

21 July 2024
XVI Sunday of Ordinary Time (New Calendar)
IX Sunday after Pentecost (Traditional Calendar)

Sunday Mass: Anticipated Sat. 4 PM/Sun. 8AM Ancient Rite Latin Mass
Sunday 9:30 AM (Live-streamed) & 11 AM
Confessions: Wed. 6:30-6:55 PM/Sat. 7:30-7:55AM
Sat. 2:30-3:30 PM & 6:30-7:30 PM

THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Mon. 22 July St. Mary Magdalen, Penitent
8 AM For: Special Intention

Tue. 23 July St. Bridget of Sweden, Mother, Religious, Foundress
8 AM For: Rick & Nathan Blehar
Req: Mr. & Mrs. Robert Blehar
Holy Rosary for the Preborn and the Newborn

Wed. 24 July St. Sharbel Makhlef, Priest, Hermit
7 PM For: Kathy Tierney+ (Ann.)
Req: Susanne Dunne

Thu. 25 July St. James the Greater, Apostle, Patron of Spain
8 AM For: Special Intention
Req: Anonymous

Fri. **26 July STS. JOACHIM & ANNE, PARENTS OF OUR LADY**
Grandparents' Day
8 AM For: Kyle Lott (L.)
Req: Mr. & Mrs. Steven Anderson

Sat. 27 July St. Panteleon, Martyr, Invoked against lung disease
8 AM For: Edmund M. Castronovo+
Req: His Son

4 PM For: Tammie McDaniels+
Req: Dona Fiedler

Sun. 28 July XVII Sunday in Ordinary Time (New Calendar)
X Sunday after Pentecost (Traditional Calendar)
8 AM For: Patricia Johnson+
Req: Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Maciag
9:30 AM For: The Parishioners of OLGCC
11 AM For: Jeannette Heberle+
Req: Susanne Dunne

ALTAR SERVER PRACTICE: TUE. 23 JULY 6 PM

Provided Mother Nature does not decide to misbehave as she did last week, we will have another session of server training for the Novus Ordo (English) Mass this Tue. evening.

THE PARISH PICNIC IS COMING: SUN. 11 AUGUST NOON UNTIL....

Yes, it is almost here! Another great parish family picnic you won't want to miss. We will provide the meat and the rolls, the ice cream and the ever-popular water slide, if you will provide the bodies to enjoy them! Please sign your family up on the list on the bulletin board, and indicate how many hot dogs, hamburgers they will devour, and also, if you wish, what dish you would like to bring to the spread!

PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF ST. FRANCES X. CABRINI

and to the Cloisters Museum of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, will be on **WEDNESDAY, 21 AUGUST.**

We will have to leave by 6 AM in order to make the most of the day. Our pilgrimage destination will be the Shrine of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini in Fort Tryon Park, New York City.

Right next door are the Cloisters, part of the Metropolitan Museum of Art. The Cloisters are sections of medieval European monasteries that were dismantled and brought to the US for reconstruction. They house beautiful works of art from our Catholic heritage, and have beautiful gardens as well. If you are **committed** to going with us, please put your name on the list on the bulletin board.

PLEASE LIST EACH PERSON ON A SEPARATE LINE.

NATIONAL NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING WEEK 21-27 JULY

This week, American Catholics renew their understanding of the beauty, purpose and significance of marital relations. The sexual revolution of the sixties has taken its drastic toll on even the Catholics of our time.

When the "liberals" of the time taught that procreation was not an integral part of marital relations, they opened the sluice gates to the evils of abortion, homosexual practice and sodomitic marriage.

We do not want our children, grandchildren or any one we care about to be misguided or misinformed about our sexual powers and God's intention in giving them to us. There are many resources available to help couples use the God-given powers of masculine and feminine in their marriage as God intends. Please go to TheCoupletoCoupleLeague.org to learn more.

There, there is also a link to the Fertility Science outreach, for couples who are having difficulties in conceiving.

As we approach the **FEAST OF STS. JOACHIM AND ANNE THIS FRIDAY, 26 JULY**, let us implore their intercession and help for any couples who are trying to conceive.

YOU WON'T READ THIS IS IN THE MAINSTREAM MEDIA

A report by the International Society for Civil Liberties and Rule of Law found that 2023 marked the bloodiest year of Islamic attacks against Christians in Nigeria, with over 8,000 killed and thousands more abducted and forcibly displaced. For months, Nigeria's Plateau state and its civilian farmers have been one of the many targets by Islamist extremists. Over the past year, the Plateau state has witnessed hundreds of massacres of unarmed villagers by Fulani Islamist terrorists, such as the notorious Christmas eve 2023 coordinated attack by Islamist terrorists that killed hundreds. For months, swarms of armed, radicalized Muslim terrorists have laid siege to 151 villages and small towns, in a bid to take over and control the land, according to Barrister Solomon Dalyop, who heads a large, majority Christian indigenous tribal association.

Based on Open Doors research, as of March this year, over 37,500 people are estimated to have been killed since Boko Haram's insurgency began in 2011. Another report by the Observatory for Religious Freedom in Africa lamented the kidnapping of a further 2,400 Christians over a six month period from 2022-23.

Moreover, a report by the International Society for Civil Liberties and Rule of Law, released in 2024, stated that the year 2023 marked the bloodiest year of Islamic attacks against Christians in Nigeria, where over 8,000 were killed, and thousands more abducted and forcibly displaced. As per that report, a wide range of actors, including the Jihadist Fulani Herdsman, staged the killings, murdering at least 5,100 Christians. Nigerian Bishop Wildred Anagbe of Makurdi Diocese acknowledged that the Christian population of his country is being "gradually and systematic-ally decimated by Islamicists through killings, kidnappings, torture and burning of churches.

The US Commission of International Religious Freedom was appalled by the State Department's omission of Nigeria as a Country of Particular Concern in 2022. Fortunately, some Western government entities are becoming more vocal about the scale of religious persecution of Christians in Nigeria. In 2024, members of the Congress voted to urge the Biden administration to confront Nigeria for its lack of freedom with respect to Christianity, and place the nation back on its list as Country of Particular Concern.

We must all pray for our fellow Catholics and Christians in Nigeria, and urge our legislators to promote the defeat and censuring of the Islamic terrorists