

Holy Trinity Polish National Catholic Church

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Mass Intentions

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 9, 2023

9:00 AM **James Devinney**

Remembered by Gretchen and Mike Grimes

Don Schneider

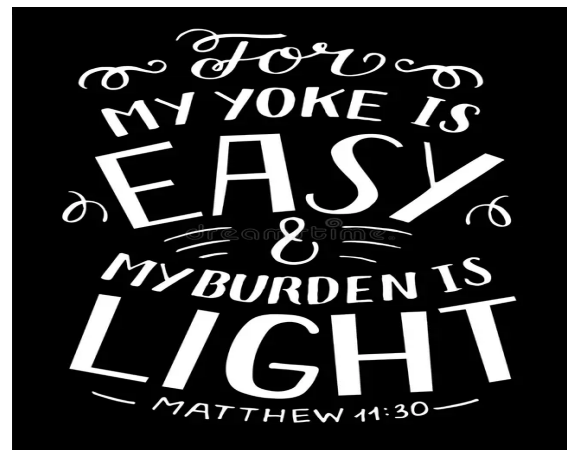
Remembered by Terry

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 16, 2023

9:00 AM **Flo and Tom Claybaugh** (July 18)

Connie and Tom Selep (July 21)

Anniversary Remembrance by Family



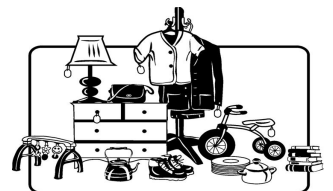
ORDINARY TIME This Sunday the scripture readings offer pastoral comfort to us all. In the **Zechariah** reading, the Lord promises Israel, and us, a savior who “shall proclaim peace to the nations.” **Matthew’s gospel** points to Jesus as the source of that peace, as he affirms his identity as the Son of God. Jesus offers himself as a relief from the burdens of our days, promising “you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.”

As we move through the week, growing in our relationship with the Lord all week, as we make these more conscious background moments of insight, recognition and connection, we can give thanks and trust, that if we are yoked with him and humbly work with trust and with abandon, we don’t have to worry. He has assured his disciples of success!

Dear Jesus, I want to be humble enough to remember that you have everything I need to make me safe and happy; to be secure and unafraid. I come to you with my burdens. Help me to take up your yoke and share what you have asked of us – caring for others. That is where I will find peace.

THE 2023 BUFFALO-PITTSBURGH DIOCESAN YOUTH RETREAT Fr. Scott Lill is organizing a Diocesan Youth Retreat at Camp Harmony in Hooversville PA (www.campharmony.com) from Sunday July 30 - Wednesday August 2 for youth from ages 8 to 20 and adult chaperones. If you and your family are interested in participating please talk with Fr. Mike.

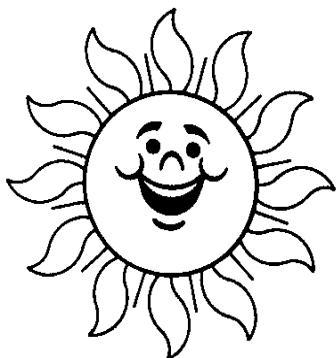
NEXT WEEKEND!!! PARISH RUMMAGE SALE!!! Our parish will be holding our annual Rummage sale on the weekend of July 14 from 6:00 to 8:00 for parishioners only and July 15. The doors will open at 8:00 and we will be open until 2:00 PM. Early bird entry will begin at 7:00 AM for a \$10 donation.. This has always been a successful event for the parish and for all of us who get to declutter and recycle some of our unwanted stuff. To that end, please begin staging all of the things that you no longer find useful but that just might be treasure to someone else. Please bring in all the items you would like to donate to the parish hall by Thursday. If you are able to volunteer a few hours on Friday or Saturday to set up or to staff the event please contact Michael Clark or Fr. Mike.



Rummage Sale

MARK YOUR CALENDARS Holy Trinity will be conducting a Summer Experience for the youth of our parish and their families on Friday July 21 and Saturday July 22. There will be videos, crafts, conversation and food. Everyone is invited to participate in this mid summer event to grow closer to the Lord Jesus and one another. Please plan to attend and kids bring your friends!

SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE Summer Sunday Mass time that will remain in place during the months of June, July and August. The Parish will celebrate Mass at 9:00 AM. We will continue to stream the Mass live each Sunday. Thanks to all for adjusting their Sunday schedule in order to continue to celebrate the Lord’s Supper with us. With only one Mass on Sunday mornings we are likely to have larger congregations. Please be sensitive to those who are coming to church to quietly pray and prepare for the celebration of the Mass. Building community and catching up with one another is an important part of parish Life with long conversations held in the social hall. Thanks for helping to create an atmosphere that is conducive to both prayer and the building of community!



PRAYER FOR SUMMERTIME Loving God, Creator of all times and places, we thank you for the gift of summertime, the days of light, warmth and leisure. Thank you for the beauty that surrounds us everywhere we look: the multi-colored flowers, the deep blue of the sky, the tranquil surface of lakes, the laughter of children at play, people strolling in parks, families gathered around picnic tables and the more time to spend with family and friends As we open our eyes and ears to the landscape of nature and people, open our hearts to receive all as gifts. Give us that insight to see you as the Divine Artist. Help us to realize and appreciate that you are laboring to keep all in existence. Warm our souls with the awareness of your presence. Let all the gifts we enjoy this summer deepen our awareness of your love so that we may share this with others and enjoy a summertime of re-creation. **AMEN**

SAMBS (Ladies of Adoration) The members of the Ladies Adoration will be hosting both breakfast and lunch during the annual Parish Rummage Sale. Coffee and Donuts will be available for purchase in the morning and for lunch, hotdogs will be on the menu with all the fixings. Please plan to stop by and look over all or the treasures that have been donated and will be available for purchase!

POLISH NATIONAL UNION, DISTRICT 5, FAMILY AND FRIENDS OUTING On Sunday August 20, 2023 the Polish National Union will host a Family and Friends day at the Washington Wild Things Stadium. An all you can eat picnic will be available at 4:15 PM and the baseball game will begin at 5:30 PM. You must sign up by July 31, 2023 Children are \$10 and adults are \$23. Please see Paulette to register for the event or to ask any questions you may have about all of the wonderful benefits that come with membership in the Polish National Union!

CHOIR NEWS FOR SUMMER We often wonder about how quickly time passes; especially when engaged in a purposeful work. So it is with our choir at Holy Trinity. These faithful and talented people, who so generously give in this music ministry, are certainly worth their weight!! We applaud our choir today and give them a much needed summertime rest. As we head into Ordinary Time in our church year, we hope and pray all have a relaxing summer holiday to recharge the battery! THANK YOU VERY MUCH! Enjoy the sunshine and may the time pass ever so slowly! AND for all those who love to sing please consider sharing your musical talents with the parish in September!

PARISH COMMITTEE MEETING The Parish Committee will meet after the 9 AM Mass on Sunday, August 20.

BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT NEW YEAR HOLY HOUR As a Eucharistic people, adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament focuses our attention on the love of God that permeates our lives and our world. On Saturday, August 5, our parish will host a Holy Hour beginning at 10:00 AM. During this time of worship, praise and prayer we will also celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing for all those who are seeking healing. All are welcome!

2023 SUPPORT ENVELOPES FOR HOLY TRINITY Thanks to all who generously support Holy Trinity parish. On Sunday July 2nd the parish received \$1,905 in our Sunday collection. In addition, the parish received \$80 in support of Missions, \$30 for HELP, the PNCC Fund received \$64 and \$100 as a donation for the use of the parish hall from AARP. Miscellaneous cash and checks were \$95. The Enhancement FUND was \$175. The total collection for the week was \$2,274. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! If you would like to have a set of envelopes for your contributions please see Paulette or Fr. Mike.

PRAY FOR THE SICK Please pray for all those who are infirmed or home bound. In a special way we pray for Beverly, Joann, Knox, Nick, Melinda, Alan and Jordan.

THE COMMUNION PRAYER *In union, O Lord, with the faithful at every altar of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. I present to you my soul and body with the earnest wish that I may always be united to you, and, since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself with you, and embrace you with all the love of my soul. Let nothing ever separate you from me. May I live in you, and may you live in me, both in this life and in the life to come. Amen. Julian of Norwich*

