



THE CATHEDRAL VOICE

HOLY MOTHER OF THE ROSARY CATHEDRAL

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Welcome to Holy Mother of the Rosary Cathedral!
Whether you are a member, seeking a new spiritual home,
or just stopping in to visit, you are welcome here.

Mass is at 5 PM Saturday and 10 AM Sunday

Sunday, August 17, 2025

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Cycle C

9:30 AM Choir warm up

10:00 AM Holy Mass

Lector: Janice Jones

Monday, August 18, 2025

Mirin, Ab

8:00 AM Mass of the Day

11:30 AM Bingo

Tuesday, August 19, 2025

Ludmila, M

Wednesday, August 20, 2025

Helen, W

8:00 AM Mass of the Day

Thursday, August 21, 2025

Stephen I, K

10:00 AM Seniors Gathering – LRC

Friday, August 22, 2025

Timothy, M

8:00 AM Mass of the Day

Saturday, August 23, 2025

Philip Benizi, C

10:00 AM +Pat Delaino, by Mike Ellis

4:30 PM Choir warm up

5:00 PM Holy Mass

Lector: Beverly Basinski

Sunday, August 24, 2025

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time – Cycle C

9:30 AM Choir warm up

10:00 AM Holy Mass

Lector: Mike Pokriki

PARISH COMMITTEE COUNTERS

**AUGUST: Robert Giczkowski, Janice Jones,
Sherry Mack, Arlene Madigan**

Dear Parish Family,

Please be aware that I am available for: spiritual direction, private confession, blessing of homes, visitation of the sick, visitation of the homebound, and other pastoral ministrations. Please call the office at 716-685-5766 for an appointment.

Love and blessing,

Fr. Joseph Pasquella

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday: Judges 2:11-19 Matt 19:16-22
Tuesday: Judges 6:11-24 Matt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Judges 9:6-15 Matthew 20:1-16
Thursday: Judges 11:29-39 Matthew 22:1-14
Friday: Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14-16, 22
Matt 22:34-40
Saturday: Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17
Matthew 23:1-12

HMRC BINGO

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This Week's Team:

Team 1



**The parish office will be
closed Friday, August 22.**

Invitation to learn more about our parish

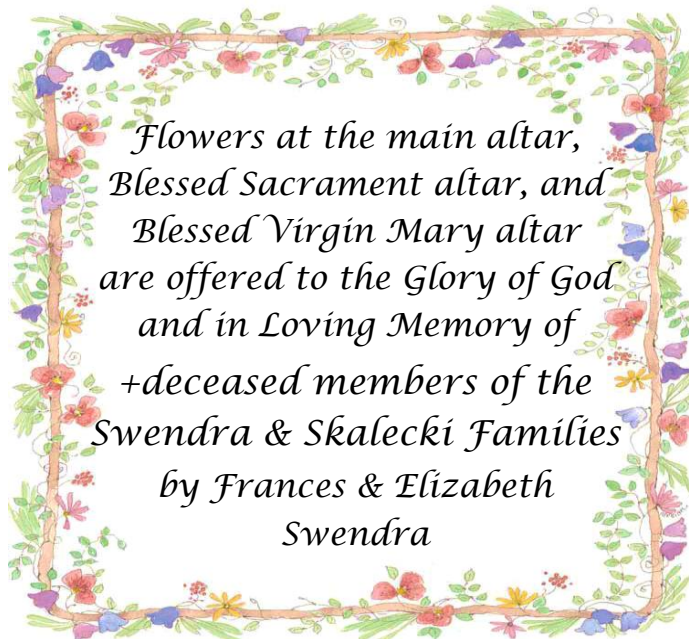
For those interested in joining our parish or learning more about us: please contact our administrative assistant Cheryl at our parish office so as to set up an appointment to meet with Bishop John or Father Joe.



Prayer for the Sick

Heavenly Father of mercy and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. May they find consolation, lasting health, and deliverance in Your healing presence, and we thank You for all Your gifts. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We pray for Raul & Debbie, Ken Brzezinski, Cheryl Eckert, Bob Giczkowski, Tom Heftka, Dave Lasek, John LoDeco, Fr. Joe Pasquella, Autumn Peterson, Vicki Rencewicz, Yvonne Seekins, Fr. Sr. Joseph Soltysiak, Denise Swantek, and Louise Szpila.



Fish Fry News

The parish is looking for one or more individuals to oversee our popular monthly fish fry. Norm Glowka is retiring from that capacity at the end of 2025. In interested, contact the parish office for additional information.



Social Media Volunteer Wanted!

The Mission & Evangelism team is looking for volunteers to help with our social media presence. It would be approximately 4-5 hours per month to assist other M&E team members. If you are interested in helping, see Sherry, Anne Marie, or Terry.

COMMUNITY EVENT

Spaghetti Dinner

Holy Trinity Parish in Woodlawn has their 7th annual all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner coming up! The eat-in/take-out dinner will be on Saturday, September 27 from 2:00 to 6:00 PM (or till sold out).

Tickets are \$15 per person (\$10 for children no older than 10) and can be purchased at the cathedral parish office or reserved by calling 716-931-9693.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Seniors Gathering: August 28, 10:00 AM, Chase the Ace

Healing Mass: September 4, 7:00 PM

General Confession & Absolution: September 6 at 4:50 PM, September 7 at 9:50 AM

Fish Fry Prep: September 11, 9:00 AM

Fish Fry: September 12, 4:00 PM to 6:30 PM or sold out

Consuming Fire

Our God is a consuming fire, the Scriptures tell us (see Hebrews 12:29; Deuteronomy 4:24). And in this week's Gospel, Jesus uses the image of fire to describe the demands of discipleship.

The fire He has come to cast on the earth is the fire that He wants to blaze in each of our hearts. He made us from the dust of the earth (see Genesis 2:7) and filled us with the fire of the Holy Spirit in baptism (see Luke 3:16).

We were baptized into His death (see Romans 6:3). This is the baptism our Lord speaks of in the Gospel this week. The baptism with which He must be baptized is His passion and death, by which He accomplished our redemption and sent forth the fire of the Spirit on the earth (see Acts 2:3).

The fire has been set, but it is not yet blazing. We are called to enter deeper into the consuming love of God. We must examine our consciences and our actions, submitting ourselves to the revealing fire of God's Word (see 1 Corinthians 3:13).

In our struggle against sin, we have not yet resisted to the point of shedding our own blood, Paul tells us in this week's Epistle. We have not undergone the suffering that Jeremiah suffers in the First Reading this week.

But this is what true discipleship requires. To be a disciple is to be inflamed with the love of our God. It is to have an unquenchable desire for holiness and zeal for the salvation of our brothers and sisters.

Being His disciple does not bring peace in the false way that the world proclaims peace (see Jeremiah 8:11). It means division and hardship. It may bring us to conflict with our own flesh and blood.

But Christ is our peace (see Ephesians 2:14). By His Cross He has lifted us up from the mire of sin and death—as He will rescue the prophet Jeremiah (see Jeremiah 38:10).

And as we sing in the Psalm this week, we trust in our deliverer.

Fr. Joe

MASS SCHEDULE – DAILY 8 AM

WEEKEND: SATURDAY 5 PM & SUNDAY 10 AM

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