

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 8, 2017

LITURGY SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Sunday, October 8-Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. – Martin Hrivnak req. by the Gorman family
8:30 a.m. – James & Grace Cesario req. by Anne Reilly
10:00 a.m. – Edward R. Polinak req. by Ralph J. & Laura M. Andreotta

11:30 a.m. _ Polish Mass

Monday, October 9 – Saint Denis, Bishop & Companions,

Martyrs; Saint John Leonardi, Priest

12:00 p.m. – Mary Jane Heller req. by Arlene Pratt & family

Tuesday, October 10 –Weekday

12:00 p.m. – Barbara Byrne req. by Marie Byrne

Wednesday, October 11- Saint John XXIII, Pope

12:00 p.m. – Mary Wahal req. by Vickie & Joe Kmiec

Thursday, October 12- Weekday

12:00 p.m. – Norma Ortiz

Friday, October 13- Weekday

12:00 p.m. – For the People of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

Sunday, October 15- Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. – Mabel Morgan, John & Lena Messick req. by Carol & Michael D'Anton

8:30 a.m. – Bill Lenahan req. by his wife, Eleanor

10:00 a.m. –Ethel Gorman req. by Jeff Meudt



Patricia Campbell

Collection for September 30 & Oct 1: \$ 2576.00

Parish Pay Electronic Giving: \$2127.53 (September)

Collection from last year: \$2619.00

PARISH PAY: Have you thought about automating your giving? No more writing checks! You decide the amount and the frequency. Sign up today for automatic contributions to Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish. Go to the Parish Pay link at www.sacredheartrockaway.org or call 866-727-4741.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE MILITARY:

Major Mike Cherry, LCpl. Aleksandr Killeen, Airman 1st Cl. Andrew Mistkowski, 1st Lt. Nicholas DelCore, Air Force, Captain Jessica L. Rotile Rudo, Kenneth Rudo, Warrant Officer,1

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Irene Schreiber, Doug Bansch, Maria Acevedo, TJ Schoude, Capt. Adam Cowan, USA, Julio Soto, Ben Marvilla, Michelle Monslave, Amelia Marie Cayea, Mary Therese Loftus, Sharon Bauer, Mary Davenport, Jose Prado, Arlene Berlin, Robert Nielsen, Marge Vogel, Efrain Gonzalez, Amanda Villarubia, Mary Skelly, John Skutka, William McBurney, Anne Riordan, D.M. Lynch, Linda Hoffman,, Mike Izzo, Edward Frame, Adam Hayward, Carol Centonze, James Boyle, Carol Ann Boyle, Jessica Gorman, Theodora Maulbeck. John Krause, Ethan Chandra, Jim McNamara, Dorothy Murray, Louise Kelly, Tom Gorman, Carlos Carbajal, Danielle Cicchetti.

Food Drive: Next weekend October 14th & 15th is our monthly food drive for the Rockaway food pantry. Thank you for your support.

PARISH POLICY –PLEASE NOTE: All Catholic families living within the parish boundaries are encouraged to register as members. Registration has many benefits, and in particular, facilitates any arrangements for baptisms, marriages, sponsors, etc. Please contact the rectory at 973-627-0422

CERTIFICATE OF ELEGIBILITY – All Catholic Churches in the United States require from Catholics serving as a Godparent for Baptism or a sponsor for Confirmation a certificate of eligibility. This document certifies that the Godparent/sponsor is a registered member of the parish, attends Holy Mass, approaches the sacraments regularly and contributes to the support of the Church via the offering envelope system or Parish Pay.

Save the Date for DMA's 1st Annual Tricky Tray: Super Hero Soiree, on Saturday, November 18th at Morris Catholic High School, 200 Morris Ave Denville. Admission \$25.00 Doors open at 5:00 p.m.

HELP WANTED – Every Thursday evening at 5:30 a small group of volunteers come to our church to do some light cleaning. We are in need of some help with this task of cleaning the Lord's House. If you can help, just join us and the Lord will bless you!

CONFIRMATION – His Excellency, Bishop Arthur Serratelli will administer the sacrament of confirmation to four teenagers of our parish during the celebration of the 10 o'clock morning Mass on Sunday, October 29th. Please join us for this happy celebration.

WHAT ABOUT YOU? – We are looking for people to represent our parish at the monthly Rockaway Right to Life meetings which are held at Saint Cecilia's on the first Wednesday of the month. For details please see Lyle Ryder, John Sautter or Father Zig.

SACRED HEART WOMEN'S SOCIETY – The women's society will conduct its next meeting on Monday evening, October 9th beginning at 7 o'clock in the rectory basement meeting room. All women of the parish are cordially invited to attend.

BISHOP RODIMER BIRTHDAY – His Excellency, Bishop Frank Rodimer, a native son of St. Cecilia Parish, will observe his 90th birthday on Wednesday, October 25th. The Bishop is currently staying at the St. Joseph Home, 140 Shepherd Lane, Totowa, NJ 07512, should you like to send him a card. The Little Sisters of the Poor are conducting a fund raising event in conjunction with the Bishop's birthday to support the work of the Little Sisters of the Poor who operate the Saint Joseph Home. A gala event is being planned for that day which includes a Mass at the St. Joseph Chapel followed by a dinner. For additional information please call 973.942.0300.

My Dear Parishioners,

Today is the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time as we gather to celebrate the Eucharist on the Lord's Day. The image of the vineyard is prominent in today's Scriptural texts. The "vine" is a special designation for Israel, the chosen nation which first heard the call of the One Lord and God. This vine is of God and has been planted to produce an abundant harvest for the Lord. Those called by God are expected to produce the good works which will further the growth of the Kingdom.

In today's Gospel parable the Lord Jesus speaks of those (chief priests and elders of the people) who were charged with tending the vineyard and being responsible for its produce. However due to their mismanagement the Master sent His only Son (Jesus) to tend the vineyard but they killed Him who was the "cornerstone."

In today's Gospel Acclamation we sing the words of Jesus, "I have chosen you from the world, says the Lord, to go and bear fruit that will remain." The disciples of Jesus have done so by encouraging one another with their example. In today's epistle reading the Apostle Paul wrote to the Philippians, "Keep on doing what you have learned and received and heard and seen in me." We encourage one another today in producing a harvest which will be bountiful in building up the Kingdom of God. What a wonderful opportunity we have to support the BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL which is currently taking place within the Diocese of Paterson. With our generous support we are able to help so many elderly, sick, homeless, disabled and those who are marginalized within the diocese which includes Morris, Passaic and Sussex Counties. So many depend upon our generous response to help them in their suffering. As we all recount the blessings the Lord has given us it behooves us to respond positively. Our loving response is what counts. Talk is cheap; our actions speak louder than words! By our generous participation in this year's BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL our Catholic Charities agencies will be funded to continue their good work being done in your/our name and for the promotion of the Kingdom of God on earth.

Should you decide not to participate in this year's appeal I remind you of the words of the Lord Jesus from today's Gospel: "THEREFORE, I SAY TO YOU, THE KINGDOM OF GOD WILL BE TAKEN AWAY FROM YOU AND GIVEN TO A PEOPLE THAT WILL PRODUCE ITS FRUITS." Thank God our parishioners have the reputation of being generous and charitable. I know that we will all participate in this year's appeal and give whatever we are able to help those in need. "Then the God of peace will be with you!"

With pastoral love,

Father Zig

FATIMA CELEBRATION – This year marks the 100th anniversary of the apparitions of our Blessed Virgin Mary to the three shepherd children at Fatima, Portugal. Our Lady appeared every month on the 13th day beginning in May and concluding in October. We will commemorate the 100th anniversary of the final apparition on the vigil, Thursday, October 12th. The ceremony will begin at 7 o'clock in the evening in Saint Cecilia Church with the praying of the Rosary and the Rosary Society presentation of roses to the image of the Mother of God followed by an outdoor candle-light procession to the Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary located in front of the church. At the conclusion of the service a short program will be presented in Hayes Hall with refreshments being served. All are welcome to join us in celebrating the 100th anniversary Fatima!

LATIN MASS IN THE EXTRAORDINARY RITE – A Pontifical High Mass celebrated in Latin and the Extraordinary Rite by Bishop Serratelli will take place in Saint John the Baptist Cathedral on Saturday morning, October 14 at 9:30. If interested in car-pooling to Paterson, please call the rectory no later than Wednesday, October 11th.

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 4:00pm. Arrangements can be made by contacting the rectory 973-627-0422. Registrations will be accepted through Tuesday, October 17, 2017. Information will be sent from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed. Congratulations on this joyous occasion!

TRIP TO IRELAND – You are invited to join Father Zig in traveling to Ireland and Northern Ireland, April 9-21, 2018. A Colette travel brochure with all the information regarding cost, itinerary and much more can be found in the church vestibule or in the rectory.

FUND RAISING DINNER FOR SEMINARIANS – A dinner dance to support seminarian education in our diocese will take place on Sunday, November 12th at the Brownstone in Paterson. The event begins at 5:30 and the ticket cost is \$70. A cash bar will be available and wine as well as beer will be served at each table. Music will be provided by a DJ. All profits will benefit the formation of our seminarians. Please contact Janet at the St. Cecilia Parish Office for tickets and information prior to October 27th. YOUR SUPPORT IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.

SEMINARIAN ASSIGNMENT – Bishop Serratelli has assigned John A. Vargas to Saint Cecilia Parish and Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish while in seminary formation at Saint Andrew Hall of Immaculate Conception Seminary in South Orange. St. Andrew's is the minor seminary. John will be with us when seminary classes are not in session such as Thanksgiving, Christmas, etc. We welcome him to Rockaway and look forward to him being part of our parish communities.

Save the Date! The Rockaway Catholic Right to Life Ministry will be hosting a Pro-Life Community Evening on Friday, October 13th in Hayes Hall from 7:00PM to 9:00PM. Guest speakers are Christine Flaherty, Executive Director of LIFENET, which promotes Respect for Life and the virtue of chastity; and Christopher Bell, Co-Founder of Good Council Homes, dedicated to the care of single mothers. Admission is free and light refreshments will be served.

Do 'Something Beautiful for God': From Sept. 27 through Nov. 5, there will be "40 Days for Life" daily prayer vigils around the world outside of Planned Parenthood and other abortion providers. Please join us as we pray at 196 Speedwell Ave. - Planned Parenthood of Morristown - where every day, three babies die from chemical abortions; i.e. over a thousand each year. Your gift of an hour or more of peaceful witness and prayer any time between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday through Sunday, will help to save God's children in danger of abortion. Do something beautiful for Him, and sign up for any hour(s) you can give at <https://40daysforlife.com/browse-campaigns>, or contact the local campaign coordinator, Frances Spilman, at 44lifeus@gmail.com or 973-627-1654 to sign up. Signs will be provided, or you can bring your own; but nothing graphic. Please come pray with us to save a child's life and help his or her parents. We hope you will join us.

FAITH FORMATION – As pastor of both Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish and Saint Cecilia Parish I take this opportunity to remind our parishioners about the various faith formation opportunities which are taking place at Saint Cecilia's. A Bible study meets on Monday evenings at 7:30 in the parish office which is a DVD presentation on the Book of Revelation. Father Pawel conducts a Bible Study on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 in Hayes Hall; Father Cerilo leads the Mommy's Bible Study at 9:30 on Thursday mornings in the parish office. On Thursday evenings at 7 o'clock in Hayes Hall there is a weekly faith formation class which differs each week offering a variety of topics for religious education for adults. CCD classes for Sacred Heart children are incorporated with the program at Saint Cecilia's. Sacred Heart does maintain its own Confirmation program, as well as program for First Holy Communion. Should you require any information please contact me – Father Zig

SHARE THE JOURNEY: LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR" Week of Prayer and Action - October 7 - 13"The Church is Mother, and her motherly attention is expressed with special tenderness and closeness to those who are obliged to flee their own country and exist between rootlessness and integration. This tension destroys people. Christian compassion - this 'suffering with' compassion - is expressed first of all in the commitment to obtain knowledge of the events that force people to leave their homeland, and where necessary, to give voice to those who cannot manage to make their cry of distress and oppression heard. They are all elements that dehumanize and must push every Christian and the whole community to concrete attention." Pope Francis Address to the Participants in the Plenary of the Pontifical Council for the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Itinerant People, May 24, 2013.

DINNER DANCE FUND RAISER – Mary Queen of All Nations Missionary Alliance and the Carmelite Monastery of Morristown will honor the following on Sunday, December 10th, 6-10 p.m., at the Madison Hotel, Convent Station: Father Przemek Nowak, Father Edwin Sammut and Sister Joseph Spring. Tickets are \$75 per person. Reservations can be made by email prior to October 31st to gymic@yahoo.com with a check made to MQAN, c/o 11 Featherleigh Rd., Morristown, NJ 07960-5703. 100% of the net proceeds will go to the work of the sponsoring organizations. Goodwill donations in lieu of attendance will also be appreciated by thousands of beneficiaries.