

# Mass Intentions for the Week

October 7<sup>th</sup> - October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017

## Saturday, October 7th

5:30 PM †Thelma Reck  
†Luis Barbosa

## Sunday, October 8th

7:30AM †Sophie Kudlacik-Murawski  
9:00 AM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners  
11:00AM †Ronald Parker  
†Benjamin Lato  
12:30 PM †Carlos Luis Irizarry- Lugo

## Monday, October 9th

7:30 AM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

## Tuesday, October 10rd

7:30 AM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners  
7:00 PM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

## Wednesday, October 11th

7:30 AM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners  
7:00 PM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

## Friday, October 13th

9:30AM †Lucy & Angelo Bassano

## Saturday, October 14th

5:30 PM †Frank & Adelaide Rainey

## Sunday, October 15th

7:30AM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners  
9:00 AM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners  
11:00AM †Martin Verostek  
†Mildred Buttafuoco  
†Sam Wilson  
†Benjamin Lato  
12:30 PM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners



St. Brendan and St. George Community will be accepting donations from parishioners for the disaster relief efforts in Puerto Rico. Members of our

community are encouraged to bring the following items:

Bottled water, shampoo/ conditioner, toiletries, flashlights and batteries, deodorant, baby wipes, first aid supplies, soap/ body wash, senior/children diapers, toothpaste, dental floss, mouthwash, pillows, blankets, nonperishable items and dog food.

### First Friday

Every first Friday of the month, 7:30 AM Mass will be moved to 9:30 AM for a school mass. All parishioners are welcome to attend mass. The next School Mass will be October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 9:30AM.

### Registered Parishioners

In order to be a *registered parishioner*-it is **imperative** that your envelopes are used. This will also assure that your donations are being accurately registered. In an effort to keep our records accurate, we will be discontinuing/eliminating envelope numbers that are **not** currently being used from the parish registry. For every envelope that is **not** being used our parish is charge.

### Parishioner Registration

As a new parishioner of the Catholic Community of St. Brendan and St. George you should formally register with our parish! Registration forms are available on the bottom of the front page of our weekly bulletin. Once registered, you will receive a letter from our staff to inform you of your official envelope number. This number can be used until your weekly envelopes arrive. They will be placed in the back of the church for you.

### Mass Celebrants

#### Weekend of October 14<sup>th</sup> – October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Saturday  
5:30pm **Fr. Junior**

Sunday  
7:30 am **Fr. Charlie**  
9:00 am **Fr. Ed**  
11:00 am **Fr. Michael**  
12:30 pm **Fr. Junior**

#### Weekend Collection September 30<sup>th</sup> – October 1st

5:30PM	\$ 1193.50
7:30AM	\$ 613.00
9:00AM	\$ 1273.00
11:00AM	\$ 1407.00
12:30PM	\$845.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$5,331.50</b>
<i>Thank you for your Generosity</i>	

**Message from our Pastor** 

*My Dear friends, please read this exceptional article from Fr. Antonio P. Pueyo:*

There was a man with independent means and died with a large bank account. In the next life he was assigned a nice room and he was told he had to go to the cafeteria for his meals. The food was excellent. When it was time to pay he asked that it be charged to his bank accounts on earth. The angel acting as cashier told him, "Your money is no good. You have to open an account here. We don't need cash. We accept deposits of your good deeds on earth." The man was worried, "I have so little deposit." The angel said, "Don't worry, your old driver whose son you sent to school said he will help you pay." And the man asked, "Am I in heaven then?" The angel told him, "No, not yet. You are in purgatory. You will spend it thanking every one who pays for your meal."

This Sunday's first reading (Isaiah 5:1) and the gospel readings mentions fruits and harvests. There were many instances where Jesus used this kind of imagery. He talked of knowing a tree by its fruits (Lk 6:44). A tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down (Lk. 3:9). He who abides in Him bears fruit (Jn. 15:5). There are many more. In the Gospel this Sunday, the parable is told about the unjust tenants who wouldn't give the fruits of the field to the owner (Mt. 21:34). Why all these stories about fruits?

Is God one who makes a strict accounting of our life, a judge who weighs us in His balance (Dan. 5:27)? If God is so generous, why bother with fruits? Wouldn't that make his love conditional? Is His love conditioned by our efforts?

Indeed God is so gracious and generous that He even hires people and pays them fully at the eleventh hour. He may be so generous as to invite people from the highways and by-ways to His banquet, but he also demands that those who come wear the wedding garments (Mt. 22:12). Aside from his generosity, another quality of God is revealed in the Gospel. God values faithful stewardship. Since stewardship is an exercise in responsibility, it follows that God puts premium on our sense of responsibility. We are responsible for our life and for everything else that the Father has entrusted to us in this life.

To be responsible is to be accountable to somebody. The tenants in the Gospel did not want to make accounts with the land owner. They refused to be accountable. They had pretensions at ownership. They wanted to enjoy the bounty of the land without accountability.

Bounty without accountability, privileges without obligations. I want to enjoy the conveniences of driving a car but I don't want to observe traffic rules. I want to earn a degree but I don't like to do term papers. I want to be promoted and enjoy a higher salary without accomplishing work targets. Responsibility indicates being *responsible* to somebody. It is being response-able. It is the ability to respond to the demands of God, society, and self.

To be responsible is also to be *responsible* for the task or role at hand. A responsible person is focused on his work. A sign of irresponsibility is sloppy work, which is the result of a lack of focus. A person who is truly focused on his work does not even notice the passing of time. Work becomes art.

I once observed a wood carver. He carved designs into chairs, tables, and cabinets. He was fully concentrated as he worked. He worked on each piece of furniture as if it was the only furniture he would carve. Each of his work was a piece of art and appreciated by the buyers. Not only was he trying to please the buyers. He wanted to please himself. He was exercising stewardship over his talent.

Faithful stewards are hard to come by. For some of us who still live in a culture where we can afford to have house maids, drivers, tenants, and servants, we know how difficult it is to look for one who is truly loyal and devoted. Fortunate is the person who finds one such steward - one who will be with the family for many years, or truly become a member of the family.

The Lord doesn't just seek faithful, loyal, and responsible stewards who will present the fruits at harvest time. He wants to bring us into His household as a member of the family, no longer servants but friends (Jn. 15:15).

**Fr. Junior Flores**  
**Pastor**

**Fuente: Catholic.net**

## **Reflexión**

La parábola de hoy nos deja atónitos. El dueño del campo plantó una viña, la rodeó de una cerca, cavó en ella un lagar, edificó una torre y por último la arrendó a unos viñadores para que la trabajasen. Es aquí donde empieza lo inaudito porque uno a uno los viñadores mataron a los servidores que envió el propietario.

El propietario podía haber enviado la guardia de la ciudad, sin embargo después de mandar a varios de sus siervos envía a su hijo único. ¿Dónde está la prudencia de esta actitud? ¿Dónde está escrito que en caso de que el heredero fuese asesinado el asesino heredaría los bienes del propietario?

Cualquier persona con un poco de justicia diría que Jesús tomó una actitud un poco insensata. Sin embargo, Cristo estaba contando su propia historia a los fariseos. ¿Por qué justamente a los fariseos? Porque quería salvarlos, porque ninguno puede burlarse de Dios cuya bondad y justicia son infinitas.

Sin embargo, esa viña también podemos ser tú y yo: tantos dones que hemos recibido de parte de Dios con tanto amor y delicadeza, y que, tal vez, no hemos respondido siempre a esos cuidados del Viñador celestial. Es más, quizá no le hayamos dado frutos buenos, sino sólo uvas amargas y podridas. Cristo está esperando que también nosotros “le demos los frutos a su tiempo”. ¿Qué frutos has dado a Dios hasta el día de hoy en tu vida? ¿Eres tú uno de esos viñadores homicidas que rechazan a Cristo con su rebeldía, incredulidad o indiferencia? Ojalá que no.

Cristo es la piedra angular de la historia. Y el reino de los cielos que Cristo ha conquistado con su muerte por amor a nosotros se entregará sólo a esos que han sabido dar en el momento oportuno los frutos de la viña al propietario. Cristo por tanto debe ser la piedra angular de nuestra vida. No podemos permanecer indiferentes ante las exigencias de esta parábola: o entregamos los frutos al propietario de la viña cuando él nos los pida o no se nos entregará nada a cambio. No existe una tercera posibilidad. ¿Estaríamos preparados si Cristo nos pidiera cuentas en este momento?



Especially for: Roman Baca, Fr. Michael Burke, Emma Bracigliano, Jose Bravo, Alexandra Cafferta, John

Canemalla, Armando Carrillo, Alyssa DiGiacomo, Mary Ann DiPietro Rose Dziekanowski, Joseph Eagan, Steve Farrell, Frank Feeney, Gerardo Fernandez, Maria Fernandez, Barbara Johnson, Rizel M. Flores Luna, Shelby Flores, Delphina Gracias, Christopher Grossman, Louise Gorman, Trudy Lucas, Kimberly Halupka, Teresa Hewitt, Evelyn Kemp, Helen Korczynski, Ivette Larsen, Jan Linton, Kathy McDermott, Joan Marie Miller, Marianne Messino, Albert Mauro, Sophie Messina, Joan Mindrebo, Steven Mihalovic, Elena Montoya, Louis Morgan, Helen Ortiz, Lidia Ramos, Anne Roback, Gerry Roback, Bishop Rodimer, Lolita Rodriguez, George Sharp, Robin Shirak, Jennifer Sogka, Frank Stolair, Carl Stramiello.

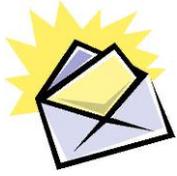
***We also remember those who have died.***



Every Monday, at 4pm our Church is hosting a weekly “Weight Watchers” meeting in the Church Hall! We will weigh in, discuss our weight loss strategies, and walk for 45 min. This is a weight loss support group promoting healthy living and an exercise lifestyle. If you are interested in joining or sharing your weight loss journey story please contact our office at 973-772-1115!



The parish office will be closed on Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 for Columbus Day. We will resume our regular office hours on Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 9am.



Mass Envelopes are now available for pick up in the back of the church. If you do not see your envelopes you may not be registered so please submit a registration form, found on the front of our bulletin.

**Grupo Carismático de Oración de San Jorge**

El grupo de oración se reúne todos los martes en la Iglesia comenzando con la Santa Misa 7:00 pm, luego de 7:30 PM a 9:00 PM con cánticos, alabanza, reflexión de la Palabra y peticiones

**IT'S PARTY TIME**



Come celebrate the 5th Anniversary of the merger of The Catholic Community of St. Brendan and St. George's on Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018! There will be a formal dinner at The Mansion in Parsippany from 7:00 PM – 11:00 PM. Tickets will be \$125.00 and are going on sale starting in September.



Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 is the Feast Day of our Lady of Fatima. There will be a bilingual mass at 5:00 PM and a Dinner Reception at 7:00 PM in the School Gym with a special performance by Portugese Folk Dancers.



**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Car Wash**

St. Brendan School 8<sup>th</sup> Graders will be hosting a Car Wash on Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from 9am to 2pm.

**JOB OPENINGS**

St. Brendan School is seeking a part-time Technology Teacher and part-time Custodian. Please contact the school for further details at 973-772-1149

**UPCOMING LITURGICAL EVENTS 2017**

**Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – School Mass at 9:30 AM, No 7:30AM Mass.**

**Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – Our Lady of Fatima Mass and Reception**

- 9:30 AM School Mass
- 5:00 PM Bilingual Mass
- Dinner Reception

**Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Car Wash**

**Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – Saints Among Us Mass at 9:00 AM**

**Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Brendan and St. George Community.**

**Liturguy Services**

Music for ALL liturgies outside of weekly Masses, which includes funerals, weddings and quinceañeras, must be appropriate, of a sacred nature and in accordance with the guidelines prescribed in “Music and Catholic Worship.” Please discuss all matters with the Music Director. The Pastor and Music Director will not deviate from said guidelines. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.



**Food Collection** **Father English Collection**  
(Sat, Oct. 21st- Sun, Oct. 22nd)

Please continue to support this Catholic organization donating **Non-Perishable food**, such as: canned foods, cereal, pasta, rice, coffee,tea, peanut butter, etc.

*Your continued support is greatly appreciated.*



**Straight & Narrow Collection**  
( Sat, Oct. 28th – Sun, Oct. 29th)

We want to thank you for your continual support in donating items to the men and women of Straight & Narrow, plus a special thank you to the money donated to this Diocesan agency.