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July 28, 2024 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

- FIRST READING:** Elisha feeds a hundred people with twenty barley loaves (2 Kings 4:42-44).
- PSALM:** The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).
- SECOND READING:** Paul urges the Ephesians to live in a manner worthy of the call they received (Ephesians 4:1-6).
- GOSPEL:** Jesus feeds a large crowd with five barley loaves and two fish (John 6:1-15).

LITURGICAL REFLECTION: In the opening verse of the Gospel, John states that the signs that Jesus has performed have had a huge impact on the people. Crowds are now seeking after him. There is no indication that they have come out of faith in Jesus. Therefore, the impression is given that they are coming in hope that they might witness some miracle. Nor is there any mention that the people are hungry or that Jesus has been teaching them at some length. This leaves the impression that Jesus' desire to feed the people is rooted in something other than the crowd's request or need for food. What stands out then is the sign of God's power in the person of Jesus that in the text leads the people to want to make Jesus their king. In John, the connection is made stronger by focusing primarily on the bread. The miraculous nature of what has taken place is highlighted by the fact that twelve baskets of leftovers are collected. John also makes it clear that the people understand the nature of what has taken place. They see what has taken place as a signal that the time of completion is near. The fulfillment of the feasts of Passover and Unleavened Bread has finally arrived, and the people move to make Jesus their king. Have you ever wished that you could have lived at the time of Jesus to hear him preach, witness one of his healings, etc.? To what extent do you think you would have gone to experience the person of the living Jesus?

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

5:30PM	<u>Saturday - Aug 3rd</u>	9:00AM	<u>Sunday - Aug 4th</u>
Lector	Ed Olshefski	Lector:	Kevin Houghton

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK: (July 29th - Aug 4th)

MON	07/29	7:00AM. . .+ William Kolega - (Bruce & Elaine Crooks)
TUES	07/30	7:00AM. . .+ Kathleen Paige - (Betty Rozich Kinzel)
WED	07/31	7:00AM. . .+ Sue & Frank Karmanocky - (Family)
THURS	08/01	7:00AM. . .+ Nancy Schultz - (Natalie Schultz)
FRI	08/02	7:00AM. . .+ For Deceased Members of the Family of Cirila Graicar
SAT	08/03	5:30PM. . .+ Dr. Bernard McQuillan - (Ken & Margaret Dorian & Family)
SUN	08/04	9:00AM. . .+ Holy Souls of Purgatory - (Bob Kuhns)



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CONGRATULATIONS
to our WINNERS!

St. Therese Grand Prize Drawing

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| 1 st Prize – \$1,000 | - Dave Vitovich |
| 2 nd Prize -- \$ 500 | - Brian Petrusic |
| 3 rd Prize -- \$ 300 | - Mike Koslin |
| 4 th Prize -- \$ 100 | - Patricia Penrose |
| 5 th Prize -- \$100 | - Marcia Slisz |

We would like to thank everyone for making this Raffle drawing a Success!!!

Stewardship Reflections: Our readings today remind us that we are called to give God everything we have. We are inspired by the servant and the little boy, who didn't have much but gave the very best of what they had and all that they had for God. In turn, He multiplied their gifts above and beyond what they could have imagined. God will do the same for us today. We must allow Him to do so.

We must ask ourselves, what is our very best, and are we giving it to God? It can be easy to give God the bare minimum. It is convenient and doesn't cause us to stretch ourselves. Yet, a key component of living as a good steward is constantly re-evaluating our lives, particularly our relationship with God, to ensure we are not just 'scraping by', but rather, giving God our entire lives.

As we evaluate our lives, we should ask ourselves – "how am I giving God my time, using my talents, and sharing my treasures?" As we begin a new week, let us spend some time evaluating our relationship with God by asking, "what is my very best, and am I giving it to God?"



The 2nd Annual Blood Drive in honor of Dan Hutchison will be held in the St. Therese Social Hall on Friday, August 9th from 11:30AM – 5:00PM. For an appointment, please visit RedCrossBlood.org and St. Therese or call 1-800-733-2767

KOC Council 10409 is having CPR, AED and First Aid Training on Sept 21st from 9AM – Noon in the St Therese Church Hall. Training is open to anyone 12 years and older. Cost \$15 per person. Contact Joe Hochstein at 814-536-0455 or Brian Mikolich at 814-418-4570 to register and pay fee.

Community News & Events

Festival -- St Benedict Church in Carrolltown will be sponsoring our Parish Festival on Saturday, and Sunday, July 27, and 28.

Entertainment everyday - with large basket auction, games, rides, food booths, beer tent, live music, petting zoo, ethnic foods and refreshments;
Fireworks Saturday at 10 p.m., Chicken Dinner - Sunday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. \$15, dine-in or take-out.

Basket Raffle - St Bartholomew Parish in Wilmore will be having their annual basket raffle on **Sunday, July 28th from 12-2 PM**, with over 300 baskets, hot food, and more. Contact 814-495-9298 to purchase tickets early and visit the raffle ahead of time. Check out the St Bartholomew Facebook page for more information.

Is God Calling You to Become a Deacon? Do you believe that God might be calling you to discern the Ordained Ministry of Christ the Servant, as a Permanent Deacon in the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown? If so, you and your wife (if married) are invited to join Bishop Mark and Deacon Michael Russo at the "Bishop's Night of Vocations" on Wednesday, October 2nd at 7 p.m. at the US Hotel Tavern, Hollidaysburg. Reservations for this event are required and can be made by contacting Jessica at (814) 361-2000. The deadline for reservations is Sept. 2. For more information on the Permanent Diaconate please visit us online at www.dioceseaj.org/Diaconate/ or by contacting Deacon Michael Russo, Director at (814) 288-3036. All are welcome!

St. Andrew Adoration Chapel, 1621 Ferndale Ave, Johnstown: In this blessed time of Eucharistic Revival in our Church, consider visiting and/or committing to an hour at our Perpetual Adoration Chapel. We are always seeking adorers and substitutes. The chapel is open Sunday morning immediately following the 10:30 Mass and remains open until 7:20 AM -Saturday morning each week. Consider giving one hour to our Lord by spending time with Him. One does not need to be a member of St Andrew Parish in order to visit or commit in any way. Currently, we are most in need of committed adorers on Tuesday, 12 AM (midnight) - 1AM, and Thursday morning 1:00 AM - 2AM, Many hours only have one Adorer, and it is preferable to have two each hour. If you feel called by Our Lord to sign up for an hour, or have any questions, please call [814-288-4324](tel:814-288-4324) Ext 5 or call or text Terri Roy @ [815-255-5645](tel:815-255-5645) visit <https://standrewjtown.weadorehim.com/en/schedule>

Families and the Gospel **John 6: 1-15**
In today's gospel Phillip worried about "enough food" for the crowd. What is ENOUGH? When does our ENOUGH deprive another family of their fair share? Jesus performed today's miracle because one child was willing to share and risk living with less. Can your family live more simply so that other families can simple live?