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.

Jodi Aerts Dylan Anderson Robert Berry Patricia Bonnewitz Millie Budnev Michael Burke Sandra Burke Julie Byron Toni Capute Deacon John Carev Riordan Cavoris Jim Croushorn **Justin Curtis** Tony Donehoo Carol Donato Islea Duncan Alan Ekberg John Evans

Jack Fisher

Linda Gardner

Elizabeth Gillam

Lorraine Brennen Gilliam

Lvnn Goss Kathleen Hamilton Jeanne Harper Holly Hewitt Jeannine lannaco Pablo Ignacio Patrick Ignacio Meja Irvin Leslie Jarrett Paul Lent Carolyn Martin Jamie Martin Kimberly Martin Greg Moore Kathleen Moore **Beverly Moyer** Chris Moyer Ray Moyer Don Notestein Patsy Notestein

Angel Ortiz

George Perry

Wendy Pessaro **Gary Peters** Laurie Peters Frank Powell Nelson Sanchez Princess Sanchez John Seaguist Ray Servis Jane Sliwinski Joseph Souza Margaret Smith Chere Tew Jim Tew Fred Toth Amy Tracy **Charles Watson** Danielle Weedon Laura Williams Louise Williams Michael Williams **Travis Williams** Betty Jo Wolfram

July Birthdays

Faried Afram (July 1)
Beth Jarrett (July 3)
Richard Sprinkle (July 5)
Thomas Metzinger (July 18)
Avery Heady (July 19)
Killian Brown (July 20)
Kari Hampton (July 20)
Kathleen Moore (July 23)
Diane Bradish (July 23)
Fr. Jim (July 27)
Maureen Smith (July 27)

Reed Johnson (July 30)

Helen Dennany (July 30)

July Anniversaries

Beau & Elizabeth Ellrich (July 10) Sid & Wendy Smith (July 12) Chuck & Ronnie Haney (July 14) Joe & Linda Gardner (July 15) Ben Lynn Goss (July 27) Fred & Bonnie Toth (July 29)

Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church



July 21, 2024 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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A PASTORAL MOMENT WITH FR. JIM

Well, here is another "summertime" reading. In the Gospel Jesus invites the disciples to "go away and rest for a while." Like you throughout the ministerial year, they have been working very hard spreading the Good News, comforting the sick and feeding the hungry. Maybe you have been caring for someone ill in the home and struggling to get the kids through school as well as holding down a job with low pay during these days of inflation.

Again, God created summertime so we can rest. We need to practice good self care. If you are a people person and get more energy with others, you take time to visit friends or host visitors. There is nothing like catching up and hearing a fascinating story. Meeting others can enrich us. I feel I have been enriched by the Spanish speaking community. Did you know that the Spanish word for "mystery" is "sacrament"? It gives a whole new perspective.

Some of us draw energy and spirituality from nature. One week when I had a terrible attitude and struggled to pray, I rode my 21-speed bike to the river. The sun was setting and across the river I could see pasture land and cows. The scene drew the prayer right out of me! I found myself praying where all week long prayer was a struggle. Jesus could be talking about that. I bet you can share your invigorating experience about nature.

When all else fails, there is humor. Milton Berl once said, "Humor is a form of vacation." I like "Dad Jokes" for humor. They are called "Dad Jokes" as they are in a scene of a young girl about thirteen or fourteen where her father tells jokes an even though they are appropriate and healthy, the young girl says, "Oh, Dad!" especially if he tells them in front of her friends. Beatrice enjoys "Dad Jokes" but only when Fr. Jim tells them.

What did the pancake learn in music class? To b-flat
What did one math book say to the other? I got problems too!
Dad, can you tell me about the Boston Tea Party? I wasn't invited.
I strung all my watches together to make a belt. It was a waist of time.

After these jokes, I hope you feel better! Happy summertime!

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

VIRTUS - MAKING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Our diocese has a program to help make a safe environment for children. It is called "VIRTUS." This program is for all who work with children and vulnerable adults. It is <u>mandated</u> that all those who work/volunteer in that kind of ministry be enrolled in this program.

HOW TO ENROLL: Sybil Frey, the VIRTUS expert in our area, will be at Our Lady of Peace on Tuesday, July 23, at 7 PM to assist all who need to be enrolled and explain the VIRTUS Program. Please email Fr. Jim (jimg301@juno.com) know if you plan to attend.

Vacation Bible School: July 23-26, 2024. If you can help with any donations, please see the list available on the Liturgy table. See Helen Dennany or Alice Doeppe with any questions.

The Social Committee is hosting a Tea on Saturday, August 3, from 11 am - 1:00 pm in Corter Hall. The last tea was so much fun! We are inviting the ladies from New Jerusalem Baptist Church, Springfield Baptist Church, Jordan Baptist Church, Promise Land Baptist Church and Victory Baptist Church as well as all the ladies from OLP. Please RSVP Diane (434-221-9747) or Jodi (252-287-2921) or see them after mass if you plan to attend. If you can provide a sweet treat or a mini-type sandwich, there will be a signup sheet. Anyone for tea?

From the Liturgy Committee: Have you ever thought of becoming a lector (reader of the word), a Eucharistic Minister (minister of the plate or cup) or an Usher? Our usher list is painfully short and some of our lay ministers are serving in multiple capacities. Even if you are only thinking about any of these ministries, please reach out to Bob Burke for more information.

