



**20TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**  
**August 26, 2018**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 25TH**

**5:00PM** Glen Poulsen and Pat Festa  
 req. by Grace VanEtten

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 26TH**

**8:00AM** People of the Parish

**9:30AM** Anne Sweetman Fox

req. by James Sweetman and Family

**11:00AM** Jeanette Quick req. by Husband, Lou

**MONDAY, AUGUST 27TH**

**9:00AM** Andrew, Susan, Catherine, Theresa  
 and Joseph Bagatta

req. by Susan and Tom McLaughlin

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 28TH**

**9:00AM** Francis, Lillian and Michael McLaughlin

req. by Susan and Tom McLaughlin

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29TH**

**9:00AM** Mamie Pastorella req. by Martha Giammattei

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 30TH**

**9:00AM** – No Mass Scheduled

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 31ST**

**9:00AM** No Mass Scheduled

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST**

**5:00PM** Jim and Nettie Festa

req. by Daughter, Grace

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND**

**8:00AM** People of the Parish

**9:30AM** Deceased Members

**11:00AM** Jeanette Quick req. by Husband, Lou

**PLEASE NOTE: Daily Mass continues to be held in the Rectory Chapel**

**TITHING REPORT**

This past week our collection totaled \$3514.00. 111 envelope users contributed \$2418.00; non-envelope users, \$1096.00. As always, we thank you for your continued generosity.

**2019 MASS INTENTION BOOK**  
**Opens at 1PM – Wed., Aug. 23rd**

The Mass Intention Book for 2018 will open on Friday, September 7th at 1:00pm. If you wish to have a Mass Intention reserved for next year, please come to the rectory office. We are sorry but we cannot reserve Mass intentions over the phone. Please call if you are homebound and unable to come to the rectory. **Each family household will be limited to 2 Weekend Masses per year** – weekend Masses include the Saturday evening 5 PM Mass as well as all the Sunday Masses and Holy Day Masses. You may reserve any amount of daily Masses.



If we find there are available weekend Masses after Christmas, then the restriction will be lifted and you may schedule extra Weekend Masses.

**MARLBORO/MILTON SENIOR CITIZEN TRIP**

Join the Marlboro/Milton Seniors as they travel to the Aqua Turf in Connecticut on September 11th for a family style meal with a complimentary glass of wine – coffee and donuts will be available on arrival. Free Raffle tickets for door prizes will also be available.



The Aqua Club will be filled with the sounds of “The Great White Way” as talented performers from the New York and Connecticut Theater present an afternoon of Broadway Tunes from both classic and current musicals. Cost for the trip will be \$46 per person and includes all tips and gratuities. This trip is open to all Marlboro-Milton Seniors as well as Marlboro School District residents.

For further information or to make a reservation, call Mary Martin at 845-389-6575. Please leave a message if no one is at home and your call will be returned.



Our Religious Education Office is currently getting ready for the September 2018-2019 school year. Registration has been closed but, if you still need to register your child, he or she could be placed on a waiting list. Please call and ask for the Religious Education Dept.

**OUR PHONE SYSTEM...**

After approximately one month of restricted phone service at the Rectory (only one out of 4 lines has been working), we hope by the time you are reading this that all lines have been restored.

**WE ASK YOUR HEALING PRAYERS FOR...**



..... all in our parish who are ill or recuperating from an illness. We also ask your prayers for family members who may be caring for spouses or parents who are elderly and unable to live alone.

**ULSTER VICARIATE RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE...**

... will hold its annual Celebration of Life Mass and Dinner on Friday, October 12, 2018. The Mass will take place at St. Joseph's Church in Kingston, NY at 5:30PM and the dinner will follow at 6:30PM at the Best Western in Kingston.

The cost of the dinner is \$30 per person. For reservations or more information, please call Barbara Venditti at 845-331-2163. RSVP by September 28th. If you are unable to attend and would like to send a donation or sponsor someone, please also call the above number. Thank you.

## AS OUR IMPROVEMENTS CONTINUE

You might see some construction work beginning this week on our plans to install a handicapped rest room in St. Mary's. As we mentioned in a previous bulletin, the most convenient place for the room would be the area where Fr. Tom currently hears confessions. Once the work starts, confessions will be held in the room near the "Saints' Chapel" (where the candles are).

## TODAY'S GOSPEL MESSAGE by Rev. William J. Reilly



**"Joshua addressed all the people, 'If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve... as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.'...But the people answered, 'Far be it from us to forsake the Lord for the service of other gods...He performed those great miracles before our very eyes and protected us along our entire journey...Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'"**

Not a day goes by when we fail to make decisions. Some are important, others of little value. Many we do not 'give a second thought to.' As I read the instruction of Joshua, the chosen successor of Moses, I find him challenging the people – decide, and decide today. Like the people he spoke to, I probably can affirm the choice I have already made to follow and serve the Lord. But let's take it a step further. Do I only pay lip service or do I act? Do I try to make a difference in the lives of others? What is the quality of my service?

Joshua said 'decide today'. Are you ready?

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS



## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Moses tells the people to always observe the statutes God has given them, without adding or subtracting from these laws. He reminds them that the law is just, and that any nation who heard their statutes would consider them a wise nation.

### Second Reading: James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

James discusses the gifts that God has given to all people and implores them to respond by welcoming the words of truth that can save them. He emphasizes that through good deeds and pure conduct, our faith in God is proven to him.

### Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The Pharisees observed some of Jesus' disciples eating without first purifying their hands and ask the disciples why they are going against their ancestor's traditions. Jesus responds that nothing from the outside can make a person impure. The only true evil, acts such as fornication, murder, and greed among others, come from within and make a person impure.

## BENEDICTINE SISTERS

The Benedictine Sisters of Elizabeth, NJ, are celebrating their 150th Anniversary of their founding in 1868. They have served at Benedictine Hospital (now Health Alliance Hospital) in Kingston, NY since 1901 and at St. Joseph's Elementary School (now the Parish's Religious Education Program in New Paltz in 1948.

The Sisters are now planning a joyous celebration at an Open house at their Monastery in Elizabeth, NJ, (851 North Broad St.) on Sunday, Oct. 7th from 2pm to 5pm. The celebration will include tours, light refreshments and Vespers. If you would like to attend, RSPV with the number attending to Sr. Ursula at 908-352-4278 Ext. 614, Thank you.

## OFFERINGS FROM ST. JOSEPH'S IN NEW PALTZ

**Charismatic Prayer Group:** St. Joseph's in New Paltz (34 chestnut Street) has a Charismatic Prayer Group which meets every second Wednesday of the month at 7:00PM. They normally gather at the church but for August they will meet in the library of the Parish Center. All are welcome to join and learn to be open to the Spirit.

For more information on either of these offerings, please call St. Joseph's at 845-255-5635 X 114.

## CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

The Archdiocese of New York Catholic Charismatic Renewal Service Team invites you to their upper Counties conference, Saturday, September 29, 2018, from 10am to 5pm at Capuchin youth and Family Ministries, 781 Route 9D in Garrison, NY.

Doors open at 9AM. The fee of \$25 per person includes a continental breakfast, buffet lunch, and conference. The Theme for the day will be: "Lord, Deliver Me! Speakers will be Fr. Vincent Druding, "Deliverance Ministry: The Why and How Of It," Fr. Christ Argano, "Discernment of Spirits: To Protect Ourselves:" Ryan Young of Camp Veritas, " How Do We Live in The Spirit in a Hostile World?"

Please visit [CatholicCharismaticNY.org](http://CatholicCharismaticNY.org) for more details, the flyer, and registration or call 845-223-5653 no later than September 16th.

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