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MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY - 12:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY - 8:00 a.m.

THURSDAY & FRIDAY - 8:00 a.m.

SATURDAY - 4:00 p.m.

SUNDAY - 10:30 a.m.

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Mass Intentions

07/18 (Saturday)	4:00 p.m.	Ray & Elma Kaufman
07/19 (Sunday)	8:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Barbara's
	10:30 a.m.	Kenneth & Margery Kroeger
07/20 (Monday)		No Mass
07/21 (Tuesday)	12:00 p.m.	For the People of Immaculate Conception & St. Barbara Parishes
07/22 (Wednesday)	8:00 a.m.	Dorothy Bowen
07/23 (Thursday)	8:00 a.m.	Bob & Arlene Bendele
	6:00 p.m.	Mass at St. Barbara's
07/24 (Friday)	8:00 a.m.	Ike & Florence Miller; Cheryl Miller; Don & Mary Miller; Kim Strickler; Sister Mary Lou Miller
07/25 (Saturday)	4:00 p.m.	Elmer & Armella Martz
07/26 (Sunday)	8:00 a.m.	Mass at St. Barbara's
	10:30 a.m.	Paul & Marilyn Hoehn

Next Weekend's Readings - July 25-26, 2026

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12 Romans 8:28-30
Matthew 13:44-52



MEMORIAL CANDLES

In memory of
**Kenneth & Margery
Kroeger**

Summer Soccer Camp Success!

Another great Ottoville tradition has come to an end and was a great success! Many thanks to Coach Markward, Coach Gasser, all the coaches, and the High School Big Green and Lady Green mentors for sharing their time, knowledge, and love of the "Beautiful Game" with our young soccer players.

Blessings to all our players and their families for a safe and successful upcoming season!



Religious Education

Volunteers Needed!!!

Our Religious Education program operates successfully because of our volunteers.

We are looking for caring and faith-filled volunteers to help guide the next generation in growing their relationship with God. Currently, we are looking for a **4th grade co-teacher, 5th grade teacher and teacher's aide, and 10th grade teacher.**

Please contact the parish office at **419-453-3513** or email **icreligious@icchurchottoville.org** if you are interested in helping our youth grow closer to their Catholic faith!

You're Invited!

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THE FAITH

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Catholic Church and
want to learn more



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and His Church.



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September!



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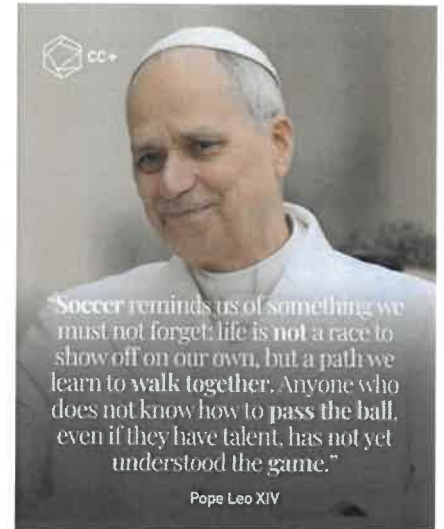
Come and see.
John 3:40

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hello Friends,

Thank you to the leaders and all the helpers who made the annual St. Barbara Parish Festival a success! The BBQ Chicken Dinner was a sellout (as was the Pulled Pork Meal), and a good time was had by all! While times have changed at St. Barbara and Cloverdale, this was a reminder of how when we come together we can continue to do good things as who we are now, as we also honor the past. We thank everyone for their contributions. And thanks to all of our guests and supporters!

As we know, this has been a special summer for sports. America (along with Canada and Mexico) hosted a highly successful (and expanded) World Cup. The tournament play was a reminder that there is no sport like “The Beautiful Game”. There is something about soccer that transcends the things that sometimes divide us. The game has a way of bringing people together. The poor and the rich of each nation support their team and it was great to see all the forms of patriotism (including our own) for these games. The Championship is this Sunday. (No doubt, the 2026 World Cup has been an inspiration for our local Big Green players and coaches as they prepare for their season!)



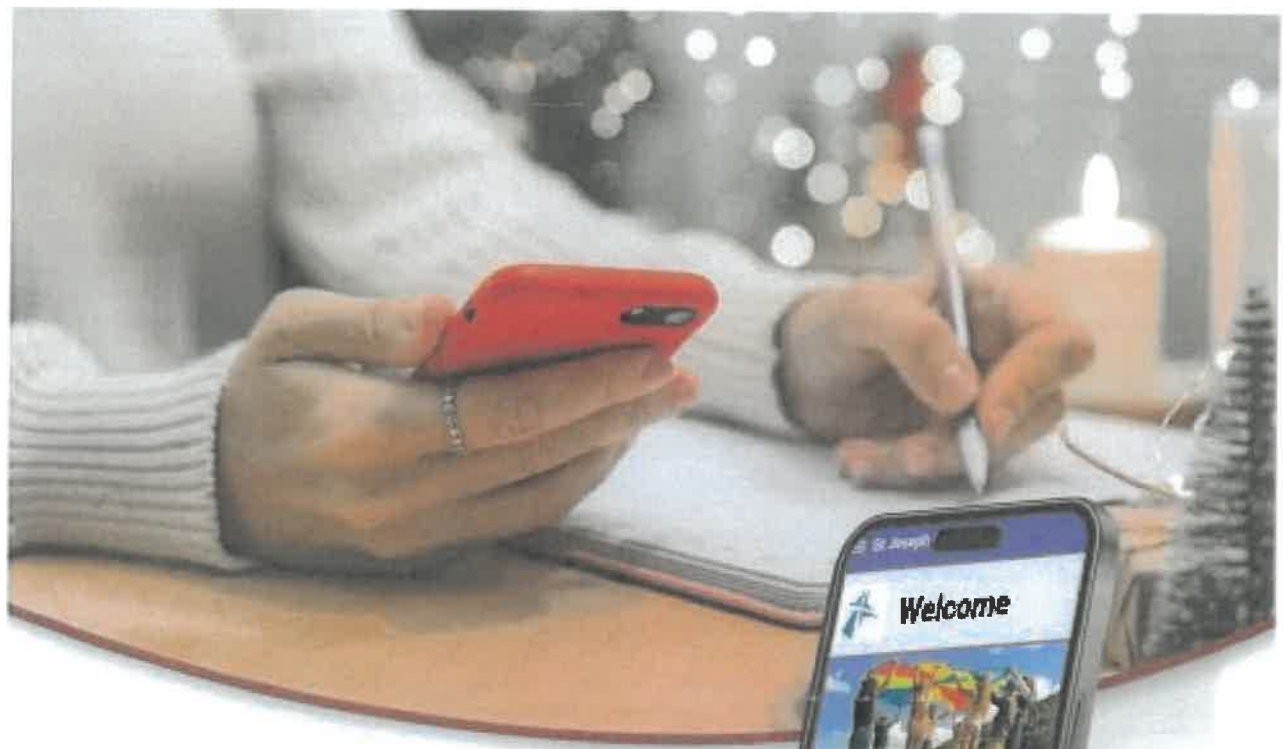
Another sports-related news story this summer shocked some of us American Football fans. Chris Johnson, a 40-year-old former NFL star running back who once set a record with his 4.24 time in the 40-yard dash and who became an MVP and top performer (including a 2,000 yard rushing season with the Titans in the days when there were only 16 games), announced that he has progressive ALS, Lou Gehrig's Disease. He gave an interview to Michael Strahan (another former NFL player). Chris' eye-detection computer had to do the talking since he lost the ability to use his voice. Brittany, his wife, has since become his caretaker. As Chris and Brittany say, "You can either give-up or stay hopeful and fight to the end."



They are choosing to fight and keep the faith.

We hear from Scripture this weekend (Paul's Letter to the Romans). "The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness." We all have moments of weakness and times of being tested, some more so than others. That's a time that we must be humble and let God in. In letting God in, through the Spirit, and through the kindness and love and help coming from others, we're not alone. Spirit, especially God's Spirit, can make a home in our hearts, minds, and bodies. Jesus said in the Gospel this weekend (as we hear about the "wheat and the weeds"), a little bit of faith can become a great amount of faith; and a little bit of despair or anything else symbolizing "weeds" can also grow wild within us.

Much in life is a matter of choice and patience and knowing the right thing to do and asking God for help to do it. God's Spirit is always available to strengthen us, just ask for it. —Fr. George Mahas—



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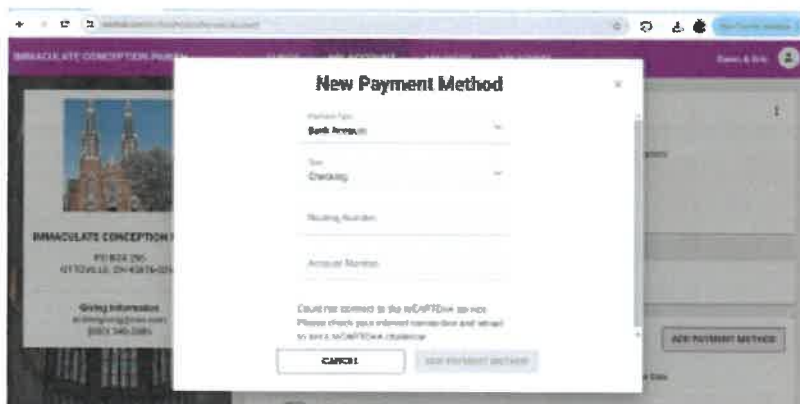
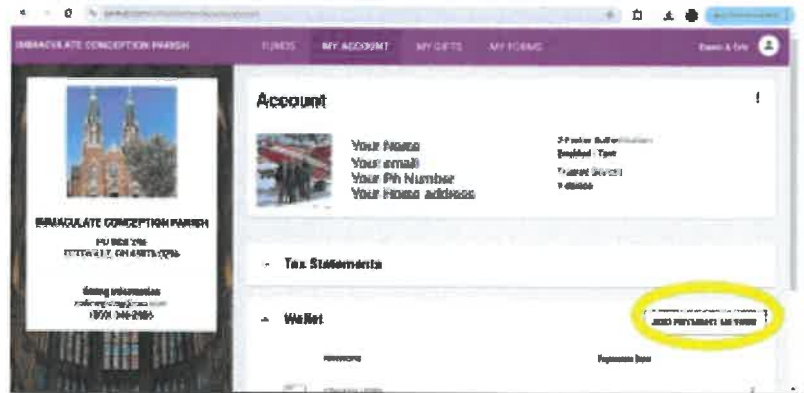
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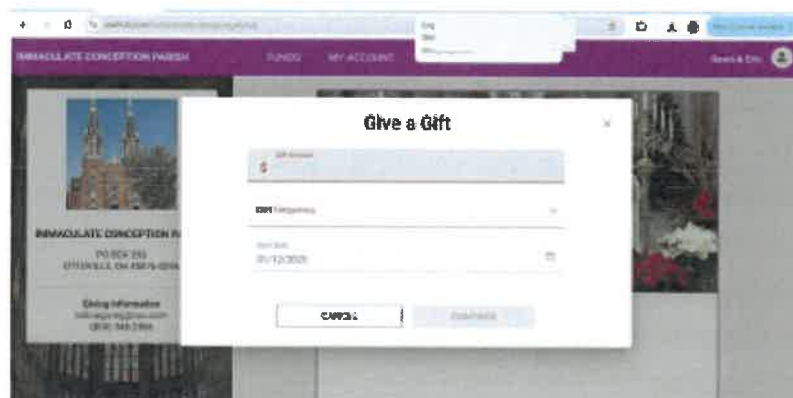
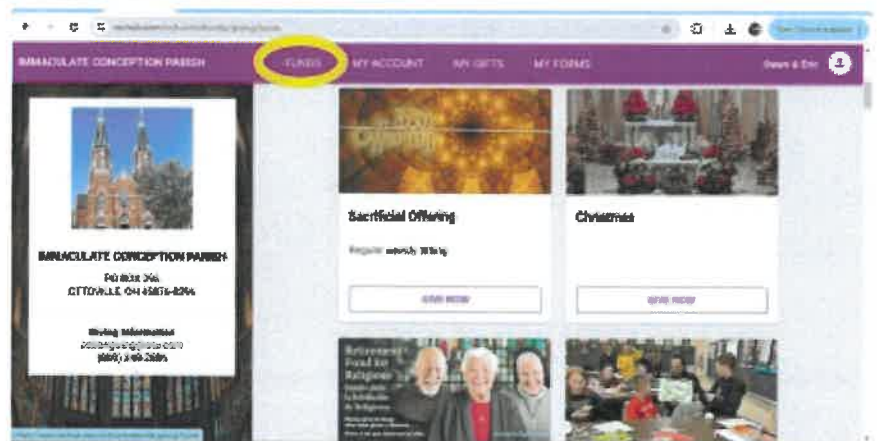
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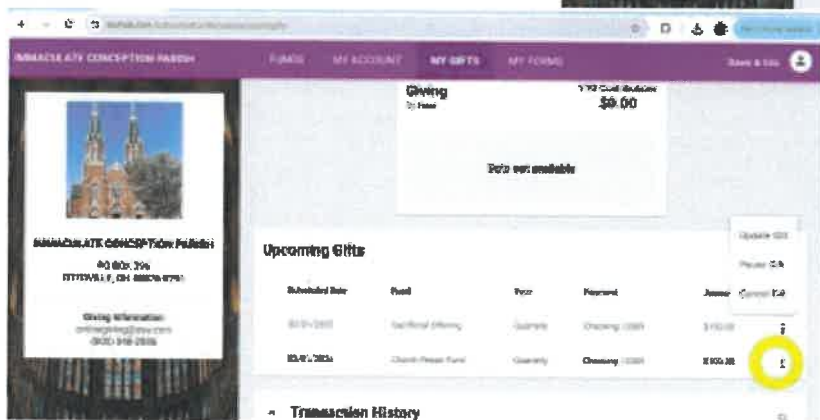
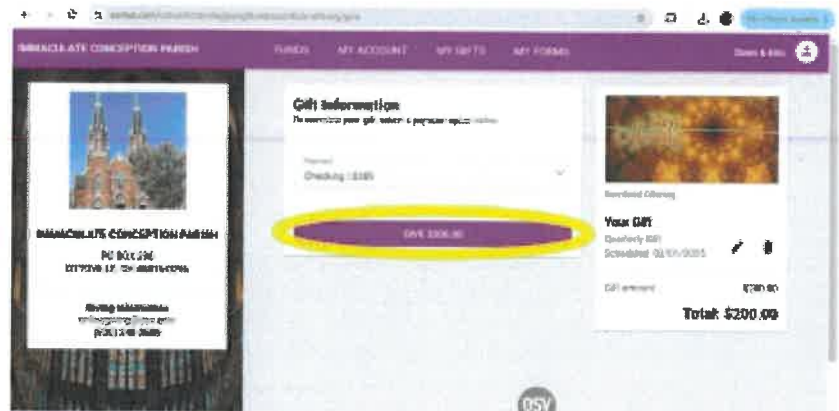
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Click on 'FUNDS' for a list of all possible funds you can donate to... Everything from the regular Sacrificial Offering to Church Repair to Cemetery and more.



You can select the fund you wish to donate to by clicking the 'GIVE NOW' button below the fund. You will need to complete the donation amount, frequency of donation and a start date. Press 'Continue' to complete.

Confirm the payment type and amount. Then finalize your secure donation by selecting the bottom button 'GIVE \$XXX.XX'



You can repeat the previous 3 steps for any additional funds you want to give to.

By clicking the 'MY GIFTS' button, you can see the funds you have setup.

You can edit any of the your 'Upcoming Gifts' by selecting the 3 dots on the ride side of the donation. This will pop up your edit options.

Save your username & password in a safe place. With your login, you will have complete control over all donations and payments (changing the amount, frequency, making a one-time donation or paying for Vacation Bible School or Religious Ed, etc.)

****IF YOU HAVE A CURRENT EFT (Electronic Fund Transfer), YOU WILL NEED TO CONTACT THE OTTOVILLE BANK TO CANCEL YOUR CURRENT EFT DONATION.****

Questions? Please don't hesitate to call the Parish Office!

CANAL SIDE CHATS
FAITH, FRIENDS, AND FATHER

MEN – Canal Side Chats Are Back!

This is a casual, relaxed gathering where **adult men** can gather, and grow in faith.

Our next session is **Wednesday, July 22nd at 7:00 PM** at **Canal Side Burgers and Brew**.

Join us for an evening of fellowship and conversation as we grow together in our Catholic faith.

This event is **open to all adult men**. Light appetizers will be provided, and a **cash bar** will be available.

Come as you are—and bring a friend!

Interested in
GIVING CHURCH
Tours?



Recently we have been receiving inquiries about Church tours.



If you are interested in giving the church tours, please contact the Parish Office at



419-453-3513

Thank you! ♥

FOR SHARING THE BEAUTY, HISTORY, AND FAITH OF OUR CHURCH!



Keep Our
VBS FAMILY
IN YOUR PRAYERS



As we begin Vacation Bible School this coming week, we invite our parish family to keep all of our students and volunteers in your prayers.



Please pray that this week will be filled with joy, faith, friendship, and opportunities for each child to grow closer to Jesus. We are incredibly grateful for the many volunteers who have generously given their time and talents to make this week possible.



As part of our VBS week, we will have Eucharistic Adoration on **Wednesday, July 22nd, from 6:15–8:00 PM.**

Our VBS groups will have the opportunity to rotate through Adoration during this time, allowing our students to spend time in prayer and encounter Jesus in a special way. **All are welcome and encouraged to join us for Adoration!**

May God bless everyone involved and make this a memorable and faith-filled experience for all! ♥

**GLORIFY
GOD & ENJOY
THE ADVENTURE!**



*Saint Catherine's
Embrace*

St. Catherine's Embrace is an outreach ministry that acknowledges and supports the many families in the St. George Deanery/Putnam County area who have lost babies through miscarriage, stillbirth or infant loss. We offer prayers, resources and an engraved keepsake box filled with helpful books, artwork and handmade

memorial items crafted by parishioners from across the county. There are trained volunteers in this parish who can respond to families directly. If you or someone you love experiences a miscarriage or stillbirth, we are here to help. Simply call the parish office and we will take care of the rest.

Are you interested in volunteering with St. Catherine's Embrace? We have multiple ways to get involved. We need **woodworkers, seamstresses and parish outreach volunteers** in particular at this time.

Please call or text **Mary Beth at (419)980-8065**, email scembrace@gmail.com or message us on Facebook if you are interested in learning how your talents and gifts can be used to accompany local families in their time of need.

Our next meeting is **Tuesday, August 4th at 6:30 at the Glandorf Parish Hall Room 22. Join us!**



FOCUS Missionary Meet & Greet

July 29, 5-7 PM
The Mustard Seed at St. John's
150 Church Street
(Behind Glandorf St. John's Church)

There are 5 young adults from Putnam and Allen Counties who will be Catholic missionaries on college campuses this year. Stop in to learn more about FOCUS and how FOCUS missionaries help develop Catholic communities on college campuses.

Open to all!

- *High school and college age young adults
- *Parents and community members
- *Anyone who wants to learn more about how FOCUS missionaries share the Catholic faith on college campuses.

Eucharistic Adoration at Glandorf St. John's
Church 6:30-8:30
(with worship music from 7:30-8:30)

FORT FEST BIKER ESCORT IS COMING THROUGH OTTOVILLE FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 2026

THE BIKER ESCORT IS PART OF THE OPENING CEREMONIES FOR THE FORT JENNING FORT FEST.



**ESTIMATED
ARRIVAL TIME IN
OTTOVILLE IS
4:45 TO 5:00 P.M.**

**BIKERS WILL BE COMING INTO
OTTOVILLE ON ROUTE 224 FROM KALIDA. AT THE CENTER
OF TOWN, THEY WILL TURN RIGHT & TRAVEL ROUTE 66 NORTH
TO DELPHOS THEN TRAVEL ROUTE 190 INTO FT JENNINGS.**

**BRING YOUR FLAGS AND LET'S SHOW EVERYONE HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATE
OUR FALLEN HEROES & THAT THEIR SACRIFICES ARE ALWAYS REMEMBERED!**

**THIS EVENT IS SPECTACULAR TO SEE!
INVITE YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS!!**

Praying of the Rosary Saturdays at 3:30 p.m.

July 18th
Deb Burgei

July 25th
Peggy Pohlman



Weekday New Server Schedule

Wed July 22nd—Savannah Kuhlman, Colin Knippen & Andrew Looser
Thurs July 23rd—Savannah Kuhlman, Colin Knippen & Andrew Looser
Fri July 24th—Savannah Kuhlman, Colin Knippen & Andrew Looser

Wed July 29th—Isabelle Eickholt & Bernadine Hoersten
Thurs July 30th—Isabelle Eickholt & Bernadine Hoersten
Fri July 31st—Isabelle Eickholt & Bernadine Hoersten

OUR GIFTS TO GOD!

For the week of July 4-5, 2026

Sacrificial Offering—\$ 1,906.00
Loose Cash—\$ 568.00
Parish Center—\$ 581.00
Energy—\$ 252.00
Peter's Pence—\$ 206.00
June EFT—\$ 8,640.00

For the week of July 11-12, 2026

Sacrificial Offering—\$ 2, 408.00
Loose Cash—\$ 706.25
Parish Center—\$ 25.00
Energy—\$ 136.00
Peter's Pence—\$ 20.00

Thank you for your generosity!



KNIGHTS NEWS

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MEETING DATES:

2nd Sunday of each month at 9:00 a.m.
4th Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

New Members Always Welcome!

PICK 3 LOTTERY WINNERS:

\$100.00 drawing for Wednesday, July 15, 2026:
#093—Derrick Schierloh

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MINISTERS OF MASS

If you are unable to fulfill your scheduled service, please do
your best to find a replacement.

SERVERS

July 25 4:00 pm	(Saturday)	Madison Burgei, Jade Schnipke, Ty Schnipke
July 26 10:30 am	(Sunday)	Brody Heitmeyer, Lauren Moreno, Ryken Napao

LECTORS

July 25 4:00 pm	(Saturday)	Carl Turnwald
July 26 10:30 am	(Sunday)	Rochelle Trenkamp

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

July 25 4:00 pm	(Saturday)	Host Front/Center: Carli Schnipke Host Handicapped/Choir: Sara Beining Cup-Mary's Side: Judy Eickholt Cup-Joseph's Side: Peggy Pohlman
July 26 10:30 am	(Sunday)	Host Front/Center: Adam Schnipke Host Handicapped/Choir: Beth Schnipke Cup-Mary's Side: Gretta Schnipke Cup-Joseph's Side: Nancy Vetter

USHERS

July 25 4:00 pm	(Saturday)	Evan Altenburger, Brian Altenburger, Jerry Kaverman, Gary Pohlman
July 26 10:30 am	(Sunday)	David Fishbach, Riley Geise, Art Langhals, John Vetter

FAMILY TO BRING UP OFFERTORY GIFTS

July 25 4:00 pm	(Saturday)	Family of Elmer & Armella Martz
July 26 10:30 am	(Sunday)	Volunteers Needed

LADIES TO PRAY THE ROSARY

July	20 (Mon)	Judy (Bob) Kramer
July	21 (Tues)	Natasha Kramer
July	22 (Wed)	Theresa Kramer
July	23 (Thurs)	Beth Kroeger
July	24 (Fri)	Tina Lambert
July	25 (Sat)	Mandy Laibe
July	26 (Sun)	Amy Landin



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