

The Hard Work of Discipleship

On the streets of Calcutta, many people saw faith in action. Mother Teresa and the Missionaries of Charity did all they could for the starving people of India. They fed the hungry, cleaned their sores, and even picked maggots from their faces. When there was no more they could do, they held and loved the infirm until they died. When others thought they took foolish risks, Mother Teresa told them that she preferred the sisters to make mistakes from kindness rather than work miracles in harshness.

How often do we meet or know someone who suffers some kind of hardship? Often as we leave that person we say, "I'll pray for you." But is it enough to promise a prayer? Take the person by the hands and face him or her. Look him or her in the eye and say, "May I pray with you now?" Unless they come right out and say, "No," then start praying. Ask God to show you the way you can help and to give the person courage until you have completed that action God leads you to perform,.

1. Satan tried once again to get to Jesus by using Peter. How can Satan use someone's trusted friends and loved ones to do harm? How can we respond to friends in this situation?
2. Peter recognized Jesus as the Messiah. Where do we recognize Jesus as the Messiah in our world today? How do we deny him?
3. What crosses do we carry for Jesus? How have we been born to new life from the experience?

PARISH NEWS

Saturday Mass: September Masses will be held at St. Michael's. Please continue to watch the bulletin for further notices.

STARTING OCT. 6, ALL SATURDAY MASSES from now on will always begin at 4p, ALL YEAR ROUND. SJP will host them on even months, and SMP will host them on odd months. Please contact the Parish Council members with any questions or concerns. SJP Parish Council members are: Roger Bauer, Rick Best, Danette Karls, Anne Ochs, Danny Schmader, and Ted Schmader. SMP Parish Council members are: Bernie Beichner, Janet Fesenmyer, Tim Gilara, Jack Lauffer, Bill Schupp, and Cathy Zacherl.

(SJP & SMP) If you see Father is short on help at Mass, please step up and help. It will be greatly appreciated.

(SJP & SMP) RCIA: Right of Christian Initiation for Adults: Anyone interested in the RCIA:

- Never has been baptized
 - Never Catechized (no instruction/never received sacraments)
 - Never baptized in another faith
 - Interested in the Catholic Faith
- Please contact the Rectory at 814-226-7288

****There is a Right of Christian Initiation for children, too****

(SJP) The church is in need of someone to clean it each week. It would be approx. 4-5 hours each week. Call 226-7288 if you're interested. Thank you!

(SMP) Anyone who won Chinese Auctions prizes from the Labor Day festival can pick them up at St. Michael's school office Mon-Fri between 9a - 1p.

****Editor's note:** I made a mistake in September 9th's bulletin. The 10:00 a.m. mass at St Michael's was for all of the "unborn children" from Mr & Mrs Ron Ackerman. I offer my sincerest apologies for getting this wrong. —Maggie Ochs

PARISH NEWS

Office: Contact the office at St. Joseph with any questions or concerns you may have from either Parish. (814)226-7288. Thank you!

(SJP & SMP) If you are interested in helping Father by being on a committee such as Baptismal, RCIA, Bereavement Committee, etc., please attend the meeting on the date and time of your committee.

(SJP & SMP) Both Churches are in need of Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, & Ushers. Please call the office for more details.

(SMP) PART-TIME OFFICE HELP is needed for the Fryburg Office. Please mail resume to: PO Box 9, Lucinda, PA, 16235 or contact Cathy Zacherl @ 814-782-3938.

Prayer of the Day

Lord Jesus, I come to You in prayer and ask for the grace that I need on this day, in this time and place: To pray with confidence that You hold me dearly, through good times and days when I grow weary; To welcome You thankfully and with praise, knowing that You will seek me if I go astray; To be open to blessings and Your gifts, trusting in You, whose love and compassion uplift. Amen.

The 12th Annual Duck Drop

The Antler Club of Lucinda

Saturday, September 9, 2018

10a-1p Ducks drop at noon

Cash Prizes, Door Prizes, Bake Sale

Chicken BBQ, Hot Dogs, & Popcorn

Questions or tickets, contact the school 226-8018

Liturgy Schedule Sept. 22nd & 23rd

5:00 p.m.

SAINT MICHAEL CHURCH

Sacristan: Theresa Seitz
Altar Servers: Jamie Bauer
Euch Min: Theresa Seitz, Bernice Strauser, Darla Smerkar
Lector: Bill Aaron
Ushers: Bill Barklow, John Weaver Jr., Andrew Gilara, Michael Beichner
Rosary: Theresa Seitz

7:30 a.m.

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

Altar Servers: Braden Ochs
Euch Min: Roger & Patti Bauer, Dave Lander
Lector: Mike O'Neill
Ushers: Gib Wolbert, Doug Bauer, Randy Lander

10:00 a.m.

SAINT MICHAEL CHURCH

Sacristan: Jody Guth
Altar Servers: Own Kerle
Euch Min: Jane Schmader
Lector: Jody Guth
Ushers: Matt Gilara, Daniel Brooker, Tyler & Todd Beichner
Rosary: William Ditz
R.S. Cleaner:

Mass Schedule Sept. 17th - Sept. 23rd

Monday, Sept. 17th

7:45 a.m. - (SJP) Margaret & Richard Bauer, Aloysius & Theresa Gatesman by Sue Gatesman & Susie Carbaugh

Tuesday, Sept. 18th

8:30 a.m. - (SJP) Steve Lander by Greg & Sue Mealy

Wednesday, Sept. 19th

8:00 a.m. - (SMP) Hermes B. Ditz by Ted & Susanna Kurtzhals
8:30 a.m. - (SMP) LAUDS

Friday, Sept. 21st

8:00 a.m. - (SMP) Ray & Flo Fesenmyer & family by Bob & Judy
8:30 a.m. - (SMP) LAUDS

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confession is at St. Michael's @ 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 22nd

5:00 p.m. - (SMP) Parish Family

Sunday, Sept. 16th

7:30 a.m. - (SJP) Debbie Anderson by Brad & Betsy Ochs
10:00 a.m. - (SMP) Deceased parents of Mr. & Mrs. Ron Ackerman

Collection Counters Sept. 22nd & 23rd

SJP: Bridget Collett, Ed Carroll, Steve Hoover
SMP: Mary Dechant, Andrew Gilara, Nicholas Banner

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE burning in memory of

SJP: Duff, Dorothy, & Joe Kerle by Sister Monica
SMP: Peg Detar by Theodore & Pamela Weaver

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Parish Family, All Special Intentions

Service People on Active Duty

Ray Judy, Jayleigh Ochs, Jim Sherbine, Tim Nicewonger, Brendan & Edward George, Punkie Griebel, Jim Pfaff, Jake Slegel, Melissa Johnson, Deacon Mike, and a special intention
All victims of disasters and violence

If you'd like to add someone, call the office or drop a note in the collection basket.

School News (814) 226-8018

- You can still register your children now. Call the school for more information. (814) 226-8018.
- Needed for school: low odor colored dry erase markers, copy paper.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Special Thanks to all who sacrifice to support St. Joseph's
Sept. 9th

Sunday Collection \$4,357
Loose Collection \$186

Special Thanks to all who sacrifice to support St. Michael's
Sept. 9th

Sunday Collection \$2,623
Loose Collection \$504

CSA: St. Joseph assessment to Diocese: \$31,342

Parishioners Pledged: \$45,081

Parishioners Paid to Date: \$38,966

Balance Due to Diocese of Erie: \$0

Money towards Steps & Chimney: \$7,624

CSA: St. Michael's assessment to Diocese: \$33,808

Parishioners Pledged: \$47,778

Parishioners Paid to Date: \$43,658

Balance Due to Diocese of Erie: \$0

Money towards Steeple: \$9,850

September 15

REST IN ME, MY CHILD. This time devoted to Me is meant to be peaceful, not stressful. You don't have to perform in order to receive My Love. I have boundless, unconditional Love for you. How it grieves Me to see My children working for Love: trying harder and harder, yet never feeling good enough to be loved.

Be careful that your devotion to Me does not become another form of works. I want you to come into My Presence joyfully and confidently. You have nothing to fear, for you wear My own righteousness. Gaze into My eyes, and you will see no condemnation, only Love and delight in the one I see. Be blessed as My Face shines radiantly upon you, giving you Peace.

"Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." —JOHN 15:13

The LORD your God is with you, he is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you, he will quiet you with his love, he will rejoice over you with singing. —ZEPHANIAH 3:17

"The LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace." —NUMBERS 6:25-26

September 16

I DESIGNED YOU to live in union with Me. This union does not negate who you are; it actually makes you more fully yourself. When you try to live independently of Me, you experience emptiness and dissatisfaction. You may gain the whole world and yet lose everything that really counts.

Find fulfillment through living close to Me, yielding to My purposes for you. Though I may lead you along paths that I feel alien to you, trust that I know what I am doing. If you follow Me wholeheartedly, you will discover facets of yourself that were previously hidden. I know you intimately—far better than you know yourself. In union with Me, you are complete. In closeness to Me, you are transformed more and more into the one I designed you to be.

For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place. When I was woven together in the depths of the earth, your eyes saw my unformed body. All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be. —Psalm 139:13-16

Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, and being transformed into his likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit. —2 Corinthians 3:17-18

—From Jesus Calling: Enjoying Peace in His Presence, by Sarah Young

