

# 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time August 8, 2021

## LET US PRAY

### WEEKLY INTENTIONS

**Saturday, August 7 St. Sixtus II & Companions, St. Cajetan, Blessed Virgin Mary**

4 pm Constanca Alday - William & Jessica Burke

**Sunday, August 8 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

10:30 am Trudy Kasubinski - Walter Kasubinski

**Monday, August 9 St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross**

No Mass

**Tuesday, August 10 St. Lawrence**

8:30 am Mary Josephine Burke - Fr. Paul Mast

**Wednesday, August 11 St. Claire**

8:30 am Living Intention Helga LaSana & Fr. Andre LaSana

- Neda Biggs

**Thursday, August 12 St. Jane Frances de Chantal**

8:30 am Jimmy Biggs - Neda Biggs

**Friday, August 13 Saints Pontian & Hippolytus**

8:30 am Margaret McGuirk - Joan Werres

**Saturday, August 14 St. Maximilian Kolbe**

4 pm Patricia Gardner - Barbara Dean

**Sunday, August 15 The Assumption**

10:30 am Parishioners of the Blessed Virgin Mary

### Bread & Wine Offering

-Wednesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, in Memory of Lindsay Rohman, at the request of Gerald & Linda Mood.

-Thursday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, in memory of Charles Porter, at the request of Janet Alexander

**Bread & Wine for the Eucharist** are given in prayer for an increase in religious vocations.

**Our Sanctuary Lamp In Church** burns in loving memory of Deacon Charles Robinson at the request of Laverne Dykes.

### We Pray for Our Sick and Those in Need of Our Prayers

To have someone's name added to the Bulletin for prayers, please email [submission@saintpolycarp.org](mailto:submission@saintpolycarp.org) or call the office and leave a message. Names will remain on the prayer list for six weeks unless other arrangements have been requested.

Lily Griffiths, Carol Donahue, Rob Miller, Gordon Hollander, Carol Hurst, Ed Stachow, Patty Moon, Christie Moon, Ben Walters, Michelle Dean, Austin & Dylan Dean, Kenny Bullins, Deirdre Moor, Linda Blow, Mariann Pierson, Ron Ivory, Ruth Staub, Pope Francis, and all those suffering from Covid-19.

### We Pray for our Deceased

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

**Prayer Chain** – To request prayers or to be part of our Prayer Chain, contact Laverne at [laverne427@icloud.com](mailto:laverne427@icloud.com) or (302) 653 – 8064.

**Rosary by Telephone:** Tuesday mornings at 10 am. Contact Jill at (302) 653 - 3836 or [jill\\_mercer@yahoo.com](mailto:jill_mercer@yahoo.com).

**Flame of Love Rosary:** Thursdays at 6:30 pm in the Church. Email Roxanne at [roxmb@gmail.com](mailto:roxmb@gmail.com) or leave a message or text (302) 242 - 6484 for details.

## LITURGY

### THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Sunday, August 15<sup>th</sup>

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Solemnity and a Holy Day of Obligation. This year The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary falls on a Sunday and will be celebrated at both Masses next weekend.

One of the fundamental teachings of the Roman Catholic Church concerns the dogma of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – the belief that Mary was taken up, body and soul, into heaven. It is believed that Mary died (either in Jerusalem or Ephesus) but before her body had a chance to decay, Mary was taken, body and soul, into heaven.

The Church has celebrated The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary since the sixth century. Pope Pius XII declared this essential teaching a dogma of the Church in his apostolic constitution, *Munificentissimus Deus*, in 1950. This dogma states: **"the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory"**. Pope Pius XII, in the apostolic constitution, writes multiple times that Mary died before being assumed into heaven.

### Jesus Loves The Little Children

**Our "Cry Room" is available again for those times when you just need it!**



## Blessings

The *Blessing of Athletes* will take place at the 4pm Mass on Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup> and the 10:30 am Mass Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup>.



### CALLED TO SERVE



Fifteen men from Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore were ordained to the permanent diaconate. **15!** What a great reason to celebrate! It is also fitting that we give thanks to God for these fifteen men who heard the call of God and responded to that call. They are all shining examples of

Jesus' followers hearing God's call and responding faithfully to His call. To view the recorded ordination visit <http://youtube.com/DioceseofWilm>.

Please pray for these newly ordained Permanent Deacons as they begin their ministry of service to the people of our diocese.

### FLAME OF LOVE ROSARY

*"My Precious Blood warms up and sets into motion the frozen, paralyzed energy of your souls. I am pouring it out and will continue to pour it in all the men in the entire world inasmuch as they submit to the holy treatment of My divine hand. Allow Me to act within your soul. Why should you desire to remain men with coarse souls? If only you accepted to become divine, I would find My joy in you, and live with you."* (pg. 186 First Edition of the *Spiritual Diary of Elizabeth Kindelmann*)

Please join us on Thursday nights at 6:30 pm in the Church. If you have any questions, call, text, or email Roxanne at (302) 242 - 6484 or [Roxsmb@gmail.com](mailto:Roxsmb@gmail.com).

### SOCIAL CONCERNS



We will once again be collecting for the local food pantry. The Smyrna - Clayton Food Pantry is in need of small juices, boxes of dry cereal, small jars of peanut butter, canned fruits, and canned soups. The pantry is asking that canned items have the pop top lids (homeless people may not have can-openers). Coupons (no need to clip) are also needed. The tubs for your food donations are in the hallway outside of the Mother Drexel Hall.

\*\*\* Please no expired food. \*\*\*

### CHRISTIAN FORMATION

## *Change the World: Become a Catholic!*

This month we celebrate Our Lady's final journey to God in her glorious Assumption. Now more than ever in our lifetime, we need to pray for her intercession to draw souls to the Sacred Heart of her Son. For many this may lead them to the Catholic faith, through the process known as The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), a spiritual journey of conversion to God and what he intends for our life.

The RCIA is the process by which persons who were never baptized, baptized in other faith traditions, or baptized Catholic, but not *"fully initiated"* in the Church through Confirmation and the Eucharist become **full members** of the Catholic Church, a people on pilgrimage to our Heavenly Father.

**You can make a difference!** If you are aware of someone who is looking for new direction in their life, perhaps they will find their way in the Catholic Church.

You can... change a life by *"personally inviting"* them to one of our upcoming RCIA Inquiry sessions on Monday evenings, August 23<sup>rd</sup> and August 30<sup>th</sup>. Our sessions will take place in the PSR Library at 6:30 pm. Again, these sessions are for those **unbaptized, those baptized in other Christian traditions, or adult Catholics who have not been confirmed. Yes..., you can make a difference in someone's life... by simply asking!**

For information, please contact Deacon Frank Weber at [DeaconFrank@saintpolycarp.org](mailto:DeaconFrank@saintpolycarp.org) or leave a message with the Parish office at (302) 653 - 8279.

### CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON MARIAN PILGRIMAGE

with Bishop William Koenig at the  
Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate  
Conception, Washington, D.C.

Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>  
from 10 am to 4 pm

<https://saintpolycarp.org/marian-pilgrimage/>



If you looked down at your phone and saw that God was calling you, would you answer your phone?

I hope your answer is YES!!! Our PSR family is ready to welcome you to our team!! Our team is dedicated to creating a loving and caring environment for our young children so that their faith grows stronger and stronger each week. We can ALL make a difference if we just say YES!!

What position fits YOU most?

- Greeters/Hall Monitors for Sunday morning & Tuesday evening
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Catechist on Tuesday evening

Contact Erica Taylor, CRE at (302) 653 – 4101 or [dre@saintpolycarp.org](mailto:dre@saintpolycarp.org) if you want to be a part of something bigger than yourself. She will work with you and ease all your nerves.

**Do not miss the call!!!**

### FAITH ENVIRONMENT/SAFE ENVIRONMENT



Want to learn more about how young people are kept safe as they participate in ministry in the Diocese of Wilmington? Take some time this week and watch the 30 minute presentation on safe environments on the Diocese of Wilmington website. For more information visit [www.cdow.org](http://www.cdow.org) and click the FSGC logo. To view the video <https://www.cdow.org/giving/fsgc-video/>

### HELP WANTED



The parish office is looking for a few extra hands to help as a Front Desk Receptionist during the week, either 9 am to 12 noon or 12 noon to 3 pm.

If you are interested or would like more information, please call Teresa in the Parish Office at 653-8279 or email [office@saintpolycarp.org](mailto:office@saintpolycarp.org).



Please check the LOST & FOUND box on top of the file cabinet (across from the Men's room) and take what belongs to you. It will be emptied on Monday, August 16<sup>th</sup>. Items include:

- York water bottle
- black and red umbrella
- navy blue, Fleet Street windbreaker with hood (size adult S)
- navy blue fleece button up Hasting & Smith sweater (size adult M)

All items remaining after Monday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, will be donated to those in need.



Please note: We no longer accept/recycle ink cartridges or toners. Please do not leave them on the tables or in the Lost and Found bin. Thank you!

### HAPPENING ELSEWHERE

#### JOB OPENING

##### Administrative Assistant for Religious Education

The Sacred Heart Parish in Chestertown, MD is seeking a Part-time Administrative Assistant for the Religious Education Department. The Administration Assistant works collaboratively with the Christian Formation team, clergy, parents, and students to support the faith formation programs. See the Bulletin overflow for details.

<https://saintpolycarp.org/this-weeks-bulletin/>

## FINANCE COUNCIL

### ST. POLYCARP'S 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL STEAK DINNER AND GOLF TOURNAMENT

**Sign Up Now to join** your fellow parishioners for St. Polycarp's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Steak Dinner and Golf Tournament at Maple Dale Country Club in Dover, DE on **Sunday, September 12<sup>st</sup>**. The plated steak dinner at this beautiful country club costs \$35.00 and/or Golf Tournament with lunch, green fee, golf cart, on course beverages, gift bags, prizes, and steak dinner costs \$125.00 per golfer or \$460.00 for a team of four. The registration forms will be in the bulletins the weekends of August 7<sup>th</sup> and August 8<sup>th</sup> as well as August 21<sup>st</sup> and August 22<sup>nd</sup>. The form can also be found on the Saint Polycarp website. You can also register online at [membership.faithdirect.net/events/details/7142](http://membership.faithdirect.net/events/details/7142) (you do not have to be using egiving).

For more information, contact: Larry Borgman at [lborgaman007@gmail.com](mailto:lborgaman007@gmail.com) and (302) 389 – 6018 or Kathy Willes [kdwilles@comcast.net](mailto:kdwilles@comcast.net) and (302) – 670 – 7330.



### SHOW YOUR SUPPORT

After Masses next weekend there will be a chance for everyone to sign the Parishioners' Support Signs for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual St. Polycarp Steak Dinner and Golf Event. The signs will be displayed on the Golf Course and then at the dinner at Maple Dale Country Club on September 12<sup>th</sup>. For a \$5.00 donation you can put your names or a few words on one of these signs to show your support for this event and our parish. Members of the Golf Committee will be outside the Church doors ready to assist you.

## COLLECTIONS

August 1	Offertory	Poor Box	Parish Maintenance
Collection	\$6,093	\$235	\$624

Note: eGiving figures are reported twice a month.

**EGIVING:** Please consider signing up for eGiving to ensure your contributions are received even when you are not here for Mass. Recurring, catch up, or one-time gifts (please indicate your intention) can be made. Visit [faithdirect/DE831](http://faithdirect/DE831).

*Thank you to all those who continue to send in their envelopes and for those who have enrolled in eGiving. Thank you for your generosity and continued stewardship.*

**SECOND COLLECTION** next weekend (August 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>) is for the Cathedral of St. Peter in Wilmington, DE. The Cathedral of St. Peter is the central Church of the Wilmington Diocese. This Church is the Bishop's Church – the Bishop's Chair is here.

Did you know? The English word "Cathedral" comes from the Latin cathedra ("seat") and the Greek καθέδρα kathedra ("seat, bench").

Please consider donating generously to support the maintenance on this beautiful Cathedral.

### 50/50 RAFFLE - PROCEEDS BENEFIT OUR PSR!

Winner pulled monthly!

July Winner – \$35.50

Congratulations to Dianne Smith



Simply place \$1 in an envelope and mark 50/50 on the envelope along with your NAME and phone number. Place the envelope in the collection basket or drop off in the drop box. Winner gets half; PSR gets half! If you want to play more often, just put in whatever amount you like and we will enter you once a week for each dollar you send in! Thank you for supporting our PSR! Good luck!

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

For the most up-to-date information, visit

<https://saintpolycarp.org/calendar/>

Parish Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00 am to 3:00pm

**Saturday, August 7**

2:30 pm Confession (Church)

3:40 pm 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Rosary - Sodality (Church)

**Sunday, August 8**

**Monday, August 9**

**Tuesday, August 10**

10 am Columbiettes Rosary (Phone)

10:30 am DHCI Prayer Service

11 am Finance Council Executive Committee

6:30 pm Liturgy Committee (Library)

**Wednesday, August 11**

9:30 am Professional Staff (Library)

7 pm Pastoral Council Meeting (Library)

**Thursday, August 12**

6:30 pm Building & Maintenance (Room 7)

6:30 pm Flame of Love Rosary (Church)

**Friday, August 13**

11 am Connected in Christ (Virtual)

**Saturday, August 14**

2:30 pm Confession (Church)

5 pm Finance Council Fundraiser (Church doors – after Mass)