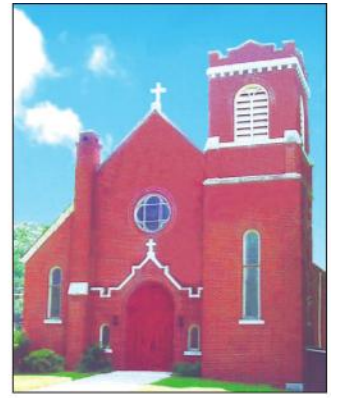


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Mary Firster (676-1219) or e-mail her at marych@usachoice.net

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms on the 4th Sunday of the month. Please call the rectory to schedule an appointment for preparation sessions and Baptism.

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Couples are to contact the Pastor at least six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays at 4:00 pm at St. Stephen or by appointment.

WEBSITE www.saint-stephens.org

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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

St. Stephen Church - 21 State Street, Oil City

Saturday: 5:30 pm Vigil

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am and 11:30 am

St. Venantius Church - 403 Main St., Rouseville

Sunday: 10:00 am

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

9:00 am - 4:00 pm Monday through Friday.

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY	July 11, St. Benedict
7:00 AM	King Williams (Mary Ann)
TUESDAY	July 12
7:00 AM	The Poor Souls in Purgatory (The Wheeler Family)
WEDNESDAY	July 13
7:00 AM	Don Lillard (Family)
THURSDAY	July 14, St. Kateri Tekakwitha
7:00 AM	Chester Cook (Rick & Shari Cook)
10:30 AM	(Golden Living) Louise Schreckengost (Family)
FRIDAY	July 15, St. Bonaventure
7:00 AM	Tom Lucas (Mary Ann)
SATURDAY	July 16
7:00 AM	For Members of Our Parish Community (Wedding) Brian Platt/Lauren Koyack)
1:30 PM	(Vigil) Judith Jetter Crane (Margaret)
5:30 PM	
SUNDAY	July 17, Sixteenth Ordinary Sunday
7:30 AM	Barbara Staab (Bob/Marjorie Cunningham)
9:00 AM	Frank Luden (Ray & Linda Stiglitz)
10:00 AM	(St. Venantius) Helen & Gene Hale (The Stubler Family)
11:30 AM	Frank A. Kleszcz (Eric & Mary Grace Baker)

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY	July 10
	2nd Collection – National Needs
	Sign Up Sheets for Festival (State Street Entrance)
12:15 p.m.	Baptism – Church
MONDAY	July 11
9:30 a.m.	SCRIP orders due – School
THURSDAY	July 14
5-6 p.m.	SCRIP orders Pick Up – School
SATURDAY	July 16
9:00 a.m.	WORK SESSION for Festival – SCHOOL PARKING LOT
4:00 p.m.	Confessions - Church

Points to ponder from Fr. Matt

During Emmaus we had our lectures in the Mr. Rogers building. During his time on PBS he reminded us of how important it is to be neighborly meaning honesty, respect, growing up, & individuality. Now we have more technology, streets more dangerous, society more mobile. We ask who is my neighbor? Now we have faceless and nameless cyber neighbors in chat rooms and Facebook. Cyber space keeps our interaction unencumbered, detached, sterile, and convenient. Neighbors have a claim on us, to be ourselves and to bring Christ to one another. Let's answer the call in the affirmative, "Won't you be my neighbor?"

PLEASE MAKE YOUR TICKET RETURNS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. If you haven't signed up to volunteer please do so today. Thank you.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 11-17

MON:Is 1:10-17/Mt 10:34—11:1
TUES:.....IS 7:1-9/Mt 11:20-24
WED:.....Is 10:5-16/Mt 11:25-27
THURS:..... Is 26:7-19/Mt 11:29-8-30
FRI: Is 38:1-22/Mt 12:1-8
SAT:Mi 2:1-5/Mt 12:14-21
SUN:.....Gn 18:1-10/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE: Children learn by watching us. Do they see you helping others like the Good Samaritan, or do they see you avoiding others like the Levite in today's gospel? You should worry more about what your children see in your life than what they see on TV. Think about it.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS: "Be your partner's cheerleader, not his/her teacher, supervisor or critic. This creates a partnership rather than a hierarchy." (Trudy Costa, "How to Create a Satisfying, Lasting Marriage")

NFP Awareness Week July 24 – 30: "Natural Family Planning. Love, Mercy, and Life. Opening the Heart of Marriage." is this year's theme for Natural Family Planning Awareness Week as designated by Bishop Persico in conjunction with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. NFP is a way of life that incorporates fertility awareness, responsible parenthood and self-mastery into married love. To learn more about this Church teaching: pick up literature from your parish, attend a class, contact your local teaching couple, or the Diocesan NFP Office at 824-1259 or at 1-800-374-3723 ext. 259. You can also visit the website <http://www.eriercd.org/nfp.htm>. Join NFP families from throughout the diocese on Sunday, July 24th at the 11 AM Mass at St. Peter Cathedral in Erie celebrated by Bishop Persico.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: Project Rachel is a program that provides a healing process for anyone who's been involved with an abortion. Call Catholic Charities Counseling & Adoption Services at 676-8263 for more information or to schedule an appointment with a counselor.

SERVERS FOR – JULY 16-17

5:30 Colin Deeter/Avery & MacKenzie Metz
7:30 Chandler Chase/Hunter Lancaster
9:00 Noah/Joshua/Sam Puleo
11:30 Andrew Giancola/Jenna Kirkwood

LECTORS FOR – JULY 16-17

5:30 Dan Wheeler 9:00 Tracy Lander
7:30 Jodi Zacherl 11:30 Megan Davis

EUCHARIST MINISTERS FOR – JULY 16-17

5:30 Tom Karg, Mike Morrison, Felicia Nelson, Susan Stewart, Mary Wolfgang
7:30 Cheryl Donze/Loretta Warcholik
9:00 Mike Deibert, Max Dudzic, Deb Mitchell, Dawn Salata, Mary Vinopal
11:30 Bill/Elaine Klapec, Bob/Deb Schumacher, Mary Ann Oliver

THE PEOPLE IN OUR PARISH:

SINCERE SYMPATHY is offered to the family and friends of **Marianne Kleck and Katharine Newman**. May they and all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS those who are sick, in nursing homes or hospitalized as well as those who serve us in the military.

ANNIVERSARY WISHES to *Jim and Marcy Amero* (St. Venantius) as they celebrate 25 years of marriage Wednesday, July 13th.

WEDDING BANNIS III: *Brian Platt/Lauren Koyack*

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We would like to thank **MARK R. GAMMELLO, DMD, General Dentistry, 1254 Liberty Street, Franklin**, for sponsoring an ad weekly in our bulletin.

A DONATION TO SCHOOL was made for Vincent Beichner and Ethel Hammely: by Helen Guth. **FOR Julia McElhaney** by: The Gibbons Family and by Rudolph & Donna Lineman. **FOR Mary Betts** by an anonymous donor.

SERVANTS OF ST. STEPHEN



We are grateful to the Eucharistic Ministers who visit the homebound on Sunday or First Friday as well as those who take Communion and visit those in our nursing homes, TCU and Rehab. Thank you for taking the time to visit those who aren't able to get to church.



THE 2ND COLLECTION this weekend is for *National Needs*, a combined collection for *Catholic Home Missions and Black and Indian Missions*.

Many diocese right here in the United States do not have enough priests and trained lay ministers to serve their parishes. These dioceses are known as home missions. Through annual grants, Catholic Home Missions provide funding for seminary formation, lay leadership training, catechetical programs, Hispanic ministries, and other essential pastoral programs. Please be generous in this appeal and share your resources to strengthen the Church's mission here in the United States.

FIFTEENTH ORDINARY SUNDAY



FESTIVAL NEWS: Lots of volunteers are needed with the Festival only a few weeks away!

WORK SESSION: Volunteers are needed to help prepare and move the booths. There will be a work session next Saturday, July 16th. Volunteers should

report to the school parking lot by 9 a.m. Please call Dan Beichner (676-6784) for more information or with questions.

Sign-up sheets are available at the front entrance. Please take a moment after Mass to sign up to work or donate items. Consider having your friends or family volunteer to work together at a booth. If you aren't able to work, maybe you can donate any of the many items needed, help make phone calls or sponsor a booth (\$50). Checks can be made to St. Stephen Festival. Everyone's participation is needed to be successful.

DONATIONS of toys (new or gently used), snack size bags of candy are needed and can be left in the boxes provided at church or dropped off at the rectory during normal business hours. For the Dime Pitch booth we need donations of glass, new or gently used glasses, plates, cups, etc. For the Basket of Cheer we are asking for donations of unopened/sealed bottles or cans of liquor, wine, pop, beer or mixers.

MASS on Saturday, July 23rd will be at 3:30 p.m. (due to the parade which begins at 5 p.m.) This time change is for that weekend only. There will be NO CONFESSIONS that day so please plan accordingly.

QUILT TICKETS can be purchased for \$2 each or 3/\$5. We are grateful to Mabel Lander for providing another beautiful quilt to raffle.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY resumes today. We hope families have appreciated and are taking advantage of offering this program through the summer.

A MASS at Golden Living will be said Thursday (14th) at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

THE FOOD COLLECTION next weekend (16-17) is for the St. Elizabeth Center. Your donations can be placed in the blue bins at the entrances. Monetary donations should be sent directly to the Center at 311 Emerald Street.



ST. VENANTIUS annual picnic will be held Sunday, August 7th. Mass will be at 11 a.m. at Oil Creek State Park (Egbert #8). There will NOT be a Mass at the church that day. Those attending are asked to bring a well-filled tureen and your own table service.

RELIGIOUS ED. NEWS: Teachers are needed in both elementary and high school for the coming year. Please consider volunteering for this important ministry. Contact Dianne Phillips at 677-3078 if you are interested or have questions.



BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS: The next class offered in the area will be held Saturday, August 6th at St. Patrick's at 10 a.m. in the staff room of Dion Auditorium. All first time parents

must attend as well as anyone who hasn't attended a class in the last 3 years as a refresher. You don't have to wait until your child is born to attend. Registration is required. Please contact the parish office at 437-5763.

SAINT STEPHEN SCHOOL NEWS

Part-time Learning Support Teaching position available for the 2016-2017 school year. Interested qualified applicants should send resume, teaching certificate, all clearances including Act 34, Child Abuse, and Federal Criminal History, and references to Venango Catholic High School, 1505 West First St.

St. Stephen School has a part-time IT manager position available. Please send resume and all clearances to 214 Reed St., Oil City, PA 16301. Contact the school office at 814-677-3035 for further information.

SCRIP orders should be placed by 9:30 a.m. Monday (11th). Pick up will be Thursday (14th) between 5-6 p.m.

Sponsor a Child's Catholic Education

St. Stephen School has several deserving students whose families struggle with tuition payments. Could you consider sponsoring a child by donating to the SSS Scholarship Fund? These donations could help a child continue to receive a Catholic education. Donations in any amount to full tuition will help the school fulfill its mission of providing quality Catholic education to all who seek it. Contributions can be sent to the school Scholarship Fund at 214 Reed St., Oil City, PA. Anyone interested in sponsoring a child's full tuition may contact Marge Hajduk at 677-3035 for details. Your consideration is appreciated and your contribution will make a difference in the life of a child.



ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS: Couples celebrating 25th, 50th or 60th or more wedding anniversaries are invited to attend the annual Diocesan

Anniversary Celebration Liturgies on Sunday, July 31, at Our Lady of Mercy Church, Harborcreek, or Sunday, August 7, at Queen of the World, St. Mary's. To register for either event or to receive a scroll by mail, please go online to <http://www.eriercd.org/anniv.htm> or contact your parish office or the Family Life Office at (800) 374-3723 ext. 250.

Please feel free to call the rectory if you are celebrating a special anniversary (ex. 25, 40, 50, 60 etc.) and would like it published in the bulletin. We will be happy to put in and encourage you to call. We don't always know if you don't tell us! Just a reminder that our bulletin gets sent to the publisher on Tuesday.

ST. STEPHEN CHURCH INCOME & EXPENSES FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2016

Income:	
Offertory	\$30,454
Bequests/Gifts	-0-
CSA	15,000
Miscellaneous	609
TOTAL	\$46,063
Expenses:	
Administration: Clergy: Benefits/Salaries	\$ 2,773
Employee Benefits & Salaries	6,733
Diocesan Assessment	10,958
Plant & Maintenance Supplies	491
Utilities	2,233
Elementary School Support	14,250
Secondary School Support	3,267
Religious Education	1,319
Repairs, Real Estate	5,000
Miscellaneous	2,046
Major Construction	-0-
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