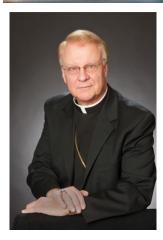
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God? What god? Which god?

This past Sunday I had the pleasure of acknowledging before the congregation our five Parish high school and college graduates of 2023. With no small amount of pride in their significant academic achievements as outlined

in the bulletin for that day, I presented each of them with a gift book from the Cathedral Parish as a token of our esteem to mark the occasion. I inscribed each of the books and I focused the inscription on the theme of truth that's been with me of late as I reflect on the various influences our young people are presented in their courses of study and the wide spectrum of messages they are faced with and are learning from in the secular culture around them.

With these thoughts in mind, I wrote to each of them the following: "Congratulations on your graduation. Continue your education with these words in your heart: Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth." (*Psalm 86:11*) I feel the relevance of this prayer from King David couldn't be more timely than it is today, in these times we're living through.

Another relevant theme for our culture today that I feel is very much related to the verse above from Psalm 86 comes from the first of the Ten Commandments where God says, "You shall have no other gods but me." It seems to me that what God's really asking us in this Commandment is "*Whozher daddy*?" And well he might ask exactly that given all the other gods available to us that seek our allegiance, and that expect our worship and service over the one true God, our Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Many people today forget their Creator. They

offer him no praise nor thanks nor even a second thought. It was the same with God's people the ancient Jews for they lived within a society that worshipped the gods Moloch, Baal and Mammon. Moloch was the god of cruelty that demanded child sacrifices. Baal was the god of sexual lust and satisfaction of immoral appetites. Mammon was the god of money. Many today still worship these three gods, although not by the same names.

Other gods we worship and serve today include even family when children are provided all opportunities for sports, friends, travel, and material objects but not the opportunity to worship of God each week in his temple and participate in the activities for them there. Anything that takes the place that only God should occupy in our lives becomes a god for us. Or further, it's not having money or even being wealthy that's a problem, but rather it becomes problematic when the *love* of money takes over our life, and we start seeing everything around us through the eyes of money and its continued acquisition. Other gods which society and our young people learn to worship involve areas like beauty, gambling, fame, occupation, drugs, sports, phones, leisure, influence, power, et al.



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In Romans 1:25, Paul teaches that people with other gods have "exchanged the *truth of God* for a lie, and [have] worshipped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever."

In a word then, our scriptures, our faith, our Church have never been more relevant, never more needed than today. Our young people can benefit from being encouraged in this at regular worship at Mass each Sunday. And mebbe, jes' mebbe them younguns ain't the only age group what could benefit from them same encouragements here on Sundays.

May we all realize this *truth* together, as grand-parents, parents, and youth.



Welcome Back Members

We wish to extend a warm welcome back to Joseph and Joann Hudak as members of St. Stanislaus Cathedral.

It's a blessing to have Joseph and Joann with us once again. They recently contacted us and wanted to reconnect

with St. Stanislaus. They were officially welcomed back as members of St. Stanislaus at the June meeting.

Congratulations to Joseph and Joann and we are looking forward to worshiping and working with you again.

Another Baby is Splashed!

Charlie Bidwell was welcomed into the Christian faith on Sunday, June 4th. Charlie is the daughter of William and Kelsi Matylewicz Bidwell. Her big sister is Karter



and she is the granddaughter of Mark and Sharon Matylewicz and the great granddaughter to Germaine Matylewicz and the late Robert Matylewicz. Godparents are Joseph Haley and Alesia Matylewicz.





Father Janusz Lucarz performed the baptism. The family received a prayer shawl to wrap Charlie in God's Love and the initial Splash Program from the School of Christian Living to help her grow in faith.

Congratulations! May God bless little Charlie and her family!

Annual Church Picnic

The annual Church Picnic will be held at the YMS of R Park on Sunday, July 9th, starting with Holy

Mass at 11:00 a.m. Sign up in the church hall for the luncheon afterward, or call the church office at 570-961-9231. You may also email at office@saintstanislauspncc.org. Hope to see you there!!!!







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Trinity Sunday and Corpus Christi Celebration Sunday, June 4th was Trinity Sunday. As a

special hymn for the occasion, three members of the Cathedral Chorale sang *Praise God*, *from Whom All Blessings Flow* by Thomas Tallis first together, then as a



three-part round. It was done a cappella in the front of the Mary Altar.



Then on Thursday, June 8th, the Scranton Seniorate celebration of Corpus Christi was held here at the Cathedral. Parishioners from Holy Mother of Sorrows, Dupont, St. Adalbert, Dickson City, and Providence of God, North Scranton, joined

us here with Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament and procession to the four altars. Richard Segiel led the procession with the crucifer followed by members of the ANS. Participating









clergy included Father Carmen Bolock, Prime Bishop Anthony Mikovsky, Father Janusz Lucarz, Deacon Robert Karoscik and Bishop Bernard Nowicki as celebrant. Father Senior Chromey was seated in the nave.

The Cathedral Chorale again performed a special hymn for Corpus Christi a cappella in front



of the Mary Altar. At the end of Benediction prior to Father Janusz's homely, *Bread of the Angel Host*, by Claudio Casciolini, was sung in three-part harmony with Barbara Nowicki singing the first voice, Becky Elfman and Leslie Doyle on second voice. Lu Ann Kaszuba and Adam Zatek on the third voice. The Chorale sang this hymn again on the following Sunday within the Octave of Corpus Christi.

Refreshments were served after the celebration in the parish hall provided by the Cathedral ANS. Thank you to everyone who participated.



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"Spring Has Sprung" into the Summer

The Adoration of The Most Blessed Sacrament Society has extended its Spring Has Sprung Basket Raffle until July 9th at the Church Picnic! With over 44 baskets to pick from, there is surely something for everyone to

enjoy. Polish pottery, lottery tickets, wine, kid baskets, spa items, pasta, pet items, and SO MUCH MORE can be found in the various raffle baskets. Tickets are 2 for \$1, 12 for \$5, and 26 for \$10. For any questions, please email ans@saintstanislauspncc.org.

Honoring our Graduates

On Sunday, June 25th, St. Stanislaus Cathedral honored the students of our parish who graduated in 2023. During the 9:30 mass, Bishop Nowicki spoke at the end of mass about our newly graduated youth and presented them a gift, *The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen: 365 Days of Inspiration;* something to help guide them in their future endeavors. The following graduates were recognized.

Jessica Notari graduated magna cum laude from the University of Scranton with a Bachelor of Science degree in Early and Primary Childhood Education. She will attend the University of Scranton in the fall to complete her Master's degree in Special Education.





Jake Gerardi recently graduated from Temple University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Community Development. He is continuing his educational studies at Temple, working towards a Master of Science degree in City and Regional Planning. This summer, Jake is interning with the Montgomery County Planning Commission.

Elizabeth Pfohl graduated in December of 2022 from Marywood University with a Bachelor of Arts in psychology and is pursuing her Master's degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling. She is working at Children's Service Center in their school-based behavioral health program.





Olivia Pfohl graduated from West Scranton High School. She is traveling to Europe this summer. Her plans are not complete yet, but she is planning on studying business in the future.

Ava Kalteski graduated from Riverside High School. She will be attending Penn State main campus

in the fall. Ava will be majoring in Nursing and would like to study to become a nurse anesthetist. Unfortunately because of a previous com-



mitment Ava could not attend on Sunday. After Church, the graduates were treated to a graduation cake during coffee hour.





Congratulations to our graduates and may God bless them as they take their next steps in the life.

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Calling All Volunteers, ITS THAT TIME of YEAR !!!!! No not Christmas, Not Easter, not All Souls Day, IT'S FLEA MARKET SEASON !!!!!!!!

Friday JULY 21st & Saturday July 22nd 9 till 5

During the month of July the kitchen will be busy preparing for the flea market. Almost "homemade" pierogi have been ordered and approximately 750 piggies have to be made. There are some more things that have to be prepared

Volunteers are also starting the setup. We have some veteran helpers along with some new faces. Everyone

can help from the oldest to the youngest.

Come and have a fun time with a great bunch of people. We will be setting up until the day



before the flea market and any help is appreciated!!!

The following is a schedule of volunteer work and drop off dates.

* This June 26th was table set up and the start of moving products out of storage. We will need help every day until the Flea Market

*Donations will be accepted starting Saturday July 1st, 9 till 1 Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 10 till 2, Saturday, 9 till 1.

*** Please No drop offs Mondays or Tuesdays as our volunteers need time to sort and clean and even take a well-deserved Break/Day off.

*ALL LARGE items are to be dropped off on Saturdays only as there will be extra help to unload them.

* Drop of Dates July Sat. 1st, Wed. 5th, Thurs. 6th, Fri. 7th, Sat. 8th, Wed. 12th, Thurs. 13th, Fri. 14th, Last Day for Drop offs Sat. 15th

*Your help is needed to sort, clean, and stock products. If you can't get around like you used to then just come out and enjoy the company and fellowship of your fellow parishioners and volun-

teers, meet new and old friends.

*Donation of Baked goods to be sold at our Flea Market are needed. Brownies, Breads, Cakes, Cupcakes are all needed BOTH days of the Sale. Please Drop them off at the Youth Center Thursday before the Sale Between 9 and 4.

*Call Lorne Notari 570-840-2108 or Parish Office 570961-9231 for more info on helping out.

* Friday is a Big Day, and we know people/ volunteers have work, but please consider taking a day off and spending it with your Church Family and Friends. This event cannot happen without your Faith and commitment to our Parish.

*Saturdays and some Monday/Tuesdays will also be Polish Food Prep, more info to come. Saturday, July 8th, will be gołąbki (piggies) making. Come for an hour or more to help roll. If You Can Cook or Want to Learn, then this will be the time to Do so with Lots of Friends and Laughter.





YMS of R Bowling Tournament



The 76th Annual Bowling Tournament was hosted by the United YMS of R along with the Dickson City, Dupont, and Scranton parishes. The bowling

took place at Valley Lanes in

Childs, followed by an open house and fellowship hour held at the Bishop Hodur Retreat Center.

The Banquet was held on Saturday evening at the



Regal Room in Olyphant. Sunday all bowlers and guests were invited to attend mass at St. Adalberts in Dickson City. Prime Bishop

Mikovsky celebrated mass with Bishop John Mack, Father Senior Chromey and Deacon Bob Karoscik were in





the sanctuary. We look forward to our next year's tournament which will be held in Parma, Ohio.

NUC Convention & Music Workshop

The National United Choirs 36th Annual Convention & Music Workshop will be held on Wednesday, August 9th through Friday, August 11th at Holy Mother of Sor-



rows Parish in Dupont, Pa. The registration deadline is July 8th and forms may be picked up at the church office or by contacting Al Micka at 570-569-2510 or 570-430-7685.



Please join us as we expand our music education, lift our voices in praise to God, and enjoy the fellowship of other Music Ministers.

Eagle Scout Celebrated

Ryan Notari's achievement of Eagle Scout rank was celebrated on Saturday, June 10th. The celebration was held at the Pleasant Mount Fire Department Dining Hall, which was renovated for his Eagle project. This hall was originally a working fire hall and fire truck garage and was later turned into a social hall where many local gatherings are held. Old





screen tv was mounted on the wall. The television will be used by groups to show training videos and slide shows.

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heaters were removed, new paint was applied. A rack for folding chairs was assembled, and a large



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eloquent invocation, blessing Ryan and everyone who guided him. Family, friends, and food were plentiful.

Congratulations to Ryan for achieving this high honor.



Troop 42 Crossing Over Ceremony

In June, Troop 42 held their ceremony of Crossing the Bridge to prepare the cub scouts to become boy scouts. Danny



King and Luke Golembeski were welcomed into scouting by their Scout Masters Tony Polster and Danny King Sr. Danny and Luke will be attending Goose Pond Boy Scout Camp in July.



The Ceremony of Crossing the Bridge marks the completion of cub scouting and it marks the beginning of a whole new experience in scouting. The bridging ceremony represents the characteristics of scouts: they are reverent, clean,

brave, thrifty, cheerful, obedient, kind, courteous, friendly, helpful, loyal, and trustworthy. Each of these characteristics are inscribed on the lats of the bridge.

Also crossing the bridge to Webelos 2 were Grayson Williams and Murphy Kayer. All scouts are looking forward to their next step in their journey.









Congratulations to these young men on their journey through Scouting.

Northeastern Boys Scouts of America Council

In June, a Leaders' meeting for the Northeastern Boy Scouts of America Council was held at the YMS of R park. Leaders from the



whole council, Mt Top, Dallas, Pittston, Kingston, Wilkes-Barre, Dickson City, Waymart, Scranton, Clark Summit, Clarks Greens, Montdale, Carbondale, Pleasant Mt, Eynon, Jermyn, Jessup, and Olyphant attended. Many leaders in attendance were introduced to our Church for the first time, and were inquiring about the park.

Thank you to St. Stanislaus and YMS of R for the use of your Pavilion for our important

meeting.





Submitted by Assistant Scout Master Lorne Notari Troop 407/42

Mark Your Calendars!

Here are some of the upcoming events, so mark your calendars to keep them in mind. July 1st - One Hot Meal Noon till 1:00 p.m. of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Mass at Noon July 1st – 8th - Kurs Week at Bishop Hodur Aug. 25th —National YMS or R Golf Tournament in Retreat Center Broadview Heights, Ohio July 1st -Independence Day Mass at Sept. 2nd - One Hot Meal Noon till 1:00 p.m. Spojnia Farm 11:00 am Polish Picnic will follow. Sept. 10th – Solemnity of Brotherly Love July 9th – Annual Church Picnic starting with Holy Mass at 11:00 a.m. July 21st - 22nd - Annual Flea Market Nov. 1st -All Saints' Day Aug. 5th - One Hot Meal Noon till 1:00 p.m. Aug. 9th – 11th - National United Choirs 36th General Nov. 2nd – All Soul's Day Convention/28th Music Workshop in Dupont, PA Holy Mass at Noon Aug. 15th – Solemnity of the Dormition/Assumption July 7 – Dorothy Andrzejewski July 8 - Frances Loss Delores Ostrowski

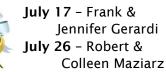
July Birthdays

- July 2 Ava Kalteski
- July 3 Carl Weaver
- July 4 Nicholas Gerardi

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- Amy Kowalski
- July 6 Jacob Stankowski
- July 14 Celeste Gingerlowski July 15 - Barbara Kalteski July 21 - Kevin Hughes Shirley Fox July 23 - Teresa Rothka July 24 - Joseph Annacarto July 26 - Joseph Rothka Nancy Pron
- Michael Haley July 30 - Ryan Notari July 31 - Stan Zygmunt

July Anniversaries



The Fresh Grocer Cards Are Here

Gerrity's Fresh Grocer gift cards are here in the Parish Office for sale. You can



get your \$25 gift card during the week by calling the parish office (570-961-9231) and arranging to pick them up or you can stop in the parish office on Sunday.



Attention: Mrs. Gorgol Has Moved Mrs. Marie Gorgol has moved to: 3 Winthrop St. Fall River, MA 02721 Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

Altar Flowers

If you are interested in making a donation for flowers in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please contact Connie Tellep Altor Flowers at 570-222- 4409. The donation



would be \$60 to cover the cost for a Sunday. If you just want to donate any amount to the fund, you can send a check made payable to ANS Flower Fund, to the Parish office or just drop the envelope in the collection basket. Thank you for your help.

- Oct. 7th One Hot Meal Noon till 1:00 p.m.
- **Oct. 8th** Solemnity of the Christian Family
- Oct. 18th Boscov's Friends Helping Friends
 - Holy Mass at Noon and 7:00 p.m.
- Services at the Cemetery 7:00 p.m.

July 28 - Julianne Matza