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## JUNE 2016

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

June Klimkewicz	06-01- Jersie Duytschaver	06-05
Cora Street	06-05 Leslie Rennick	06-11
Laura Kubiak	06-24 Gwen Murphy	06-26

### Anniversaries:

Fr. Jerry Rafalko – Ordination to the Holy Priesthood - 06-08-1980

Kelly & Matthew Duytschaver 06-12-2010

Michelle & Jim Johnson 06-22-1999

*May God Bless You and grant you all a very happy birthday and anniversary !!!*

### SCHEDULE OF OUR REGULAR ACTIVITIES

*/Unless otherwise announced/*

- Parishioners Meeting - Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> after the H. Mass.
- Ladies Adoration Soc. Meeting - Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m. and June 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.
- Father's Day celebration – Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup>
- Special Collection for the Clergy Pension Plan – Father's Day Sunday June 19<sup>th</sup> please use your special envelope for this collection.

## A word for graduates

Congratulations to the young members of our congregation who are graduating! No doubt they look forward to the next phase of their lives with excitement, anticipation and perhaps a little apprehension.

We hope these words, adapted from Phillips Brooks, will serve graduates well as they embark on their journeys:

“Do not pray for an easy life; pray to be a stronger person. Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers but for powers equal to your tasks. Then the doing of your work shall be no miracle, but you will be the miracle. Every day you shall wonder at yourself and the richness of life which has come to you by the grace of God.”

### MASSES FOR SUNDAYS AND SOLEMNITIES

#### June 5<sup>th</sup>, Sunday – 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. Holy Mass + Rev. Zdzislaw and Maria Sokolski by Peter Sokolski

11:00 A.M. Holy Mass for the health of all from the prayer list

#### June 12<sup>th</sup>, Sunday – 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. Holy Mass + Jim Kursock by Leslie Rafalko

11:00 A.M. Holy Mass

#### June 19<sup>th</sup>, Sunday- 12 Sunday in Ordinary Time

##### Father's Day- Family Sunday

9:00 A.M. Holy Mass for the intention of all the families in our parish  
Refreshment after the Holy Mass

**No Mass at 11:00 A.M.**

#### June 26<sup>th</sup>, Sunday – 13 Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. Holy Mass + Shirley & Glenn Dennison by Connie Weber

11:00 A.M. Holy Mass

## What is a father?

Being of the male species does not make a man a father, for a dad is a special blend of hero, disciplinarian, a friend, someone to look up to, someone to model ... someone with a touch of the “mother” in him, someone who is big enough to say, “The fault was mine” ... someone who lives the kind of life that makes you want to say, “I, too, shall follow him!”

—Dr. Alton Kaul

## What is a Christian family?

A CHRISTIAN FAMILY is one in which parents so live the Christian life, and practice the presence of God that children come to accept God as the greatest reality of life.

A CHRISTIAN FAMILY is one in which each member is accepted and respected as a person having sacred worth.

A CHRISTIAN FAMILY is one that accepts the responsibility of worship and instruction to the end of developing the spiritual life of each person.

A CHRISTIAN FAMILY is one that manifests a faith in God, observes daily prayer and grace at meals.


A CHRISTIAN FAMILY is one that is committed to behavior in keeping with Christian ideals for family relations, community life, and national and world citizenship.

## Father's Day

The first celebration of Father’s Day is thought to have been in July 1908, in Fairmont, West Virginia. Grace Golden Clayton suggested the special observance to her pastor after a deadly explosion in a nearby town killed 361 men.

Soon after, Sonora Smart Dodd of Spokane, Washington, wanted to show her gratitude to her father, who’d cared for the family after his wife died. Dodd asked her pastor to choose a June Sunday to honor all fathers, and he selected June 19, 1910.

In 1924, President Coolidge suggested that Father’s Day become a national holiday. In 1966, President Johnson designated the third Sunday of June to be Father’s Day. Six years later, President Nixon instituted Father’s Day as a national observance.



### Fathers of faith

Fathers do amazing things for their families, but the greatest gift our dads can share with us is their faith in God.  
Complete this puzzle to read Isaiah’s advice to fathers.

**Directions:** Working left to right, first write down all the 1’s in the word blanks. Continue with the 2’s and finally the 3’s.

<b>1</b> The	<b>2</b> as	<b>3</b> tell	<b>1</b> living
<b>2</b> I	<b>3</b> their	<b>1</b> the	<b>2</b> am
<b>3</b> children	<b>1</b> living	<b>2</b> doing	<b>3</b> about
<b>1</b> they	<b>2</b> today	<b>3</b> your	<b>1</b> praise
<b>2</b> fathers	<b>3</b> faithfulness	<b>1</b> you	

“ \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ — \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ ; \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ .” Isaiah 38:19, NIV

Answer: “The living, the living — they praise you, as I am doing today; fathers tell their children about your faithfulness.” Isaiah 38:19, NIV



2016  
JULY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Connie Sturtevant	07-01	Jennifer Kubinsky	07-01
Paul Lamb	07-01	Lynne Lamb	07-07
Bailey Kubinsky	07-08	Kenneth Dennison	07-13
Nancy Ball	07-15	Richard Phelps	07-15
MaryJo Gibson	07-16	Ron Saey	07-20
Terry Klimkewicz	07-21	Taylor Lang	07-27
Erick Lang	07-31		

Wedding Anniversary:

Fr. Jerry and Leslie	07-07-1990
Kathy and Bert Erdmann	07-31-2010
Laura & Richard Kubiak	07-12-1980

*May God Bless You and grant you all a very happy birthday and anniversary !!!*

SCHEDULE OF OUR ACTIVITIES

/ Unless otherwise announced/

Parishioners Meeting- Sunday, July 10<sup>th</sup> after the 9:00 a.m. Mass  
Ladies Adoration Soc. Meeting - the day will be announced  
**July 4th – Polish food at the church hall.**

SHARING THE LOAD

Some time ago, at a Midwestern county fair, a contest was held to see which draft horse could pull the heaviest load. One horse pulled a sled with a load of 4,500 pounds. It was the champion. The second-place winner managed to drag 4,000 pounds. When the contest was over, one horse owner suggested that it would be interesting to see how many pounds the two horses could pull together. When the animals were harnessed together they were able to pull 12,000 pounds! Together they had pulled 3,500 pounds more. Is there a message there? Church members working together can accomplish far more than can alone.

JULY 4<sup>th</sup> Monday

Traditionally our parish will serve Polish Food in the church hall. We need as much help as possible.

AUGUST - HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Martin Gibson	08-07	Andrea Lang	08-08
Brice Webster	08-15	Savannah Evans	08-15
Jamee Dana	08-17	Kaylee Anderson	08-18
Tami Petty	08-19	Rene Verstraete	08-20
Roschell Webster	08-26	Amy Leanna Rodak	08-27
Eric Duytschaver	08-28		

Sponsors

Brock Tumbleson 08-18

Wedding Anniversary

G & F. Murphy 8-25-1979  
Cassandra & Mike Kubinsky 08-14-2010

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SCHEDULE OF OUR ACTIVITIES

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Parishioners Meeting- Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup> after the Holy Mass  
Ladies Miss. Soc. Meeting Wednesday August 3<sup>rd</sup>  
**Parish cook out and picnic will be announced**

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## What attracts people to church?

Why do people select a particular church? A convenient location? Yes. A good speaker in the pulpit? Yes. Inspiring music? Yes. An attractive building? Yes.

But a more essential element in attracting visitors, newcomers and prospective members is friendliness — both in the pew and throughout the community. Where there is a warm, dynamic congregation with an enthusiasm that's contagious, visitors will usually be found, and will return. A church can buy many advantages with money, such as nice buildings, trained leadership, effective advertising and an abundance of supplies for spiritual and social use. But old-fashioned friendliness, of which the world is sorely in need, can't be purchased with money. It comes only from the hearts of dedicated people who love God and enjoy helping others feel at home in their church.

### How would you feel ...

If God gave us the same amount of time and attention that we devote to him?

If God put as many things ahead of us as we put ahead of him?

If God offered as many excuses as we do and if the excuses were not more justifiable than ours?

If God's promises were no more certain than ours?

If God withheld his blessings from us as we withhold our offerings to him?

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## MASSES INTENTIONS FOR SUNDAYS - JULY

### July 3<sup>rd</sup>, Sunday –14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM. Holy Mass for the intention of Father Jerry and Leslie

11:00 A.M. Holy Mass .....

### July 10<sup>th</sup>, Sunday – 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. Holy Mass + Jim Kursock by Ladies Adoration Society

11:00 A.M. Holy Mass .....

### July 17<sup>th</sup>, Sunday – 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. Holy Mass + Robert Berlinski by Leslie Rafalko

11:00 A.M. Holy Mass .....

### July 24<sup>th</sup>, Sunday – 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. Holy Mass + Leo Saey by his family

11:00 A.M. Holy Mass .....

### July 31<sup>st</sup>, Sunday – 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. Holy Mass + Edward & Caroline Weber by Connie Weber

11:00 A.M. Holy Mass .....

## MASSES INTENTIONS FOR SUNDAYS - AUGUST

### August 7<sup>th</sup>, -19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. Holy Mass + Jerry Rux by Kathy & Bert Erdmann

11:00 A.M. Holy Mass .....

### August 14<sup>th</sup>, - 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. Holy Mass + Fran Kubinsky by Dave Holtschult

11:00 A.M. Holy Mass .....

### August 21<sup>st</sup>, - 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. Holy Mass + Clara Herriot – by Leslie Rafalko

11:00 A.M. Holy Mass .....

### August 28<sup>th</sup>, -22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. Holy Mass + Rev. Zdzislaw & Maria Sokolski by Peter Sokolski

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Saturday, August 6, Solemnity of the Transfiguration of our Lord

Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup> – The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday – August 26<sup>th</sup> – The Solemnity of the Blessed Mother Mary of Czestochowa

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## Five steps to a friendlier church

1. Speak to the other person first. Don't wait for him or her to take the initiative.
2. If there is someone you don't know, introduce yourself to him or her.

3. Be pleasant in your words and expressions. A great church cannot be built with frowns.

4. Invite newcomers to a worship service or to a church event and introduce them to other members.

5. Encourage people to participate in those church activities that interest them.

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### **Grace is a gift**

When we work an eight-hour day and receive eight hours' pay for our efforts, that is a **WAGE**.

When we compete with an opponent and receive a trophy for our superior performance, that is a **PRIZE**.

When we receive something in recognition for our service or achievement, that is an **AWARD**.

But when we can earn no wage, can win no prize and deserve no award — yet we receive such a gift — that is unmerited favor. That is undeserved kindness. That is **GRACE**.

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### **How to pray**

**Pray** where you are. God is present everywhere and ready to listen.

**Pray**, when possible, in a quiet place where you can be alone. It is good to fix your mind deliberately on God, apart from confusing distractions.

**Pray** to God simply and naturally, as to a friend. Tell him what is on your mind. Get help from the prayers of others.

**Pray**, remembering the good things God has done for you. Give thanks for all your blessings.

**Pray** for God's forgiveness for the unworthy things you may have done. He is near to a humble and contrite heart.

**Pray** especially for those things that will make your life more Christlike.

**Pray** for others, remembering the help they need for the situations they confront.

**Pray** for the world in its need, and for God to guide you toward ways you can help.

**Pray** that God's will be done in you. His purposes are deeper and wiser than our own.

**Pray**, and then allow God to answer your prayer.

## **A parent's prayer**

Heavenly Father,

Make me a better parent. Teach me to understand my children, to listen patiently to what they have to say, and to answer all their questions kindly. Keep me from interrupting them or contradicting them. Make me as courteous to them as I would have them be to me. Forbid that I should ever laugh at their mistakes, or resort to shame or ridicule when they displease me. May I never punish them for my own selfish satisfaction or to show my power. Let me not tempt my child to lie or steal. And guide me hour by hour that I may demonstrate by all I say and do that honesty produces happiness. Reduce, I pray, the meanness in me. And when I'm out of sorts, help me, Lord, to hold my tongue.

May I ever be mindful that my children are children, and I should not expect of them the judgment of adults. Let me not rob them of the opportunity to wait on themselves and to make decisions. Bless me with the bigness to grant them all their reasonable requests and the courage to deny them privileges I know will do them harm. Make me fair and just and kind. And fit me, Lord, to be loved, respected and imitated by my children. Amen.

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## **Declaration of interdependence**

Let it be declared, announced and hereby celebrated ...

- That all people everywhere are dependent upon one another.
- That everyone needs everyone else for freedom, life, love and happiness.
- That all things in the natural order are dependent upon everything else.
- That our little planet and all the planets and stars in the solar systems are in a state of mutual dependence upon one another.
- That this universally shared dependence comes from God and is of God.
- And that each individual part of this relationship has its own part to play — its own destiny to fulfill in God's plan.