

SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2017

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00PM Antonio & Grazia Marchesani

8:00AM Veronica Sohn

10:00AM Marco De Benedetto

12:00PM Pat & Mary Matarazzo

MONDAY, JULY 17

8:00AM Elena & Domenico Bussanich

11:30AM In Honor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

TUESDAY, JULY 18

ST. CAMILLUS DE LELLIS

8:00AM Hilda & John Dondero

11:30AM Kristina Stipkovic

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

8:00AM Anna Piccinich Berberian

11:30AM Joe Bartolotta

THURSDAY, JULY 20

ST. APOLLINARIS

8:00AM Anne Lepis

11:30AM Nicolina Matesic

FRIDAY, JULY 21

ST. LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI

8:00AM Anna Teresa Berberian

11:30AM James P. Marino

SATURDAY, JULY 22

ST. MARY MAGDALENE

11:30AM Anthony Angrisani

Theresa Hali

Dennis Ippolito

5:00PM Connors & Gargiulo Families

SUNDAY, JULY 23

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00AM Ana Matesic

10:00AM Tony Mezzich

12:00PM Dec'd Mbrs. Mosca & Romano Families.

ALTAR BREAD

In Memory of

Gaudenzia Piccini – 1st Anniv.



ALTAR WINE

In Memory of

Peter Jeon & Renata Lee

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Memory of

Luisa Vlacich

MASS CANDLES

In Memory of

Charles & Agnes Rossi

PREPARING FOR MASS

The readings for next Sunday are:

Wis 12:13, 15-19

A prayer about God's attributes and the Jews' response to them.

Ps 86

Lord, you are good and forgiving

Rom 8:26-27

The Spirit helps and intercedes for us

Mt 13:24-53

Three familiar parables about the kingdom of heaven

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioner:

..... Thus says the Lord: "Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the one who sows, and bread to the one who eats, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth, my word shall not return to me void...achieving the end for which I sent it."

.....As our own gardens are bursting with colorful flowers and the vegetable plants continue to grow, the image of the seed, fertility and fruitfulness are so appropriate.

.....The prophet Isaiah, writing six centuries before the Christian era, used the same example as the parable of the seed, but also the need for water, warmth and care for the word to achieve its purpose.

.....We listen to the Word of God, we open the text and reflect upon it, we are so familiar with what is written and read. A more important step must be taken. The rain and snow must penetrate the earth to provide the necessary support for growth. The water cannot just run off as often happens with the sudden summer downpour.

.....A soft, penetrating shower offers the condition necessary to accomplish its end. So too, does reflection upon the word, weighing and pondering its meaning for me today. May my listening heart allow that growth to take place today.

*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.

July 9th

Sunday Collection

\$4,750.00

Assessment Collection

\$1,900.00

"The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word but then the care of the world and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit." – Matthew 13:22

Does the lure of riches and material goods choke God out of your life? Are you so caught up in worldly activities that you have no time for God? Stewardship is a lifestyle to be lived every day. It effects all the decisions we make. What we receive at Mass every Sunday should be shared with others all the other days of the week.

BINGO



THURSDAY BINGO GAMES BEGIN AT 12:15PM. WE NOW OFFER BIGGER JACKPOTS, PROGRESSIVE GAMES AND 50/50 GAMES. COME OUT AND ENJOY YOURSELF AND WIN SOME MONEY AND HAVE FUN.

ALTAR FLOWERS, GIVING TREE, STATUE MEMORIALS AND HYMN BOOKS

Altar Flowers are available for 2017. Also, we have leaves, acorns and bricks available on our Giving Tree. We also have plaques to be placed under certain statues. You may donate any of these plaques in memory of or in honor of a loved one. Also, memorials in our new Hymn Books can be donated for \$25.00 per book. Come to the rectory office to make arrangements.

SEND A CITY CHILD TO CAMP

The Eddie Gray Camp Fund is seeking funds to send inner-city children to summer camp. This year our cost per child will be \$260 for one week. However, we will be grateful for donations of any amount. Every donation helps and is greatly appreciated! Please make checks payable to the Eddie Gray Camp Fund and mail them to: Sister Jacinta Fernandes, St. Joseph Social Service Center, 118 Division Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07201. Thank you for providing a happy and healthy experience for an inner-city child!

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS

We are very grateful to those of you who have been generous to the new Cardinal's Sharing God's Blessings Appeal. Our goal for this Appeal is \$33,281.00. We are several hundred dollars short of the goal. Thank you for your kind generosity in the past and we ask that you prayerfully consider making a donation or pledge so that we can meet our goal and realize a rebate for the parish.

THE SECRET OF HAPPINESS

Some speculate that the secret of happiness is in finding a need and filling it. Catholic Charities has a need and is requesting the following items to help fulfill that need: all forms of used clothing, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, knickknacks, novels, and children's books. Catholic Charities has a donation bin located at St. Matthew Church, Ridgefield. If you have a large number of items or have breakable items such as dishes, glasses, and picture frames, please call 877-343-3651 for a direct pick up. Maria Biancheri of Catholic Charities is available for any concerns or comments – mbiancheri@ccannj.org or call 973-596-3984. *May the beauty of summer remind you of God's love. Thank you for sharing that love by helping to fill our bins.*

ARCHDIOCESE COOP HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAM

This fall, eighth grade students in Catholic elementary schools and public school students seeking admission to an Archdiocesan Catholic high school will take a new testing vehicle under the Cooperative Admissions Examination Program (COOP) to assist school staff in evaluating freshmen candidates. Each year students seeking to enter a Catholic high school in the Archdiocese of Newark and Diocese of Paterson take the COOP exam. Specific information about the dates and procedures for registering for the 2017 COOP exam will be available on the COOP website – <http://njcoopexam.org>

CATHOLIC PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

St. Cecilia Parish is having a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico from December 4th-14th to be there for the Feast Day and the beautiful Mass of Roses on December 12th. Trip cost is \$2,049 per person including air fare from Newark. Price includes breakfast, lunch and dinner daily and mass every day. For a flyer or more detailed information, please call Cathie or Michael Milano at 1-800-773-2660.

DOMINICAN COLLEGE

An Information Session for those interested in Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees, including Undergraduate online programs, is scheduled for Wednesday, July 19th from 5:30-7:30PM in Prusmack Center at Dominican College, 470 Western Highway, Orangeburg, NY.

FREE MOVIES AT THE COUNTY

Zoo Flix After Dark will be held at Van Saun County Park, 216 Forest Avenue, Paramus, on July 21 – "Moana"; July 28 – "The Secret Life of Pets". The movies will start at Sunset and are free of charge.

**“WHEN YOU’RE FEELING
STRESSED, REMEMBER MOSES
STARTED OUT AS A BASKET
CASE, AND THE LORD MADE
SOMETHING OF HIM ANYWAY!”**

SAVE THE DATE – TRICKY TRAY EXTRAVAGANZA

We will be having our Annual Tricky Tray Fall Beefsteak Dinner/Dance on Saturday, October 28th. We are looking for new items to use in our raffle. **If you can donate any new items, please bring them to the rectory. We are also in need of empty baskets (wicker baskets, gift baskets, etc.) that we can use to wrap the prizes for our Tricky Tray. If you wish to make a monetary donation for us to buy a gift, it would be greatly appreciated.** It will be an evening of dinner, dancing, raffles and prizes. Tickets are on sale at the rectory at a cost of \$45.00 per person. Entertainment will be by the Jumpin' Dragons Band. **NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.**

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

All adult Catholics should officially register in the parish. Young adults of working age should register independently of their parents even if "living at home." We can serve you better in giving letters for sponsorship of Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony if you are registered. All new members of our faith family are encouraged to come to the parish so we can meet you. Registration does not happen automatically because you were married at Epiphany. Also, please notify the parish office of any changes in address, telephone number, or if you are leaving the parish.

ACTIVITIES AT THE CLIFFSIDE PARK SENIOR CENTER

The following are the activities at the Cliffside Park Senior Center: July 19 – Dinner & Movie – Arrival - \$5.00 – 4:00PM; Summer Concerts on the Patio – Friday, July 21 – Mike Sinatra and Friday, August 25 – Son Candelá; Canadian Cruise – September 16-23 – call for info. To sign up, please call 201-943-3768 ext. 112.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

Not everything married couples say to each other is kind and gentle. Sometimes it's thorny or boring. Carve out 5 minutes or more for deep sharing today. Perhaps something like, "A fear, need or joy I have is..."

PARENTING POINTERS

When speaking to your kids (or anyone) consider these proverbs: "It is better to leave angry words unspoken than to mend the heart those words have broken," and "The tongue is the only instrument that gets sharper with use."

CENTRAL INTAKE OF BERGEN COUNTY

Are you pregnant? Do you have a new baby in your home? Do you want parenting support in the comfort of your home? Please call Central Intake at 973-942-3630 ext. 11. They can help by connecting you to home visitation and other resources in the community! Call Central Intake and connect to free or affordable resources to help you and your family meet life's challenges. Services include but not limited to: home visitation, childcare, family counseling, health care services, domestic violence, substance abuse treatment, food/nutrition assistance, food pantries and shelters. Central Intake is a program of the Partnership's Improving Pregnancy Outcomes Initiative and is funded by the New Jersey Department of Health.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Matthew Dickman, Natalie Lopac, Ann Callagher, Peter Bertinato, Anna Tarabokija, Baby Eric Grigsby, Carrie Craven, Felicia Martello, Oscar Benitez, Elva Lopes, Marilyn Brenes, Sister Kieran O'Riordan, Riccardo & Delia Mattessich, Frank Mendez, Maria Azucena Mercado, John Reynolds, Arianna Cappola, Frances Ianuale, Hilda Borroto, Grace Siccardi, Barbara Bicocchi, Doris Levy, Cindy Simeone Reynolds, Ivan Skrivanic, Tammy Ledden, Baby Kennedy Rose Perkins, Michael Duddy, Baby Juliette Payne, Brian Hone, Laura Palmieri, Alfred Leubert, Mike Hromin, Margarita Lopez-Amaro, Helen Gallina, Renee Pascarella, Theodore Hoffman, Frank Searfoss, Rev. Giordano Bellanich.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Joyce Grabowski, Kelly Lynn Luterzo.

