

PASTOR'S COLUMN

Once again I share insights from Fran Salone-Pelletier in [Awakening to God, The Sunday Readings in Our Lives](#), from Twenty-Third Publications. She has a most unique way of helping us to see Christ in those around us. Keep your eyes -- and heart -- open to see Christ in others -- every day!

Humble Hearts and Gentle People

Can't you just hear God humming that dear old song, "I love those humble hearts and gentle people that live in my hometown"? There's a picture in my head of a smiling deity, warmed by the presence of the people called to be God's own, living in God's hometown. I can see God rejoicing heartily with the daughters and sons of divinity as they shout for joy that God is in their midst. I can imagine all of us being surprised that the God who is among us is a God who treasures humility and reveals truth to those who are open to hear it.

Humble hearts are found in gentle people who have taken residence in God's hometown.

If humble persons are those who are akin to the earth, they are basic to existence. Found everywhere, they are essential to growth and development. They are

the foundation upon which gardens prosper. They give stability to what would otherwise be a sea of chaotic motion. Their consciousness of shortcomings and defects opens the way to transformation and recognition that perfection is always in the making. Not to be self-assertive, as the earth does not impose itself upon us, is to have a centrality that does not revolve around being the center. I guess one could say that humble people are like the holes in doughnuts. Unseen, they create the reality about them and keep it intact. Knowing that being oneself is the only authentic authority, humble persons are true leaders. ...

... These are ... people who would not stand out in a crowd nor attain position or rank. But they represent those who are the earth upon which we stand. Quietly solid in their commitments, these humble folks maintain the meaning of gentleness and give credence to the power of humility.

... In their constancy and compassionate caring, they exemplify for all of us Christ's call: "Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest" (*Mt 11:28*). With their labor and

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, July 9

9:00 a.m. Ed Landor (Sam & Sharon Infante);
All Parishioners Living & Deceased

11:00 a.m. Dominic Paolucci (John & Gloria Bragg)

Monday, July 10

8:30 a.m. Joseph Carillio (Family)

Tuesday, July 11

8:30 a.m. David Kostolansky Jr. (Dick & Judy Waid)

Wednesday, July 12

8:30 a.m. Steve & Rose Caruso (Family)

Thursday, July 13

8:30 a.m. Walter Landor (Becky Natale Family)

Friday, July 14

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Saturday, July 15

1:30 p.m. Taurino, Ashdown Wedding

4:00 p.m. Joan Morgan (Family)

Sunday, July 16

10:00 a.m. John Marino (Dom & Bernie Marino);
Rosalyn Kellogg (Ginny Vitello and
Ron Vitello)

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Is 55: 10-11 / Rom 8: 18-23 / Mt 13: 1-23

MARRIAGE BANNS

III Salvatore Taurino, Jessica Ashdown

I Matthew Sauer, Danielle Chromchak

I Aaron Wilson, Catherine Campbell

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION SESSION

TODAY, Sunday, July 9 at 12:15pm in the parlor.

Baptismal preparation sessions are scheduled 6 times/year (Jan-Mar-May-Jul-Sep-Nov) and parents need to attend a session before scheduling the Baptism.

Godparents are to help the parents as they raise their child in the Catholic faith, so godparents are to be Catholic, and there is to be one male and one female godparent.

Families need to be registered members of the parish. It is our hope that they regularly participate at Mass, considering themselves to be members of the parish community.

Baptisms are normally celebrated on the fourth weekend of the month. Parents are to attend a Baptismal session prior to their child's Baptism. The preparation session offers an opportunity to discuss the Sacrament of Baptism in the life of this child. It is not simply a "rehearsal" of the rite itself.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

"You are in the spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you." Is the Holy Spirit leading you or someone you know to serve Christ and His Church as a priest or in the consecrated life? If you are discerning your vocation, contact Fr. Chris Luoni at 330.744.8451 or by email at cluoni@youngstowndiocese.org.

THE WEEK AHEAD**Sunday, July 9**

12:15 p.m. Baptismal Preparation session (Parlor)

Monday, July 10

7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast (Panera)

10:30 a.m. AA Meeting (Providence Center)

5:30 p.m. Zumba (Gym)

6:30 p.m. Troop 101 Scouts (Scout building)

Tuesday, July 11

5:45 p.m. NEOCAHT meeting (Parish Library)

8:00 p.m. AA Meeting (Providence Center)

Wednesday, July 12

5:30 p.m. Zumba (Gym)

6:30 p.m. AOH meeting (Providence Center ML)

Thursday, July 13

9:00 a.m. AA meeting (Providence Center ML)

11:00 a.m. Set up for Blood Drive (Reagan Hall)

12:00 p.m. American Red Cross Blood Drive (RH)

6:30 p.m. Relay for Life team meeting (Parish Library)

Friday, July 14

5:30 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal (Church)

Saturday, July 15

9:00 a.m. AA Meeting (Providence Center)

11:00 a.m. AA Meeting (Providence Center)

1:30 p.m. Taurino, Ashdown Wedding (Church)

Sunday, July 16

9:00 a.m. Spanish Mass (Providence Center UL)

10:00 a.m. Celebration of Liturgy (Church)

11:15 a.m. Parish Fest Picnic (Reagan Hall / Gym)

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refusal to despair, they have taken Christ's yoke upon their shoulders and have learned to be gentle and humble of heart. As a result, they have found rest -- and now share with us all that they continue to discover. What they have received, they give as gift. With each action taken, these sainted individuals remind us to follow the lead they are following. They urge us to trust in the certitude that our souls "will find rest...For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light" (Mt 11: 29-30).

I don't know about you, but every time I think about them -- and all who are like them everywhere in this universe of ours -- I find I cannot help but hum along with God and sing, "I love those humble hearts and gentle people that live in my hometown."

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

LOOK FOR THE TREE IN GATHERING SPACE!

See the insert in today's bulletin for more details.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE****THURSDAY, JULY 13 --- 12-5PM****REAGAN HALL**

Hostesses are needed at this drive...
please call the parish office to volunteer!

*Our Summer Mass Schedule Continues
THROUGH Labor Day Weekend,
Sunday, September 3, 2017.
Masses are at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.*

**PARISH PICNIC - SUNDAY JULY 16
FOLLOWING 10AM MASS**

REGISTRATION FORMS FOR THE PARISH FEST
ARE AVAILABLE IN THE GATHERING SPACE ...
**PLEASE FILL OUT ONE FORM / FAMILY, INDICATING
THE NUMBER OF FAMILY MEMBERS/FRIENDS
WHO WILL ATTEND.**

CONTACT ANY PARISH COUNCIL MEMBER
TO VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME & TALENT
FOR THIS EVENT!

**DURING THE MONTH OF JULY, PRAY ALONG WITH
OUR HOLY FATHER POPE FRANCIS ...**

That lapsed Christians, our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

WELCOME!

A warm Blessed Sacrament Parish welcome is extended to our new parishioner, **Melinda Galvin!** See you at the Parish Fest next Sunday!

**HEARING DEVICES**

We want your worship experience to be as complete as possible! If you have a hearing loss and/or have trouble hearing in our worship space, please see the sacristan -- hearing devices are available, you simply need to ask!

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER
ALL THOSE ON OUR PRAYER CHAIN**

STEWARDSHIP CORNER**"For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."**

Mt 11:30

When we think of being good stewards, we may think that God is asking too much of us when He calls us to generously share our time, talent and treasure. However, we must remember that we are not "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. All He is asking is that we give back a small portion of what He has already given to us.

SPECIAL MINISTERS' SCHEDULE**Saturday, July 8**

4:00 p.m.

Readers: D. Zock, S. DeLeo**E.M.H.C.:** S. & J. Delaquila, J. & L. Sanders,
A. & P. Hietikko, S. Campbell**Altar Servers:** L. Wilson, J. Fonagy, M. Seikel**Greeters:** C. & J. Potashnik**Sunday, July 9**

9:00 a.m.

Readers: M. McLeod, M. McLeod**E.M.H.C.:** K. Clark, C. Hosack, J. Gabele, D. & M. Lazor,
R. Green, R. Malanga, B. Lyda**Altar Servers:** C. Clark, A. Birmingham, J. Birmingham**Greeters:** Goffos Family**CLOW:** L. Anderson

11:00 a.m.

Readers: J. Bedich, L. Machin**E.M.H.C.:** E. Economos, D. Crockett, G. Machin,
L. & L. D'Amore, D. Timko, C. Kloboves, P. Orsinelli**Altar Servers:** N. Muscarella, S. Brown, A. Litton**Greeters:** D. & B. Nagy**Saturday, July 15**

4:00 p.m.

Readers: M. Shader, J. Weston**E.M.H.C.:** R. Fenstermaker, T. & A. Hostetler, R. Green,
T. D'Amico, B. Thompson, K. Mariani, P. Mangiarelli**Altar Servers:** S. Campbell, D. Carey**Greeters:** J. & D. Bokone**Sunday, July 16**

10:00 a.m.*

Readers: J. Solich**E.M.H.C.:** P. Loges, A. McLeod, R. Loges, R. Green,
M. & C. Klaben, A. Steines**Altar Servers:** TBD**Greeters:** M. Loges, M. Schaefer**CLOW:** T. Payton* This will be the only Mass Sunday, July 16-- at 10am --
followed by our parish FEST!**GUIDELINES FOR MASS INTENTIONS**

Mass intentions for the 2018 Calendar Year will begin on August 1, 2017. Look for new guidelines and intention request forms in the gathering space or the parish office THIS MONTH!

BACKPACK COLLECTION

Look for a large box in our gathering space for collection of new &/or gently-used backpacks. At the end of July, these packs will be delivered to Emmanuel Community Care Center in Girard, and filled with basic school supplies...from there, they will be distributed to area students for the 2017-2018 school year. Your help is needed and so very appreciated!! Thank you from The Charity Fund committee.

LABYRINTH WALKS

The Blessed Sacrament Labyrinth is always open. We encourage you to explore on your own, with a small group or as part of our published "group walks." Next week walk the path with Pat Campbell on **Monday, July 17, at 1:30 p.m.**

DOY PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA, LISBON

Bishop George V. Murry, SJ, will be the Spiritual Director on this pilgrimage, departing Pittsburgh, 9/14-20. Deadline for reservation is 7/14! \$2,299/pp. Further information available from Catholic Tour Co. 855.564.1008; or 330.744.8451 ltedde@youngstowndiocese.org.

Info about SUMMER FESTIVALS JUNE -- AUGUST at diocesan parishes is available in the gathering space!

Ministry Schedule for JUN/JUL/AUG is LIVE

PLEASE go to the Web Terminal

<https://secure.rotundasoftware.com/l/web-terminal/login/ReevesRoad>.

Those without internet who have questions should contact Pat Campbell or their ministry coordinator.

PLEASE continue to request subs when you cannot serve in your assigned place. REMEMBER: If you are scheduled for a Mass, PLEASE arrive more than ten minutes before Mass is scheduled to begin.

Our next schedule -- covering Sept/Oct/Nov -- will be created by the third weekend in August, August 19/20. Deadline for changes is TUESDAY, AUGUST 15! You can log in and add "unavailable" dates at any time. Thanks!

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE --**July 31 -- for the September/Fall issue!****AUGUST****STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR PEACE**

We usually join together to pray the Stations of the Cross for Peace the first Tuesday of the month. Please note that we will pray the stations together in August, on **Tuesday, August 1**. Thank you for your continuing prayer for peace in our world.

CHOIR REHEARSAL

For all choir members who will be in town, our August rehearsal takes place **Thursday, August 3, at 7 p.m. in the parish library**. See you then!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Thank you to all the persons who donated so much, helping to make VBS a possibility and success this year!! Vacation Bible School is quite an undertaking and so many people donated so much to help make this happen for our children this year! So...thank you for: hotdogs, watermelons, chips, tents, sheets, chains, candles, statues, artificial fruit, real fruit, snacks for volunteers, craft supplies, money, etc, etc, and of course....your TIME and TALENT!!

Thank you to all the children and families who prayed for, and donated your change into our Roman "fountain", helping the Jaden Poole family. Jaden is a 4th grader at JFK Catholic school who has been battling brain cancer this year. All your efforts and collecting \$200 will help make life a little nicer for Jaden and his family!

Thank you, Ginny Baran and Dolly Crockett, for organizing our cookie table last year for the "Taste of Warren" event and to all those who baked cookies and helped in any way. Working together at this event, our parishioners earned and provided \$685 to our VBS budget allowing us to cut the cost to young families for VBS this year!! Taste of Warren, 2017, will take place on September 23, in courthouse square, and these 2 wonderful women will once again organize our efforts!! Please be generous with cookie baking and helping with "Taste of Warren" in September, knowing that all the proceeds will help fund VBS for 2018!!

Our deep gratitude and appreciation to and for all who participated in VBS, 2017, in any way!!

END ALZHEIMER'S WALK

Did you know that more than 5 MILLION Americans are living with Alzheimer's? By 2050 this number could rise as high as 16 MILLION. Every 66 seconds someone in the US develops the disease. Visit alz.org for more info. Mark your calendar to fight this disease & support families in our community in the **Warren Alzheimer Walk at KSU -- Saturday, September 16**. SAVE THE DATE! Call the parish office to register.

HEART WALK

Does heart disease run in your family? Do you know your health numbers (blood pressure, cholesterol level, blood sugar level, correct weight for your height/age)? Are you at risk for developing heart disease?! Join us in supporting our community!

Call the parish office to sign up to walk at the **Saturday, September 30 Heart Walk**, held annually at YSU's WATTS Center. Join our team and support the AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION in their quest for better heart health for The Valley!

YOUTH MINISTRY / E.P.I.C. TEENS

Congratulations to all graduating seniors!

Stop by the gathering space to see their senior pictures and to find out where they are headed this fall.

Youth Ministry E.P.I.C. Teens ♦ Get connected!

Paper Trail: Schedules in the Gathering Space *** **E-mail:** bsteines@bspcc.org *** **Phone:** 330-372-2215 x104. **Social Media:** **Facebook:** Blessed Sacrament Parish E.P.I.C. Youth Ministry; **Instagram:** BROOKLYN_CYM_BSP; **Twitter:** brooklyn_cymbbsp

7/16 Teen Mass & Parish Picnic... All youth ministry students, grades 7-12, and their parents, should contact their youth ministry coordinator, Brooke Steines in the parish office, to volunteer to help with games at the picnic on July 16. Please call the parish office BY WEDNESDAY OF THIS WEEK to sign up.

SAVE THE DATE! BUDDY WALK 9/24/17...Join our parish in supporting parishioner, **Lauren Jones**, on **Sept. 24!** Please sign up online or donate to this great cause in support of the **DSAV – Down Syndrome Association of the Valley**.

<http://www.ds-stride.org/dsavbuddywalk/profiles/team/3>

POPE FRANCIS WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!!

Pope Francis wants to hear from High School teens, young adults (ages 19-30s), parents of teens and young adults, and parish leadership! In preparation for an international gathering of bishops (a synod), YOUR input is needed on questions related to the topic of "Young People, the Faith, and Vocational Discernment." Please take 5-15 minutes to log into www.doy.org and click on the "Synod Surveys" link to complete a survey before August 15. Your responses will also help to guide services in our own diocese.

RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM NEEDS YOU!

Our RFL team will host our KIDS' KUPBOARD, a re-sale event featuring kids items only, on Saturday, July 22!

Baked goods are needed for our Kids' Kupboard Bake Sale! Please help us make this event a success for our TEAM; please call Lisa Cordell to let her know what you'd like to provide, 330.442.3636. ALL ARE WELCOME to help with baked goods!!

Kids' Kupboard is a re-sale event, featuring gently-used items for kids! Tables are available if you would like to sell your items, and KEEP THE PROFITS! Contact Paula in the parish office BY JULY 10, or speak to any of our RFL team members!

2017 FESTA!! SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2017 Trumbull Country Club

Celebrate the Naples / Amalfi Coast of Italy at this evening of fine foods of the regions, including homemade dolci; fellowship; dancing; raffles; and lots of fun! More information will be available soon! Proceeds benefit parish ministries.

Volunteers are needed for the planning committee...call Linda Cetrone to volunteer!

**THE SPIRITUAL MEANING
OF THE LITURGY**

Words of Wisdom to Ponder from the Book
by Goffredo Boselli ... Liturgical Press, Collegeville, MN, ©2014

For this week, let's ponder this idea:

Jesus reads the Scriptures only one time in the gospels, and he does it in the context of a liturgy. In the synagogue of Nazareth, in the midst of the assembly gathered in prayer for the Sabbath, Jesus reads the prophecy of Isaiah and comments on it (cf. Luke 4: 16 – 21).

According to the gospel texts, those who gathered in the synagogue were the only people ever to have seen and heard Jesus read the Scriptures aloud in a liturgical assembly. How blessed these people to have heard with their own ears **the Word reading Scripture!**

Imagine being present in the synagogue that day and then imagine reflecting on the experience after the resurrection!

FIND US ON FACEBOOK!

Check out our parish Facebook page and give us a 'like!'

<https://www.facebook.com/bspcc/>

CATHOLIC TELEVISION

"Spotlight" w/ Fr. Jim Korda, 10:30 am & 8 pm, MON, "100th Anniversary of MVAC" with Rev. Robin Woodbury, July 10

"Catholic Men's Fellowship" w/ Tom Greiner, Mark Violand and Tom Seesan, July 17

"Sacraments 101" w/ Fr. Jim Korda, 10:30 am & 8 pm, WED

"Holy Orders: Diaconate" w/ Deacon Michael Kojancic, July 12

"Baptism" w/ Fr. Pat Manning, July 19

"Communion of Saints" w/ Fr. Jim Korda and Fr. John-Michael Lavelle, 10:30 am & 8 pm TH

"Raymond of Penyafort, Hilary and Thomas Aquinas" July 14

"Fabian, Sebastian and Vincent," July 21

"Blasé, Ansgar and Agatha," July 28

"The Best of CTNY" w/ Fr. Jim Korda – 9:30 am, SUN; 11 am & 8:30 pm, TUES

"Scripture 101: St. Paul" w/ Fr. Jim McKarns, July 9 & 11

"Scripture 101: St. John the Baptist," w/ Fr. Jim McKarns, July 16 & 18

HOPE FOR HEALING AFTER ABORTION

Women are not the only ones who regret involvement with abortion. Many men regret lost fatherhood.

Do you know anyone who is suffering because of an abortion in their past? Encourage them to seek confidential care after abortion at Project Rachel of NE Ohio, 888.259.4806; support@projracheo.zohosupport.org.

**PLEASE KEEP THOSE SERVING
OUR COUNTRY IN YOUR PRAYERS**

We join Susan Blank in celebrating with joy the safe return of her son-in-law, Colonel Joshua M. Olson (Air Force) from the Middle East. We gratefully thank God for his safe return and pray for his smooth adjustment to being back with family and friends!

Thank you for continuing to pray for our service people and for their families.

We ask that you pray in a special way for the following service people who are deployed to areas in the Middle East:

PRESENTLY DEPLOYED TO MIDDLE EAST

SGT Gino DeVengencie (Marines)

Son-in-Law of Brenda Antenucci

1LT Ryan McCollum (Army)

Son-in-law of Lisa and David Gysegem

Father Jonathan Morse, Army Chaplain

Friend of Pat Rogan

SPC James Wollet (National Guard)

Son of Jeff and Renee Wollet

Friend of Pat Rogan

**JOHN F. KENNEDY CATHOLIC SCHOOL
Enrollment is now open, Grades Pre-K -- 12!**

JFKCS is committed to forming young men and women who are prayerful, articulate, compassionate, global, innovative and resilient. Call us today to learn more about these and many outstanding opportunities for your child. 330.369.1804. www.warrenjfk.com.

*** JFKCS-Lower Campus seeks to hire an Extended Care Monitor, hours 2:20pm-5:30pm 2X/week, must be 21+ years of age. Fingerprinting & Child Protection Class mandatory. Call Mrs. Jackie Venzeio with inquiries, 330.372.2375.

NEW BOOKS AT THE DIOCESAN LIBRARY

Visit anytime M-F 8am-4pm, or by appointments.

Access collection 24/7 at

<https://doylib.follettdestiny.com>.

That You Might Have Life: 12 Spiritual Practices to Nurture Your Call to Holiness.

Haas, David. Twenty-Third Publications, 2017.

No matter where we are in our life journey, we all feel the desire for something "more," something transcendent that gives our life meaning. Haas helps us to see that holiness is the key to our search, and holiness begins when we realize that we are God's beloved children.

Women Deacons? Essays and Answers.

Phyllis, Zagano, Editor. Liturgical Press, 2016.

The question of restoring women to the ordained diaconate surfaced during the 2nd Vatican Council and continued to resound in academic and pastoral circles well after the diaconate was restored as a permanent order in the church in the West.

IN THE COMMUNITY...

MercyHealth ... Safe Sitter classes for students 7/13 or 8/23 at St. Joseph Hospital, Warren; 7/19 or 8/15, at St. Elizabeth Hospital, Youngstown. 9:30am-4pm. Class size limited, sign up at 330.480.3070. Must be 11+ yrs of age.

Avalon Lakes ... Women's Pink Ribbon Golf Outing, MON, 7/17. Donations welcome, contact Ginny Johnston 330.219.9092. Proceeds benefit American Cancer Society.

St. Adalbert Parish, Berea ... Catholic Homeschool Conference, IHM Cleveland Homeschool Conference, FRI, 7/21, 12-6pm & SAT, 7/22 9:30am-12pm. Free. More info ihmconference.org.

Geauga-Trumbull Solid Waste Management ... Seasonal Facility Saturday dates, SAT, 8/5, 9am-12pm. Visit startrecycling.com or call for info, 330.675.2673.

Knights of Columbus ... Golf Outing at Olde Dutch Mill Golf Course, Lake Milton, SUN, 8/13 for benefit of Akron Children's Hospital, Mahoning Valley. 8am shotgun start, 4 person scramble. \$75/person includes cart, beverages, breakfast, lunch, dinner. Info at 330.792.7745 or 330.718.2509.

St. Vincent de Paul Society ... TNT show on TUES, 9/12, at 7pm. *Belles* is a dramatic comedy told in two acts and forty-five phone calls. *Belles* visits six southern sisters, who seek to bridge the physical and emotional distance between them... Tickets \$15, available in August. Contact John Keegan for details. Doors open 6pm, with some hors d'oeuvres served.

Walsh University ... Diocese of Youngstown's 8th Annual Faith & Family Festival, SUN, 9/24, 12-6pm at Hoover Park. Bishop George V. Murry, SJ, will lead the closing liturgy. Praise & Worship Bands will be led by Ben Walther and PJ Chavez. Featured speaker is Ray Guarendi. Activities for kids and teens, and affordable food. Sponsored by the Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family Life of the Catholic Diocese of Youngstown. More info at faithfamilyfest.org.

Canfield Fairgrounds ... Host site for 2nd Annual Run for Life, 9/30, 9am. 5K Fun Run & 1-mile Fun Walk, all ages & abilities welcome to promote the dignity of life. Sponsored by Men & Women United for Life, and DOY Office of Pro-Life, Marriage & Family. Info: contact at Diane 330.727.9669 or dburke5581@gmail.com.

MINISTRY DAY 2017 -- "EMBRACING OUR CALL"
Saturday, October 14, 9am-3pm

St. Thomas Aquinas High School -- with **ValLimar Jansen**,
 Keynote -- **"Making Present the Kingdom of God"**