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Pray for our Priests
and their holiness.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE:

DAILY MASS:

Monday: 8:00am

Tuesday: 8:00am

Wednesday: 8:00am

Thursday: 8:00am, **NO evening Mass**

Friday: 8:00am

Saturday: 8:00am

SUNDAY MASS:

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:30am, 6:00pm

CONFESSIONS:

Thursday: **NO confessions**

Saturday: 7:15-7:50am and 3:30-4:15pm

ADORATION: (in the Chapel)

Monday: 9:00am-10:00pm

Tuesday: 9:00am-10:00pm

Wednesday: 9:00am-10:00pm

Thursday: 9:00am-10:00pm

Friday: 9:00am-Noon

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SEVEN SORROWS

of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church

June 14, 2026

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Are you being called?



If you are seeking assistance in discerning God's call in your life, please reach out to Fr. Josh Weaver, our diocesan vocations director.

Vacation Bible School



We're extending the deadline! Last chance to register for VBS 2026 is Tuesday, June 16th. Registration forms can be found in the parish office or online.

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RECTORY HOURS: Monday-Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm, Friday 9:00am-1:00pm

A LETTER FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Summer vacation is here! I know it is summertime because my head starts to burn anytime I'm outside for longer than 5 minutes during the day!

I can also tell that it's vacation time because Mass attendance drops a little. That's normal! We all need some time to go away, whether it's to the river, the mountains, camping, the beach, to a relative, or somewhere else.

Please remember that during our trips and vacations, it is necessary to attend Sunday Mass. There will likely be plenty of options to attend Mass while you are away.

Even more, you will likely get a beautiful experience of God in a new and different place. We all need "retreats," or ways to get away and feel His Peace and Presence in a new way. Vacations when we go elsewhere for Mass are a kind of retreat.

I'm not encouraging you to go to another church while you're home! We'll miss you! Stay here! But when you're away, it's great to go to Mass in a different setting than Seven Sorrows. The church may look different, may convey God's presence in a different way than is conveyed here, and you will certainly get a better homily!

What's even more striking is that – no matter how big or small, or in what language – Jesus is still present! He is still there, offering His Life in the Eucharist for you! It's a great reminder of the worldwide – eternal – reach of God's Kingdom through the Catholic Church!

Charlie and Pat Phipps sent me a picture of their recent vacation to Italy, and in this specific case, to Venice. In the center of that awesome -- but rather strange -- water-built city, is St. Mark's Cathedral. It is beautiful. Parts of it are also sinking, and when I visited, the floor was very uneven because of this. Water routinely laps up at the entrance of the church when the tide is high!



The Phipps' picture really gives you a sense of the beauty of the cathedral. Can't you truly feel God's presence in a place like that?

When you go to Mass this summer, please take a picture of the church, regardless of whether it's a huge cathedral or small country church. It's so fun to see the places that God dwells among His people.

Whether you are in a beautiful and huge cathedral, or attending Mass in a village chapel, God dwells there in the Eucharist! It's a great reminder that God is in the loud, and He is in the quiet. He is in the ornate, and in the plain.

It's also a reminder that He is in each of us, no matter what we look like on the outside, or how we feel on the inside. Even more, don't forget to go to Mass. You will feel God in a powerful way on your retreat, I mean, vacation!

Gym and Cafeteria Campaign Update

Thank you so much for your generosity and patience as we continue this fundraising process. The response after just a few weeks has already been phenomenal. We'll be able to share an update in next week's bulletin, but please know of my gratitude on behalf of all of us. This is indeed a project that includes everyone, and the finished result will be for everyone.

Please know that I am extremely humbled by your generosity. Each and every donation is a reminder to me of how seriously you take your Faith, and how much you love Jesus, His Church, and His parish here. Please know we are working as hard as we can to make this project as fiscally responsible, as well as the most practical, that we can. I believe it will be something we can all be proud of. God bless you and have an awesome week!

Fr. Sahd

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MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2026

Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 am Our Parish Family
10:30 am +Frank Korchnak
6:00 pm +Eric Breon

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2026

8:00 am +Dan Mc New

TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2026

8:00 am +Albert Schmeltzer

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2026

8:00 am +Michael Dudas

THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2026

8:00 am +Ann Savidge
NO CONFESSION
NO EVENING MASS

FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2026 St. Romuald

8:00 am +Richard Ostrowski

SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2026

7:15 am - 7:50 am **CONFESSION**
8:00 am +Deceased Members of the Correll Family
3:30 pm - 4:15 pm **CONFESSION**
4:30 pm +Ethel Facchine

SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2026

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am +Edgar Partlow
10:30 am Our Parish Family
6:00 pm +Charles Cole



DAILY READINGS

Sun. June 14	Exod 19:2-6a / Rom 5:6-11 / Matt 9:36-10:8
Mon. June 15	1 Kings 21:1-16 / Matt 5:38-42
Tue. June 16	1 Kings 21:17-29 / Matt 5:43-48
Wed. June 17	2 Kings 2:1, 6-14 / Matt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thu. June 18	Sir 48:1-14 / Matt 6:7-15
Fri. June 19	2 Kings 11:1-4, 9-18, 20 / Matt 6:19-23
Sat. June 20	2 Chron 24:17-25 / Matt 6:24-34
Sun. June 21	Jer 20:10-13 / Rom 5:12-15 / Matt 10:26-33



REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

Mary Nolan
Eddie Grill
Javier Bartolo

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.



SUNDAY OFFERING

June 7, 2026

Sunday collection \$16,980.50
Online giving 7,183.25
Total \$24,163.75



Scan for Online Giving

2026 DIOCESAN ANNUAL CAMPAIGN (DAC)

Goal: \$177,793

Collected and Pledged: \$133,469 (75%)

Day of Prayer for the SANCTIFICATION OF PRIESTS

Prayer: Lord Jesus. Eternal High Priest, You have chosen men from among us to be shepherds of Your people. Fill them with the fire of Your love, the light of Your truth, and the strength of Your grace. May they be holy in word and deed, faithful in service, and joyful in carrying the Cross each day. Bless and sanctify all priests, that through them, we may always encounter You in the Eucharist, in forgiveness, and in the life of the Church.
Amen.

THIS WEEK @ SSBVM

SUNDAY JUNE 14

10:30 am Parish Playroom Church Basement

MONDAY JUNE 15

6:00 pm Legion of Mary

TUESDAY JUNE 16

WEDNESDAY JUNE 17

6:30 pm Journey of Faith School Art Room

THURSDAY JUNE 18

8:30 am Church Cleaners Team #1
NO CONFESSION OR EVENING MASS

FRIDAY JUNE 19

SATURDAY JUNE 20

4:30 pm Off the Streets Donation House Narthex

SUNDAY JUNE 21

8:00 am Off the Streets Donation House Narthex
(after all Masses)

10:30 am Parish Playroom Church Basement



PULPIT & ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers located at the altar this weekend are given in loving memory of
ERIC BREON

by his wife Deborah and family.

Altar Flowers may be placed in the sanctuary for special occasions or in memory of a loved one. For more details call Deborah Breon at 717-986-1959.



Remember Our Military In Our Prayers

We would like to keep our parishioners and loved ones on active military in our thoughts and prayers. Please provide the following information & call the parish office.

<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>BRANCH</u>
LT. Col	Sam Herbert	Army
GYSGT	Brendon J. Parkhill	Marines
	Mackenzie Mehalick	Navy
CPT	Luke Mrakovich	Marines
Sgt.	Corbin Stetler	ARNG
AG1	Stephen Boyland	Navy
CPT	Noah Bamert	Army
CPT	Andrew T. Lavelle	Army
1st Lt.	Mark E. Lavelle	Army
1st Lt.	Phillip Bertovic	Army
Lt Col	Todd Campbell	Air Force
CPT	Edward C. Stene	USAR
1st Lt	Nicholas Campbell	Marines
ACI	Trey Kephart	USAF
MGST	Daniel Brought	Marines
AIC	Nicolas A. Corradi	USAF

SENIOR MINISTRY

BOCCE - June 18 at 8:30am at Sunset Park Bocce Courts.

PILGRIMAGE - Padre Pio Center Wednesday, June 24.

Parishioners with **paid reservations** to meet at 6:30am at our Church Portico for check in. Transportation is being provided by Elite Coach. Your own snacks & beverages are permitted on the bus for travel. Return to Seven Sorrows will be approximately 5:15 pm.

NO Game Night in June.

COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMAN



Return date for filled bottles will be Father's Day, June 20/21. (next weekend)

All the money collected will be donated to Morningstar Pregnancy Center.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL

Congratulations to Augie Spadone on being named Council 3501's Knight of the Year for the 2025-26 Fraternal Year. For more than 40 years, Augie has embodied the essence of what it means to be a Knight. Always the first to volunteer to help in any way, Augie is a pillar of our parish and our community.

Way to go, Augie!



AID AND SUPPORT AFTER PREGNANCY

Morning Star Pregnancy Services currently seeks **new** summer clothing for boys and girls in sizes 2T - 4T for their clients in need. Please drop off **new** articles of clothing, or gift cards to purchase same, in the bassinet in the Narthex.

NEED TO KNOW

Capital Campaign

Maintaining Our Vision for the Future

We extend our deepest gratitude to everyone who participated in our Commitment Weekend last week. The initial response to the *Our Faith, Our Future* campaign has been truly inspiring. If you were unable to attend or were not yet ready to make a pledge, it is not too late to join us. It will take all of us to make this vision a reality.

Our Campaign Committee met this past Wednesday to review our initial results and plan our summer outreach efforts. We will continue to provide updates and detailed information in this space throughout the summer as our campaign continues. Our campaign page can be found online at www.ssbvm.org/capitalcampaign.

If you have questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Richie Musser at 484-364-0781 or rmusser@kirbysmith.com. Thank you for your ongoing prayers and financial support of Seven Sorrows!



The Feast of Saints Thomas More and John Fisher

Monday, June 22 at the 8:00am Mass.

Seven Sorrows Church will welcome the St. Thomas More Society of Central Pennsylvania, a Diocesan organization of Catholic legal professionals, law students, and public officials. The Mass celebration will follow an all-night Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament from 10pm Sunday through 7am Monday. The Society will provide light breakfast items in the Narthex after Mass. All are welcome.



You are invited to a special presentation on relics following the 6:00pm Mass on Thursday, June 25.

This unique event will feature over 500 sacred relics of saints, including well-known saints such as Saints Padre Pio, Mother Teresa, John Neumann, and Charbel. After the presentation, there will be a chance to venerate these relics. Come and learn about the Church's rich spiritual heritage of relics and then stay to ask the saints for their powerful intercession!

Congratulations to the following Seven Sorrows school students in Grades 4th – 8th on their academic achievements for the 3rd and final marking period of this school year.

Distinguished Honors: Miriam Astfalk, Clare Breen, Jaimesyn Wells, Ella Dale, Diego Flores-Garcia, Gianna Accorsi, Chris Nagassou, Adelyn Rogati, Luke Thomas, Emmanuel Melendrez, Aela Mulhearn, Christian Bordner, Charles Dale, David Ferguson, Gennaro Ferrufino, Maggie Krieg, **Honor Roll:** Celia Bolesky, Joseph Kennedy, Isabella Sample, Clare Simon, Jacob Astfalk, Luca Atkins-Carricato, Brooklynn Barnes, Gracelynn Brubacher, Brynley Eddy, Jesus Melendrez, Emily Navarro, Jasmine Nunez, Claire Roda, Dalton Underhill, Ava Vickery, Mya Williams, Andrew Bolesky, Joseph Breen, Mila Carnes, Penelope Ferrufino, Mary Joy Hanna, Landon Matson, Mason Maydak, Jacqueline Barajas, Alexandra Bolesky, Colton Bordner, Phoebe Milkovich, Blake Underhill, Shiloh Benitez, Lilyaunah Bonner, Timothy Breen, Jose Cruz, Pryncton Cunningham, Kinsley Intrieri, Andrew Rogati,

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Vacation Bible School - Junkyard Redemption
 June 22-June 26, 2026 9:00am -11:30am
 Details @ sevensorrowsschool.com

Join us at Seven Sorrows, BVM School this summer from June 15 to June 19 or August 3 to August 7 for an exciting week of all-new, confidence-building #STEM fun with @CampInvention! Discounts available. #SummerCamp invent.org/mylocalcamp

NOW ENROLLING

- Preschool through 8th Grade
- Financial Aid Available
- Whole-child approach
- Busing from surrounding districts
- S.T.E.M-focused project based learning



Congratulations to all of our 2026 Seven Sorrows BVM Graduates. Our school graduated eleven – 8th graders and we wish them the best in their future endeavors.

Congratulations to the following Seven Sorrows parishioners: Miriam Astfalk, Clare Breen, Joseph Kennedy, Clare Simon, and Jaimesyn Wells.

Looking for a fun summer camp for your preschooler or kindergartener? Is your child ready to explore, discover, get wet, make friends, and have fun? Then look no further than Seven Sorrows Summer Camp! We offer an 8 week, full day camp here at Seven Sorrows School! Registration can be completed online at <https://www.sevensorrowsschool.com/summer-camp>. Questions can be directed to Megan Zapcic at mzapcic@ssbvm.org. See you this summer!

RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS



"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." (John 6:56)

Priests spend their lives praying for us, celebrating the sacraments, and guiding us closer to Christ. On World Priest Day, take time to pray for them, asking God to bless their ministry and grow their holiness as they continue to serve the Church with love and dedication. Consider offering your prayers, sacrifices, or acts of service in gratitude for priests today.

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