

Taste and See Today most of us do not subsist on a steady diet of pizza and chocolate ice cream, no matter how much we may prefer these foods. As we were growing up, our parents had the good sense to offer us a wider and more nutritious variety of foods. Perhaps they promised us dessert only after we sampled the beets. Perhaps they cajoled us to take a little bit, to just “taste and see.” Like a wise parent, Jesus—and the Church—does the same.

We hope to be numbered among those “taught by God.” The responsorial psalm invites us to taste and see, which is very close in meaning to believe and see.

1. In what ways does “practicing Catholic” require tasting and seeing? Acting on faith?
2. Can you give an example or tell a story when believing helped you to see more deeply than you thought possible?

PARISH NEWS

Saturday Mass: All Masses in August will be held at St. Joseph’s. *Please continue to watch the bulletin for further notices.*

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

(SJP) Religious Ed: St. Joseph Religious Ed. is in need of two teachers for the 2018-19 school year. If you can help, please contact Judy Wolbert at stjoercd@yahoo.com or 814-226-8399.

(SJP) Religious Ed Registration: The 2018-19 registration will be mailed out shortly to those families who are currently enrolled in St. Joseph’s program. Registration forms can be found in the literature rack in the vestibule for new students. Parent meeting will be held on Sept. 9th following the 7:30a liturgy, in the social hall. Questions, contact Judy & Norm Wolbert 226-8399 or stjoercd@yahoo.com. Everyone is encouraged to join the Facebook group, St. Joseph Faith Formation, Lucinda.

(SJP) Rosary Society Meeting will be held Aug. 21st @ 7p in the hall. This meeting is for members and solicitors.

(SMP) The office is doing their best to reschedule your noon masses. Feel free to call, I’ll be happy to answer any questions or hear concerns. 226-7288.

(SJP & SMP) MAN OF THE SHROUD EXHIBIT: The final day for this exhibit is Sunday, August 12; and the hall will be open all day from 8:30 am until 4:00 pm. People have been coming from many places to see it! Come and walk through this exhibit if you have not yet had the chance to do so.

(SP & SMP) The only masses Father will be having the week of Aug. 13-17 (Mon-Fri) are the Holy Day of Obligation masses.

Upcoming Events

First Day of School: Aug. 29 Blood Drive: Aug. 29

Labor Day Picnic: Sept. 3 Farmington Dinner: Sept. 8

K of C Horse Race: Sept. 15 Duck Drop: Sept. 29 Oktoberfest: Oct. 20

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) 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 & 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) Liturgy Meeting: 8/13/18 @ 6:30p

(SJP) Parish Council Meeting: 8/16/18 @ 6:30p

(SJP & SMP) Bereavement Committee: 8/20/18 @ 6:30p

(SMP) Religious Education: We are in need of 2nd and 7th grade Religious Ed. instructors. If you can assist with this faith rewarding experience, please call Bernice Strauser at 814-354-2523 or 814-797-1512

(SMP) Religious Education classes will resume here at St. Michael on Aug. 26, 2018 at 8:20a with dismissal at 9:50a. All parents of Religious Ed. Students in grades kindergarten through 10th are asked to attend a meeting in the multi-purpose room of the school at 8:30a. This meeting is required by the Erie Diocese.

—Confirmation classes will resume on Aug. 26, 2018 @ 8:20a. There will be a meeting in the multi-purpose room of the school for Confirmation parents and students at 9:10a. This meeting is required by the Erie Diocese.

Liturgy Schedule Aug. 18th & 19th

5:00 p.m.

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

Altar Servers: Kayla & Sara Aaron
Euch Min: Roger & Mary Jane Steiner, Jeff Schwabenbauer
Lector: Gina Fernandes
Ushers: Chip Wolbert, Greg Ochs, Colin Lander, Ed Baumcratz
Rosary: Mary Ann Banner

7:30 a.m.

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

Altar Servers: Mella Baumcratz
Euch Min: Robert & Annette Wielock, Betsy Ochs
Lector: Morgan Jones
Ushers: Gib Wolbert, Ray Judy, Doug Bauer, Randy Lander

10:00 a.m.

SAINT MICHAEL CHURCH

Sacristan: Casey Rapp
Altar Servers: Jake Eisenman, Mason Hooper
Euch Min: Casey Rapp, Dave Smerkar Sr., David Nasky
Lector: Mark Baker
Ushers: Bern, Brad, Mark, & Josh Beichner
Rosary: Marie Fletcher
R.S. Cleaner: Jackie Lewis

Holy Day Lit. Schedule Aug. 14th & 15th

SMP Aug. 14th @ 7:00 p.m.

Sacristan: Theresa Seitz
Lector: Carol Kiser
Euch Min: Mark Beichner, Jane Schmader
Altar Server: Daniel Brooker, Nick Gilara
Ushers: Tom & Braxton Cyphert

SJP Aug. 15th @ 9 a.m.

Lector: Mary Jane Steiner
Euch Min: Steve Gatesman, Doc & Marge Bauer
Ushers: Dick Schill, Jerry Lutz

SMP Aug. 15th @ 12:00 p.m.

Sacristan, Lector & Altar Server: Jody Guth
Euch Min: Dan Banner, Peg Siegel
Ushers: Ted Weaver, Sam Smerkar

SJP Aug. 15th @ 7 p.m.

Lector: Donna Jones
Euch Min: Anne Ochs, Donna & Morgie Jones
Altar Servers: Norm Wolbert
Ushers: Mark Ochs, Dana Baker

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, Aug. 18th

Confession is at St. Joseph's, 4:00 p.m.
5:00 p.m. - (SJP) Eileen Schill by Valerie H.

Sunday, Aug. 19th

7:30 a.m. - (SJP) Parish Family
10:00 a.m. - (SMP) Norman Kink by the family

Collection Counters Aug. 18th & 19th

SJP: Ken Lander, Annette & Spank Wielock
SMP: Sue Beichner, Todd Beichner, Judy Weirich

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE burning in memory of

SJP: Eileen Schill by Valerie
SMP: Bernard & Marie Schmader by the family

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Parish Family, All Special Intentions

Service People on Active Duty

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

Please call the Rectory or drop a note in the collection basket if you would like to have someone added to the Prayer list.

School News (814) 226-8018

First Day of School: August 29th

You can register your children throughout the summer. Call the school for more information. (814)226-8018.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Special Thanks to all who sacrifice to support St. Joseph's
Aug. 5th

Sunday Collection \$3,888
Loose Collection \$641

Special Thanks to all who sacrifice to support St. Michael's
Aug. 5th

Sunday Collection \$2,589
Loose Collection \$120

CSA: St. Joseph assessment to Diocese: \$31,342
Parishioners Pledged: \$44,751
Parishioners Paid to Date: \$36,791
Balance Due to Diocese of Erie: \$0
Money towards Steps & Chimney: \$5,449

CSA: St. Michael's assessment to Diocese: \$33,808
Parishioners Pledged: \$47,378
Parishioners Paid to Date: \$42,763
Balance Due to Diocese of Erie: \$0
Money towards Steeple: \$8,955

August 11

COME TO ME. Come to me. Come to me. This is my continual invitation to you, proclaimed in holy whispers. When your heart and mind are quiet, you can hear Me inviting you to draw near. Coming close to Me requires no great effort on your part; it is more like ceasing to resist the, magnetic pull of My Love. Open yourself to My loving Presence, so that I may fill you with My fullness. I want you to experience how wide and long and high and deep is My Love for you, so that you can know My Love that surpasses knowledge. This vast ocean of Love cannot be measured or explained, but it can be experienced.

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" Whoever is thirsty, let him come; and whoever wishes, let him take the free gift of the water of life.—Revelation 22:17

"All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away."—John 6:37

August 12

COME TO ME when you are weak and weary. Rest snugly in My everlasting arms. I do not despise your weakness, My child. Actually, it draws Me closer to you, because weakness stirs up My compassion—My yearning to help. Accept yourself in your weariness, knowing that I understand how difficult your journey has been.

Do not compare yourself with others, who seem to skip along their life-paths with ease. Their journeys have been different from yours, and I have gifted them with abundant energy. I have gifted you with fragility, providing opportunities for your spirit to blossom in My Presence. Accept this gift as a sacred treasure: delicate, yet glowing with brilliant Light. Rather than struggling to disguise or deny your weakness, allow Me to bless you richly through it.

*"A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring justice."—
Isaiah 42:3*

"Though the mountain be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken now my covenant of peace be removed," says the Lord, who has compassion on you.—Isaiah 54:10

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

St. Michael's Labor Day Picnic

St. Michael's Church of Fryburg Annual Labor Day Picnic will be held on Mon., Sept. 3, 2018, on the Parish grounds.

Schedule of events: 10a- Dinner ticket sales will open. Advanced tickets are available to purchase at the St. Mike's School building office between 8a and 1p Mon.-Thurs. or at the St. Joe's Office between 9a and 12p Mon.-Fri.

11a-3p - All you can eat chix & ham dinners will be served; the dinner features homemade noodle soup, breads, and desserts. Take-outs available. Dinner prices- \$9 for adults, \$4.50 for children, preschool is free.

11a- Grounds open and will feature games for all ages. Booth include Chinese auction, baked goods, candy, and great prizes for children. Handmade quilts will be awarded in drawings held throughout the day. A concession stand will also be open for lighter foods, including hot dogs and beverages.

12p- Number games will begin on the upper floor of the social hall and will continue through the afternoon.

4p-5p- Labor Day loot grand prizes will be drawn.
-5 cash prizes of \$1,00, Lay-Z Boy recliner, \$500 Cash prize, \$400 cash prize, 1 overnight stay at *Wildflower Meadow B&B*, porch swing from Lander's, 2 \$100 savings accounts from the FUN Bank of Fryburg, \$100 Certificate to Comet Warehouse

*Labor Day Loot tickets will be avail. on the grounds or in advance at the church or at various local businesses.

*Separate Livestock Ticket Raffle; prizes re live calf, a piglet, ½ of a hog, ¼ of a beef.

**The event will be held rain or shine. Plenty of outdoor seating will be available on the grounds for visiting. Call the office for more details. 226-7288

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, August 19, 2018

(Lec. 119)

- I. Proverbs 9:1-6
- II. Ephesians 5:15-20
- III. John 6:51-58

Liturgy of the Word:

In the first reading, Wisdom has prepared her table for those seeking understanding. In the reading from Ephesians, we are instructed to live not as foolish persons but as wise. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the crowds that he is the bread from heaven, and that whoever eats of him will have eternal life.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Catholic Rural Ministry (814) 677-2032 ~ 7 Pulaski St., 16301
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24 Hour Emergency

Pregnancy (814) 459-3103
Community Counseling (814) 793-6602

Bible Study: More information to come at the end of August.

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