



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, July 26 - Sts. Joachim
and Anne

8:00 Daniel Fabio by Ron
Konieczny

Tuesday, July 27

8:00 Departed Souls

Wednesday, July 28

5:30 Special Intention

Thursday, July 29 - St. Martha

8:00 John Tebo

Friday, July 30 - St. Peter
Chrysologus

8:00 Mona Devine by M/M
Daniel Devine

Saturday, July 31 - St. Ignatius of
Loyola

9:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's

4:30 Harriet Gaglione by Tony
and Arlene Scheeda

Sunday, August 1 - 18th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

8:00 Rose Luchterhand by Carol
Richter

10:15 Anthony Majkowski by
wife - Joan



Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday - Jeremiah 13:1-11;

Matthew 13:31-35

Tuesday - Jeremiah 14:17-22;

Matthew 13:36-43

Wednesday - Jeremiah 15:10, 16-
21; Matthew 13:44-46

Thursday - Jeremiah 18:1-6; John
11:19-27

Friday - Jeremiah 26:1-9;
Matthew 13:54-58

Saturday - Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24;
Matthew 14:1-12

Next Sunday - Ecclesiastes 1:2,
2:21-23; Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11;
Luke 12:13-21

Commit yourselves
wholeheartedly to the
building of society, but
remain focused upon the
good things of eternity!



PASTORAL SHARINGS

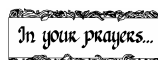
The gospel reading has several metaphors that are interesting in terms of praying. We are to ask, to seek, and to knock. If we do, it will be given to us, we will find what we need, and the door will be opened to us. When we pray, or ask, we shouldn't do it once and think that is enough. Keep on asking. God wants our persistence. We are there with God, and God is there hearing us. Keep on asking. If you feel like a beggar, that is all right. Keep on asking. And when you seek, it is as if you are searching for wisdom, and God is the source of all wisdom, so keep on seeking. When you knock, it is as if you are hoping to be received and allowed to enter, so keep on knocking.

Many of us have seen the picture of a door at which you knock, knowing that Jesus is on the other side of that wooden door. If it makes you feel homeless and destitute, all the more reason to keep on knocking. What is on the other side of the door is more than we can imagine in our wildest dreams. Jesus is there! He is waiting for us to knock so He can open that door and welcome us in with Him. Jesus promises us this. And He makes it very clear when He talks about what a generous father would do to a child asking for something. "How much more does the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?"

You might say, "But I didn't ask for the Holy Spirit. I asked for a decent job. Or I asked for a raise. Or I asked for a good mortgage. Or I asked to be healed of cancer, or Alzheimer's, or Hodgkin's, or shingles. Or you say you didn't ask for yourself but for your child, or your parent, or your neighbor, or your country. You wanted your soldier son or daughter home safe and sound. You wanted a safe delivery of a child. You wanted . . . you wanted. . . you wanted. And God knows what you need. And God gives you what you need. And God loves you more than you know or believe. And God loves all of us.

Stefanie Weisgram, O.S.B.

Our Special Prayer Request for the Week: For all those involved in the pro-life movement that every action may begin and end with prayer; we pray to the Lord...



Please pray for the sick of the parish and their family members particularly; Thomas Brennan, Julie Carlo, Julie Conschafter, Pamela Rodgers, Dan Roland, Kevin Bowerman, Ed Buekers, Fred Pask, Steven Baj, Veronica Gubala and for the happy repose of the soul of Penny Burkhardt. Please also continue to pray for the troops who are serving our country in Iraq, Afghanistan and around the world, especially Kenneth Pask and Nicholas Jurek.



St. Teresa's 15th Annual Parish Picnic is fast approaching. The date is set for Saturday, August 7, at 5:30 pm on the parish grounds. All parishioners are invited to attend. The admission price is one great big dish to pass. We will supply the meat, pizza, corn, drinks, ice cream and entertainment. There will also be games and raffles for all to enjoy. Sign up sheets are on the tables in the back of church. Confirmation candidates are encouraged to participate. Help is especially needed in the Kitchen! If you are willing to help in any way, please contact Melissa at the rectory at 542-9103.



Last weekend we welcomed two more babies into our faith community through the saving waters of Baptism. **Cameron Todd Maier** is the son of Heather (Best) and Todd Maier of Depew and **Troy Vincent Savidge** is the son of Tara (Ongley) and Michael Savidge of Cheektowaga. Congratulations to all!



“Sometimes we expect God to appear in our lives like a special effect in a blockbuster movie. But it’s more likely that we’ll recognize God in the ripple rather than in the wave, or hear God in the silent aftermath rather than the raging storm, if only we take time to look and to listen.” (Loyola Press) What do we want for our children? What do they want from God?

St. Teresa’s Salt and Light Core Group will be accepting donations for the **Response to Love Center at St. Adalbert’s in Buffalo** during the weekends of July 31-August 1 and August 7-8. The Center assists the people in that area and is run by the Felician Sisters. Items being collected include products and home essentials that cannot be purchased with food stamps. Open your heart to the less fortunate.

Suggestions include:

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| bubble bath | tissues | lotions |
| paper towels | scouring pads | deodorant |
| Razors | toothbrushes | toothpaste |
| bar soap | shampoo | laundry detergent |
| dish detergent | toilet paper | diapers |
| formula | baby wipes | dental floss |

Help is available for parents and others experiencing conflict over divorce issues. It can affect your children more than you may realize. Sign up for the Our Kids program today and reduce conflict, become a better parent and learn to communicate effectively with your child’s other parent. Groups are available across Western New York. In Erie County, call 896-6390 for more information or log on to www.ccwny.org.

Have you ever thought about giving your child a Catholic Education?

St. John the Baptist School in Alden is still accepting registrations for its Kindergarten class (and other grades) for the 2010-2011 academic year. Please call the school office at 937-9483 or visit their website at www.stjohnsalden.com for more information. Tuition assistance is available and bus transportation is provided for those living within 15 miles of the school.

“Nothing could be more foreign to the American experience than legalized abortion. It is inconsistent with our national character, with our national purpose, with all that we’ve done, and everything we hope to be.”
Speech at Notre Dame by the late Pennsylvania Governor Robert Casey



Bulletin Blunders: “Next Sunday is the family hayride and bonfire at the Fosters’. Bring your own hotdogs and guns. Friends are welcome. We’ll take care of you.”

“Miss Charlene Mason sang ‘I Will Not Pass This Way Again’, giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.”

“The peacemaking meeting scheduled for today has been canceled due to conflict.”

“The sermon this morning is ‘Jesus Walks on the Water.’ Tonight’s sermon is ‘Searching for Jesus.’”



God of Love,
You call us to live in your love through the grace of our baptism. Bless us with the courage to carry out the mission of Jesus. Grant us open and generous hearts to see the needs of others and to respond with compassion. May the Church be blest with women and men who are dedicated to you through marriage, the single life, the diaconate, priesthood, and the consecrated life. It is in Christ and through Christ that we offer ourselves to you now and forever. Amen.

St. Teresa’s Annual Raffle - The Women’s Guild will be selling tickets for chances at a beautiful plant stand that was made and donated by Bob Penn. Tickets are \$1.00 each and will be available before and after all Masses on July 25, July 31 and August 1 and at the picnic. It will be raffled off at the Parish Picnic on August 7th!

Ministers for August

Eucharistic Ministers: 4:30 pm - Tony Scheeda; 8:00 am - Judy Bell; 10:15 am - Davidlee Klimchuk, Karen Klimchuk, Sister Ruth

Lectors: 4:30 pm - Tom Bergman; 8:00 am - Ron Konieczny; 10:15 am - Edmund Burke

Altar Servers: 4:30 pm - Emily Wulf, Tim Bergman; 8:00 am - Jason Hoefler, Cordero Earle; 10:15 am - Jena Kolo, Alexis Kolo, Jessica Wood

BOTTOM LINE:

A higher moral vision can motivate the choice for life