This week, in the midst of summer, the scriptures greet us with joy, peace, mercy, and more peace! Sounds a little like Advent, doesn’t it? We often associate the prophet Isaiah with that preparatory season, and our first reading rings with such words as exult, comfort, and rejoice. The Israelites had reason to rejoice, for they had returned, come home, to a rebuilt Jerusalem from their exile in Babylon. In the Gospel, the seventy-two disciples who were sent out have their own homecoming, returning to Jesus from spreading the Good News of the Kingdom and preparing people for the advent of Jesus into their cities and towns on his long road to Jerusalem. Like the exiles in Isaiah, the disciples return rejoicing.

The Good News, the Kingdom of God, is coming, even in summer. As today’s psalm reminds us, Shout joyfully to God, all the earth!

GOING HOME

Summertime, and the scriptures are full of good news—maybe even road trips! We hear Isaiah exhorting the Israelites after they traveled back to Jerusalem from their exile in Babylon. We hear the seventy-two disciples congratulating themselves for going out to proclaim the Kingdom and coming back with tales of success. But the subtext of all of this is the ultimate road trip—Jesus journey to Jerusalem and the Cross.

Imagine how elated the Israelites were, returning from their captivity in Babylon. Even better, the once-destroyed Jerusalem had been restored. Their God had saved them and they were going home. Isaiah, their prophet, assured them of God’s loving care for them, comforting, like a mother, giving them abundant cause for rejoicing. Yet how did they travel? The community of Israel went together, supporting each other, but the road must have been hard on them. Their faith and trust in the merciful God of Israel sustained them.
July 7, 2019
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MONDAY – JULY 8th
8AM(E) For the people of St. John Cantius

TUESDAY – JULY 9th St. Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions
8AM(E) Caroline Porter req. Ethel Rudy

WEDNESDAY – JULY 10th
8AM(E) John & Kash Augustine req. Mini Retreat Group

THURSDAY – JULY 11th St. Benedict
8AM(E) Mildred Ganiszewski req. Mr. & Mrs. Florkowski

FRIDAY - JULY 12th
8AM(E) For Those Enrolled in the Memorial Fund

SATURDAY—JULY 13th St. Henry; Blessed Virgin Mary
8AM(P) Weronika Franciczek Antoni Zogo req. Iwona & Family
5PM(E) Edmund Reca req. cousin, Floss

SUNDAY – JULY 14th
8AM(E) Mildred Ganiszewski req. Holy Rosary Society
10AM(E) Edmund Reca req. Mary Krystofolski
11:30AM(P) Ojczyzna

LECTORS JULY 14
5PM Phyllis Rooney
8AM Jason Cook
10AM Michael Finn

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July 7, 2019
May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.
-Galatians 6:14

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The Second Collection today is for Human Development 7/7.
Next week’s collection is for Parish Religious Education 7/14.

BANNERS DONATED
Our Ordinary Time banners in Church & Chapel were donated by John & Kash Augustine, Regina Filipczak & The Polish Parishioners. If you are interested in donating a banner, please call the rectory office. Thank you.
Letter From Pastor

I hope you all are enjoying your summer. I know that some days the temperatures have been very high and that the humidity makes it unbearable to do things outside. Please be careful.

There is never enough to write about during the summer months. The parish doesn’t close down – there is just less happening. There are, however, many repairs that need to be addressed over the summer. Even though there aren’t many events going on, we are still busy planning for September and the months following. Our annual carnival will take place from September 11th through 15th. It will be 2 weeks earlier this year because we hired a new ride operator. We will have advanced sales of ride tickets in the near future. That week is always an exciting and fun-filled week for our parish and the Bridesburg community.

I am sorry to report to you that Dr. Joanne Walls, our Director of Religious Education, has moved on to pursue another adventure. We thank Dr. Walls for her outstanding work this past year with the PREP. She will continue to help us with the Confirmation Program so she is not leaving us entirely.

Beginning this week, we will no longer have Wednesday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament or Adoration time. We will re-instate the devotion in September.

May God bless all of you!

OUR DYNAMIC CATHOLIC THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: *In a world that can seem so dark at times, God gives you a candle and a match and says ‘You are the light of the world’.”*

*A SECOND THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: “Truth is beautiful, and the truth about you is beautiful. You and I are not perfect, but we are beautifully imperfect.”*

PRAYER
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EVANGELIZATION

Are YOU a “Dynamic Catholic”?
List od Proboszcza

Mam nadzieję, że cieszycie się latem. Wiem, że w niektóre dni temperatury były bardzo wysokie, a wilgotność sprawia, że nie można pracować na zewnątrz. Proszę bądźcie ostrożni.

W czasie lata, Parafia nie będzie zamknięta, ale mniej się dzieje. Jest wiele napraw i spraw, z którymi trzeba się zająć. Mimo że nie ma zbyt wielu wydarzeń, nadal planujemy na wrzesień i następujące miesiące.

Nasz coroczny karnawał odbędzie się w dniach 11-15 września. Odbędzie się dwa tygodnie prędzej ponieważ mamy nową firmę która będzie prowadziła wesołe miasteczko. Ten czas jest zawsze porywającym i zabawnym tygodniem dla naszej parafii i społeczności Bridesburg.

Z przykrością informuję, że Dr. Joanne Walls, nasza Dyrektorka Edukacji Religijnej, odchodzi z tego stanowiska. Dziękujemy Dr. Walls za wspaniałą pracę w ubiegłym roku z programem PREP. Ale nie zostawia nas całkowicie. Będzie nadal pomagała nam w programie przygotowania dzieci do Bierzmowania.

Zaczynając w tym tygodniu i przez całe lato aż do wrzesień, nie będziemy ekspozycji adoracji Najświętszego Sakramentu w środe w kaplicy.

Niech was Bóg błogosławi!

NASZE DYNAMICZNE KATOLICKIE MYŚLI TYGODNIA:

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

It’s high summer now, school is out, the pace of work slows, and some people drift away. There are visitors in the churches every summer, and familiar faces are “among the missing.” Some find the summer’s call more appealing than the summons of the church bells. Many, however, would not dream of missing a Sunday, and so they make their way to Mass in unfamiliar places, watching the locals for clues as to when to sit or stand, where the Communion stations are. In answering the call, they keep the “sabbatical” rhythm of the Christian life: every seventh day, the Body of Christ assembles for worship.

For centuries, there was no obligation to Sunday Mass in the sense of a written law, but Christians have always yearned to be together on Sunday. In the city of Abitina, during a persecution by the Emperor Diocletian, a group of Christians were urged to stop worshiping together on Sundays. They responded, “Then take our lives, for without the Sunday we cannot live.” By a curious coincidence, the appointed readings today center us on thoughts of peace. On our Independence Day, the experience of worship situated us in community, and evoked a commitment from us to be advocates of peace in all aspects of our society’s life.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a; Ps 91:1-4, 14-15ab; Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b, 15; Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19; Mt 10:1-7
Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 10:7-15
Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mt 10:16-23
Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105:1-4, 6-7; Mt 10:24-33
Sunday: Dt 30:10-14; Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37; or 19:8-11; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37
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CROSS ROADS

Now imagine the seventy-two disciples being sent to preach the Kingdom and to prepare people for the Good News of Jesus coming into their lives. No food, no money, no luggage, no reservations--just their faith in Jesus and their optimistic enthusiasm for God's Kingdom. The Good Shepherd had sent his lambs into the world of wolves, with instructions to help them deal with rejection and hardship. Can you imagine the disciples returning from their mission, excited, heady with the successes they experienced on the road? Although they attributed their deeds to the power of the name of Jesus, they were obviously bragging about what they accomplished. In today’s second reading, Paul is writing to the community of Galatia, reminding them that the only appropriate boast is in the cross of Jesus Christ.

Expecting the cross, we might find that our fellow laborers in the fields have dwindled in number. So we pray for companions on our own journeys to walk with us in faithful joy.

COLLECTION COUNTERS FOR SUNDAY

July 7 Joan Reed, Michelle Skalski & Terri Pacan
July 14 Terry Casey & Joe Foster
July 21 Connie Perrault & Maryann Marszalek
July 28 Joan Reed Michelle Skalski & Terri Pacan

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