of rank. Yet here he is, put in the position of a beggar for Jesus’ help for his sick little daughter. He was a desperate father, a figure we can identify with. He was willing to reach out to anyone who could help him.

Then we have the woman, likely alone in the world with no husband to help her, and not able to get sufficient help from any doctors for 12 years. So, she too reaches out to the one person she knew could help her.

In the case of Jesus, He appreciates the faith behind the pleas of both persons and responds. Jesus is the calm in the midst of chaos and is in full control of both situations and of the divine power that He bears. How essential it is to have someone calm and in control at times like these if we are to get a handle on things. What does Jesus say to Jairus? Something that we all should remember: “Do not be afraid; just have faith.”

Jesus’s words bring me right back to the homily Pope St. John Paul II gave at his inaugural Mass when he too proclaimed: “Do not be afraid!” The circumstances were different from these two scenes 2,000 years ago. But the world situation in 1978 was much like it is in 2024, one of confusion and sickness of spirit. So, we need to hear Jesus say it loud and clear once again: “Do not be afraid; just have faith!”

What’s your “faith quotient?” What’s mine? A question we need to ask and answer. Not just when we are sick or facing death, but right here and right now.

Here are two thoughts about faith that I found:

1. “The greatest act of faith takes place when a person finally decides that he or she is not God.”
2. “Not as many people have lost faith in America as you might think. An awful lot of them sign up for a 30-year “mortgage.”

God love you and keep the Faith!