SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2016 24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00PM Gelsomina Marchesani 8:00AM Natalie Persico

10:00AM In Remembrance of 9/11

12:00PM John & Maria Fedele

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY

8:00AM Mario & Maria Morin - Anniv.

11:30AM Maria Hroncich

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

8:00AM John T. Scrivanich

11:30AM Carmela Morin

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS 8:00AM Persecuted Christians in the

Middle East

11:30AM Dominick Piccinich

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

OUR LADY OF SORROWS

8:00AM Vinko Sango

11:30AM Vincent Libero

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

STS. CORNELIUS & CYPRIAN

8:00AM Maria Mattesic

11:30AM John Morin

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE

11:30AM Robert Dempsey

Marion Lipari

5:00PM Connors & Gargiulo Families

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00AM Ivan Morin

10:00AM John Glendening, Jr.

12:00PM Edna & Patsy Freda

ALTAR BREAD

In Memory of Maureen Kromphold

ALTAR WINE

In Memory of
Gelsomina Marchesani

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of Logan & Natalie Davidenko

PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for next Sunday are:

Amos 8:4-7

God is aware of Israel's greed and the needs of the poor.

Psalm 113

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

2 Tim 2:1-8

Paul urges prayer for those in authority.

Luke 16:1-13

The dishonest steward exemplifies wisdom and the use of money.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioner:

...As we commemorate this date that has such meaning and power in our lives, we remember those who lost their lives that day. We pray also for the first responders who generously came forward and got involved in a rescue mission trying to save lives. 9/11 leaves each of us with memories, impressions and things to pray about. Let us pray for God's grace for our country, the safety of our first responders and their family members, the repose of the souls of those who are lost and the freedom and safety of those of us who call America our home.

...For a number of years, one of our parishioners has worked on white embroidered bibs for all the babies who are baptized here at Epiphany. We are very grateful to Lee Weisman for her years of service. She recently gave up her sewing machine. So, we are now looking for someone who can fill her shoes. It's simple white cotton material which needs to be cut in the shape of a bib and then a Baptismal symbol and the word Epiphany embroidered on the bib with Velcro attachments in the back. If you know how to sew and you could help us with this project, please call me. I ordered some bibs from the catalogue but they were not really satisfactory. Many thanks and let me know if you can help.

...Mark your calendar and make sure you are available for our parish 100th Anniversary Barbecue scheduled for Sunday, October 2 at 1:30PM. Tickets are available in the rectory. Cost of the ticket is as follows: Adults - \$10, Children - \$5 for children under 12, \$25 for a family of four (2 adults and 2 children under 12). NO TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE DOOR. All tickets must be purchased by **September 29th**. Come and join us for this parish family celebration. After all the masses that weekend, I will be blessing the Church cornerstone. Come and be with us as we continue to celebrate 100 years!

God bless, Fr. Ken

PARISH SUPPORT

Thank you for sharing the gift of your treasure so that we can continue to do God's work here.

September 4th \$5,403.00

Sunday Collection

"Everything I have is yours." – Luke 15:31

Our Heavenly Father gives us everything, including the chance to share in His eternal kingdom. Yet, like the Prodigal Son we are often lured away by the materialism of our society. Do we really want to turn our backs on all that God offers in exchange for a material wealth that has no lasting value?

BINGO



PLEASE NOTE BINGO IS PLAYED ON TUESDAY EVENINGS AT 7:15PM AND ON THURSDAY AFTERNOONS AT 12:15PM. WE NOW OFFER BIGGER JACKPOTS, PROGRESSIVE GAMES AND 50/50 GAMES. COME OUT AND ENJOY AN EVENING OR AN AFTERNOON OF FUN.

FROM GRIEF TO HOPE

Are you struggling with grief because of the death of a spouse, child, parent, relative or friend? Every Thursday at 7:30PM, Our Lady of the Visitation Parish Bereavement Ministry will be offering a weekly program to help people understand grief, cope with it, and strengthen their hope. These sessions are open to all grieving people, their relatives, their friends, and those in the helping professions. The sessions are held year round in rectory dining room, 234 Fairview Avenue, Paramus. For further information, please call Deacon Peter Emr at 201-261-6080.

NICHOLAS SERTICH'S ADDRESS

Nichols Sertich is in Rome studying at the Seminary. He is doing well and learning the Italian language. Please do not write Rome or Italy on any mail that is addressed to him. If you care to drop him a note, his address is: Nicholas Sertich, Pontifical North American College, 00120 Vatican City State – Europe.

BUS TRIP TO THE SANDS

There will be a bus trip to the Sands, Bethlehem on Sunday, November 6th. Bus leaves at about 9:00AM and returns at 5:30PM. Tickets are \$32 per person with \$20 back for play and \$5 for food. Proceeds will benefit the Epiphany Community Food Pantry. Tickets must be paid by October 3rd. Call the rectory for tickets at 201-943-7320.



CCD NEWS

CCD Classes begin as follows:

September 11 at 11:00AM after the 10:00AM Mass for grades 1 thru 7 at the Head Start School on Lafayette Avenue behind the Church - ends promptly at 12 Noon.

September 11 at 6:30PM in the Church Hall for Confirmation only ends promptly at 7:30PM.

PleaseNote: Registrations will be taken on September 11th at 11:15AM at the school.

Also, there will be no CCD for Grades 1-7 on September 25th but Confirmation Classes will be open that day from 6:30-7:30PM.

Any Sacraments that you would like your child to receive - please see Donna Murtagh, DRE, at registration.

BIBLE STUDY

The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy

If we consider that God is the Divine Bridegroom and the Church is his Bride, then the prophets can be seen as "spiritual marriage counselors." They afflict the comfortable and comfort the afflicted, calling us to return to our covenant relationship with God. They urge us to repentance, warn us of the dangers of sin, and announce the blessings of faithfulness. Their prophetic words speak to us even today, as they draw us closer to our heavenly Bridegroom.

Epiphany Church will begin *The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy* on Wednesday, September 28 at 1:00PM and 7:00PM. For more information or to register for the study, pick up a registration form or visit our parish bible study website: epiphanybiblestudy.weebly.com. I encourage you to join us. You will find it enriching and inspirational. For more information, please call Fr. Jim at the rectory.

JOIN TO SING

As we enter the season of fall, choirs are resuming their singing season. Adult choir will begin on September 18th at 9:00AM in the chapel. Everyone is welcome to join. You don't have to be gifted but only to come with enthusiasm and your love of music. If you have any questions, please come and talk to Dr. Sunny Son, Director of Music or one of the cantors.

Children's choir will begin with its first Wednesday practice on October 5th at 3:15PM. We will start with a snack down in the basement and finish at 4:30PM. All children, grades 3rd-8th, are welcome.

SPECIAL NEEDS FAMILY MASS

St. Therese Parish, Cresskill, will hold a Special Needs Family Mass on Sunday, September 18th at 1:30PM. This is a special celebration for adults and children with special needs. Refreshments and entertainment will follow the Mass.

SPECIAL NOON MASS

A special mass and support group meeting for all who are affected by the disease of alcoholism will take place at Church of St. Mary, 20 Legion Place, Closter, on Saturday, September 17th at 12 Noon. Mass is offered for the support, healing and recovery of not only the man/woman directly infected with the abuse of alcohol or drugs but also for anyone involved in the life of the alcoholic or drug addict. For information, please call 201-768-7565.

CLIFFSIDE PARK SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

On Friday, September 16th, there will be a River Lady Luncheon Cruise – cost is \$42 and departs at 9:00AM. On Thursday, October 6th, there will be an Oktoberfest at Krucker's. Cost is \$55 due by September $23^{\rm rd}$. To make reservations, please call 201-943-3768 ext. 112.

"FRIENDS ARE GOD'S WAY OF SMOOTHING OUT THE BUMPS ON THE ROAD OF LIFE!"

RCIA PROGRAM

It's time to think about the RCIA Program for next year. If you know an adult over 18 who has **never been** baptized and would like to become a Catholic or if you know someone who <u>was baptized</u> into another Christian faith and would like to **convert** to the Catholic faith...or if you know a baptized adult catholic – over 18 – who would like to prepare for the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist...please be in touch with Fr. Ken...or please put that person in touch with Fr. Ken. No commitments...just good information – and they can decide if they want to proceed.

We also have a program that starts in September for teens 15-18 who would like to prepare for the sacrament of Confirmation...please contact Fr. Ken.

THANK YOU FROM KELSEY BRENNER

Thank you very much for making me this year's recipient of The William H. Cron College Scholarship. It was truly a great honor and I am extremely grateful. I appreciate being picked over many other deserving candidates for this honor. I will be attending Rider University where I will be studying business with an emphasis on marketing. With the ever growing expense in this day and age of a college education, your generous scholarship will help make my dream a reality.

Sincerely, Kelsey Brenner

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAM (COOP)

Attention families of 8th grade students wanting to attend Catholic High School in the fall of 2017. The Catholic High School entrance exam (COOP) will be given on November 11th. Students need to register for this exam starting September 1st by going to www.coopexam.org, calling 1-888-921-2667 or emailing support@coopexam.org. Catholic High Schools are holding their annual admissions fair called HS EXPO from 7:00-8:30PM on the following dates and places: September 26th – Archdiocesan Center, Newark; September 28th – Visitation Academy, Paramus; September 29th – Primary Prep/St. Aedan, Jersey City. For directions visit Catholicschoolsnj.org or call 973-487-4258.

MORNING OF MERCY MINI PILGRIMAGE

On Saturday, September 24th, there will be a Morning of Mercy held at the Divine Mercy Parish, 232 Central Avenue, Rahway. It will be held from 9:30AM-12:30PM. The Jubilee Year of Mercy invites everyone to receive the grace of a plenary indulgence (that's a full pardon from sin and all its effects) and a passing through the Holy Door with Mass, Confession, Adoration and various prayers. Special guest speaker will be Msgr. Joseph Reilly who is the Missionary of Mercy coordinator.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Matthew Dickman, Marion Calabrese, Andree Degedrinsky, Natalie Lopac, Baby Sofia Gonzales, Baby Carly, Linda Shiers, Anne Lepis, Nadine Nasif, Alvino Masolotti, Dr. Richard Ming, Hay Blou Htoo, Mickey LoPresti, Dorothy Mazzone, Patsy DeRito, Amantina Lizardo, William Weitzel, Michael Couglan, Colin Berg, Giulio Scoccimarro, Marta Coelho, Margaret Evers, Matthew Rush, Mary Pugliese, Ann Callagher, Willie Soto, Esther Evertz, Barbara Dooley, Anthony Cherkashyna, Gloria Masella, Peter Bertinato, Ronald DeMiglio, Joann Helmick, Mario Pajar, John Hroncich, Kathy Herring, Vinka Usalj, Frieda Marchesani, Anna Tarabokija, Joseph DeMiglio, Efrem Lavrido, Baby Eric Grigsby, Cheryl Barbara, Carrie Craven, Sandy Snow. Lydia Locurcio, Kevin Harris, Patricia Warren, Felicia Martello, Oscar Benitez, Rev. James Carroll, Elva Lopes, Marilyn Brenes, Lorraine Noack, Ann Castrianni, Mary Bunero, Cabrini Lepis, Holly Warren, Erica Duran, Sister Kieran O'Riordan.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Margot Lisa, Rev. Floyd Rotunno.