July 5, 2020
FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions for the Week:

Saturday, July 4
Saint Elizabeth of Portugal
9:00 a.m. † Frank Sauer
5:00 p.m. † Robert C. Powers

Sunday, July 5
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:00 a.m. Antoinette Debiase Layton

Monday, July 6
Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr
8:00 a.m. Marjorie Moise
12:00 p.m. ° Dominic & Mary

Tuesday, July 7
Saint Apollonius
8:00 a.m. Anne Huey
12:00 p.m. Gina Steiner (†) & Rain Pierre

Wednesday, July 8
Saint Grimold
8:00 a.m. Members & Benefactors of the Shrine
12:00 p.m. ° Louis Dedominicis
7:00 p.m. ° Colleen Gallagher

Thursday, July 9
Saint Veronica Giuliani
8:00 a.m.
12:00 p.m. ° Lena Cappello

Friday, July 10
Saint Alexander
8:00 a.m. ° Rita Romano
12:00 p.m. Gina Steiner (†) & Carl Voce

Saturday, July 11
Saint Benedict
8:00 a.m. ° Jessie Johnson
12:00 p.m. Sanon Jean
5:00 p.m. ° Albert Del Borrello, Jr.

† = Deceased

Bread & Wine Offering
Sunday, July 5
Saint Veronica Giuliani

Sanctuary Candle
Anne Huey

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE:

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A Prayer for the Fourth of July
Father of all nations and ages, we recall the day when our country claimed its place among the family of nations; for what has been achieved we give you thanks, for the work that still remains we ask your help, and as you have called us from many peoples to be one nation, grant that, under your providence, our country may share your blessings with all the peoples of the earth.

Amen.

The Turmoil of Job Loss: Support, Strength and Self-Empowerment
There are few things that bring a person down to a low point as much as the loss of a job, whether it’s through being “fired,” “furloughed,” or “laid off.” And there are plenty of folks—millions, in fact—under each of these monikers, especially with the lingering impact of the Coronavirus pandemic. Maybe you are one of them. Losing one’s job can be devastating. It attacks everything: one’s physical, emotional and spiritual health, including self-confidence and self-esteem. New life and opportunity come not from denying the pain or grief or emotional strain, but from naming it, embracing faith and taking charge.

Here at the National Shrine we are offering two avenues of help. First, if you are in need of one to one help, we offer Individual Counseling from Fr. Jim Paradis, O.S.A. who is an experienced therapist and Certified Pastoral Counselor. Secondly, we are ready to offer a 10-session, weekly Support & Empowerment Group for those who’ve experienced job loss recently. This group will be limited to 10 people. The goal of the group is to gather for support and professional input, and to develop positive resources and skills for moving forward through a time of unique loss and adversity. Fr. Jim will also facilitate this group in a conference area of the Shrine. If you are interested in speaking to Fr. Jim about either or both opportunities for help, please reach out to him at (215) 546-8333, x1400.

We Pray for Our Sick
Anthony Acchione, Isaiah Baker, Gregory Barbuto, Marie Biddy, Sarah Biddy, Bo Botto, Joseph Botto, Samuel A. Bowlen, Elizabeth Boyer, Anna Boyle, Deborah Brown, Pat Bruno, Alice Butterworth, Rita Cecchetti, Sonia Celia, Cindy Chen, Anthony Cimini, Louis Cosenza, William D’Amato, April L. DeMatto, Philip DiChiaro, Raymond DiPalma, Cecilia Dougherty, Anthony Ferrara, Helen Glowacki, Roger Gronert, Gavin Horn, Grace Iatarola, Ignation José, Mila José, Brian Kuran, Catherine Mahoney, Rocco Mattio, Tara McCabe, Robert Monroe, Elizabeth Paglia, Joanna Palma, Kate Pepper, Courtney Pisano, Rita Pisano, John Politis, Annamaria Ranieri, Michael Reihl, Carolyn Sabatina, Gina Santaguida, Maria Scocca, Audrey Seebarth, Sophia Haifa Zedan, & Joanne.

To place names on this list, call the Shrine office at 215-546-8333.
A Few Simple Notes from the Director

Green Phase
The time has finally come for us to move into the Green Phase! We are excited to reopen the Lower Shrine beginning this Monday, July 6, 2020 for private prayer. You’ll notice that both daily and Sunday Mass as well as the Sacrament of Reconciliation will continue to take place in the Upper Church. At this point, the Lower Shrine will be open Monday through Sunday, 8:00a.m until 1:00p.m. We will continue to expand our schedule as we get deeper into this new phase.

As I noted last week, the Gift Shop will also be open Monday through Sunday from 10:00a.m. until 1:00p.m. We will continue to expand these hours as time goes on. If you haven’t yet, stop by to see Kathy and enjoy our newly remodeled space. Thanks for your continued support, patience, and prayers!

Banners on Broad Street
On your way out of Mass today, we encourage you to take a moment and enjoy the new banners on Broad Street. These six banners were donated by different patrons in memory or in honor of their loved ones. They allow us to extend our ministry into Philadelphia and highlight some of Saint Rita’s better-known virtues: healing, peace, forgiveness, and hope. It seems providential that these banners were hung during such a turbulent time within our community, city, and country. Hopefully every person who passes by these banners will be inspired to join in our mission to bring about a more peaceful, just world.

Our hope is to replace these banners with a new design every two years. If you would be interested in honoring your loved ones with one of these banners, please contact Ms. Yuli Saputro in the office.

Early Print Date
Because of the holiday weekend, the company that prints our bulletins, John Patrick Publishing Company, required us to submit this bulletin a week earlier than usual. As a result, our collection totals from last weekend aren’t included. Once we get back to our normal printing schedule, I will be sure to let you know how much we’ve collected. Thanks for your patience and continued generosity!

On behalf the Augustinian Friars and Shrine Staff, have a blessed and safe Independence Day weekend!

Green Phase at the Shrine

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<td>12:00p.m. in the Upper Church Daily Mass will be available Monday through Saturday in the Upper Church</td>
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Beginning Monday, July 6, 2020, the Lower Shrine will reopen to the public for private prayer. Please continue to practice social distancing, and wear a mask while visiting the Shrine. Saint Rita, pray for us!

Paying for our New Sound System
Two weeks ago the Shrine signed a contract and settled on a company to install a new sound system in the Upper Church. After a lot of research, discussion, and prayer, we've decided to work with Monte Bros., a reputable company that uses state of the art technology to improve the intelligibility and acoustical quality of sound in churches. The price tag will be about $60,000.

To help pay for this expense, we are hoping to use the money raised as part of the Heritage of Faith – Vision of Hope campaign. As you may recall, back in 2009 the Archdiocese started a fundraising initiative to ensure the financial success of its parishes and ministries. Saint Rita Parish met its goal and raised an additional $27,000 that has been slowly earning interest over the past 11 years. This money was earmarked by Fr. Joe Genito, O.S.A. for potential projects: the roof and facade, repairing leaks in the lower Shrine, and/or renovating the friary space. In order to use these funds on the sound system instead of these other projects, we need to print our intentions in the bulletin for the next few weeks, and solicit any concerns from you, our patrons, before it will be released by the Archdiocese. So, if you have thoughts or concerns about us using the campaign money in this way, please contact the Shrine Director: jjerome@saintritashrine.org.

ARISE
The Archdiocese of Philadelphia has created a website to assist people during the period immediately following the lifting of the COVID-19 restrictions. Their goal is to help the faithful throughout the Archdiocese reintegrate into an active, in-person engagement with parish life. This initiative is called, “ARISE: Restoring Catholic Life after the Pandemic.” Check it out: http://www.archphila.org/arise