

SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MONDAY

8:30 Deceased members of the McGauley Family req. by Family

TUESDAY – Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

8:30 Peter Cofrancesco req. by Betsy Sutherland

WEDNESDAY – Saint Vincent de Paul

8:30 Thaddeus McHugh req. by Betsy Sutherland
Eileen Heyder req. by Clare Cronin & Family

THURSDAY – Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr and Saint Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs

8:30 Margaret McGovern req. by the Decker Family

FRIDAY Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

8:30 Margaret McGovern req. by Pat & Scott Caruso

SATURDAY – Saint Jerome

8:30 Nancy Volin req. by her family
Special Intention for James Walker req. by Geronimo & Gorospe Families

5:30 Jerome Stehr req. by his children
Edward Moore req. by Mary & John McGuire

OCTOBER 1, 2017

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:45 People of the Parish
Gertrude Drownowski req. by Edna Pietrucha

9:00 Members of the Purgatorial Society
Julia (Judy) Beebe req. by the Scanlon Family

10:30 Dorothy Bongiorno req. by the OLL Choir
Gloria Opitz req. by Kathleen & Brian Fitzpatrick

12:00 Peter J. Cofrancesco III req. by M/M Peter Conforti
Special Intention of Roy & Aisha Mariano & Families req. by Anna & Simon

PARISH FINANCES

September 17, 2017 \$ 11,204

In an effort to help the people affected by Hurricanes Harvey and Irma, we will have a **Second Collection on the weekend of September 30-October 1**. All proceeds will be sent directly to Catholic Charities USA who is already in position and getting resources to the needy.

REFLECTION

Let's Talk About Justice

The landowner in Jesus' parable promised to pay his workers what was just, but he seemed to break that promise at the end of the day. At least, that's what the workers were first hired thought. In their eyes, he was treating them unjustly. They saw the workers who started later get paid just as much money as the landowner had promised to them. Where's the justice in that?

The landowner, however, had a different kind of justice in mind. For him, justice was not primarily everyone getting what he *deserves*, but everyone getting what he *needs*. Every time he came to the marketplace, he saw more men – husbands, fathers, sons, brothers – who didn't have steady employment, but who still had to provide food and clothing and shelter to their families. How could he turn them away? How could he think only about his bottom line?

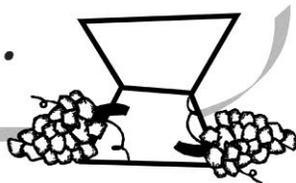
Of course, employers can't give away all of their money; they have families to take care of too. But Jesus isn't talking about best business practices here. He's talking about God's sense of justice. For God, justice is a matter of treating everyone with dignity and honor. It's a matter of ensuring that each person is loved and cared for. It's a matter of making sure that no one gets left behind.

What a difference from our common idea of justice! All around us, we hear that justice is about reward and retribution. If you work hard, you are rewarded with pay. If you violate a rule, you are punished until you "pay for" what you have done. While there is some truth to these statements, God's justice goes beyond this kind of tightfisted, tit-for-tat approach. It includes generosity and love, mercy and compassion. His justice went so far as to give up his only Son to save us from sin and death.

Like the landowner in today's parable, our heavenly Father offers us a surprising – and subversive – kind of justice. How can we help but praise him for such a gift!

From: *The Word Among Us*

Seek God...



call God's name.

THE WEEK IN THE PARISH –9/24/17 – 10/1/17

Sun. Women's Social	Cassidy Hall
Mon 7:30 PM RCIA	St. Lucy
8:00 PM Knights of Columbus	McKenna Hall
Tues. 9:15 AM Bible Study	Library
7:00 PM Bible Study	Cassidy Hall
Thur. 6:45 PM BINGO (non-smoking)	McKenna
Fri. 8:30 PM AA	Cassidy
Sat. After 8:30 Mass – Legion of Mary	St. Benedict
8:00 PM AA	McKenna
Sun. Knights of Columbus Buffet Breakfast	McKenna

LITURGY

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9

Isaiah expresses an urgent plea that all should seek the Lord and turn to him for mercy.

Second Reading: Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a

In a strongly personal message from Paul while in prison, he says that he wishes "to be freed from this life and to be with Christ," but he realizes that he still has much important work to do.

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16a

Jesus tells the parable of the owner of an estate who hires workmen for his vineyard. When, at the end of the day, he pays a full day's wage to those who worked only one hour, those who worked all day complained bitterly. But the owner says, "I am free to do as I please, am I not?" Jesus reminds us through this parable that "the last shall be first and the first shall be last."

NEXT SUNDAY

First Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28

Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32

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; LCpl. Marc Stanziale, USMC. 1ST Lt. Joseph Brunone, US Nat'l Guard, Brandon Adams, USAF, Pfc Paul Wilcock II, Private William Maloney. Please continue to pray for all our servicemen and women.

Please let us know when your loved one has returned. Thank you.

MUSIC MINISTRY

The Adult Choir practice takes place on Tuesdays at 7:30 PM in the Choir loft.

Contemporary Choir - Saturdays, 4:30 PM in St. Cecilia Room.

Children's Choir practice takes place on Thursdays at 2:45 PM in the St. Cecilia Room.

Vocal- Instrumental Group - contact our Music Director, Krzysztof Kowalewski at the parish office.

New and existing members are invited.

SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

YOUTH GROUP/DOGMA TEAM

Youth Group meets every Monday at 6:30 PM. to 8:00 PM in the Youth Room.

BIBLE STUDY BEGINS

Increase your understanding of Holy Scripture by attending Bible study at our parish center. Special emphasis will be placed on Sunday Scripture readings and how they connect to daily living. Our first meeting will be on September 26th at **7:00 to 8:30 PM** in the Cassidy Hall. All are welcome.

SCRIPTURE CLASS

Scripture class takes place on Tuesday mornings following 8:30 morning Mass. We meet every Tuesday in the Parish Library. Our main focus is on the readings and Gospel for that weekend Mass.

Please join us for a very relaxed discussion as we relate to how the Gospel speaks to us in our lives. Bring a friend as we all journey in our faith together.

The class is only one hour. Hope to see some new faces; it will be an hour well spent!

Spiritual Guidance through the Wisdom of the Saints

Holiness is not just reserved for a few mystics or saints. We are all called to grow spiritually, and the saints have provided us with a roadmap for that spiritual journey in prayer and holiness, to God.

Please join us **on Wednesday evenings, October 4 – December 6, from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Library**, for our next "Study of the Saints" discussion group opportunity. All are welcome!

- Learn about the 3 major stages in everyone's spiritual journey.
- Compare the teachings and advice of 7 very different saints and Doctors of the Church.
- Take part in lively, candid discussions and shared experiences of fellow parishioners.
- Develop a better understanding and plan for your own personal spiritual growth in prayer and holiness. Participants will be using the book, "The Fulfillment of all Desire" written by Ralph Martin. Contact Jeff Tucker (973) 726-9011 or Nancy Hefele (973) 713-1376 to register and to reserve one of our pre-ordered books...

CYO BASKETBALL TRYOUTS AND EVALUATIONS

MOVED TO SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH.

Registration: \$199 non-refundable fee made out to Our Lady of the Lake and paid upon registration. Uniforms are included. New players must bring Baptismal certificate for parishioners, non-parishioners need to bring birth certificate.



JV Boys Grades 4, 5 & 6 – 12 to 1:00 PM

Varsity Boys Grades 7 & 8 – 1 to 2:00 PM

Girls Grades 4 through 8 – 2 to 3:00 PM

All parishioners of Our Lady of the Lake are guaranteed placement. Non-parishioners will be placed or not, based on availability. If a player is not placed on a team, they will be refunded their money.

Registration forms can be found on OLL website or the parish office. If you have any question, please contact Dan Scully at (973) 534-6462 or Scott Shepherd at (973) 670-2107 or Email OLLSPARTACYO@GMAIL.COM. If you cannot make the evaluations, please send or drop off full registration, along with check to Dan Scully c/o Scully Travel, 6 Apple Tree 2B, Sparta, NJ 07871 or Scott Shepherd 12 Valley View Trl, Sparta, NJ 07871. **All registrations & check must be received by Sat., Sept 30th.**

FAITH, FAMILY, FOUNDATION, FUTURE POPE JOHN XXIII REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL INVITES YOU TO OUR OCTOBER OPEN HOUSES



For incoming 9th Grade –
October 10, 7:30 PM

For incoming 8th Grade –
October 24, 7:30 PM

Question? Contact Anne Kaiser,
Admission, (973) 729-6126 or
annekaiser@popejohn.org

SILVER AND GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Couples, were you married in 1967 or 1992? You are warmly invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Paterson. Bishop Serratelli will be the main celebrant at Mass at The Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson, Sunday, November 5, 2017 at 4:00 PM



Arrangement can be made by contacting the parish office. Registrations will be accepted through Tuesday, October 10th. Information will be sent from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed. Congratulations on this joyous occasion!

RESPECT FOR LIFE

In the spirit of community cooperation, The Legion of Mary (LOM) AND THE Respect for Life (RFL) committees would like to announce these upcoming events for October/November which will need your participation and support to be successful:

1. Sunday, October 1st is Right to Life Sunday. There will be a "Life Chain" at the Green in downtown Newton on the Circle sponsored by the National Life Chain of NJ from 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM which will include prayer and peaceful demonstration
2. The weekend of October 21st – 22nd we will be selling raffle tickets for RFL after each Mass. It is a chance to win a 2017 Volvo and the tickets are selling for \$10.00 each.
3. Also on Sunday, October 22nd, after the 12 o'clock Mass we will be saying the Rosary for Life in public on the grounds of our church.
4. On November 14 from 7:00 – 9:30 PM at St. Paul's Church, 200 Wyckoff Ave., Ramsey, NJ 07446, there will be a presentation by Christopher West offering a vision of the Gospel like you've never heard through the lens of St. Paul II's "Theology of the Body", Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased online at www.corproject.com. For more info (201) 327-0976 or email dschifano@stpaulrcchurch.org. Anyone wishing to attend but not having a ride, please contact Christine Levin at (97) 729-4293.

Please prayerfully consider joining us: the rewards are: a) personal spiritual development, b) catholic community solidarity; c) a chance to win a beautiful 2017 Volvo.

WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO ANNOUNCE

Saint Joseph Church Thrift Shop

Located in the Church basement at 24 Halsted St., Newton, the thrift shop is having a half-price sale on all clothing for men, ladies and children. The sales will run from Sept 28th until October 7th. Shop hours each week are Thursdays and Fridays, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM and Saturdays from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM. The shop sells many other items at the regular low shop prices. Please stop by for a great shopping experience.

Columbiette Beefsteak

The Don Bosco Columbiettes Auxiliary #7784 are sponsoring a beefsteak dinner at the Newton VFW, 85 Mill Street, Newton on Saturday, October 14th. Doors open at 6:30 PM and dinner will be served at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$45 per person. Music provided by DJ Mike Malloy (**Must be 21 or older**). Proceeds benefit DPD (Dept. of People with Disabilities) and other local charities. For more information and tickets call Maureen Fiore at (973) 579-5293 or Miriam Montagne at (201) 230-1373.

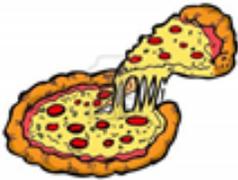
Wine Tasting, Dinner, & Auction

October 5, 2017 - Tickets are available at the parish office. The Sparta Ecumenical Food Pantry is holding its largest fundraiser event on Thursday, October 5th. Tickets are \$60 per person. Doors open at 6:00 PM/Dinner served at 7:00 PM at Lake Mohawk Country Club, Sparta. This year's event includes *Magic Plus* from Joe Garsetti and friends.

A PRAYERFUL STUDY OF THE POPE'S ENCYCLICAL

Not so long ago, Pope Francis wrote a beautiful encyclical called "Laudato Si". He wrote about God's wonderful creation and how we can be better stewards of the gifts of his handiwork. On the Fridays of October at 7:00 PM, we will gather to study and reflect on the encyclical, and see how we can implement its teachings in our parish and in our community. If you are interested, please join us in St. Lucy's Room.

SAVE THE DATE WOMEN'S PIZZA NIGHT WITH BISHOP



Monday, September 25, 7:00 to 9:00 PM at Pope John XXIII High School – THE FIRST "Pizza Night for Women" with Bishop Serratelli. This event will be open to high school and college aged women discerning

their vocation. Come join Bishop Serratelli and our religious Sisters from the Diocese of Paterson for adoration, reflection, fellowship... and of course, pizza. For more information please call the Delegate for Religious Office at 973-777-8818 Ext. 207 or kerry@patersondiocese.org.

2017 Our Lady of the Lake Cornerstone Men's Retreat Register NOW

The Men's Cornerstone will start 6:00pm on Friday, October 27 through Saturday evening October 28th.



Do not miss this unique opportunity to spend 26 hours that could have a profound impact on your outlook and our life. Step out of your routine to think about those things that matter most. Reflect, Renew, Relax, and Strengthen Your Faith. Further information and registration forms are in the retreat brochures available in church or in the parish office. This is the year to give yourself the gift of Cornerstone.

Participate as much or as little as you choose.
Questions? Comments? Contact:
Vic Puglio (973)-670-6999
James Stanski (917)-250-4981
james_stanski@yahoo.com

BLESSING OF THE PETS OCTOBER 4TH – 4:00 PM

St. Francis of Assisi is remembered as the Patron Saint of Animals.



Our Lady of the Lake Church is providing a "BLESSING" for ALL ANIMALS in front of the church on October 4th at 4:00 PM sharp. Treats for the animals will also be available. Mark your calendar for this wonderful event. **The ceremony will take place rain or shine.**

2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal Diocese of Paterson



In Giving, We Receive

The vital work of our Church supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal is only as successful as the number of faithful parishioners who participate by making a gift. Your support helps bring hope to those who come to our Catholic Charities agencies. It supports seminarian education, our diocesan priests' residence and our inner-city area schools.

Every gift counts! Saint Teresa once wrote that "we feel what we are doing is a drop in the ocean, but that ocean would be less without that drop." Our Bishop's Annual Appeal is able to do that much more with whatever you are able to give. Please help make 2017 the year that our Bishop's Annual Appeal does even more for people in profound need.

SEMINARIAN BUFFET BREAKFAST



Hosted by Marquette Council #588, Knights of Columbus on October 1st from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Bring the family and friends to enjoy a delicious breakfast with all of the favorites: delicious bacon, ham and sausage, eggs, French toast, pancakes, coffee, tea, juice. Why cook or clean when you can have

the Knights do it for a good cause? All the proceeds go to benefit the Council's support for our future parish priests, so please come out and show your support. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors, \$6 for children under 12; Family Price of \$25 for immediate family.