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## WEEKEND and SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 4:30PM (English)

#### SUNDAY

7:30AM (Polish) 9:00AM & 12:00 Noon (English) 10:30AM (Spanish)

#### **WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

8:00AM (English) Monday-Friday Saturday 8:00AM

Weekday mass is celebrated In the Church

### **CONFESSIONS**

Confessions After Saturday Morning Mass 8:30am - 9:00am

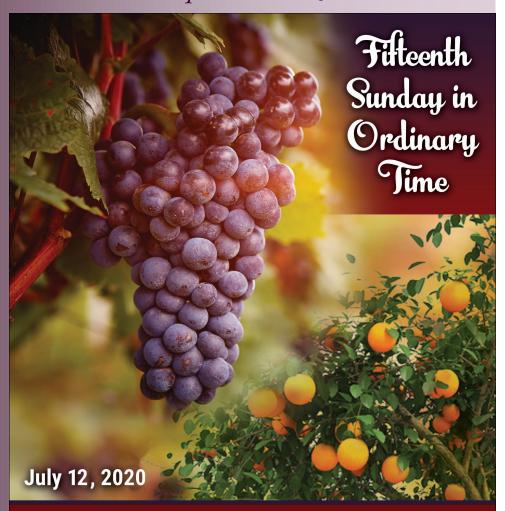
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A sower went out to sow.

Some seed fell on the path . . . some fell on rocky ground.
. . . Some seed fell among thorns.
. . . But some fell on rich soil, and produced fruit.

Matthew 13:3, 4, 5, 7, 8

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#### 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

"The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word but then the cares of the world and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit." Matthew 13:22

Does the lure of riches and material goods choke God out of your life? Are you so caught up in earthly activities that you have no time for God? Gratitude and generosity are virtues that we should strive to do on a daily basis. Every decision we make either takes us one step closer to God or one step further away. What we receive at Mass every Sunday should be shared with others all the other days of the week as well.

# Mass Intentions for the Week Of July 13th—July 19th

Monday July 13th

8:00AM † Mark Macias

Tuesday, July 14th

8:00AM - Jesus & Manuela Garza

**Anniversary** (Graza Family)

Wednesday, July 15th

8:00AM † Maria Lazari (Lina Velci)

Thursday, July 16th

8:00AM -

Friday, July 17th

8:00AM † Leonard Kubas (Edith Kubas)

Saturday, July 18th

8:00AM - Maria Lazari (Bon Giore)

4:30PM † In memory of D. Detgen

Sunday, July 19th

7:30AM † Waclaw i Cecylia Borys

† Jozef Maryniarczyk i Annaa

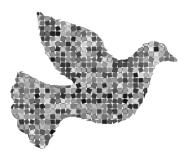
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10:30AM -

12:00PM - Mary Lynn Chyba. Divine

**Health & Abundant Blessing** 

on Birthday





## TABERNACLE CANDLES

In Memory of Bea Longluis
(Little Helen)

Love & Miss You Frank (Diana)

God's Healing Blessing for Diane Kraft (Edith Kubas)

In Loving Memory of Bernice Vescovi (George)

In Loving Memory of Frank Matusewick (Rose)

In Loving Memory of Joseph Turrise (Wife)

In Loving Memory of Mark Minonne (Minonne Family)

God's Healing Blessing for Fran Gorz
(Mom & Family)

God's Healing Blessings for Jerry (Jarosik Family)

## Stewardship—The Act of Giving

God has taught us that we cannot love without giving of our time, talent and treasure. If we give ourselves to God and let the Lord use our talents to serve others, we will be amazed by the results. Not only will all our lives be changed but so will the lives of others.

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## **Mass Intentions**

There are <u>several</u> Masses still available for 2020. Mass intentions can be requested for many occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, illness, for the deceased, and more.

You can request a mass by coming to the parish office in person or by calling the parish office at 773-585-1221.



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Almighty God, Lord of Hosts, we call out to you as the One who is sovereign over all. Watch over and protect our nation's military members and their families. Sustain them with your everlasting arms. As they serve around the world, we ask that you guard their families and loved ones back home. Amen.

### SUNDAY REFLECTIONS



Today, we consider the parable of the sower. It has a special force and charm because it is our Lord Jesus' own word. The message is quite clear: God is generous while sowing, but the very success of his sowing is also contingent —at the same time— on our free response. That the fruit depends upon the soil where the seeds fall is something that our daily experiences already tell us. For instance, amongst the pupils of the same school and the same class, some may end up with a religious calling while others may end as atheists. They heard the same messages, but the soils where the seeds fell were different.

The good soil is our heart. Partly, because of our own good nature; but, mostly, because of our own will. Some people prefer to enjoy themselves rather than trying to be better. With these persons it happens the same as in the parable: the thistles (that is, the worries of this life and the love of money) "choke [the Word];

and it does not bear fruit" (Mt 13:22).

But, those who, instead, treasure the being, they lovingly receive God's seeds and make them bear fruit. Although, doing it means considerable mortification. Jesus Christ said it too: "I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds" (Jn 12:24). The Lord also warned us that the road to salvation is narrow and steep (cf. Mt 7:14): the more valuable it is, the more difficult to get. Priceless things cannot be obtained without effort.

Those enthralled by their own penchants will have a heart like a wild jungle. On the contrary, the fruit trees that are pruned on time will bear the best fruits. Saints never had an easy life, but they were models for Mankind. "Indeed, not all of us have been called to martyrdom, but certainly to attain the perfection of Christian life. But the virtue demands such a strength that (...) all the same it requires a long and painstaking work, which we should never interrupt, until we die. Accordingly, this may be considered as a slow and continuous martyrdom" (Pius XII).



Słowo Boga obecne jest w świecie od początku. To jemu zawdzięcza on swoje istnienie - czytamy w prologu Ewangelii według św. Jana. Było ono głoszone przez proroków w czasach Starego Testamentu, a gdy nadeszła pełnia czasu stało się ciałem w osobie Jezusa Chrystusa.

Ilekroć uczestniczymy w Eucharystii, mamy okazję słyszeć to Słowo. Jezus przemawia do nas w czytaniach liturgicznych, Jego nauka jest wyjaśniana podczas homilii, a Jego zbawcze dzieło uobecnia się na ołtarzu w liturgii eucharystycznej. Słowo Boże przywołujemy także w naszej osobistej modlitwie. Jako osoby wierzące powinniśmy codziennie karmić nim swoją duszę. Jeśli tak czynimy, zastanówmy się jeszcze, w jaki sposób je przyjmujemy. Czy rozważamy je i staramy się, by w nas żyło i przemieniało nasze życie? Czy kierujemy się nim w naszych własnych wyborach i decyzjach?

Najczęstszym grzechem jest nie tyle całkowite odrzucanie słowa Bożego, ile przyjmowanie go w sposób wybiórczy, tylko w tym, co dla nas wygodne, co odpowiada naszym życiowym planom. Dlatego, jeśli nawet ono w nas zakiełkuje, wyrasta z niego roślina pokrzywiona, skarłowaciała, nieodporna na wiatr i burzę. Bóg natomiast pragnie, aby słowo przez Niego wypowiedziane rozwijało się w nas bez przeszkód, ukazując całą swoją moc w naszym postępowaniu. Dopiero wtedy będzie ono rzeczywiście ziarnem, które pada na ziemię żyzną i przynosi obfity plon.

Przypowieść o siewcy przeznaczona na dzisiejszą zaprasza nas do odkrywania w jej obrazach prawdy o Królestwie Bożym, o otaczającym nas świecie, o naszym chrześcijaństwie, o głoszeniu słowa Bożego, o chrześcijańskim wychowaniu, o kaznodziejach, o rodzicach, chrzestnych, katechetach, nauczycielach, o nas. Jezus zaprasza nas do ponownego odkrycia ufności — ufności w to, że wysiewane ziarno przynosi plon, że nasz wysiłek, nasze sianie nie jest daremne. Siew i plon — to obrazy stawania się i bycia uczniem Jezusa, głoszenia słowa Bożego i dawania świadectwa chrześcijańskiego życia.

Fr. Peter and Staff

# First Holy Communion Class 2020



Matthew Abalos

Natalia Aguayo

Gabriel Aguirre

Marie Aguirre

Osvaldo Avila

Sebastian Boguszewski

Samuel Carrasco

Elliot Castillo

Xanti Davila

Elizabeth De La Rosa

Leilani Diaz

Angel Fernandez

Citlaly Gonzalez

Sophia Hartfield

Noel Ibarra

Sophia Ineguez

Ellie Koranda

Valentina Marin

Maria Teresa Martinez

Scott Martinez

Mía Medina

Ava Olvera

Aaron Orduna

Aiden Ortiz

Victoria Padilla

Dylan Palos

Dannaí Panfilo

Geovanny Píneda-Velasquez

Jessica Rivas

Joaquín Roman

Giovanni Salgado

Jose Santos

Lucas Senf

Lorenzo Tejeda

Noelani Urtiz

Ava Vazquez

Evelyn Vazquez

Jaime Zapata

Denise Zavala



May the Lord Jesus, who loves children, bless you and keep you in his love, now and forever.

Amen.



## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL FOR THE SICK AND/OR HOMEBOUND.

God of love, ever caring, ever strong, stand by us in our time of need. Watch over (name) who is sick and grant him/her your healing and peace. Amen.

Joseph Adamek Jose Francisco Aguilera Jeff Alter Mary Alter Cindy Beltran Shanen Beltran Patricia Burke Joan Cada Mickey Chavez Brenda Delgado Hannah Carroll Angelita Cervantes Maime Cervantes John Fitzgerald Katie Frederick Josephine Gapultos Ronald Getches Rudy Gonzalez Fran Gorz Geri Griggs Wilma Gumber Maria Guzman Jerry Jarosik Stella Jeziorny Helen Kacprowski Pat King

Diane Kotula Shirl Kucik Anita LaFrancis Marcy Leno Ann Macias **Patty Macias** Steve Marfise Carl Martello Rose Mrozek Rosie O'Sullivan Dorothy Pach Patti Pawlowski Cathy Pilny Marie Portillo Mario Reves Laverne Rinella Florence Rybsky Diane Sal Hector Salazar Monica Ashley Servin Jennifer Smith Jerry Suski Bertha Zaplatosch

Joanna Zieba

Please contact the Parish Office to add or delete a name from this list. Also, contact us if you would like a priest/deacon or minister of care to visit you in the hospital or at your home.

#### **Infant Baptisms**

All arrangements should be made at least one month in advance by calling the Parish Offfice. Baptisms take place normally on the 1st (English) 2nd (Polish) & 3rd (Spanish)Sundays of the month. In preparation of the child's baptism, parents must attend a mandatory Parent Preparation Session which both parents must attend. These preparation sessions are held once a month.

#### Communion for the Sick and Homebound

We ask that you please help us remain informed about parishioners who are hospitalized, homebound or in a nursing home.

Our Ministers of Care will gladly bring Communion to anyone who is sick or homebound at a time that is convenient for you. If you would like to receive Communion at home, please call the Parish Office to make the necessary arrangements.

#### Confessions

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered on Saturdays from 8:30AM to 9:00AM or by appointment whenever desired. Contact the Parish Office.

#### **New Parishioners**

Welcome to St. Richard's Parish. Moving into a new parish, like anything new, is always a little uncertain. If you have been seeking a parish community in which to learn, to pray, to join in social activity and to be of service to others, our doors and hearts are open. We are thankful that God has sent you to us, and we welcome you to our parish family of faith. To become a registered member of our parish family we ask that you please come to the Parish Office to register. Registration can also be taken over the phone if that would be more convenient. Please call the Parish Office at 773-585-1221.

#### **Wedding Reminders**

Weddings are celebrated at 1:00PM and 2:30PM on Saturday afternoons. No arrangements should be made before first meeting with the parish priest. An appointment may be made by calling the Parish Office at 773-585-1221. According to Archdiocesan policy,

### Weekend Masses

To try and accommodate the restrictions given to us, our mass schedules have changed to the following:

## Confessions

8:30—9:00 am on Saturdays

Saturday Mass 4:30pm (English)

Sunday Masses

7:30 am (Polish) 9:00 am (English) 10:30 am (Spanish)

12:00 pm (English)



Due to COVID 19, things will look a little different. Our services have a limited number of attendees; everyone must wear a face mask and use hand sanitizer upon arrival. Please follow the usher's instructions for seating and only sit in designated spaces. Also, all participants must register by going to:

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040544aaa822a0f94-mass

Or by calling the parish office at 773-585-1221. Please be prepared to give your name, address, and phone number. This step is required to assist in the event we need to provide information for contact tracing.



## YOUR DEACON DAYDREAMS



"We are what we eat, we reap what we sow." I don't' know who coined the term "Covid-10" aka the ten lbs everyone seems to have put on due to the famous stay-at-home order, unless someone padlocked their refrigerator, but I just want to welcome you to the club.

However, todays good news from Matthew 13: the parable of the sower & the seed, I can't help but also recall the story of John Chapman better known as Johnny Appleseed, who during the early 1800's as a pioneer nurseryman introduced apple trees to large parts of Pennsylvania, Ontario, Ohio, Indiana, & Illinois, as well as the northern counties of present-day West Virginia. He became an American legend while still alive, due to his kind, generous ways, his leadership in conservation, & the symbolic importance he attributed to apples. He was also a missionary for The New Church (Swedenborgian). We all know that apples are good for our health," an apple a day keeps the doctor away." Now don't take it to liberally like eat daily strudel/apple slices/bars/pies/cider/fritters etc. I get scolded when I help my 2 yr. old granddaughter Alice finish her desserts.

Instead, when Jesus walked on this planet called earth, He frequently preached on what we should eat, not physically but spiritually. He knew when he was preaching to the "choir" & His seeds were planted on fertile soil, they would grow. But He was more concerned when His seeds were sown & His wise words were falling on deaf & closed ears. Jesus was concerned & is still concerned because He knows that we were born to be with Him one day in heaven but unless we follow Him & obey His instructions that would not happen. We have a free-will & that could be an obstacle for some of us. But Jesus wants all of us to be happy with Him in heaven. That's why he spoke in parables. So we could learn the significance of this very important lesson & how vital our choices are. Because there are consequences for all of our actions. You may not see them here on earth, but at our final judgment, there's no do overs. It's final. Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth & the life." Don't hurt God by telling Him, "I'll do it MY way, not yours, God."

This weekend, our youngsters are finally able to receive Jesus in their First Holy Communion. It is much different than in years past, but Jesus remains the same, today, yesterday & tomorrow. I still remember making mine 57 years ago. I bet you probably still remember yours too. It was an awesome experience & still I receive Jesus with reverence. Stop & think of what is actually happening. At every mass we hear the words of the Lord in the readings, we pray as we sing & the homily is important too, but the source & summit of our faith, is Jesus in the Eucharist. How simple elements of bread & wine through the Holy Spirit, using the hands of the priest are consecrated into the body, blood, soul & divinity of Jesus Christ is truly a miracle. Then Jesus offers us a taste of the bread of angels, Himself into our body & soul. God is so good! All the time. I hope you are still in awe when you receive Jesus. Even if you can only receive Him spiritually into your hearts as we social distance. If you can, search the internet for Eucharistic Miracles. They are still happening 2000 years after He rose from the dead. Remember the first time, each time you receive Jesus, how happy you were & still can be.

Summer heat is upon us but the beaches & public pools are closed. So I have a suggestion, surf the internet or pick up a book & do some spiritual reading. Surfing in the ocean can be dangerous, so too can surfing the internet. Avoid areas that can spiritually distract you & lead to sin. Or you can just turn your radio to 950 AM Relevant radio or EWTN TV for great information. I discovered a great Canadian priest Fr. Mark Goring on YouTube that you might enjoy listening to as well. He reminds me of a modern day, Fulton Sheen. I also like Fr. Larry Richards & Bishop Robert Barron online. Stay cool, pray for each other & those who need our prayers the most.

See you in church, hopefully soon?

Deacon Larry email:deaconchyba@aol.com

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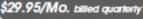
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