

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:  
July 4, 2021

Masses for the Week

**Sunday, July 4, 9:00 AM**

+ Patricia Bartello  
+ Andrew & + Mildred Dziadosz

**Sunday, July 11, 9:00 AM**

+ Victor M. Zubritski  
+ Victor T. Zubritski

**Weekend Mass Schedule**

**Saturday**

4 PM Mass at OLOH (Church opens at 3:45)

**Sunday**

7 AM Mass at OLOH (Church opens at 6:45)

9 AM Mass at St. Patrick (Church opens at 8:45)

11 AM Mass at OLOH (Church opens at 10:45)

**All Masses from OLOH are livestreamed.**



The Parish Office is open  
Monday – Thursday from 10 AM to 5 PM.

**TITHING REPORT**

**Collection: 6/27/2021: \$1891.00**

**Catholic Communications Campaign, \$15.00**

**Profit from Memorial Day Planters, \$40.00**

**Maintenance Fund, \$705.00**

**Sunday, July 11**

**Lector: Glenda Whary**

**Altar Server: Mike Mazer**

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**9:00 AM Liturgy**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection today is the  
**Missionary Co-Op Appeal.**

*The Diocese of Harrisburg has selected the Diocese of Kurnool, India, to take part in the Missionary Cooperative Plan of the diocese. The financial support raised through this mission appeal, will be used to provide: Emergency Relief to 1000 suffering Corona Victim Families in the Kurmool Diocese.*

50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Mass

Next Sunday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, Bishop Ronald W. Gainer will celebrate 2 Masses to honor couples in our Diocese who are celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary in 2021. Couples in our deanery have been invited to attend the 2:00 PM Mass, which will be held at Good Shepherd Church in Camp Hill.



Today as we celebrate Independence Day....

- PRAY FOR OUR LEADERS
- PRAY FOR THE COUNTRIES WE CURRENTLY FIGHT AGAINST IN WAR
- PRAY FOR CHRISTIANS FACING PERSECUTION
- PRAY FOR AMERICA
- THANK GOD FOR OUR FREEDOM



### **FAITH ALIVE**

#### **Diocesan Annual Campaign**

Thank you for recent donations made to this appeal. To date we have received \$11,290.00 toward our goal of \$15,436.00.

### Announcements

The parish office will be closed on Monday, July 5 in observance of the Independence Day Holiday.

#### Holy Hour at OLOH

Wednesdays at 12 Noon  
Holy Spirit Chapel  
(in OLOH parish office building)

#### Custodian Wanted

Our Lady of Hope is looking for a responsible part-time custodian to clean and care for the OLOH buildings and grounds. Please call OLOH parish office at 570-648-4432 for more details.

### Diocesan Mask Mandate Lifted

In continued alignment with state health guidelines, Bishop Gainer has lifted the COVID-19 masking mandate and all other remaining COVID – 19 restrictions, effective last Monday, June 28. However, those who wish to continue wearing a mask are welcome to do so. We also continue to encourage those who are unwell or under care for COVID-19 to refrain from attending Mass in person.

While these restrictions are being lifted, the Dispensation from the Obligation for attending Mass remains in place.

#### Summer Concert Series

Thursday, July 8  
7 – 9 PM at the Foundry (Rec Area)  
Strawberry Ridge (Blue Grass)

### Deacon's' Corner

#### **Independence Day – The Fourth of July**

We commemorate Independence Day, the birth of our nation, on July 4th. The Declaration of Independence, signed on July 4, 1776, stated that “all are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.” The founding fathers of our democracy, believed that all power came from God and was given to the people who entrusted this power to their leaders. On this national holiday, we thank Our Lord for the religious freedom we enjoy and pray for God’s special blessings on the people of our country. It is also a day to remember and pray for all the individuals who made the supreme sacrifice for our nation.

#### **Saint Maria Goretti**

On July 6 we celebrate the feast day of Saint Maria Goretti, the youngest canonized saint in the church. She tragically died on this date at the age of eleven. Alessandro Serenelli, a 20-year-old neighbor from a nearby farm, came to her home and attempted to rape her. She resisted his advance and said, “No! it is a sin! God does not want it!” He then stabbed her multiple times. Maria died the next day and her last words were, “I forgive Alessandro Serenelli and I want him with me in heaven forever.”

During his prison incarceration, Maria appeared to Alessandro in a dream and forgave him. When he awoke from this dream, he was a changed person and repented of his crime. In 1950, Maria was declared a saint by Pope Pius XII. Alessandro was at St. Peter’s in the crowd to celebrate her canonization. Later in his life, he became a lay brother of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, where he lived in a monastery until his death.

Maria Goretti is the patron saint of youth, young women and victims of rape. She is a martyr because she resisted Alessandro’s advances. Through God’s love and mercy, she forgave him as she was dying from her wounds. After her death, her miracle of forgiveness and appearance in the dream reformed her attacker’s life forever. On her feast day, let us ask Saint Maria Goretti to pray for us.