

## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 29, 2018

		¢	MASS INTENTIONS
Sat.	7/28	4:00 PM	George J. Gyurko by Dan and Elva Dargay
Sun.	7/29	7:30 AM	For the People
		10:30 AM	MSG Paul Karpowich by Mrs. Judy Lutz
Mon	. 7/30	7:00 P <b>M</b>	Michelle Branz by M/M Joseph Branz and Family
Tue.	7/31	7:00 AM	Tim Mahovich by Mary Ann McGeehan
Wed	d. 8/1	7:00 AM	NO MASS
Thu	r. 8/2	7:00 AM	David and Edward Murmello by Janet Amentler and
			Gene Resuta
Fri.	8/3	7:00 AM	Francis Pelot by His Wife Sue and Daughter
			Mary Fran
Sat.	8/4	4:00 PM	Carrie Fallon and Russell Smith by Carol and Family
Sun.	8/5	7:30 AM	Kaylin Rodriguez by the Rodriguez Family
$\mathbf{i}$		10:30 AM	For the People



Last Weekend:

Sunday \$3,849.25; Dues \$1,006.00; Care and Education of Priests \$27.06; Peter's Pence \$49.00; Assumption \$2.00; Poor Box \$290.12

SECOND COLLECTION next weekend is for the Care and Education of Priests.

**CANDLES ON THE ALTAR** are in Memory of George and Verna Soltis by John and Mary Lapchak



**2019 MASS INTENTION BOOK** is open. You **MUST** use the form that was provided in the bulletin. At the present time, there are **VERY FEW** weekend masses still available. Absolutely no masses will be scheduled over the phone to avoid errors. If a mass date is unavailable, you can call St. Patrick's Church at 570-443-9944 to see if your date is available there.



**FOOD PANTRY DONATION** for August is J-ELLO pudding snack cups for children's lunches as they go back to school. The next distribution is Tuesday, August 28th.

**TOILETRIES FOR THE HOMELESS** are still being collected in the tubs in the back and side entrance of the church. All toiletries will be distributed to the homeless in our area communities through the Catholic churches in Hazleton.





Her name was Beverly. I still remember her from almost 28 years ago. Bev was the town drunk. She had also gotten into trouble several times with law enforcement. At the age of 31, she was on a downhill spiral. Her "salvation" came, ironically, when she was arrested for breaking into a beer store. She was

sentenced to 12 to 23 months in county. While in prison, she got clean and turned her life around. After her release there was a new hunger in Bev's life. This time the hunger was not for alcohol, but to simply do good for others. Her problem came when she went back to her hometown. She wanted to make amends for the wrong she had done in the past. The town's folk rejected her. All they saw was the drunk criminal. In today's Gospel, Jesus recognized that the people were hungry. HE gave them physical good but wanted to satisfy them with spiritual food. Bev was hungry too. It's too bad the folks in her hometown were unable to feed her. Look for next week's message to find out what happened to Bev.



## A VIEW FROM THE PEW, MAYBE IT'S TIME TO LISTEN.

Thomas Craughwell of the National Catholic Register reviewed a book "How the Church Influenced (and still can) Western Civilization" authored by William Slattery. In his review he mentioned the exploits of Saint Boniface (c.680-754). He was a missionary who brought the

Catholic faith and culture to then barbarian Germany. He did something missionaries rarely did in the Dark Ages, <u>listen</u>. He would sit down with pagan priests and give them the opportunity to explain what they believed and why, then and only after they finished, he would point out the faults of their arguments and explain the beauty and truth of the Catholic faith. The simple act of listening can diffuse a tense situation, convert a doubter or just result in a more pleasant discussion of a problem. All of us can do a better job of listening. It worked for St. Boniface, why not give it a try!

**A Night Under the Stars** - Flash Dinner Dance, Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, 5:45 to 11:00. Secret Venue will be revealed 1-2 hours prior to event. Black & White Semi-Formal Attire \$60/person, Cash Bar. Provide your own elegant centerpiece! To purchase tickets, go to cssdioceeofscranton.org or check us out on Facebook. All guests must be 21 years and older - Rain or Shine! For more information call 570 455-1521.





**BACKPACKS FOR OUR SCHOOL KIDS IN NEED** - We are collecting clear plastic backpacks filled with school supplies. If you would like to donate a backpack for our children in need and fill it with school

supplies, please bring it to the altar or to the church office no later than **next Sunday**, **August 5th**, so we can organize them for pickup on Saturday, August 18th. If you have trouble getting out and would like to participate, you can make a donation and we will do your shopping for you. A list of suggested supplies is available on the parish website <u>www.ourladyfreeland.org</u>.

## HAPPENINGS IN OUR AREA

**ST. JOHN BOSCO CHURCH** – The Good News is that we will be sponsoring another bus trip to see "Jesus". This will be a great opportunity for all who did not get to see the production in April 2018. It is an awesome production, the best that Sight & Sound has offered until now. We look forward to all that next year has to offer again. The date for this trip is Friday, April 26, 2019. We leave the upper parking lot at 11:45 AM. A lunch will be served while traveling.



The show is scheduled for 3:00 PM with reserved seating.



Dinner is at the famous Shady Maple Smorgasbord for 6:15 PM. We arrive back home at approximately 10:00 PM. The cost

of the trip is \$123.00/person paid in full now, or the option of \$60 now and the balance of \$63 in December, 2018. This includes transportation, lunch en route, the show, a full dinner, tip for dinner and gratuities. For reservations call Marie at (570) 455-3814. Payment is due to secure your reservation.

**CATHOLIC AUTHOR MATT WALSH**, Catholic Writer and Internet Blogger, will be giving a talk and book signing at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church on Jackson St in Scranton on August 19, 2018. The talk topic is: "Satan's Tactic For America: Don't Awaken Their Courage" and is free and open to everyone. The talk starts around 12:30 PM and there will be a book signing to follow. There will be a mass at 10:15 AM with the talk beginning immediately following. The cost is free, but a suggested donation of \$5.00 or a brunch item to share would be appreciated. For more information and reservations, please contact: juventutemscranton@gmail.com or call 570-815-1141.

WEDDING OF THE SEA bus trip will be on Wednesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>. For more info, call Mary Lloyd at 570-578-6720.

