

# Holy Family Parish

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*August 18<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

## Growing Our Parish



**Pre-Registration for Faith Formation Classes** will be held Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup> after the 8:15 and 11:00 am Masses. The cost is \$20 per child or \$50 for three.

The first Faith Formation Class will be a Children's Mass on Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:15. This Mass will also be the deadline to register your child for the 2018-2019 year.

**The weekend of August 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>**, our Parish will welcome Rev. Maichael Matthew, OSFS. He will be making an appeal on behalf of the Oblates of St. Francis de sales.

The Oblates were founded in France in 1876 to live and spread the uniquely accessible and the optimistic spirituality of St. Francis de Sales by engaging in various ministries of the Church. There will be a second collection at all Masses.

**Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.** Put Christ's love into your relationship by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Sep 15-16, 2018 in Medway, MA and Dec 7-9, 2018 in Duxbury, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

## THE ANNUAL BAVARIANFEST

Join Our Lady of the Lake Church at 224 Sheep Pasture Rd, Southwick Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, from 12:30 – 4:30 PM.

Our annual taste of Germany; it is a delightful event for all ages; Kastle Korner for kids, crafts and games. Bavarian and conventional foods and drink are available.

Donations are \$2 per person, children to age 17 free, food and beverages sold separately. Raffle tickets will be available after Masses. First prize \$500; second prize \$150; third prize \$50 gas card. The cost of raffle tickets are: \$4 per ticket or 3 for \$10. The Raffle drawing will be on August 19; you need not be present to win.

## HOLY TRINITY PARISH (Westfield) FALL FESTIVAL



SUNDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 16TH,  
2018

12 noon to 5 pm at

Pilsudski Park, 200 Old County Rd., Holyoke

Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 am

Polish & American food (includes Take-Out)

Polish & American music by The Mark VI for your listening & dancing pleasure in the spacious ballroom from 1 to 5 pm., games for adults & children, Bounce House, Bingo, Straw Booth, Chinese Raffle, Bake Sale.

Grand Raffle worth \$2000 in cash prizes.

Come for good food and a good time!

Free admission & parking, held rain or shine.

New this year is handicap golf cart transportation from parking to festival. For more information call the Parish Office, Monday thru Thursday from 9am to 4pm at 568-1506. Hope to see you there!

## MASS SCHEDULE

August 18<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018

### Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup> Vigil

5:00 p.m. Those Seeking Employment

### Sunday August 19<sup>th</sup>, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8: 15 a.m. Louis Garlo Sr. † requested by Lucy Garlo

11:00 a.m. Roland G. Dingmond † requested by his son Roland Dingmond

### Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, Saint Bernard, Abbot

8:00 a.m. Intentions on our prayer board

### Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, Saint Pius X, Pope

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

### Thursday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

### Friday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

8:00 a.m. Church Leaders

### Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, Vigil

5:00 p.m. Parish Volunteers

### Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m. Roland G. Dingmond † requested by his son Roland Dingmond

11:00 a.m. Phil Gusek † 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

This week there will be two collections. The first is for Church Support and the second is for Maintenance and Improvements.

Next week there will be one collection for Church Support and the Second for The Oblates of St. Francis de sales. THANK YOU!

**Please remember** to donate to our local food pantries these summer months. The need is especially great as children are out of school and unable to receive free or reduced lunches provided by the school district. Easy to prepare foods such as cereal, nonperishable snacks, peanut butter, jelly, tuna or other canned meats are ideal.

**Pastor: Fr. Ron F. Sadlowski**  
(413-862-4418)

**Deacon David Baillargeon**  
(413-667-3147 or cell phone: 413-207-1301)

**Faith Formation Director:**  
Deb Bogoff ~ 413-888-7412

**Cemetery Superintendent**  
Please contact the parish office

**Administrative Assistant:** Carla Tacke

**OFFICE SUMMER HOURS:**  
Monday-Wednesday 9:00 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
Email: [holyfamily.parish@aol.com](mailto:holyfamily.parish@aol.com)  
Phone/FAX: 413-862-4418

**Parish Website:** [holyfamilyrussell.org](http://holyfamilyrussell.org)

**Baptisms & Marriages:**  
Please call the office at 862-4418 to schedule.

**To request a Mass Intention,**  
**call the office at 862-4418**

**NEW PARISHIONERS—Welcome!**  
PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE  
TO REGISTER

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday Vigil: 5 p.m.**

**Sunday Masses:**  
8:15 a.m. & 11 a.m.

**Daily Mass**  
(Mon, Fri): 8 a.m.

**Communion Service**  
Tuesday and Thursday 8 a.m.

**Confessions (In Children's Room):**  
Saturday 4:15 to 4:45 p.m.  
Sunday 7:30-8:00am

**Faith Formation Classes:**  
Sunday, 9:30 to 10:45 a.m.  
Holy Family Parish, Russell

**Lector and Usher Schedule**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Ushers</b>
Aug 18	5:00 pm	Diane DeMoss	
Aug 19	8:15 am	Christine Lindberg	Del Lavature Mel/Mike Scuderi
	11:00 am	Jo-Anne Auclair	Dave Norton
Aug 25	5:00 pm	Ginny Hardie	Bill Hardie
Aug 26	8:15 am	Phil Winterson	Steve Morawski
	11:00 am	Chelsea Edinger	Dave Norton

**Parish Prayer Request Board and Pastoral Visits** Call Fr Ron at 862-4418 with your prayer requests. Also, if you or a family member will be hospitalized, admitted to a nursing home or rehabilitation facility and would like a Pastoral Visit, please notify Fr Ron.

**Reflection**

**By Rev. Leonard N. Peterson**

Most food shoppers know that trips to the supermarket are never a matter of “grab ‘n go.” Having joined their ranks in my retirement, with doctors and would-be nutritionists ever ready with advice, I know you have to read the labels carefully and consider weights and measures (pardon me) as “weighty matters.” So I must check the calorie count. And ask the label to tell me all about salt and sugar content. “Is there enough protein in it, I ask myself, “to merit a short descent from shelf to cart”? All this compels me to offer a much-delayed salute to my Mom and every rectory cook I have known for what they went through at the supermarket.

But when it comes to the matter of that most special food and drink that comes the fore in the gospels, we enter a different realm entirely, where such checking is out of place. You as a believer know why. It’s because of both the divine purveyor and the food itself: Christ Jesus our Lord. He is the content. There is no equal to the excellence of this “product”.

The “Bread of Life” theme dominates St. John’s sixth chapter, and we have for several Sundays so far received a “summertime refresher course” on just what it is we believe and how we should appreciate the gift of the Eucharist as we bring our suntanned selves to the altar.

We begin with the fact that the Eucharist, as a sacrament, is nothing less than a gift from God meant to express His love and His desire to be part of our lives on earth. Later, God willing, in heaven, we won’t need it because we will be a part of God’s life more directly and joined with Him in bliss.

Meanwhile, here on earth it’s a daily challenge to let God live in us. It’s all a matter of

trial and error, with evil always stalking our moments of joy and shortening them. Sometimes we just can’t smile. Sin caused all that, yours and mine, all the way back to that disappointing duo that just couldn’t keep their hands off a certain forbidden tree.

What we believe is starkly simple but far from ordinary. What we believe is that on the first Holy Thursday, surrounded by a mere eleven close friends, the real Jesus took simple unleavened bread and a cup of ordinary wine and identified Himself with it.

Note here, for the sake of combatting several misinterpretations that other Christian bodies make, Jesus did not say that this was a symbol of Himself. No, this really is His Body and Blood, His real presence under the appearances of bread and wine. As mysterious as what Jesus does through His priests really is, I can only wonder how others can’t take the simple words “body and blood” at face value. The sad fact is that many Catholics these days are yielding to the same misinterpretation.

Meanwhile, we believe in what Jesus said and did and still does for us. It’s the safest food out there, with no human intervention or alteration, and if it’s not part of our weekly diet we are spiritually malnourished. The good news is that this greatest meal ever made is here presented by the greatest Host of all. So come to the feast every week. Jesus believes you are worthy of His invitation. Stop by the supermarket later.



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