

## **Attn: Bulletin Editor and Intercessions Writers**

### **Vocation Bulletin Blurbs**

**August 2020/Cycle A**

#### **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 2, 2020**

If simplicity of life and the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience especially attract you, discover that life as a priest, deacon, sister or brother. Call Father Scott Kopp at 330-744-8451 or email: [skopp@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:skopp@youngstowndiocese.org).

#### **Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 9, 2020**

“It is I. Do not be afraid!” If the Lord truly calls you, what you need is trust. Are you called to lead the Lord’s people as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Scott Kopp at 330-744-8451 or email: [skopp@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:skopp@youngstowndiocese.org).

#### **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary -- August 13, 2020 [Not a Holyday of Obligation]**

“Blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it.” Are you attracted to carry the word of God to his flock as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Scott Kopp at 330-744-8451 or email: [skopp@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:skopp@youngstowndiocese.org).

#### **Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 16, 2020**

“Woman, you have great faith.” It takes faith to hear God’s call in our lives. And His call takes us on unexpected paths of deeper trust and love. Is God calling you to life as sister, brother, deacon or priest? Call Father Scott Kopp at 330-744-8451 or email: [skopp@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:skopp@youngstowndiocese.org).

#### **Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 23, 2020**

“Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God.” Is God calling you to serve His Son in the priesthood? Call Father Scott Kopp at 330-744-8451 or email: [skopp@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:skopp@youngstowndiocese.org).

#### **Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 30, 2020**

“What profit would a man show if he were to gain the whole world and ruin himself in the process.” Are you being called to be a priest or deacon, brother or sister? Call Father Scott Kopp at 330-744-8451 or email: [skopp@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:skopp@youngstowndiocese.org).

#### **Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 6, 2020**

“Where two or three are gathered in My name ...” The community that gathers in Christ needs leadership. Are you being called to discipleship as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Scott Kopp at 330-744-8451 or email: [skopp@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:skopp@youngstowndiocese.org).

## **Vocation General Intercessions**

**August 2020/Cycle A**

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- July 26, 2020**

That the Holy Spirit will give inspiration and guidance to all those discerning their vocation in Christ, we pray to the Lord.

**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 2, 2020**

That those who desire to be “rich in what matters to God” and are discerning a vocation to the consecrated life will be enriched by the Holy Spirit, we pray to the Lord.

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 9, 2020**

That those who have been given their vocations as priests, deacons and consecrated men and women will be guided to imitate the Lord’s generosity as they live that gift, we pray to the Lord.

**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 16, 2020**

For all those who are troubled in the discernment of their vocation, that they will be blessed by the Holy Spirit with encouragement, insight and the grace of perseverance, we pray to the Lord.

**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 23, 2020**

That trusting in Christ’s words to Peter, all those called to follow the Lord as priests, deacons and in the consecrated life will recognize the gift of their call and follow Him faithfully, we pray to the Lord.

**Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time -- August 20, 2020**

That all men and women pursuing a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life will have the discipline and perseverance to follow in the path of Christ, we pray to the Lord.

**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time -- September 6, 2020**

For the faithful response of all those being called by Christ to take up their crosses and follow Him as a priest, deacon, sister or brother, we pray to the Lord.

## Stewardship Bulletin Blurbs for August 2020

### **Sunday, August 2 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus not only provided food for the crowds, but he also gave them his time. While the crowds followed him, he could have kept going. How can we share our time with others as we help and minister to those whose spirits need to be lifted?

### **Sunday, August 9 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Today's Responsorial Psalm 85 reminds us that "the LORD himself will give his benefits; our land shall yield its increase." The author of this psalm reminds us that these are the Lord's benefits, not our own. When we begin to recognize all of the gifts God has given us - great and small - we become more cognizant of sharing them with others.

### **Sunday, August 16 - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Once again in today's Gospel reading, Jesus extends his powerful ministry of healing. Throughout these ever-changing times when we are all impacted by many effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, we must recognize our call to share our gifts with others in the form of ministry. Ministry does not have to be a formal program within a parish; it can be as simple as sharing a smile, a kind gesture, or our time with someone in need.

### **Sunday, August 23 - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Are you worthy to share your gifts with Christ and his people? We all know that Peter ultimately denied knowing Christ three times, but he was still given a monumental task of carrying Christ's church on his shoulders. Peter made mistakes like we all do, and like Peter, we are also called upon to give life to the Church through sharing of our unique gifts.

### **Sunday, August 30 - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

In today's New Testament reading, St. Paul urges us to offer our "bodies as a living sacrifice." While not necessarily calling us to give up our physical bodies, he is calling us to share the gift of our lives in a way that is pleasing to God. We recognize that our lives are gifts from God, and in turn, we are called to share pieces of our lives with others through our gifts of time, talent, and treasure.

# Office of Pro-Life, Marriage & Family Life

## Bulletin Announcements

*Please include these announcements in your bulletin throughout the month of August, as appropriate.*

If your life has been affected by an abortion or someone else's abortion, there is Hope and Healing available for everyone. For CONFIDENTIAL help contact *Project Rachel of N.E. Ohio* at 888-259-4806 or support@projrachneo.zohosupport.com.

### **Walking with Moms in Need**

Pregnant and parenting moms in need are in our parishes and our neighborhoods. As Pope Francis reminds us, our parishes need to be “islands of mercy in the midst of a sea of indifference.” Everyone in a parish community should know where to refer a pregnant woman in need.

This year, as the Church celebrates the 25th anniversary of *Evangelium Vitae (The Gospel of Life)* by Pope St. John Paul II, we are invited to assess, expand, and communicate resources to pregnant moms and families in need. This nationwide effort entitled “Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of Service” is sponsored by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Committee on Pro-Life Activities.

To learn more about how your parish can take part in this effort contact our diocesan Office of Pro-Life, Marriage and Family at [dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org) or 330-744-8451 ext. 272, or visit [www.walkingwithmoms.com](http://www.walkingwithmoms.com).

### **A Prayer for Pregnant Mothers**

O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son,  
with faith and trust.

Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties.

Guide us as we strive to make our parish communities places of welcome and assistance  
for mothers in need.

Help us become instruments of God's love and compassion.

Mary, Mother of the Church, graciously help us build a culture of life and a civilization of love,  
together with all people of good will,

to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. Amen.

\*Cf. *Evangelium vitae* 105 © Libreria Editrice Vaticana, Vatican City. Adapted with permission. All rights reserved.

### **Faith & Family Festival canceled for 2020, but 2021 date set**

Although the Eleventh Annual Faith & Family Festival of the Diocese of Youngstown will not be taking place this year because of COVID-19 the new date has been set for September 26, **2021** at Walsh University. The featured presenter will be Fr. Leo Patalinghug, the “cooking priest” from Plating Grace. For more information contact Dave Schmidt at 330-744-8451 ext.272 or [dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org](mailto:dschmidt@youngstowndiocese.org).

## **2020 BACKGROUND CHECK REQUIREMENTS**

### **Clergy (priests/deacons), Religious, Seminarians, Persons in Formation**

#### **Code (BCI/FBI): 2151 86 – Out of Home Child Care**

- a) BCI/FBI background check at start of service
- b) Renew BCI/FBI background check every five years

### **Licensed School Teachers, Licensed School Employees, and Preschool Teachers (State Law)**

#### **Code (BCI/FBI): 3319 291 – School Employees – Licensure with Ohio Department of Education**

- a) BCI/FBI background check at start of service
- b) Renew FBI background check every five years (\*See your State Requirements)

### **Non-Licensed School Employee (State Law)**

#### **Code BCI: 3319 39B1 – School Employees – non teaching position**

#### **Code FBI: 3319 39**

- a) BCI/FBI background check at start of service
- b) Renew BCI/FBI background check every five years

### **Parish/Institution Employee (Lived in Ohio for the last 5 years)**

#### **Code (BCI/FBI): 2151 86 – Out of Home Child Care**

- a) BCI background check at start of service

### **Parish/Institution Employee (Lived Outside of Ohio during the last 5 years)**

#### **Code (BCI/FBI): 2151 86 – Out of Home Child Care**

- a) BCI/FBI background check at start of service

### **Volunteer working with minors (Lived in Ohio for the last 5 years)**

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