

23 July 2023

XVI Sunday in Ordinary Time (New Calendar)  
VIII Sunday after Pentecost (Traditional Calendar)

Sunday Mass: Anticipated Sat.4PM/Sun. 8AM Ancient Rite Latin Mass  
Sunday 9:30 AM (Live-streamed) 11 AM

Confessions: Sat. 7:30-7:55 AM/2:30-3:30 PM & 6:30-7:30 PM  
**Please note: No Confessions this Wed. PM**

**THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS**

Mon. 24 July ST. SHARBEL MAKHLUF, Priest, Hermit  
8 AM Ancient Rite Latin Mass  
For: Special Intention

Tue. 25 July ST. JAMES THE GREATER, Apostle & Martyr  
8 AM For: Deceased Parishioners  
Req: Mr. & Mrs. John Vanderhoof  
Holy Rosary for the Preborn & Newborn

Wed. 26 July STS. JOACHIM & ANNE, Parents of the BVM  
**8 AM** For: Amy Cosette+  
Req: Mr. & Mrs. Steven van Lieshout

Thu. 27 July The Seven Holy Sleepers of Ephesus, Martyrs  
8 AM For: Jeanetter & Warner Geberle  
Req: Susanne Dunne

Fri. 28 July Bl. Alphonsa Muttathupadathu, Virgin  
8 AM For: Gary & Elizabeth Beaton (L.)  
Req: The Kaminskis

Sat. 29 July STS. MARTHA, MARY & LAZARUS  
8 AM For: Special Intention

4 PM For: Mary Kucharzyk+  
Req: Mr. & Mrs. Peter Bender

Sun. 30 July XVII Sunday in Ordinary Time (New Calendar)  
IX Sunday after Pentecost (Traditional Calendar)  
8 AM For: Success of Rosary Rally  
Req: Thomas Masset  
9:30 AM For: Eleanor Przbylski+  
Req: Mr. & Mrs. Adam Vanderhoof  
11 AM For: The Parishioners of OLGCC

**PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF LASALETTE  
THU. 24 AUGUST**

Before I contract with the bus company, I would like to be assured that we will have a reasonable number of parishioners going with us. If you are intent on going, please put your name on the list on the bulletin board.

The list will remain up through next weekend, if you have not yet decided. We are going to this Shrine because it was on September 19, 1846 that Our Lady appeared to two children shepherding their cows on a mountainside. Our Lady appeared seated on a rock initially, and she was weeping. She told the children that the sins of mankind were so many, she could hardly restrain her Son from striking the world.

I urge you to **make the sacrifice of a long day** to come with us to the feet of the Queen of Heaven, imploring her to hold back her Son's arm and give us time to repent.

**WED. 26 JULY: FEAST OF STS. JOACHIM & ANNE Parents of Our Lady. Holy Mass at 8 AM.**

These are the "Holy Ancestors of God", as the Eastern Church calls them. As grandparents to Our Lord, we should come to Holy Mass to pray for our own grandparents. Those who are expecting, or who are trying to conceive, should come to ask the parents of the Immaculate Conception, who were infertile themselves for many years, to assist them.

**PARISH "COUNSEL" MEETING: THU. 27 JULY 7 PM RECTORY**

We will be making plans for the upcoming year of programs and events, as well as a review of our finances. All parishioners are welcome to come with suggestions or questions.

**SPEND AN HOUR WITH OUR LORD**

These are the hours that are open for an adorer at the Adoration Chapel at St. Joseph's Church, 121 St. Joseph Pl., Oneida.

Sun. 10-11 AM; Sun. 11-12 PM; Mon. 10-11 PM; Thu. 10-11 AM;  
Sat. 12-1 AM.

If you are interested in taking one of these time slots, please call Stephen or Cynthia van Lieshout at 315 361 1801 or 315 761 1394. God bless you.

**Holy Cross Academy Open for Enrollment**

Registration is open for grades 7-12. Holy Cross Academy is an independent jr.-sr. High school teaching in the Catholic tradition and faithful to the Magisterium. Busing is available from 10 school districts.

The school is located at 4020 Barrington Rd., Oneida. Call 315 363 1669 for information.

## ABORTION IS THE DESTRUCTION OF A HUMAN LIFE

Judie Brown, Founder, American Life League

Those eight words (in the title above) encapsulate the reason for our commitment to defend life. We must never stop telling the truth about contraception, abortion, and their fruits.

We know that **contraception is the root cause of abortion**. Most recently, the culture is redefining the definition of human beings and of men and women and is perpetrating all manner of verbal and medical assaults on nature. So it is easy for the **truth to be denied or merely ignored**. One wonders at times if anyone cares about truth.

Into this quagmire comes the bright light of honesty. All anyone has to do to contradict our foes is ask a simple question: When a female egg unites with a male sperm, what is the result of fertilization?

It is a chicken? Is it a frog? Or is it indeed a human being who possesses his or her own DNA-the special identity that defines the person as a unique, one-of-a-kind human being?

Yes, our DNA defines us. Every human person has this unique genetic identity. So when we say that abortion is the destruction of a human being, we are making a scientific statement of fact. And in 2023 that is more important than ever before because even many of those who claim to be pro-life have no clue what that means.

Some say that they are pro-life but will not take a position on contraception. This is a problem because currently the most popular forms of contraception act in several ways, **including causing abortion to occur** in the early days of a human being's life. Some say they are pro-life EXCEPT for certain circumstances, which means that their qualifications that permit killing babies disqualifies them as pro-life spokespeople. We are living in a world that **detests innocent human beings** for any number of reasons, and **we are the only defenders they have**. So let us proudly profess the truth: **Abortion is the destruction of a human being, and we will not tolerate it in even one case.**