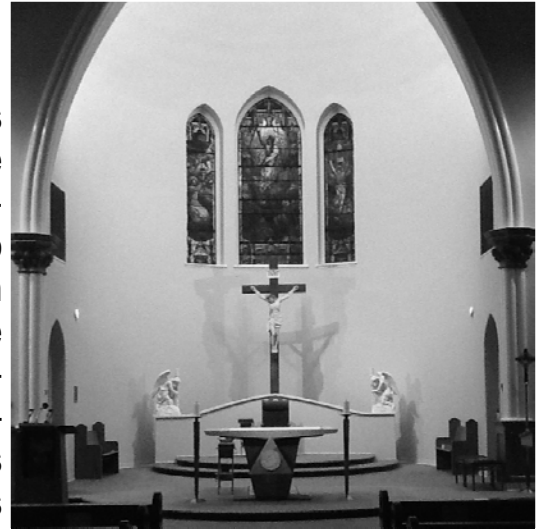


Loose Ends:

Some months ago a growing number of parishioners were repeatedly asking me when the “new” Bishop would be coming to O.L.F. Frankly; I was dragging my feet in extending an invitation to him because of having been burned so badly the last time I invited a bishop here to celebrate with us. Something like four people showed up. This is of course is a slight exaggeration, but only a slight one. I was extremely reluctant to once again embarrass Our Lady, especially in light of the fact many of our neighboring parishes were having S.R.O. crowds at their meet and greet events for the “new” Bishop.



A couple of my “Dutch Uncles [and Aunts]” told me to stop being so cynical and simply trust the people to do the right thing. I thank them for their chastisement. As we keep getting RSVPs from those personal invitations it becomes clearer that we will have a respectable turn out this time. We are not yet at capacity. In fact, we will have enough room for all those procrastinators who, like me, wait until the last minute to RSVP. A Shrink once told me we do that --- fail to commit --- because we want to wait to see if something better might come along. He may have a point, but I guarantee you that you will not find anything better going on in Altoona and its environs on the evening of August 15.

So, even if you haven’t RSVP’ed right up to the evening of the event, come on down! We will be ready for you. We want you Worshiping and Partying with us, your fellow parishioners and your next door neighbors. This promises to be a real Celebration in both senses of the word. By-the-way, remember to “invite” your non-Catholic neighbors - especially to the Party part of this Celebration in order to trigger the 5th Ward dimension of this neighborhood get together.

A word about food! The parish will provide the BBQ chicken, cake and non-alcoholic beverages. Individual parishioners will provide all of the sides. A number of folks have called the Rectory to promise that they will be bringing their favorite already prepared either homemade or store-bought vegetables, starches, meat delicacies, salads, or desserts. Call the Rectory for guidance on what you can bring. Forget about Texas Hotdogs. I’m bringing those.

A word about the statue! It will remain where it is (inside the church) until its permanent home (an outside grotto) is constructed. Currently we have an Eagle Scout Candidate who is seriously interested in taking on this project as his major qualifying activity. We will announce his name when all the loose ends have been tied up.

Mon. 7/30 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Cancer**
Feast Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
8:00 AM Mass Charles Stitt, *Paul & Adaline Cassarly*

Tues. 07/31 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Heart Diseases**
Feast Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
8:00 AM Mass Shirley Hencherick, *Julie Eckenrode*

Wed. 08/01 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Arthritis**
Feast Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
8:00 AM Mass Rose Marie Simanski, *Mike & Sherry Byrne*

Thur. 08/02 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Nervous Disorders**
Feast Saint Peter Julian Eymard, Priest
8:00 AM Mass Louie Mangiacarne, *Mary G. Bettwy*

Fri. 08/03 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Emotional Disorders**
Feast Weekday
8:00 AM Mass Helen Pufka, *Dan & Brenda Altiero*

Sat. 08/04 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Diabetes**
Feast Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30 PM Mass Theresa McCall, *Mr. & Mrs. Charles Hennigan*

Sun. 08/05 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Addictions**
Feast Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Mass Living & Deceased members of Our Lady of Fatima Parish
11:00 AM Mass Jean M. Pufka, *Stanley Krish Family*

*Lord
Jesus
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Son
Of
God
Have
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On
Me
A
Sinner*

Happy Birthday:

07/30 Kelly Benton
07/31 Joan Heverly
08/03 Ruth Anne Barry
08/04 Vicky Burr
08/05 Paul G. Cassarly
 Gabby Jones
 Melinda Jo Summers
08/06 Joe Gaeto

Wedding Anniversaries

08/02 Bernie and Bev Fabian
08/04 Mike and Tracy Summers

**Nocturnal Adoration, Friday, August 3rd, at
St. Therese of the Child Jesus,
Wopsononock Ave.
8-11 PM**

MONEY MATTERS

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, (July 22, 2012)

190 people Celebrated Liturgy at O.L.F. contributing \$ 2,215.00 of which \$ 156.00 accounted for non-env. contributions.
Envelopes In Circulation 204 # Used 85 # Unused 119

2012 ACA Pledge received from M/M Alfred J. Sisto. Total # of Pledges = 86. Total \$\$ Pledged = \$18,433.00 .
Total Over goal is \$2,963.00

Our Lady of Fatima Pleaded That we pray the Holy Rosary Daily
At O.L.F. before each Mass and privately from 8:30am to 7:00pm



You are cordially invited

On the Holy Day of Obligation
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 15, 2012

Please welcome with us

Bishop Mark Bartchak, D.D., J.C.D.

as he makes his first Episcopal Visit to us, and celebrates Holy Mass with us, and blesses the new statuary for us, and breaks bread with us, and makes himself available for informal pictures with our families, while helping us to mark the 100th anniversary .