

JULY 08, 2018

14th Sunday of Ordinary Time



St. Joseph

Catholic Church

*A community
of faith
growing in
God's love*

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*It's amazing to me
what an adventure
even an ordinary life
can be when you put
Jesus in the middle of
it all!*

MASS

Sat. 5:00PM

Sun. 9:00AM & 11:00AM

Mon. 9:00AM

Tues. 9:00AM

Wed. 9:00AM

Fri. 9:00AM

Holy Days—check bulletin

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Some thoughts from Fr. Mike...

Dear Friends,

It may seem a bit easy to shake our heads at the attitude that many of the people of Nazareth demonstrated toward Jesus. It may even cause us to feel angry that people would seemingly turn their backs on Jesus. The problem with the people of Nazareth is that God chose to come to Nazareth in the form of a local, one of the villagers, and the community could not come to terms with the situation. They failed to recognize the obvious – that God is present among people. The truth was staring them in the face but it was too familiar for them to recognize. Jesus' family and everything about him were too well known among the villagers and they believed that because Jesus was a native of that place, he had nothing special to offer to them. After all, he was one of them, how special could he be? They simply knew Jesus too well to recognize the presence of God in their midst.

For people of faith, life is about searching for the presence of God. Many people go looking for God in the unique, unfamiliar and uncommon situations and places of life. It is easy to forget the obvious, that God moves in mysterious ways and is most likely present in the familiar people, situations and places of our experiences. God is present in the ordinary bits and pieces of life and shows up more than we notice or possibly think. God is not apart from the world and is not controlled or limited by our preconceived notions of God. In actuality, we have the opportunity to encounter God in every person, place and moment that comes our way. The difficulty sometimes is that we stand so close to one another, we only see the faults and come to a conclusion that those faults limits the possibilities of what can take place through that individual. It certainly seems that it is easier to be blinded by jealousy, prejudice and preconceived ideas than it is to recognize the great gifts of goodness that every person possesses.

The Gospel is asking and encouraging us to become people who choose to recognize God's goodness in our midst – no matter how or through whom it appears. Let us never take for granted the presence of God among us as we offered the chance to recognize God in family, friends, strangers and all the ordinary moments of life.

Peace and prayers,

Fr. Mike

Mass Schedule + Readings

Saturday	July-7	Weekday (Am 9:11-15 Mt 9:14-17)
5:00pm	<i>Alice Bednar</i>	r/b The Haun Family
Sunday	July-8	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Ez 2:2-5 2 Cor 12:7-10 Mk 6:1-6a)
9:00am	<i>Isabel Wernsing</i>	r/b Chuck Tkachuk & Family
11:00am	<i>Dorothy Maloney</i>	r/b The Giffen Family
Monday	July-9	St Augustine Zhao Rong (Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22 Mt 9:18-26)
9:00am	<i>John Shepherd</i>	r/b Dick & Pat Hileman
Tuesday	July-10	Weekday (Hos 8:4-7, 11-13 Mt 9:32-38)
9:00am	<i>Special Healing Intentions of Yolanda Cardillo</i>	r/b The Legion of Mary
Wednesday	July-11	Saint Benedict (Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12 Mt 10:1-7)
9:00am	<i>Leonard Dimmick</i>	r/b Jim & JoAnn Kronenthal
Thursday	July- 12	Weekday (Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9 Mt 10:7-15) <i>No Mass</i>
Friday	July- 13	Saint Henry (Hos 14:2-10 Mt 10:16-23)
9:00am	<i>Liam Seamus Robinson</i>	r/b Francine & Jim King
Saturday	July-14	Saint Kateri Tekakwitha (Is 6:1-8 Mt 10:24-33)
5:00pm	<i>Theresa Nugent</i>	r/b Her Family
Sunday	July- 15	15th Sunday in Ordinary (Am 7:12-15 Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10 Mk 6:7-13)
9:00am	<i>Florence Forcenito</i>	r/b The Ladies of St Joseph
11:00am	<i>Tim Sager</i>	r/b A Friend



Sanctuary Candle... this week

Florence Forcenito r/b Lynn Borobach

To dedicate a Sanctuary Candle in memory of or for the intention of a loved one, Please call the office @ 732-792-2270. The donation is \$10.00.

Prayer Chain Contacts:

Patty Hileman 732-446-7651 Mary Costagliola 732-446-4255

Please Keep in your prayers:

The Sick and the lonely, the safe return of our service men and women and for vocations to the priesthood and religious life..

STEWARDSHIP CORNER..

When we do things, not because we have to, but because we love God, the value of every moment is increased.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE REPORT

July 1st *This bulletin had to be submitted prior to July 1, the Stewardship Information for July 1 will be included in the next bulletin*

Thank you for your generosity and may God bless you for your support!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Did you forget to register for Vacation Bible School? There are still a few spots available. So, get your registration form in as soon as possible. Jesus is going to help us POWER UP as we train to become superheroes for God! Vacation Bible School will run August 6-10 from 9:30AM until 12:30PM each day. This a wonderful opportunity for K-6 young people to learn how to become powerhouses for God. Through stories, skits, music, crafts, games, projects and snacks, children have a chance to build up their spiritual strength. Registration forms are available in the rear of the church or may be downloaded online from the parish website. The cost for the week is just \$30.00 per child (assistance offered to anyone who needs it). Let's power up for Jesus!

For information about VBS please contact Lisa – lisakuchiept@aol.com or Jaime - novelquirks@gmail.com.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MEETING FOR VOLUNTEERS

The meeting for volunteers for Vacation Bible School will take place this Friday, July 6 at 10:00AM. It is important for volunteers to be at this planning meeting as we kick into high gear for the planning of this year's Vacation Bible School. For questions or more information, contact Lisa – lisakuchiept@aol.com or Jaime - novelquirks@gmail.com.

2018 GOLF OUTING



Plan to join us for the **18th Annual Golf Outing** on Thursday, September 20 at Forsgate Country Club in Monroe, NJ. Registration forms will be available soon in Church and on our parish website. Foursomes or individuals are welcome.

Do you own a business and want to help out? Become a sponsor – there are a variety of sponsorship opportunities available. Want to help out as a family? There are Family Sponsorships available as well. For more information, contact Dave (732) 781-6623 dcerulosr@gmail.com or Vince 732-303-0822 iuzzolino5@optonline.net.

CATECHISTS NEEDED

We are in need of several Catechists for our Religious Education Program for September. Sharing our faith with the young people of the parish is a rewarding experience. It is also a very important ministry for every parish. To be a Catechist, all you need is a willingness to share our faith and help the young people of the parish draw closer to God. All the materials are provided. Resources for learning to teach are plentiful. If you would be willing to teach in our Parish Religious Education Program or would like to find out more information, contact Jean at the Parish Office 732-792-2270 or Jeanstjoseph@optonline.net.

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSIONS



Parents who will have a child baptized must attend a Baptism Preparation session. Sponsors (Godparents) are invited to attend. The next session will take place on Friday, August 3rd at 7:00PM. If you will be participating in the preparation session please contact the Parish Office to register. For questions about Baptismal Preparation please contact the Parish Office.

God uses ordinary people and experiences to carry out God's extraordinary plans.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Registration for Religious Education, grades 1-8, is now taking place. Please return the completed registration form as soon as possible.

Registration forms for new students – those entering 1st grade or transferring from another Religious Education Program – are available from the Parish Office or on the table at the rear of the church.

Please remember, Classes will be offered on Mondays and Tuesdays at 4:30 PM and 6:30 PM. Classes on a particular day may fill up for some grades/sessions. There will be plenty of room for all the children but each class does have a limit to the number of children in the class. Once a particular class has been filled, no more students will be placed in that class. There are no exceptions to this policy in order to be fair to all families. If a class is filled, students will be placed in a class/session that has space. Registrations will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis. Please help us in our planning for the next year by registering as soon as possible. Thanks!

ARE YOU HEADING OFF TO COLLEGE?

For those who will be heading off to College, you are encouraged to look for Campus Ministry. Campus Ministry is available on the majority of College campuses. They offer social, spiritual and service opportunities. Sometimes the Campus Ministry is called Newman Centers. The Newman Connection helps by sending your information to the Campus Ministry of the College/University that you will be attending. They will welcome you. If you would like to be on the contact list for the College you will be attending, take one of the forms from the envelope marked "Newman Connection" that can be found on the large bulletin board in the entryway of the Church. Complete the form and return it to the Parish Office or put it in the collection basket. We will send your information to the Newman Connection who will then forward your information to the appropriate Institution of higher learning. It will be a great way to meet other people and not feel alone as you start the next chapter of your life.

SPECIAL CATECHISTS SOUGHT

We are looking for individuals willing to meet one on one or two children for Religious Education. Sometimes this is for children with special needs or those who need to catch up on material. If you are interested, or want more information, please contact Fr. Mike at the Parish Office. Thanks.

Summer Faith Enrichment Program Movie Bible Study

Back by popular demand, we are offering a Movie Bible Study Program during the summer months. The next gathering will be July 27th from 10:00AM – 12:30PM in the Parish Hall. These Bible studies help to harness that power and lead to deeper thought and discussion about the issues and ideas embedded in various films from a Christian perspective. The third study date is August 24th.

FOOD COLLECTION



The next food collection will be on July 14/15. Non-perishable food items, paper goods and toiletries are appreciated. You can bring frozen food contributions to the Millstone Community Center on any Tuesday morning between 10:00AM and 11:30AM at the door to the lower level on Stage Coach Rd. You may also contact Greg at 732-539-5042 to arrange pick up of frozen foods.

ST. JOSEPH READERS' CLUB

The book selection for the July Readers' Club gathering is **1776** by David McCullough. The meeting date is Thursday, July 12th at 7:30PM. America's beloved and distinguished historian presents, in a book of breathtaking excitement, drama, and narrative force, the stirring story of the year of our nation's birth, 1776. Interweaving, on both sides of the Atlantic, the actions and decisions that led Great Britain to undertake a war against her rebellious colonial subjects and that placed America's survival in the hands of George Washington. The theme for refreshments is "All American". Join us in July for an enjoyable evening of conversation and delicious food. Newcomers are always welcome! Don't forget to email your attendance or questions to Fran at ambiofran@gmail.com.

CATHOLIC ANNUAL APPEAL

The 2018 Catholic Annual Appeal for the Diocese of Trenton is taking place. The Catholic Annual Appeal is used by the Diocese to support the various work and ministries of the Diocese of Trenton. Our Parish Goal for the Annual Catholic Appeal is \$39,500.00. If you would like to make a pledge/donation to the Diocese for the Annual Appeal, there are pledge cards on the table at the entrance of the Church. You can complete it and mail it to the Diocese or send it the parish Office. If you are including a check, please make checks payable to The Diocese of Trenton Annual Appeal. Thank you for your consideration and support.

STAY CONNECTED – FIND THE LATEST NEWS

Don't forget to stay in touch with parish events through social media. Find out what is going on by visiting our website at

www.stjosephmillstone.org. Connect with the parish on Facebook. Give our page a like to keep informed about events. You can find the parish page on Facebook at St. Joseph Catholic Church Millstone Twp. NJ or @stjosephchurchmillstone.

Stay informed – stay connected!

SHOP AT AMAZON - SUPPORT THE PARISH

Help support the parish by designating St. Joseph Church as the charity you wish to support. Eligible purchases will result in Amazon donating a portion to the parish. You do have to designate St. Joseph Church, Millstone Twp. as your charity. You also have to use the Amazon Smile site instead of the normal Amazon site.

Go to <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-6103657> (a direct link) or go to our website and click the link. Thanks for your support!

Parish Giving

A convenient way to donate is through online Parish Giving. This is offered free of charge to you so that you may make donations by credit card or transfer from your checking account. Check it out at WWW.stjosephmillstone.org and click on "Contribute/Donate" then click on the link for **Electronic Giving**. You can then set up an account or choose a onetime donation without an account. If you have any questions about this, please feel free to contact the Parish Office.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process where those who feel called to become members of the Catholic Church can discern God's call. The RCIA process is also for anyone who has not completed the Sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation). If you would like more information about the RCIA please come and join us each Sunday after the 9:00 AM Mass. For more information call Carol Schulz at the Parish Office 732-792-2270 or email her CSchulzStJoseph@optonline.net.

→ Calendar of Events ←

- July 11 9:30AM - Legion of Mary
10:00AM – Prayer Shawl Ministry
- July 12 7:30PM – Readers' Club Meeting
- July 15 Parish Food Collection
12:30PM – Baptisms
- July 27 10:00AM – Summer Faith
Formation Program
- Aug 3 7:00PM – Baptism Preparation Session
- Aug 5 Parish Food Collection
12:30PM - Baptisms
- Aug 6 Vacation Bible School
- Aug 7 Vacation Bible School
- Aug 8 Vacation Bible School
- Aug 9 Vacation Bible School
- Aug 10 Vacation Bible School
- Aug 15 Feast of the Assumption
Parish Office Closed
9:00AM – Mass
7:00PM - Mass
- Aug 19 Parish Food Collection
12:30PM – Baptisms
- Aug 24 10:00AM – Summer Faith
Formation Program

Let us praise God in all we do.

*Lord, help us to see you in all the
routine moments and in all the people
who touch our lives.*

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office: 732-792-2270

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BAPTISM – The Sacrament of Baptism is normally celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:30 PM. Parents are asked to register for a Baptism Preparation Session prior to the Baptism. Baptisms must be scheduled in advance by calling the Parish Office. Sponsors must obtain Sponsor forms from their home parish – Sponsors must be active practicing Catholics. The Sacrament of Baptism is not celebrated during the Season of Lent.

Marriage – Diocesan policy requires that arrangements for Marriage be made one (1) year in advance of the wedding. Refer any questions to the Pastor.

Sick Calls – Please contact the Parish Office when someone is seriously ill requiring a visit by a Priest. If someone is unable to attend Mass on a regular basis and would like to receive Communion please call the Parish Office

Registration – We are glad you are here and want you to feel like a full member of the parish. Registering as a parishioner helps us to know who you are and to stay in touch. Registration is required for sponsor forms.

Sponsor Certificates – This is a form required to be a Godparent or Sponsor for Confirmation. To receive a form, the following is required: -Be a registered, active (attends Mass) member of the parish (for at least 6 months); be at least 16 years of age; must have completed the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation; If married, have a valid marriage within the Church.