

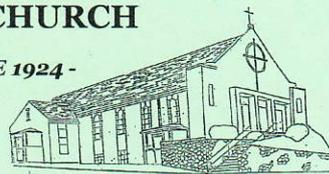
# HOLY SAVIOUR PARISH

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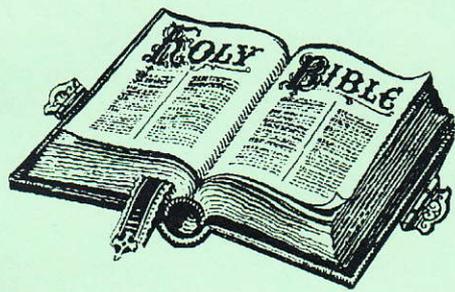
BULLETIN for  
18<sup>th</sup> Ordinary Sunday

July 31, 2022

Holy Mass at 9:00 AM

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The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass today is celebrated in **Contemporary Rite** (*Mass booklet from page 63*); Mass Intention for this Sunday is available. If you have one, please see father before the Mass.



## A reading from the Book of Ecclesiastes (1:2; 2:21-23)

Vanity of vanities, says Qoheleth, vanity of vanities! All things are vanity! Here is one who has labored with wisdom and knowledge and skill, and yet to another who has not labored over it, he must leave property. This also is vanity and a great misfortune. For what profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which he has labored under the sun? All his days sorrow and grief are his occupation; even at night his mind is not at rest. This also is vanity.

## Psalm (90) Response: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

You turn man back to dust, saying, "Return, O children of men."

For a thousand years in your sight are as yesterday, now that it is past, or as a watch of the night.

### Response: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

You make an end of them in their sleep; the next morning they are like the changing grass,  
Which at dawn springs up anew, but by evening wilts and fades.

### Response: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart.

Return, O LORD! How long? Have pity on your servants!

### Response: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness, that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days.

And may the gracious care of the LORD our God be ours;

prosper the work of our hands for us! Prosper the work of our hands!

### Response: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

## A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Colossians (3:1:5, 9-11)

Brothers and sisters: If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

Put to death, then, the parts of you that are earthly: immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and the greed that is idolatry. Stop lying to one another, since you have taken off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed, for knowledge, in the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all and in all.

***We are Catholic community called to serve God and others through Eucharist, prayer, education, and daily living of the Gospel values.***

***Everyone is always welcome to worship with us in our beautiful church. It is a house of prayer for all, who with sincere heart desire to praise the only God.***



**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven.

**A reading from the Gospel according to St Luke (12:13-21)**

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to share the inheritance with me." He replied to him, "Friend, who appointed me as your judge and arbitrator?" Then he said to the crowd, "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."

Then he told them a parable. "There was a rich man whose land produced a bountiful harvest. He asked himself, 'What shall I do, for I do not have space to store my harvest?' And he said, 'This is what I shall do: I shall tear down my barns and build larger ones. There I shall store all my grain and other goods and I shall say to myself, "Now as for you, you have so many good things stored up for many years, rest, eat, drink, be merry!"' But God said to him, 'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?' Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God."

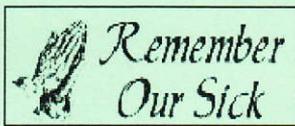
**General Intercession:** *Response:* Lord, graciously hear our prayers.

**PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

➔ *Healing Mass with Sacrament of Anointing will be held this week on Wednesday, August 3, at 7:00 PM.*

➔ *A Mass for current Military & First Responders will be held in our church on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. The names of the current military, police, fire and emergency medical personnel will be read during this mass. If you would like to have a name(s) of your family member, friend, neighbor or whom you know be read, please submit them to Fr. Paul or Ken Krasko by Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please include title, full name, unit and town (if possible); example: John James Brown, 4<sup>th</sup> Infant Div., US Army, Ft Carson CO.*

➔ *Pierogi workshop is planned for Saturday, August 13, from 9:00 AM. Please plan to come & help.*



➔ *Please remember in your prayer those who are suffering, sick or confined at home, hospitals and nursing homes, especially our parishioners and friends: Cheryl Peters (Oxford CT), Diana Raczkowski (Naugatuck CT), Sarah Squezello (Stratford CT), Logan Caruso (Wolcott CT), Robert Trussell (Plantsville CT) &*

*Agnes Geruch.*

**THIS MONTH BIRTHDAYS CELEBRATE:**  
**Rick Ruest – July 12**  
**Julia Dudek – July 24**  
**Mary Baglin – July 26**  
**Kurtis Szczesiul – July 29**  
**Ewa Kiwak – July 30**

**BIBLICAL REFLECTION**



Too often in life we become consumed with our possessions. They can be fun, entertaining, comforting, etc. But the danger of becoming attached to the things of this world is that we begin to rely upon the pleasure they bring more than we rely upon the spiritual possessions which are of much greater value. It's not that material possessions are bad, in and of themselves; rather, it's that the spiritual possessions God wants us to obtain are of infinitely greater value.

Most are not called to live lives of material poverty, but all are called to live lives of poverty in spirit. This means that, though we live in the world, we are not to be of the world. We are to keep our hearts attached only to the greatest treasures of life: faith, hope and charity. When greed and love of material possessions draw us from these spiritual treasures, we must recommit ourselves to the discovery of their great value.

Reflect, today, upon any struggle you have with greed. If that does not sit well with you and if you find yourself immediately trying to justify your attachment to material things, then you may need this reflection more than you know. The Lord wants to give you so much more than this world can offer you. Do not make the choice to become attached to that which is "cheap" from an eternal perspective. Strive to embrace those true riches that will remain with you forever.