

**17<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
JULY 25, 2021**

**MONEY MATTERS**

The collection amounts received for the weekend of July 17-18 are: Holy Family Church \$713.00, St. John the Baptist Church 1,472.00 and St. Peter's Church, \$1,593.00.  
Thank you for your generosity

**MARRIAGE MOMENTS by Susan Vogt**

"Love is work, it's good work, if you can get it. But it is work nonetheless." (Benjamin Cheever) What's the first work project that you and your spouse took on together – painting a room, washing the car, repairing a window, learning better communication skills??

**WHY NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING**

The Church speaks of an inseparable connection between the two ends of marriage: the good of the spouses themselves as well as the procreation of children. *The Catechism of the Catholic Church* teaches that "these two meanings or values of marriage cannot be separated without altering the couple's spiritual life and compromising the goods of marriage and the future of the family." This inseparability arises from the very nature of conjugal love, a love that "stands under the twofold obligation of fidelity and fecundity." (*Marriage: Love and Life in the Divine Plan*, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2009, p. 15)

**ST. PETER'S JULY OFFICE HOURS**

For the month of July, the office will be open on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, from 9:30 am – 12:30 pm.

**THE HYDE AMENDMENT**

The Hyde /amendment is supported by low-income women, with 55% of low-income people saying they specifically support the Hyde Amendment. Tell Congress not to take it away: <https://bit.ly/no-taxpayer-abortion-action>

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Our long time sexton, James O'Dell, will be retiring on August 31, 2021. Jim has faithfully served St. John's Church for many years and as he moves on to the next chapter of his life, we wish him every success and happiness.

As a result of Jim's retirement, we have an opening for the position of sexton. This is a part time position of approximately 15 hours a week. Duties include landscape maintenance, snow removal and some cleaning in the church, hall and office.

If this is a position you are interested in, please contact me at 865-7394 x3 by July 30, 2021. Thank you.

Yours in Christ,

**YOU ARE INVITED**

St. Paul's Parish in Hancock invites you to their summer movie series, held at the Hancock Cinemas, 533 W Front St, Hancock, NY 13783 at 7:00 pm. The movies are all on Tuesdays except the two days in July.

Save the below dates on your calendar:  
- August 10, "The Nativity Story" (PG)  
- August 17, "Mother Teresa" (PG)  
- August 24, "St Philip Neri - I Prefer Heaven" (PG)  
- August 31, "Roe vs. Wade" (PG-13)  
The movies are free. You can purchase snacks and drinks at the concession area. Masks and social protocol are required in theater if not fully vaccinated.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Henry and Mary Tassitano, Donald Lawrence, Charisma, Bill and Sandy, Adelin, Mitchell Spring, Leo Herbert, Troy Comfort, Shirley Nimmo, Richard Parsons, Caleb and Roger, Roberta Guiliani, Patricia Profetta, Theresa Alvarez, Barbara Ruffert, Bob Fasanaro, Shirley, Kevin Lacey, Jaxon Backus, Thomas Nimo, Greg, Thomas Schlichtig, Ken Pyle, brothers Adam & Mark, Joan Nierney, rita Hanley and Jerry Hanley..

*If you know of anyone on the prayer list who has recovered, please notify the office so his or her name can be removed. Thank you.*

**THIS WEEK'S DAILY SCRIPTURES**

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Mt 13:31-35  
*Sts. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11;34:5b-9,28; Mt 13:36-43  
Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Mt 13:44-46  
Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Jn 11:19-27  
*Sts. Martha, Mary , and Lazarus*  
Friday: Lev 23:1,4-11,15-16,27,34b-37; Mt 13:54-58  
*St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*  
Saturday: Lev 25:1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12  
*St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest*  
Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

**STS. JOACHIM & ANNE**

Sts. Joachim and Anne are the legendary parents of the Virgin Mary. According to the second-century *Protevangelium of James*, Joachim is not permitted to offer sacrifice because he has produced no child. Like Hannah in 1 Samuel, Anne has long been barren. Anne and Joachim pray for a child, which Anne vows to dedicate to God's service. When Mary is three years old, they bring her to the Temple where she remains until her betrothal to Joseph at age twelve. The story is repeated in the *Gospel of pseudo-Matthew*, an eighth century Latin work influential throughout the Middle Ages. Their feast day is observed on July 26.

**PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SOULS  
ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR  
PASSING**

July 26 - Frank Filiberto, Mary Mincarelli  
July 27 - Della Allen, Fernando Alvarez  
July 31 – Frank Jeanniton  
August 1 - Misty Utter, William Kolb, Anna Delasandro, Jacob Smith

**CARPET CLEANING AT ST. PETER'S**

Beginning at 9:30 am on Wednesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> and continuing through Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, St. Peter's Church will be closed due to the cleaning of the carpets. Thank you for your understanding.

**SUMMER READING**

Pick out your next summer read from St. Peter's lending library (in the conference room). The sign out sheet is next to the copier.

**PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION**

This weekend is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Francis. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous. For more information, visit [www.peterspence.va/en.html](http://www.peterspence.va/en.html).

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Your help is needed at the Central NY Coalition for Life Booth at the Fair in Morris from August 3<sup>rd</sup> to August 8<sup>th</sup>. Help is needed from 10 am to 7pm, with the most important hours being between 2 and 7 pm. You do not have to volunteer the whole day, any time you give will be really appreciated. Teamwork makes things easier and this is a great opportunity to practice our Christian duty and a work of mercy. To sign up or for more information, text or call Carmen D'Amico at 607-434-7199.

**ATTENTION MUSIC LOVERS**

On Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm please join us at Father Willis Hall in Walton for a free concert of Celtic Folk music by The Rafters. All are welcome. This free concert is to honor Doc O'Connell, a longtime educator in the Walton School District on the occasion of his 91<sup>st</sup> birthday. Please stop by, enjoy the music and wish Doc a Happy Birthday.