

SMC Newsletter August 2022

I apologize this August newsletter is late. I will do better next time (hopefully). Please send me any information you would like included for next month. Many blessings, Patty

ECW Update

The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) of St. Mary's Church would like to thank everyone who supported or volunteered at the Summer Bazaar on July 30th. Your generosity enabled us to make \$2,066 and feed 60-70 people at the free community lunch. A special thank you goes out to Anson for the food, Dave for the cash boxes, Sunnyside Gardens & Hewitt's Garden Center for flowers and plants, Bend of the River for ice, and Gene Merlino and the Town of Luzerne for Sunday trash pickup. The proceeds will be used by the ECW for their work in the community and church. The ECW was honored to host the bazaar after not having it for a few years and we hope you enjoyed your meal. Please take the time to thank Barbara B for organizing such a successful event.

ECW voted to pledge \$100 a month to the Maxfield Community Food Pantry "Just a Drop in the Bucket" fundraising campaign. Please see the attached letter from Janette Powell, the Pantry Manager, in the email with this newsletter. The pantry performs an incredible service to the community, and it is much needed at this time. There are also wish list items that the pantry would like at this time and this list is also attached at the end of this newsletter.

The ECW is also contacting the school to see how we can support the students for the beginning of the school year so we will communicate with the church when we have more information.

The next meeting is Friday, Sept 2nd at 10:30am in the Parish Hall.



An Update from Meryl on Birthdays and Anniversaries. Apologies for belated wishes!

The birthdays for Aug are:

Greta Harris Aug 1st, Jeff Reynders Aug 9th, Barbara Breen Aug 10th, and Jack Gallagher Aug 21st.

The anniversaries for Aug are:

Linda & Jerry Sarles Aug 2nd, Don & Paula Hughes Aug 12th, Bruce & Sylvia Clark Aug 19th, and Brent & Joyce Underwood Aug 30th.

Please give Meryl your birthdate so we don't forget anyone's birthday! You do not need to give the year! Please notify Meryl of any upcoming anniversaries. Photos are also welcome from these occasions.



SMC Studies, and Services

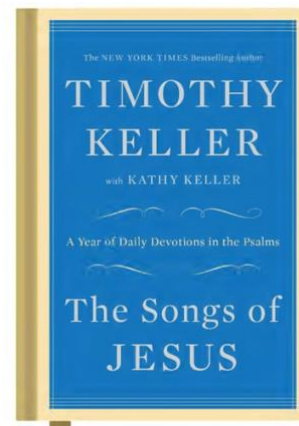
Fr. Lou will continue his Facebook morning prayer on Thursday mornings at 8:30am.

Fr. Lou was so very grateful to have the opportunity to perform his first baptisms for Jack & Aurelia Sheedy on the lake.

The liturgical color for August, which is in Ordinary Time, is green.

Fr. Lou will be doing the outside 8am service in Butler Park on Sunday, August 28th.

Fr. Lou is always accessible by phone at 802-734-0263.



DOK

The meeting for the next DOK is this Friday, August 12th at 10:30am in the Parish Hall/Sanctuary.

The people reading Tim Keller's *The Songs of Jesus: A Year of Daily Devotions in the Psalms* will decide where and when we will discuss the book after the meeting.

The DOK ceremony will be in church on Sunday, August 21st and we can celebrate at the church picnic. DOK members should wear something blue!!

Save the date: Diocesan DOK Assembly at CTK on Saturday, Nov. 5th, 2022

Alpha

Alpha will be starting Sept. 21st, after the Pennsylvania road trip so look forward to future announcements.

Prayer Requests

****Please Pray for:** Linda S. & Family, Deb & John Fish, Emily & Chris, Erich's Aunt Carol & Uncle Roger, Sharon K, Baby Cole, Lynne, Ruth, Tristan, Donna, Sylvia, Charlie, Anne, David & family, Janet and family, Sarah, Peter and Nancy, Margit, Alan, Barbara B-L, The Hayes Family, Vanessa, Linda & Mason, Amy & Maddie, , Carol, Marissa, Mary Carol and Alan, Jennifer, Judy, Kailee & Dante, Claudette, Bob & Schuyler, Michelle, Paul, Mary & family, Mark, Marika, Eduard & Mariana, Joyce, Jackie, Kathy, Jack, Sonia, Carole, Greta, Sue Ellen, Sharon, Bill, Brenda B., our community's youth, the men and women in law enforcement, EMT's, Fire departments, and in the armed forces of our country, all victims and families of the COVID-19 pandemic. All those whose needs are known only to our Lord.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer for Bishop Smith, the Standing Committee, the Profile and Search committee, and for Holiness of life in every Episcopalian. Additionally, please see: <https://albanyepiscopaldiocese.org/prayer/jnml>

****It is time to update the prayer list. Please contact Erich Kaminsky by email at erichkaminsky@yahoo.com or by phone or text at 518.502.4075 with updates.**



Stewardship

The "I Can Do That Breakfast" on Sunday, July 10th at 9am was well received. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to support that event. Thank you to Anson, Gary, and Maxine for their testimonies. If anyone hasn't returned their yellow forms – it is not too late. We have extras if anyone needs one.

Odds and Ends.

Pictures of Fr. Lou letting his hair down on vacation. We were appreciative of the time with family. We had four generations on the family vacation.

The Maxfield Community Food Pantry Needs List is below.

Congratulations to Kathryn & Brian on their wedding on August 14, 2022! Many blessings!!

The breakfast food program has ended for this summer at the H-L elementary school for summer school students. Thank you to our SMC volunteers.

Thank you, St. Mary's, for the generous gift donations to celebrate Fr. Chris Kelly's 50 years of ordination and to say farewell with many blessings for him and Pam as they move to Florida and begin their next adventure.

Ruth's Quote of the month:

Dear God
In your strong hands
I place my life today (and always)
Choosing to depend on you to
Light and guide my way!



Food Pantry Needs

SNAP (Food Stamps) doesn't cover the cost of personal hygiene items. We can always use the following non-food products. The price at Dollar Tree (in Queensbury behind Aldi's) is the best.

- Men's and woman's deodorant
- Toothpaste (regular size tubes)
- Laundry detergent
- Shampoo

These are food items that we can always use.
(Not regularly carried by Regional Food Bank)

- Chunky soups
- Spam (regular)
- Hamburger Helper (not Tuna Helper)
- Large cans of chicken breast
- Beef gravy
- Chicken noodle soup
- Cream of chicken soup
- Cream of celery soup
- Chicken with rice soup
- Canned mushrooms
- Canned beets







