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The 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



August 16th, 2026

9am Mass: Carl Bogzevitz of. by son Bruce

Readings: Isaiah 56:1,6-7; Romans 11:13-15,29-32; Matthew 15:21-28

Lector- Barb Bogzevitz

Greeter- Cathy Avondet

Collectors- Pete O'Connor & John Kasperczyk

Saint – Hyacinth, Confessor

- Coffee Hour after Holy Mass

- Hall Rental – 2-6pm

Welcome

Welcome to all parishioners and visitors this day. Please enjoy Holy Mass and consider coming downstairs for coffee hour afterward. For our visitors, it is wonderful to have you, be it the first or fifth or fifteenth time worshipping with us. If you have not done so quite yet, we would love to get to know you better- Please fill out the yellow cards found at each pew and drop in the collection basket –thank you for being with us!

Sacraments

The Polish National Catholic Church (PNCC) acknowledges 7 Sacraments, available to the faithful. Communion is distributed by intinction, that is, the Body of Christ is dipped into the Blood of Christ and placed directly on the communicant's tongue. Penance is imparted generally at the beginning of each Mass; the Word of God is experienced as well. Should you desire private confession, please see a priest.

Discuss Baptism, Confirmation, Matrimony with Fr. Jason.

The Week Ahead

MONDAY, August 17th – Edwin of Northumbria, King/Martyr

9am – Holy Mass (Traditional Rite) of the Day

TUESDAY, August 18th – Mirin, Abbott

WEDNESDAY, August 19th – Ludmila, Martyr

4pm – Food Ministry served in the parking lot

THURSDAY, August 20th – Helen, Widow

10am – Holy Mass of the Day – **Fr. P.**

12:30pm – Lunch Fellowship – see announcement

6-8pm: Women's AA

FRIDAY, August 21st – Stephen I, King

9am – Holy Mass of the Day

SATURDAY, August 22nd – Timothy, Martyr

9am – Tee times for golfing event – see announcement

10:30am-Noon – Polish Classes (adult)

8pm - AA meets

SUNDAY, August 23rd – The 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time

9am Mass: Thomas Petrie of. by the family

Readings: Isaiah 22:15,19-23; Romans 11:33-36; Matthew 16:13-20

Lector- Bruce Bogzevitz

Greeter- Eileen Kasperczyk

Collectors- Pete Moritz & Gene Stepanik

Saint – Philip Benizi, Confessor

- Coffee Hour after Holy Mass

Announcements

CANON –Today, and for all of August, we will use the 3rd Eucharistic Prayer, the Canon of St. Basil on page 84.

SATURDAY SOLEMNITY – Should the church still smell of incense, herbs, and flowers, the Solemnity of the Dormition of the Blessed Virgin Mary was celebrated joyfully yesterday. Perhaps the preeminent feast day of our Patroness, we continually seek her prayers and intercession.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH- The next meal is tentatively 12:30pm Thursday, Aug 20th. It will be taking place at Simon's Restaurant in Brecksville, right near the entrance to the famous Brecksville Reservation of the Cleveland Metroparks if you are then in the mood to "walk off" your lunch! See Barb Bogzevitz to let her know you are coming in order to place a proper reservation.

CATECHISM CLASSES – September brings anew the opportunity for children and adults to begin classes in preparation for 1st Communion or Confirmation. Please contact Fr. Jason with any questions or to enroll yourself or your child/grandchild for this school year.

TRUNK SALE/BAKE SALE – Is tentatively scheduled for early September. You purchase a two parcel parking lot spot and can sell from your trunk and/or tables for \$10, keeping all proceeds. See Susan Boehnlein if interested. This event will need plenty of help from the faithful of St. Mary's to take place successfully.

HOME VISITATIONS – If anyone knows a parishioner or family member that would like a clergy visit, please contact Fr. Jason.

AUGUST ADORATION – Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament for the month of August will take place from 6-7pm on the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Czestochowa, August 26th. Holy Mass will follow Adoration at 7pm.

HELP WANTED! – We are looking for a Sunday School teacher to begin in September, be it every Sunday or perhaps every-other. Please see Fr. Jason today if you would be willing to step up for the children of our parish.

A DEVOUT– Old shepherd lost his favorite Bible while he was out looking for a wayward lamb. Three weeks later, a sheep walked up to him carrying the Bible in its mouth. The shepherd couldn't believe his eyes. He took the precious book out of the sheep's mouth, raised his eyes heavenward and exclaimed, "It's a miracle!" "Not

UPCOMING

Aug 20 – Lunch Fellowship
Aug 22 – Nat'l Golf Tourn. (PA)
Aug 23- Fr. Jason mini-class
Aug 26- Sacrament Adoration
Sep 12/19 – Tent. Trunk Sale
Sep 13 – Parish Comm. Meets
Sep 19 – Seniorate Meeting
Sep 28-30- General Synod (NH)
Oct 4 – Pet Blessing
Nov – Gospel Music event

really," said the sheep. "Your name is written inside the cover."

GOSPEL COMMENTARY – St. John Chrysostom notes on today's gospel: "But Christ says, I am not sent, but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel. What then did the woman, after she heard this? Was she silent, and did she desist? Or did she relax her earnestness? By no means, but she was the more insistent. But it is not so with us; rather, when we fail to obtain, we desist; whereas it ought to make us the more urgent.

GOLF TOURNAMENT – On Saturday August 22nd, a number of tee times are reserved at Seneca Golf Course on Broadview Rd. at 9am. If you are interested in golfing, please see Fr. Jason or George Bennett. Golfers and their families are invited to a bbq after the event as well – please indicate that you are interested in attending this.

Prayer List

Please pray for these St. Mary's parishioners, family and friends:

Helen Cummings	Shannon Alberino	Tom Pietka
Bill Kastak	Marty Bengela	Jay Jurczyk
Johanna Markiewicz	Sage McLane	Jim Lukas
Bill & Pat Glatzer	Wanda Clark	Shyanna Tiller
Dave Tuma	Sue Simenc	Marilyn Girard
Lew & Margaret Heifner	Ron Ference	Jo Orlowski
Andy Cannizzaro	Millie Dominik	Greg Banaszak
Jack Spilka & John Spilka	Nicole McGivern	Elaine Repede
Steve & Astrid Wisniewski	Jane Walo	Rev. Greg Gronn
Sue Penney	Beth Chihill	Bob Kaczmarek
Michelle Ostrowski	Jane Hunter	Joe Litto
Jay Grabowsky	George Bennett	Kenny Mach
Patrick & Jennifer Kmitt	Chester Johnson	Bill Zychowski
Chris Avondet	Amanda Monyak	Paulette Lilli
Cherise Pacanovsky	Loretta Baldwin	Cecelia Hall
George Makovicka	Judy Alexin	Louise Moritz
James & Bobbi Moss	Cathy Pieciak	Kenneth Parks
George & Rose Ann Ziefle	Sheri Sefcik	Jeffery Kirchner
Rich Dombrowski	Bryson Dzuroff	Diane Black
Margaret & Willy Moore	Stephanie Milla	Toni Colwell
Kathleen Sobocinski	Caroline O'Connor	Linda Marks
Linda & Rick Duffy	Kim Penney	Esther Stepanik
Jean Moonlite	Kathy Sagy	Matt Sefcik

AND ALL OTHERS!

Bless them, O Lord.

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