

July Birthdays

July 01: Fareda Yacoub
July 03: Beth Jarrett
July 05: Richard Sprinkle
July 17: Alex Valasco
July 18: Thomas Metzinger
July 19: Avery Heady
July 20: Killian Brown
July 20: Kari Hampton
July 23: Diane Bradish
July 27: Fr. Jim Gallagher
July 27: Maureen Smith
July 30: Reed Johnson
July 30: Helen Dennany

July Anniversaries

July 10: Beau & Emily Ellrich
July 12: Sid & Wendy Smith
July 14: Chuck and Ronnie Haney *
July 15: Joe & Linda Gardner
July 15: Ed & Cherie Shallock
July 27: Ben & Lynn Goss
July 29: Fred & Bonnie Toth
July 31: Andrew & Victoria Blum

*We honor the memory of the many years of love they shared together.

Please continue to pray for the sick of our Parish. To add someone to the prayer list, call Fr. Jim or email Bonnie Toth at: bonnie3871@gmail.com.

Dylan Anderson
Sid Barr
Robert Berry
Patricia Bonnewitz
Gloria Bowden
Kellsei Boyce
Millie Budney
Sandra Burke
Julie Byron
Deacon John Carey
Riordan Cavoris
Justin Curtis
Alessia Destefano
Carol Donato
Islea Duncan
Patricia Elder
John Evans

Jack Fisher
Linda Gardner
Elizabeth Gillam
Lynn Goss
Mary Graf
Kathleen Hamilton
Jeanne Harper
James Heady
Pablo Ignacio
Patrick Ignacio
Meja Irvin
Leslie Jarrett
Paul Lent
Patel Mahenra
Carolyn Martin
Kimberly Martin
Willard Mock

Greg Moore
Beverly Moyer
Chris Moyer
Ray Moyer
Don Notestein
Patsy Notestein
Angel Ortiz
George Perry
Gary Peters
Laurie Peters
Frank Powell
Nelson Sanchez
Princess Sanchez
John Seaquist
Ray Servis
Jane Sliwinski
Margaret Smith

Chere Tew
Jim Tew
Fred Toth
Amy Tracy
Emilia Walker
Charles Watson
Danielle Weedon
Laura Williams
Louise Williams
Michael Williams
Travis Williams
Betty Jo Wolfrum

The Financial Corner

Collections July 6: \$951
Attendees July 6: 76

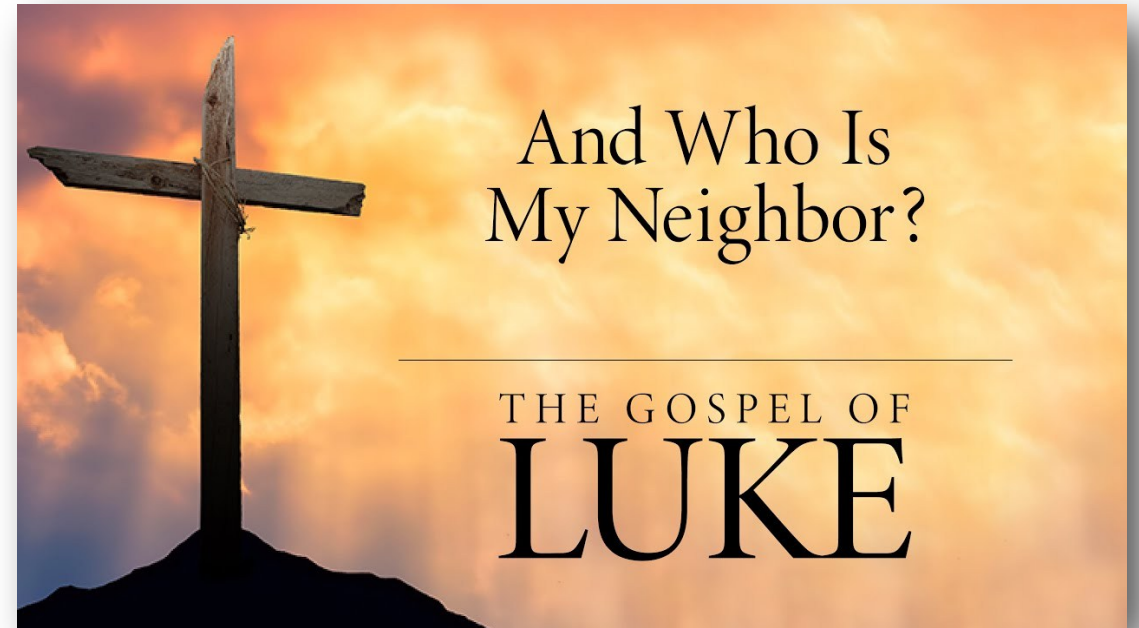
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July 13, 2025
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Holy Eucharist

Sunday 8:30 AM; Tuesday 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Tuesdays at 6 PM

Thursday 12:15 PM

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A PASTORAL MOMENT WITH FR. JIM

Vacations can revitalize and inspire new ways of thinking. Family most of all. As I was sitting on the steps in Cumberland, Rhode Island with my sister, Kathy, I was enthralled by her simple but powerful words. Through a life of pain, she has developed a healthy spirituality outside of church.

She was telling me about her dance troupe. Kathy belongs to a group of people who dance as a group several times a week. She mentioned how there are nights when she wants to stay home. But then she makes herself go and once she steps on the dance floor, her problems go away. She is in her “happy place.” Then, as the evening proceeds, she becomes a new person - centered as she bonds with all in the group. They fill her heart and she fills their souls. As the 12 Step Program goes, “Fake it until you make it!” Again, once she is there, life changes.

She shared with me how each one of the group has something. Some have issues. Some are riding sky high because of a new love, new relationship or new home. Others are depressed or broken. Yet, once on the dance floor, it becomes about the group and the dance. Joy fills all. While dancing, they become one. They become one with the music and one with each another. The week, the day is saved. There is hope. As the song from *Titanic* and Celine Dion says, “My heart will do on!”

With Kathy’s sharing that summer night in Cumberland, I got a new insight on the Eucharist. Each gathers with his or her own issues and successes. Sinners and saints - there is no judgement. There is only the Lord and His meal. The Eucharist can connect. There is just this moment. Therefore, it is utmost important that we connect with as many present as possible.

This week can be saved.

There IS hope!

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

HOLIDAY LAKE OUTING: JULY 17, 2025



Keep the tradition alive! For 15 years we have had a wonderful outing at Holiday Lake. This year, it is Thursday, July 17, from 9 am to 4 pm. We have again reserved Shelter #2 which faces the water. Mass will be celebrated at 11 am followed by food, fun and swimming. The church will provide hot dogs, rolls and drinks. You bring deserts and salads. Be sure to is a sign-up so we will know how many folks to expect.

HILLCATS BASEBALL OUTING

The July 30 outing with St. Victoria has been cancelled. However, we plan to attend the game on Saturday, August 2nd - Military Appreciation Night at 6 pm. They are offering a special price of \$8 per ticket. Be sure to sign up so we will know how many tickets to order. Play ball!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Due to unforeseen circumstances, we need someone to fill in to help with the snacks for VBS. Please see Jodi if you can help her. Thanks!!

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Don't forget our next big event on July 31. We are hosting a birthday party for a famous character, Harry Potter! If you are planning to attend, please sign up. See Miss Helen for details.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education begins September 24. Chene has completed the daunting task of making sure all drivers and substitute drivers are in place.

CALENDAR PLANNING

The next calendar planning meeting will be on Tuesday, August 5 after both morning and evening masses. Bring your ideas for parish activities.