

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 14, 2019



SATURDAY, JULY 13, 2019

5:30 P.M. Vincent "Jim" Spina
Dorothy Smyth
In Thanksgiving for answered prayers
Intentions of Olivia Moschella

SUNDAY, JULY 14, 2019

7:30 A.M. Parishioners
Rev. Otto Hearle
10:00 A.M. Rev. Arkad Biczak
Robert Killi
In Thanksgiving
12:00 P.M. Elaine Arendas
Eugenia & John Gryszko

MONDAY, JULY 15, 2019

8:00 A.M. Jack Garrison

TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2019

8:00 A.M. Bob Alheidt

THURSDAY, JULY 18, 2019

8:00 A.M. Jose Marie Grau

FRIDAY, JULY 19, 2019

8:00 A.M. Angelina Destito

SATURDAY, JULY 20, 2019

5:30 P.M. John Renick
Donald J. Bloodworth
Esmeralda Calulo Bautista

SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2019

7:30 A.M. Parishioners
Conrad Feit
10:00 A.M. Roy & Shirley Parian
Frank & Dorothy Orofino
Rocco Tarulli
12:00 P.M. Vincent "Jim" Spina

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Mary Carton Jacob Hicks Estella Soto Ray Nyhuis
Ava Rae Nebbia Matthew Polifonte William Pannone
Gary Ragusa Alex Haines Evelyn Means
George Link Michael Soojian Valentina Manuele
Susan Nichols-Boggio Kevin Kerrigan Ryder Sasso
Mike Tidaback Robert Moreno Jordan Soroko
Dorothea King Jerome Foray Sister Annette
Manuel Esguerra Frank Michaelson Norberto Marin
Robert Nebbia Christopher Berry Jeffrey Barsness
Sharon Acquaire Noah Lorencovitz Jessica Skorubski
Florence Grim Anton Grim George Macagnone
Alex Coronel Alice Roslund Jojie Aguilar
Ann Cervino Bernie Shushan Jean'na Wojik Post

DECEASED: Deceased Parishioners



WEEKLY OFFERING

Sunday, June 30, 2019 - \$5,069.00

Sunday, July 7, 2019 - \$4,638.00

Thank you for your continued support.

WEEKLY REFLECTION

Dear Friends in Christ,

"And who is my neighbor?" Lk 10:29

God created all people in the image of God. Not only that, but Christ died for all people. Both God's acts of creation and redemption signal that at the heart of the Christian faith is the belief that *all* people have inherent worth and dignity.

In today's gospel Jesus meets Jewish lawyer.

Notice that the lawyer asks, "Who is my neighbor?" That is, who counts, whom am I responsible for, who falls into the purview of God's command to care for neighbor. Jesus responds by telling a story that redefines neighbor not in terms of race, religion, or proximity, but in terms of vulnerability; that is, whoever is in need is your neighbor.

But then Jesus goes and does something different, right at the end. He doesn't ask who was the Samaritan's neighbor; rather, he asks, who *acted* like a neighbor. The answer, of course, is obvious to the lawyer and to us: it is the Samaritan, the one who went out of his way to help another. But do you notice how this changes things? Suddenly the neighbor isn't simply the one in need, but rather the one who provides for *our* need, the one who takes care of us.



Which raises an interesting – and often uncomfortable – question: who has been our neighbor by caring for us of late? This is uncomfortable because we spend so much of our time, energy, and money trying to be invulnerable, trying precisely to need as little as possible from those around us.

Perhaps it's a fear of being a burden, or a concern about "owing" others, or that we are just afraid of being vulnerable because if we show our need that need may not be met. Whatever the reason, however, so many of us are absolutely mortified by the idea of showing our deepest needs to others

It seems that according to Jesus, being neighbor involves not only giving help but also being willing to receive it, even and especially to and from those we don't normally see as "like us." So perhaps the call this week isn't only to invite us to imagine those we should be helping, but those who might help us ... if we gave them a chance.

Sing Praise to God

Saint Paul was an early advocate of church music, back when church was held in somebody's house. He advocated that believers sing "psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God" (Colossians 3:16). While Augustine got it right that singing is for lovers, happy people in general whistle while they work, and grateful people feel as if they have something to sing about. That could explain a lot of things about why folks in church are reluctant to sing.

In the Bible a lot of joy and gratitude gets expressed in random acts of music. "Sing to the Lord a new song!" the psalmists say—in the Bible's own songbook, the Psalms. Many of the big players have a song to sing, especially the women: Miriam at the Red Sea rescue; Hannah at the birth of her child; Deborah after her battleground victory achieved with the help of another woman, Jael; Judith after defeating Holofernes; and Mary when she visits Elizabeth and shares her annunciation. King David himself wrote music, played, and danced. Does hearing the Word of God proclaimed bring you joy? How about the privilege of receiving Holy Communion – does it fill you with gratitude? Good! Praise Him in song!

Courtesy of Alice Camille

KIDNEY NEEDED

Fran Ferraro is a parishioner in our parish who needs, most of all, your prayers, but who is in need of a kidney. Sometimes just knowing of a need, you may want to bring this topic up because you never know whose ears that this story falls upon, might be the lifesaving ones. But, above all, prayers are priceless. Thank you and God Bless you.

CARNIVAL

JULY 29TH - AUGUST 3RD



We have the usual need for volunteers over age of 18, so we are asking that you seriously consider volunteering your time to help run a successful carnival.

Think about giving your time as a way of giving back for all the good in your life.

The volunteer sign-up forms are in the Narthex and by the side entrance to the church. Please fill one out and return it to the rectory. Your help is greatly needed.

Help is also greatly needed for setting up the carnival and taking it down. Dale Ostrander is the man in charge of this and the help he gets is minimal. There is a lot of work in preparing for a carnival of our size and it takes manpower, not just Dale power. We appreciate the few who show up to set up the tent and trailers, but there just isn't enough help. We are reaching out to all able-bodied men and high schoolers to volunteer your time to help your parish. This is your church and your help is needed. Let us work together as a family! Please call the rectory to say "yes, you're willing to help." Thank you!

Advanced Ride Tickets are available at the rectory. There are 15 tickets to one sheet and the cost is \$10. These are a good deal to purchase for your little ones who cannot use the full value of a Bracelet.

Bracelets "Pay One Price" will be available every night – Monday through Saturday this year. The cost will be \$30 (same as last year) and are only sold on the carnival grounds in a separate tent. They are not available at the rectory.

Each year we ask our parishioners for donated items to help defray the cost of the parish. For those of you who can help us with these items, the following is a list of **only** what is needed:

- Bottled water (17oz.)
- Ketchup
- Mustard
- Powdered Sugar
- Paper towels

We appreciate any help you can give us in supplying these items. Thank you!

Carnival News

Yes! The St. Francis Carnival is coming quickly! At last year's carnival, to celebrate Wanaque's 100th birthday, our parish donated 80 ride bracelets (at \$30.00 per bracelet) to children in Wanaque whose families could never afford to come to the carnival before. Friday night at last year's carnival was a joy to see—happy kids everywhere. So, we are going to do it again. We will celebrate Wanaque's 101st birthday. Beginning the weekend of June 8-9, donation baskets will be in the narthex and at the side church entrance. If you can, just drop a few bucks in the basket—or more if you are able. Last year, those few bucks really added up. And one more thing—PLEASE pray for good weather. Thank you.

JUNK IN THE TRUNK

The Ladies Guild is holding a Junk-in-the-Trunk sale on September 7th, 2019, (Rain Date, 9/14) 9AM to 3PM. Food and a 50-50 raffle are planned. Exhibitor space is 16 x 17 (size of 2 parking spaces) and will accommodate one car and one table. Cost is \$25.00. To reserve a space contact Diane at 973-839-1416 / ladydi240@yahoo.com or Claire at 973-835-9344 for further details. Reservation forms are also at the rectory.

SUMMER PRAYER

Father, Creator of all, thank You for summer! Thank You for the warmth of the sun and the increased daylight. Thank You for the beauty I see all around me and for the opportunity to be outside and enjoy Your creation. Thank You for the increased time I have to be with my friends and family, and for the more casual pace of the summer season. Draw me closer to You this summer. Teach me how I can pray no matter where I am or what I am doing. Warm my soul with the awareness of Your presence and light my path with Your Word and Counsel. As I enjoy Your creation, create in me a pure heart and a hunger and a thirst for You. Amen.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers by the statues in the sanctuary were donated by Margaret O'Neill in memory of her husband Kieran O'Neill.



NEWS FROM ST. FRANCIS LADIES' GUILD

St. Francis Ladies Guild would like to partner with St. Catherine of Bologna Church in selected joint charitable efforts, such as their July collection of new school supplies.

A tote will be placed in the Narthex in hopes that anyone who would like to donate some new back to school supplies will place them in there. Some suggested items are pencils, paper, notebooks, binders, crayons, & backpacks.

Anything you can give will be greatly appreciated by children whose parents cannot afford to buy new for the coming school year.

Thank you and God bless you for your kindness!

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

As daily I pray for family and friends,

Within myself I create peace.

I know that each person, in God's loving hands,
Will find comfort and love that won't cease.

Through Divine Nature, the power of Him
Will strengthen and nurture each soul.

The presence of healing from His giving heart,
Well-being and wholeness, the goal.

So, I lift them in prayer, in assurance He'll hear;
I put them in His loving care.

Then I settle myself knowing full in my heart
That He will consider my prayer.

Whatever the outcome, it's His Will, I know;
I question not what that will be.

For the Father above knows better than we;
The "best," His decision, you see.

Ruthmarie Brooks Silver

LAKELAND NURSING HOME SCHEDULE SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2019

Maria Invernon & John Minnett

LECTORS

SATURDAY, JULY 20, 2019

5:30 P.M. Lynn Magnini & Martha Bisaccio

SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2019

7:30 A.M. Barbara Garruto

10:00 A.M. John McMurray & Annie Rivera

12 NOON Linda O'Connell & Joe Darlington

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SATURDAY, JULY 20, 2019

5:30 P.M. Pat Demarest & Lois Bonaceto

SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2019

7:30 A.M. Cesar Vasquez & Jason Velante

10:00 A.M. Al Kunz & Mary Avella

12 NOON Fred & Debbie Ackerly



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July 2019

Dear Friends in Christ,

This month, our parishes are asked to take up a special national collection for three distinct and important causes.

As the world is becoming more secular, the Catholic voice needs to be heard clearly and proudly. The Catholic Communications Campaign supports efforts to proclaim the Gospel in the United States and abroad through the use of social media and other avenues. Our Church is called to evangelize, and your support of the Catholic Communications Campaign does just this by promoting the joy of our faith to many across the globe.

Like the Catholic Communications Campaign, the Black and Indian Mission Collection also serves as a great tool for ongoing evangelization efforts. Your generosity supports the pastoral work of those who bring the Catholic faith to Indian reservations, urban centers and Alaskan Native parishes and mission schools. Your prayers and your financial support make a world of difference.

As Catholic University of America is the national university of the Catholic Church, it educates clergy, religious and young men and women throughout the country. Your participation in this month's collection helps underwrite the financial aid program at Catholic University so that it continues to be a viable option for those who would not otherwise be able to attend.

These collections, though diverse in their outreach, are examples of great Catholic work that impact many of our brothers and sisters in Christ. Your generous support will help strengthen these efforts, and so I hope you will participate in this collection when it is taken in your parish.

Faithfully yours in
Christ,

+ *Arthur J. Serratelli*

Most Reverend Arthur J. Serratelli, S.T.D., S.S.L.,
D.D. Bishop of Paterson