

DISPENSATION FROM THE OBLIGATION TO ATTEND SUNDAY MASS The Catholic faithful who reside in the Diocese of Youngstown and all other Catholics in the diocese and especially those who are sick, or at high risk of becoming sick continue to be dispensed from their Sunday obligation until further notice. The Easter Duty obligation is extended for a period of one year from the end of the Easter Season 2020.

At this time of year and especially this particular year, things can become very hectic and out of focus. Children and grandchildren are going back to school or learning from home. We are concerned about health issues. We may not want to take those last-minute vacations, or even leave home for a day trip. I know for myself this time of year was always a challenge with school and programs starting. I would become so much about the busyness and the worry, that I would forget to enjoy the moment that I was in. I would not be as present to the people around me. What has helped is really practicing the idea of mindfulness – to be present to every moment, to feel the joy of whatever I was doing – (even if it was the dishes!) It was about not thinking back or looking forward. I really try to practice that mindfulness, but it's not easy. Mother Teresa once said: "Be happy in the moment, that's enough. Each moment is all we need, not more" and one more favorite from Lao Tzu: "If you are depressed you are living in the past. If you are anxious you are living in the future. If you are at peace you are living in the present."

I recently had a chance to pray with friends and share thoughts on this beautiful prayer of St. Francis de Sales. Pray it at home, especially when those anxious thoughts come around. –Rita Kingsbury

Be at peace.

Do not look forward in fear to the changes of life;
rather look to them with full hope as they arise.

God, whose very own you are, will deliver you from out of them.
He has kept you hitherto, and He will lead you safely through all things;

and when you cannot stand it, God will bury you in his arms.

Do not fear what may happen tomorrow;
the same everlasting Father who cares for you today
will take care of you then and every day.

He will either shield you from suffering, or give you unfailing strength
to bear it.

Be at peace, and put aside all anxious thoughts and imagination.

AMEN!

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? Could you use some support and comforting? The Christ the Servant grief group is meeting on Sunday afternoons from 2 to 3:30pm. We wear masks and adhere to social distancing by meeting in the church pavilion, weather permitting, or spread out in Seton Hall. For more information, email Deacon Tom at thomasmierzwa@att.net.

RCIA

Please return the following information to the parish office or place in the collection basket

I am interested in the RCIA

Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact : Email or Phone: _____



Parish School of Religion

If you have a child from Preschool through Grade 8, attending a public school, and not enrolled in our P.S.R. program please contact us! We would love to let you know what we have to offer. We will be starting our year together with at home instruction, but this could change as the year progresses.

As Pope Francis said during a meeting in Ireland. “The first and most important place for passing on the faith is the home, through the quiet daily example of parents who love our Lord and trust in his word.” He offered examples of what to do, “pray together as a family; speak of good and holy things; let our Mother Mary into your family life. Celebrate the feasts of the Christian people. In a word, your children will learn from you how to live a Christian life; you will be their first teachers in the faith. The faith is passed on ‘around the family table,’ in ordinary conversation, in the language that persevering love alone knows how to speak.”

Please know, that we will provide all the materials and the support that families need to have an enjoyable and faith filled experience. Registration packets to families currently enrolled in P.S.R. will be sent home by the end of August. For more information please contact Rita Kingsbury at 330-492-0757, Ext. 107 or email at rkingsbury@christtheservantparish.org.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday August 25

9AM –Jose Gomes by Bella Gomes

Wednesday August 26

9AM– Mary Piccari by Family

Thursday August 27

9 AM– Laura Lasick by Varn Family

Friday August 28

9AM– Edward McGraw by Mary Lou & Dan Andrews

Saturday August 29

4:30 PM–John Cobett by Jo Cobett

Sunday August 30

9 AM-David Hussar by Peggy and Robert Brown

11 AM– Pat Gannon by Family

Mark Prestier, Jr by Mark Michelle and Julie .

Masses that were scheduled during our closure due to COVID-19 will be rescheduled when there are openings. If you would like a specific date please call the office 330.492.0757.

If your life has been affected by an abortion or someone else’s abortion, there is Hope and Healing available for everyone. For CONFIDENTIAL help contact *Project Rachel of N.E. Ohio* at 888-259-4806 or support@projrachneo.zohosupport.com

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