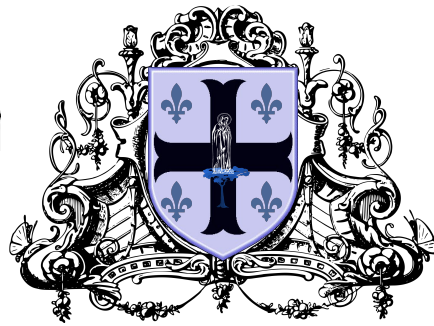


WELCOME TO THE SHRINE of OUR LADY

We welcome all our Parishioners and esteemed Guests as you come to experience the beauty of the Ancient Liturgy and Devotions here at this special Parish and also Diocesan Shrine to Our Lady of Fatima. We hope you will become a regular member of our Catholic Parish, where, always Tradition is in season!

God bless you!



Lord God, Saint Eusebius of Vercelli affirmed the divinity of Thy Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, and promoted devotion to Our Lady, especially under the title of Our Lady of Oropa. Graciously grant, we beseech Thee, that by keeping the One True Faith which he defended, taught, and for which he suffered persecution. We, too, may come to share the eternal life of the same Christ, Our Lord, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - JULY 28, 2019 - SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY O.T.

COLLECTION - We thank those Parishioners who support our Parish with their treasure, talent and time. PLEASE BE GENEROUS! Pray for our Benefactors!

PLENARY INDULGENCE - Do not forget to come and get your Plenary Indulgence on the First Saturday of each month as well as the 13th, Fatima Day, of every month.

CSA - Many thanks to all who have donated so far. We have superseded our goal in pledges, AND in actually paid funds. Thus, every dollar over our goal comes back to us. If you have not yet pledged or donated or are a new Parishioner, please donate as soon as possible!

DAILY MASS - Too many are not taking advantage of this grace and privilege. There are some Catholics who cannot attend daily Mass because of lack of Priests. Take advantage of the graces conferred by God here in our own Shrine!

VEILS - For those ladies who wear or want to wear veils and mantillas in the holy Temple of God, please consider getting one of parishioner Nellie Narciso's creations which are found in the back of the Church. She donates all proceeds to the Ladies' Sodality. Thank you, Nellie!

PROPER ATTIRE - We remind everyone of the sanctity of this Temple of God. Proper attire must be worn here at all times, Shorts, picnic wear or any beachwear is NOT acceptable. ALL are asked to respect this holy place! Thank-you!

HOLY NAME SOCIETY - The St. Stephen Holy Name Society will hold its monthly meeting THIS Sunday, July 28th at 9 AM in the Fr. Pérez Hall. ALL men are invited!

HOSPITALS - If you or any member of your family goes into a hospital or rehab please notify Rev. Canon. If you are ill or in need of Anointing (and Confession which helps the Anointing so much more) please make an appointment with him. Do not take any chance with your immortal soul!

CONFESSION BOOK - Rev. Canon's new book on Confession is ready and is available in the back of the Church already... A donation of \$8 is asked.

FIRST FRIDAY & SATURDAY - This coming will be the first Friday and Saturday of the month of August, dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. We will have Holy Hour on Thursday after the usual Low Mass. Saturday we will have the usual Low Mass and Benediction as well as Acolyte practice. All acolytes are asked to be here. Confessions available.

CONFESSION - Even though the Easter season is over, it is not time to abandon the practice of frequent Confession of our sins. Each should try to go at least once a month, but more salutary once a week. However, it is not possible for Father to hear Confessions before the High Mass on Sunday. Please come at the appointed times or during the week.

PARTICIPATION - All are asked to vocally and physically participate in the Sacred Mysteries. We need to hear you. While private prayer is of the utmost importance, when we are at community prayer and the Liturgy we should speak loudly and clearly, not whispering to ourselves. It makes a big difference and encourages others to pray and participate. This goes for both the Pauline Rite in English and the Gregorian Rite in Latin, as well as the Holy Rosary.

BURSE CLUB - Representatives from the St. Stephen Ladies' Sodality will start collecting funds for the education of future Priests for our Diocese. It is \$12 a year but all are encouraged to give more. Thank you for your generosity.

LADIES' SODALITY - As usual, on the First Saturday the Ladies' Sodality will have its monthly meeting. We remind all ladies that you are invited and included. The meeting will be after Benediction. Everyone's help is needed!

MASS INTENTIONS, SAINTS and ASSIGNMENTS

Sat. 07 -27 (P)	4:00 PM	Joseph Cao Doan	Sts. George & Co. of Córdoba, M.	
Sun. 07 - 28(P)	7:30 AM	Pro Populo	Sts. Nazarius & Celsius, M.	4:00 PM Rose Castro
	(G)	10:30 AM	St. Sampson of Brittany, B.	
Mon. 07- 29(G)	8:00 AM	Luciano Giangiulio	St. Martha	7:30 AM Donna Bloomer
Tues. 07- 30 (P)	8:00 AM	Int. John Patrick Estrada	St. Peter Chrysologus, B. & D.	
Wed. 07- 31 (P)	8:00 AM	Int. Donald Hirth	St. Ignatius Loyola, P. & F.	10:30 AM Dr. Richard Hyland
Thurs.08- 01	8:00 AM	Int. Joanna Garrone	St. Alphonsus Maria Liguori, B. D	
	(G)	6:00 PM	Dedication of St. Peter in Chains	
Fri. 08 - 02 (P)	8:00 AM	Int. The Youngblood Family	St. Eusebius of Vercelli, B.	
Sat. 08 - 03 (G)	8:00 AM	Fe Bersabal	Finding of the Relics of St. Stephen	
	(P)	4:00 PM	Sts. Marana & Cyra	
Sun. 08 - 04 (P)	7:30 AM	In Honor of Our Lady and of St. Stephen	St. John Baptiste Marie Vianney	
	(G)	10:30 AM	St. Dominic de Guzman	
			St. Aristarchus of Thessalonica	

Lectors

Altar Duty

Lawn Maintenance

OUR LADY OF OROPA

One of the most beautiful and inspiring places of pilgrimage I have ever visited is the magnificent Sanctuary of Our Lady of Oropa, in the lower Alps in the Piedmont region of northern Italy in the Diocese of Biella. It was Bd. Pier Giorgio Frassati's favorite sanctuary near his family's summer home in Pollone. The statue made of cedar wood was brought here by none other than St. Eusebius of Vercelli in the fourth century when he returned from being exiled during the persecution that occurred at the time of the Arian heresy. He was sent to Bethlehem where he found it. It was reputed to have been carved by St. Luke the Evangelist. When he returned he placed it in an oratory in a cave and it had to be covered up during the persecution. Later a church was built around it. One can still see part of the cave stone in the church and outside to the left of it. In Joan Carroll Cruz' book on famous images she mentions that the statue never has to be dusted! Many miracles have taken place here. It is the oldest continuous standing Shrine of Our Lady in the world. Behind the new church built in the 1950's and consecrated during the Pontificate of St. John XXIII ca. 1960 is the imposing mountain which gives the sanctuary its name, Mount Oropa, which Bd. Pier Giorgio would climb and on which he prayed. Today many mountain climbers visit the place and exercise their sport. It is out of the way and very cold most of the time but it is worth the visit. Her feast is on a Saturday in August.

--- Very Rev. Canon Héctor R.G. Pérez y Robles, S.T.D., C.S.L.J.

