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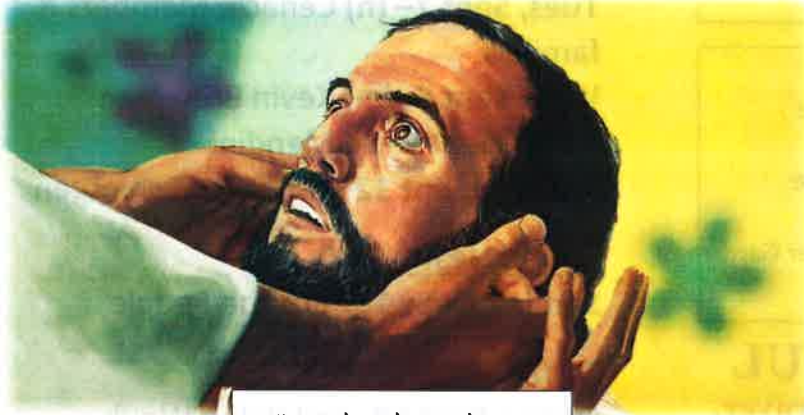
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“Ephphatha”

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 5, 2021

Readings for Today

Isa 35:4-7; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mark 7:31-37

Office Hours:

St. Anthony

Tuesday · Thursday · Friday
10 am – 1 pm

St. Margaret

Tues & Thurs 9am-Noon
Friday 8am-Noon

Fr. Mann’s Office Hours:

St. Anthony

Tues 2-4
Wed 9-4
Thurs 11-4

St. Margaret

Friday 10-Noon

Reconciliation:

½ hour before masses

Adoration:

1 hour before weekday masses

Anointing of the Sick:

Thursday evening masses and per request.

Weekend Masses:

Saturday - 4:00 p.m. @ St. Margaret
Sunday - 9:00 a.m. @ St. Anthony
Sunday - 11:30 a.m. @ Sacred Heart

Weekday Masses:

Monday – none
Tuesday – 5:30pm @ St Anthony
Wednesday – 5:30 pm @ St. Anthony
Thursday – 9:00 Maryhill
Thursday – 5:30 pm @ St. Anthony
Friday – 9:00 am @ St. Margaret
1st Saturday – 10:00 am @ St. Anthony

Mon. Sept 6	Tues. Sept 7	Wed. Sept 8	Thurs. Sept 9	Fri. Sept 10	Sat. Sept 11	Sun. Sept 12
		Feast of the birth of Mary	St. Peter Claver			
Col 1:24-2:3; Ps 62:6-9; John 10:27; Luke 6:6-11	Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1-11; John 15:16; Luke 6:12-19	Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:1-13; Luke 6:23; Luke 6:20-26	Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1-6; 1 John 4:12; Luke 6:27-38	1 Tim 1:1-14; Ps 16:1-11; John 17:17; Luke 6:39-42	1 Tim 1:15-17; Ps 113:1-7; John 14:23; Luke 6:43-49	Isa 50:4-9; Ps 116:1-9; Jas 2:14-18; Gal 6:14; Mark 8:27-35

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Sacramental Preparations

Baptism, Confirmation & 1st Eucharist: Please contact office.

Marriage: Please call at least 6 months before desired date

Holy Orders: Call Fr. Mark Mleziva or Dcn Peter Gard at Diocese.

PRAYER IS POWERFUL

Please pray for those in need of prayer.

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Asst. Living: Dorothy Richards – Maryhill

Those at home/Recovering: Carol Shier, Sandra Pluskota



Please keep our soldiers in your

prayers: AJ Sonnenberg, Adam Valeski, Sarah Mills, David Phillips, Emily Phillips,

Tony Wodenka, Drew Schiefelbein, Benjamin Oratch

Prayer Requests

Phone Tree: Rose Bousley 715-251-3249.

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CANDLE INTENTIONS

St. Anthony Altar – Brad Butler & family

Sacred Heart – Brian Schintgen

St. Margaret

St. Joseph – Bill Schintgen

MASS INTENTIONS

St. Anthony

Tues, Sept 7– (h) Cenacle Members & families

Wed, Sept 8- (m) Kevin Brinkman

Thurs, Sept 9– Al Mendini

Sunday, Sept 12– (m) Brian Schintgen

Sacred Heart

Sunday, Sept 12– For the People

St. Margaret

Friday, Sept 10– (m) Ralph Wnuk

Saturday, Sept 11– (m) Loraine & Mark Stepien

MINISTRY SCHEDULE Sept 11/12

St. Margaret

Sacristan – Mary Keyser

Lector – Mary Keyser

Server – Ed Nowland

Ushers – Tom Keyser

St. Anthony

Sacristan – Lori & Dan Aderman

Lector – Patti Sparapani

Ushers - Mike DeCremer & Randy Wodenka

Ministry Schedule Planning

It's that time of year again at St. Anthony to schedule ministries for: Lectors, Ushers, Sacristans, and Money Counters. Please contact the office with dates you will be unavailable October 1 – April 3, 2022. If you are curious in what is entailed or would like to be part of any of the above ministries please contact the office.



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*“Seek God in all things and you
shall find God at your side.”*

- St. Peter Claver

Want to become members of one of our parishes?

Awesome and welcome!

Contact our offices and we will be happy to assist you with any questions, concerns, and how to go about it.

America Needs Fatima Public Rosary

Saturday, September 11, 2021
12:00pm Noon

Outside of the John Fornetti Dental Center
100 S Stephenson Avenue
Iron Mountain
For more information please contact Kelly

Message from Fr. Quinn

Praise the Lord! We have all experienced having our hopes dashed when showing up at a store, a restaurant or even an event only to find that it is closed. Although the hours stated online that it was open or we got winter hours confused with summer hours, the reality is disappointing. How much more sad would it be if our Churches were closed at the wrong time? Unfortunately, that can easily be the case. Or worse yet, maybe the Church is open but hearts are closed. Jesus says in the Gospel, "Be opened!" Perhaps the challenge for us in living the Christian life is to remain open to conversion, repentance, or change. In a world changing far quicker than we can handle, being open to God and his invitation to love is more difficult with each passing day. Being open interiorly requires vulnerability and at times messiness. Jesus healed using dirt and saliva for Pete's Sake. Instead of closing ourselves off to God or one another, let's pray for the grace to simply be open even when it includes inconvenience or sacrifice.

Now & Forever! Fr. Quinn

Mary and the saints can intercede for us from heaven. Jesus is certainly in heaven interceding for us. He is the ONE MEDIATOR between God and man simply because he is the only one that is both God and man and has offered Himself as a sacrificial victim for our salvation. That does not eliminate the possibility of other people praying and interceding for us. We hear in Scripture *“Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man has great power in its effects”* (James 5:16). There is power to our prayers for one another, and the righteous men and women who are in heaven, though they have died in their physical bodies, are still part of our community and are willing to pray for us.

Jesus tells us *“Truly, truly, I say to you, if any one keeps my word, he will never see death”* (Jn 8:51). Then in Revelations 20:14 we hear Jesus speak of a *“second death”* which reveals that there is a physical death and a spiritual death. Those who keep the word of Jesus will not suffer the second death. Mary and the saints have kept the word of God and are alive in Christ. As members of the Church, we believe in the communion of saints. This membership is made up of those still on earth, the Church Militant, fighting the good fight (see 2 Tim 4:7). Then there are those in purgatory needing a final purification before seeing God face-to-face. They are the Church Suffering, which we hear about from Paul, *“If any man’s work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire”* (1 Cor 3:15). Those in heaven, the Church Glorious, have won the imperishable crown (see 1 Cor 9: 25) and are proven righteous. Therefore, their prayers have great effect. It is good and right that we ask them to pray for us!

The word ‘pray’ has many meanings, such as – “I pray thee” in Shakespeare – which is what most Catholics mean when we speak of praying to a saint. The prayers we say to Mary and the saints are the same communications we have with one another on earth: repentance, thanks, petition, or intercession. It is to God alone that we offer prayers of adoration and worship. The Church has never taught Her children to worship Mary, the saints, or the images (family pictures) we may have of them.

Praying the Rosary is a good and holy practice! The concerns against the Rosary are unfounded as the foundation of the prayers are found in the Bible (see Lk 1:28, 42 for the Hail Mary and Lk 11:2-4 for the Our Father). Plus, all the meditations for each of the mysteries are found in the Bible, either explicitly or implicitly. The warning against *“vain repetition”* (Mt 6:7) really focuses on the word “vain”. I have yet to meet anyone who will ask God only one time for something and then refuse to repeat the request. St. Paul asked God three times to remove the thorn in his side (see 2 Cor 12). Jesus even encourages persistence in prayer (see Luke 11:5-10). Being a parent (and grandparent), I find it difficult to imagine our heavenly Father is angry with his children who repeat prayers. My grandson is just at that age where he is saying the same words all the time and I am just so pleased he is attempting to communicate with me. God loves to hear our prayers, even if they repeat.

So, focusing on the word ‘vain,’ it is vain to pray empty words without recognizing you are in the presence of God. The Pharisee’s spontaneous prayer *“with himself”* (see Lk 18:11) is a great example of this. St. Teresa of Avila speaks very firmly on the need to enter prayer with the understanding that you are addressing God. The Rosary lends itself to many forms of prayer. It may be prayed as a vocal prayer, where the person reflects on the words of the prayers being said. It may be prayed as a meditative prayer, where the person reflects on the mysteries of the Rosary and enters into the biblical scenes of the lives of Jesus and Mary. It can also be prayed in a contemplative way, where, while speaking the words of the prayers, God speaks to the soul in an intimate communion. You can find more information in the last section of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, which discusses prayer and even the difficulties in prayer (see CCC 2697-2865).

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Pat Recla**



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Memory of
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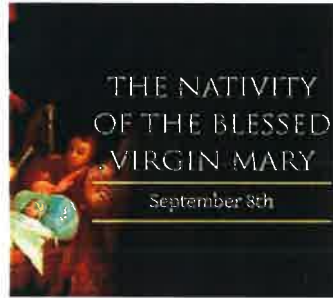


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