

OCTOBER 23, 2016

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MONDAY – Saint Anthony Mary Claret

8:30 Danny Brennan req. by Rita & John Scanlon

TUESDAY

8:30 Special Intention for Simon Levien req. by Mom

WEDNESDAY

8:30 Special Intention of Joan & Bernie Beihl Jr.

THURSDAY

8:30 Dolores Wendland req. by Bill & Nancy Dorcas

FRIDAY – Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

8:30 Liam Cunningham req. by Jim & Julia Cass
Michael Richard Larned (1st Anniv) req. by his
loving family

SATURDAY

8:30 Dr. Hooshang Kipiani req. by Bob & Doris Mayer

5:30 Robert Smerklo req. by the Weckler Family
Riordan & DeSante Families req. by Jim & Sylvia
Riordan

OCTOBER 30, 2016

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:45 People of the Parish
Special Intention for her Birthday and
Thanksgiving for Joan Beihl req. by Ed & Ann
Maron

9:00 Jess Vergara req. by his family

10:30 Ricardo Chiong req. by Scott & Pat Caruso

12:00 Joseph Jerome Barnes req. by Anna & Simon
Gregory Liddy req. by Dorothy Armstrong

5:00 Fiore Schena req. by Douglas Ferraro & John
Hunt

PARISH FINANCES

October 16, 2016	\$ 9,846
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Next week's second collection is for our Diocesan newspaper, " <i>The Beacon</i> "	
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REFLECTION

Living in the Truth of Things

A good story has power, the power to alter our attitudes and thereby our behavior. Jesus told stories, one after the other, hoping to influence the minds and hearts of his audiences. One wonders what effect the parable in today's Gospel had on his listeners, people who were "convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else." Did any of them experience a conversion?

Perhaps we need not worry about them, but rather worry about ourselves. What impact does the behavior of the proud Pharisee and the humble tax collector have on our attitudes and our moral life? Important as fasting and tithing are, unless our inner life is grounded in the realization that we stand in need of God's mercy, we are in trouble. The tax collector models for us how we are to pray, pleading for God's mercy and knowing that we have sinned.

Jesus's teaching is direct and clear: humility, that is, living in the truth of things, puts us on the road to justification. God hears the cry of the poor and the pleas of those who ask for mercy. The reading from Sirach confirms God's willingness to hear and to respond to the lowly and needy. Unlike Shakespeare's "deaf heaven" (Sonnet 29), God does hear the cry of the oppressed and our petitions do reach heaven.

As we join the community in worship and as we enter into the presence of God in private prayer, we can be sure of this: God hears. For all our faults, if we come before the Lord in honesty and humility, we will be changed by the Lord's gifts of mercy and justification.

*Bishop Robert F. Morneau, auxiliary bishop of the
Diocese of Green Bay, Wisconsin.*



THE WEEK IN THE PARISH 10/23/16 – 10/29/16

Mon.	7:00 PM Richard Fritzke	Cassidy Hall
Tues.	9:00 AM Scripture Sharing	Library
	7:00 PM DVD Series	Cassidy Hall
	6:00 PM Liturgy	Library
	7:30 PM Finance	Library
Thurs.	4:00 PM Trunk or Treat	Parking Lot
	6:30 PM Bingo (Non Smoking)	McKenna Hall
	7:30 PM Women's Cornerstone	Cassidy Hall
Fri.	8:30 PM AA	Cassidy Hall
Sat.	9:00 AM Legion of Mary	St. Benedict
	8:30 PM AA	McKenna Hall

LITURGY

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18

God is just and does not show favoritism, but hears the prayers of everyone. Anyone who serves God, no matter how lowly his position here on earth, will be heard and answered.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Paul writes to Timothy that he thinks his mission is near the end, and he is glad his faith is still strong. Paul hopes that all nations will hear the gospel.

But, if he is executed as he anticipates, he is sure he will live forever in heaven.

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

Jesus tells a parable about a Pharisee who went to the temple, and offered up a prayer of thanks because he was not a sinner like the tax collector who was also there to pray. The tax collector was far more humble, acknowledging his sins, and asking forgiveness for them. Jesus said the tax collector's prayer would be heard because, "Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, while he who humbles himself will be exalted."

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Wisdom 11:22—12:2

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:11—2:2

Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those serving in the military especially: Richard Fox, John Garlasco, Brian McCarthy, Lt. Daniel Faherty, Joseph Venutolo, Cpl. Marc Vero, Sgt. Jeremy Overstreet, Kevin Michael Kiefer, Michael Krapels, Robert Stumpe, USMC, Staff Sgt. Jeremy Curcio, Staff Sgt. Lena Webb, Spc. Samuel Nolan, US Army, Lt. Jamie Curcio, Navy Reserve, 1ST Lt. Christopher Tantillo; Cpl. Conor J. Brady, USMC, LCpl. Marc Stanziale, USMC. 1ST Lt. Joseph Brunone, US Nat'l Guard, Brandon Adams, USAF. Please continue to pray for all our servicemen and women.

LIVING ROSARY – SMALL BUT MIGHTY



On October 15, following the 5:30 PM Mass, approximately 50 members of our parish family gathered to pray the Rosary together. Families with young children were especially encouraged to attend and lead this powerful prayer. The children did not hesitate to do their part, and they knew their prayers very well. The sound of young voices chiming in to lead the adults in prayer was music to everyone's ears. It is often said that our parents are our first teachers. We are grateful to have some great ones here at Our Lady of the Lake. Thanks for keeping this beautiful and traditional Catholic prayer alive.

MUSIC MINISTRY

We would like to welcome existing members of our Music Ministry and invite those who would like to join us. Please, contact Kryz Kowalewski at 973-729-6107 ext. 227 for more details.

Adult Choir – sings at 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday, and meets at 7:30 PM on Tuesdays in Cassidy Hall. WE NEED TENORS AND BASES!!!

The Children's Choir - sings at 9 AM Mass on Sunday, practice on Thursdays, at 2:45 PM at St. Cecilia's room.

The Contemporary Ensemble - sings at 5:30 PM Mass on Saturday, first practice on Saturday, Sep. 10th at 4:30 PM at St. Cecilia's room.

Instrumentalists – if you play a flute, oboe, violin, guitar, etc., can read music and have some performing experience please, contact our Music Director.

Come and join us!!! Praise God with your talent!!!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SPIRITUALITY OF THE TWELVE STEPS FOR EVERYONE

You are invited on a powerful journey that will lead you along the steps towards freedom and new life. The spirituality of the 12 steps transcends multiple religious and secular traditions, & it gets to the heart of the most basic of human desires: happiness, peace, and inner freedom. Join us on Tuesdays, at 7 – 8:30 PM in Cassidy Hall for this DVD series led by Fr. Anthony Ciorra, with follow-up discussion & refreshments.

DOGMA TEAM

Mondays, 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM - Youth Room

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

NEWS FROM HAITI

Father Emmanuel reports they added another classroom and replaced some damaged metal roofs at the school over the summer. The children are back in school and he thanks you for your financial support that makes all this possible. Our twin parish is in Acul du Nord on northern part of the island and was not directly impacted by the recent hurricane. However, all of Haiti will be impacted economically. Father Emmanuel hopes to visit us in November, God willing.

CRITICAL LIFE ISSUES CONFERENCE

Saturday, October 29th, 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM at St. John Neumann Conference Center, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway, NJ 08854. Theme: "Celebrating Life – Moved by Mercy". Speakers: Fr. Tad Pacholczyk, Ph.D.; Renee Bondi, Theresa Flores (Human Trafficking Survivor), David Hajduk, Ph.D. Registration is \$25 (includes handouts & lunch. *College & High School Students only \$10.00*) For more information call (732) 562-1900 Exts. 1629 or 1543.

CHANGE IN ADOPTION LAWS

Any birth parent who wishes to preserve his or her privacy must submit a **Redaction Request Form** to the New Jersey Department of Health no later than December 31, 2016. The form can be downloaded at <http://nj.gov/health/forms/reg-36c.pdf>. New Jersey Catholic Conference has established an adoption HELPLINE for anyone in need of assistance at 609-989-4809.

NOVEMBER IS NATIONAL DONOR SABBATH MONTH

During the weekend of November 11-13. Many faith-based congregations will be focusing on the gift of life message and the need for organ donation.

Allison McCartney Ognibene, a parishioner and catechist here at Our Lady of the Lake, is a heart-lung transplant recipient, who would not be alive without her donor's most precious gift – the gift of life.

Donation is viewed as an act of charity and love. Transplants are morally and ethically acceptable to the Vatican. Pope Benedict was a registered donor since the 1970s when he was elected as the successor to John Paul II.

Organ donation is an "act of love...that remains as a genuine witness of charity which knows how to look beyond death so that life always wins."

-Pope Benedict, speaking about the importance of organ donation in a Nov. 2008 address to participants in a congress on transplants sponsored by the Pontifical Academy for Life.

We've Been Asked To Announce

Christmas Boutique Extravaganza

Villa Walsh will host their annual Christmas Boutique Extravaganza at the Mother Ninetta Hall, 455 Western Ave, Morristown on Nov. 6th, 12:00 Noon to 5:00 PM, featuring unique gifts, crafts, plus a 50/50, Money Raffle, Baked goods, and much more. There's also a Food Court for nourishment while you shop. Come and enjoy their *pizza frittas* made right on the premises as well as luncheon packages of homemade Italian sandwiches and desserts. You won't be able to resist their home baked cakes, pies, cookies, and *Italian Pizzelles* along with their traditional *pangiallo*. Please come and show your support for the retired teachers and the Senior Sisters housed in the infirmary. All proceeds benefit religious teachers Fillipini.

Dominican College Information Session

Wednesday, November 2nd, 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM in the Holt Room at Dominican College, 470 Western Highway, Orangeburg, NY. For more information or directions call 1-866-4DC-INFO.

Poverty Simulation

Experience firsthand the daily struggles of life on November 10, 2016, 6:30 to 9:00 PM at the Romano Conference Center, Newton Medical Center, 175 High St., Newton, NJ 07860. RSVP required. Registration limited. Call Emily at (973)383-4787 or email willse@norwescap.org to register. Box dinner provided to first 50 registrations donated by Faith Community Health Partnership.

Monthly Healing Mass

A monthly Healing Mass is held on the last Thursday of every month at 7:30 PM at The National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, 70 Carmelite Drive, Middletown, NY. All are invited to attend. For further information contact Carol Bezak, Shrine Director at (845) 343-1879.

Saint Kateri Parish Quiet Mass

Every second Saturday of the month, Saint Kateri at 427 Stanhope Rd., Sparta, will offer a mass for people with disabilities of any kind, for adults and children with ADHD, ADD, Autism, Tourette's, physical disabilities, etc. Feel free to walk, stretch, or move in a way that is comfortable. No worries about uncontrolled speech or movements. Music is softer. Parents, you need spiritual support in a stress-free environment. Adults with disabilities need a place of worship in comfort and acceptance. Children need the Spiritual connection of the love of God. Come and celebrate who we are! Mass begins at 10:15 AM. The Next Mass will be on November 5, 2016. Join us for a small coffee hour after Mass to meet and relax.

“MEMORIES LINGER ON”

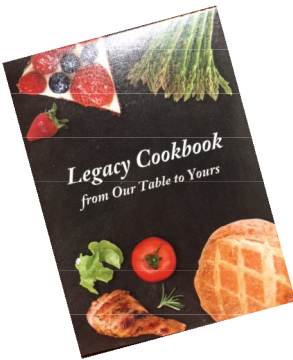
Fr. David has completed the recording of his CD project for 2016. The songs were chosen based on their lovely melodies and the stories they tell, so the CD is called, “Memories Linger On”. He learned the tunes in Ireland; some are Irish, but not all. All proceeds of the sale will once again be donated to charity. CD’s are available by pre-order only at a cost of \$15 each. **Sales will close on November 6th.** This deadline has been set to allow time for production of the CD’s and to have them available for pick-up in early December.

POPE JOHN BOOSTER CLUB BEEFSTEAK DINNER, AUCTION, AND TRICKY TRAY

Meet Super Bowl MVP and Former *NY Giant Ottis “OJ” Anderson* while supporting the Pope John High School Booster Club as Mr. Anderson speaks at its 2016 Beefsteak Dinner, Auction and Tricky Tray, Saturday, November 19 at 6:00 PM at Pope John High School. The evening kicks off with an auction and tricky tray followed by a Brownstone-catered beefsteak dinner with open bar. Tickets are \$60 through October 31, and \$70 starting November 1. Interested parties should email beefsteak@popejohn.org to obtain a ticket request form or contact event co-chair Lucy Lubertazzo at (973) 729-9934. Checks and credit cards accepted. Get your tickets today!

OLL LEGACY COOKBOOK

Our Cookbooks have arrived. Please support this worthy fund raiser. These cookbooks contain many delicious family secret recipes from our own parishioners and make great Christmas gifts. The cost is \$25 and they may be purchased at the parish office during the week.



PAINT IT FORWARD EVENT

The Knights of Columbus Council #588 and Sparta Elks Lodge Veterans Committee are having a special joint fundraiser on Saturday, November 5th at 3:00 PM in McKenna Hall. At the Paint It Forward Event, you get to choose from 2 paintings. “*Wine & Design*”. Cost is \$45 (bring your own wine). Refreshments will be provided. There will be raffles and door prizes.

For questions, call Colleen Murch at (973) 641-6363 or cmmurch@gmail.com, or Bill Rudloff (973) 945-6049. Online registration, payment, & painting selection (choice between *pumpkins and sunflowers* or *flag and rose in a bottle*) is required prior to 10/31/16. Register on website: <http://www.wineanddesign.com/calendars/event.php?id=41162> see us on facebook <https://www.facebook.com/events/1770028773285421>

SAVE THE DATE

Respect Life Mass

Bishop Serratelli will celebrate the Respect Life Mass (formerly ‘Unborn Mass’) on Saturday, November 19, 2016 at 10:00 AM at Saint Margaret of Scotland Parish, Morristown. The Mass is sponsored by the Paterson Federation Knights of Columbus. All are invited to attend. Following the Mass, there will be light refreshments. The Mass is a wonderful way for our faithful to come together in prayer and in mutual support for protecting all of our children and all life.

Annual Blue Mass - Thursday, November 10th at 10:00 AM at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Ridge Street, Newark. This year there will be a special 15th anniversary remembrance of those whose lives were lost on 9/11/01. Special remembrance will also be made of those lives lost this year in Dallas and Baton Rouge. Most Reverend John J. Myers, Archbishop of Newark will be the principal celebrant and homilist. Luncheon will follow at Branch Brook Roller Rink. \$20 per ticket. Contact Detective (ret) Vincent Nardone or Undersheriff William Scievella at 1-800-427-7651 or

BLUEMASS@EMBARQMAIL.COM.

Tickets will be sold at the door.)

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

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“The Lord is not deaf to the wail of the orphan, nor to the widow when she pours out her complaint. The one who serves God willingly is heard, his petition reaches the heavens. The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds; it does not rest until it reaches its goal, nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds, judges justly and affirms the right...”

Why pray? God does not care! He seems to be deaf. How often we have felt this way? How frequently we are tempted to give up? Somehow the grace of God revives me, reminds me, and restores me as a person of faith and prayer.

When Pope Francis was asked ‘who are you?’ he replied by saying ‘I am a sinner.’ It is the sinner person who approaches the Lord with confidence, eyes down, asking ‘O God be merciful to me a sinner.’

Perhaps our approach to God in prayer is not to be limited to what I want, though I am told to ask, but to ask God for what I need most from His point of view. The prayer of mercy ‘Jesus I trust in you’ can take on even greater meaning. My petition reaches the heaven and pierces the clouds, and reaches its goal.