

# Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A tour guide in Rome had the amazing ability to look at a group of tourists and tell you where they came from. Clues like clothing, gestures, luggage, and even how close they stood together when they spoke, revealed their cultural background. After years of dealing with pilgrims and tourists alike, the guide was able to identify people's homeland by their dress and behavior.



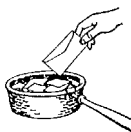
The Apostles were not always certain that Jesus was Who He claimed to be. They often needed reassurance, both before and after the

Resurrection, that He was truly the Lord. Peter wants to walk on water, Thomas wants to touch Him, the Apostles ask a lot of questions and want to see Him eat. But in their hearts, they know Him and in the breaking of bread they recognize Him.

Recognizing Jesus and responding to Him is part of the practice of faith. What do we need to see? He is present in our world, leading us and guiding us to act in His name. We see Him in many ways: in the needs of others; in the call to service; through our prayer and worship; in Word and Sacrament. Through the eyes of faith and in the depths of our heart, we know He is near.

## YOUR HELP NEEDED!

How delightful it has been throughout the often uncomfortably hot days of this summer to enter into a truly "cool" Cathedral. But, as you might imagine, it is costly to keep our Cathedral air-conditioned and thus extra quiet and clean in the midst of an often noisy downtown.



*Our bill for July's electricity alone was \$3,040.94. That's more than one entire Sunday collection!*

Please do your part. Put a little something extra in the basket next Sunday. Show us how much you appreciate the *comfort* of worshipping at the Cathedral!

## I AM ONE

*I am only one,  
But I am one;  
I cannot do everything,  
But I can do something.*



*What I can do,  
I ought to do  
And what I ought to do,  
By the grace of God, I will do. Amen.*

## A SPECIAL WELCOME !

A warm welcome to the more than two thousand persons who have come to our fair city this weekend for the **Twenty-third Annual Catholic Charismatic Conference at The University of Scranton.**



This year's theme is "***I Am The Living Bread Come Down From Heaven***". We pray that this experience of prayer here in our beautiful Lackawanna Valley will be grace-filled and faith-strengthening. We are particularly hopeful that many of the visitors to Scranton will join us in prayer here at the Cathedral during the course of their time with us!

## FAITH CAMP SET TO BEGIN

The **Central City Ministerium** is sponsoring a special summer opportunity for children to explore the theme of *peacemaking* through the lens of Christianity, Islam and Judaism.

Scheduled for **August 15<sup>th</sup> through August 18<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. each day**, the **Faith Camp** will be offered at **Covenant Presbyterian Church** at 550 Madison Avenue in the Hill Section with outings to Temple Israel as well as to a local Mosque.

Children from first grade through eighth grade are invited. Art and music will also be offered about peacemaking. Lunch will be served each day.

To register or to volunteer, please contact Stefanie Muntzel at Covenant Church at 346-6400.

## SUMMER PICNICS CONTINUE

*Many of our parishes depend on the proceeds from their summer picnics and bazaars for funds throughout the year. Please support the following fundraising events:*



- ✿ **August 11 - 13**      **St. John /St. Casimir/St. Joseph**  
(Pittston)
- ✿ **August 19 - 21**      **Sacred Heart of Jesus Church**  
(Peckville)
- ✿ **August 25 - 27**      **Nativity of Our Lord Church**  
(South Scranton)

## RCIA GEARING UP !



Help awaken the seed of faith in others! Encourage them to become part of the **RCIA Program (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**. It is a process designed for adults who have heard God's Word and seek to enter more deeply into the way of faith of the Catholic Church.

Registrations are now being accepted. A Rite of Welcoming/Acceptance is scheduled for the early Fall. For further information, contact Fr. Connor or Fr. Muldowney at the Rectory at 344-7231.



**MASS & CONFESSIONS**  
*August 8<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>*

**Monday (August 8) St. Dominic, Priest**

6:30 a.m. Janet Ortolani (Chris & Ann DiMattio)  
7:30 a.m. **Confessions**  
8:00 a.m. Caroline Lewandowski (Family)  
12:00 p.m. *Praying of the Angelus*  
12:10 p.m. Catherine T. O'Connor  
(The Gownley Family)

**Tuesday (August 9) Weekday in Ordinary Time**

6:30 a.m. Joseph Notarianni (Tom & Nancy Cawley)  
7:30 a.m. **Confessions**  
8:00 a.m. Catherine A. Rainey (Family)  
12:00 p.m. *Praying of the Angelus*  
12:10 p.m. Helen Sernak  
3:15 p.m. **Veterans' Center Mass**

**Wednesday (August 10) St. Lawrence, Martyr**

6:30 a.m. Pat Ash (Dennis Ash)  
7:30 a.m. **Confessions**  
8:00 a.m. Emmanuel Salvatore  
(Arthur & Carol Sweet)  
12:00 p.m. *Praying of the Angelus*  
12:10 p.m. Cyril A. Lynott (Wife, Agnes)

**Thursday (August 11) St. Clare, Virgin**

6:30 a.m. Anna Zukauskas  
(Barbara & Edmund Scacchitti)  
7:30 a.m. **Confessions**  
8:00 a.m. Mary Flanagan Joyce  
(Paul and Karen Lynott & Children)  
12:00 p.m. *Praying of the Angelus*  
12:10 p.m. Patricia O'Boyle (Mom & Dad)

**Friday (August 12) Weekday in Ordinary Time**

6:30 a.m. Special Intention  
7:30 a.m. **Confessions**  
8:00 a.m. Mary Kuzmick (Elaine Henzes)  
12:00 p.m. *Praying of the Angelus*  
12:10 p.m. Vincent Connolly (Wife, Betty)  
4:00 p.m. Wddg. - Corey Spinelli & Jennifer Kupchak

**Saturday (August 13) Weekday in Ordinary Time**

6:30 a.m. Alice Crane (Joan Tappen)  
10:30 a.m. **Confessions**  
12:00 p.m. *Praying of the Angelus*  
12:10 p.m. Gary Kempinski (Mom & Dad)  
4:00 p.m. **Vigil Mass**

**PRAYER  
FOR PRIESTS**

Praise to you,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
for in your infinite love  
you care for your people  
by the ministry of priests.

May their faithful service  
bring lasting good to your Church  
and great happiness to them.  
Help them to do what is right,  
that by their teaching and living  
we may grow in the knowledge of  
your love.

As our priests instruct your people,  
enlighten them with the wisdom of  
Christ the Teacher.

As they preach your Word  
and celebrate the sacraments,  
sanctify them with the holiness of  
Christ the High Priest.

As they face weakness, suffering and  
discouragement,  
strengthen them with the grace of  
Christ the Life-Giver.

As they work for peace, unity and  
healing in your Church,  
uphold them with the courage of  
Christ the Reconciler.

Giver of all good gifts,  
make the ministry of our priests  
a spiritual offering pleasing to you,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
*Amen.*

**PRAYER  
FOR VICTIMS**

Loving and merciful God,  
you have brought us together  
in the name of your Son  
to receive mercy and grace,  
healing and comfort  
in our time of need.

Open our eyes to see  
the pain and suffering  
caused by the abusive behavior  
of some members of our church.  
Enlighten our minds  
to understand its devastating impact  
on the lives of these victims,  
on the lives of their families  
and friends,  
and on the church itself.

Touch our hearts  
with your tender compassion,  
and convert us to yourself.  
Grant us the grace and courage  
to forgive those who have hurt us  
and to ask forgiveness of those  
we have harmed.

Where sin has divided and scattered,  
may your love make one again.  
Where sin has brought weakness  
and hurt,  
may your power heal and strengthen.  
Where sin has brought death,  
may your Spirit raise to life.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
*Amen.*

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Bishop of Saint Cloud  
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Most Reverend John G. Vlazny,  
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