

# In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

September 4, 2016

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Mass Intentions of the Week

*Saturday, September 3*

10:45 am Mass at Heath Village  
5:30 pm For Ella Kelly – 56<sup>th</sup> Anniversary & Florence & William Fleidner 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary by Kelly Fleidner-Book

*Sunday, September 4*

8:00 am For Students and Teachers  
9:30 am For Ernestine Nelson by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Condello  
11:00 am For Margaret Stokes by Stokes Family

*Monday, September 5*

8:45 am For Blessings from St. Theresa of Calcutta

*Tuesday, September 6*

8:45 am For Blessings for Teachers and Students

*Wednesday, September 7*

8:45 am For Peace

*Thursday, September 8*

10:45 am Mass at Heath Village

*Saturday, September 10*

5:30 pm For Victims of Violence on 911

*Sunday, September 11*

8:00 am For Peace  
9:30 am For Grandparents  
11:00 am For Robert Tracy by McGrath Family

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE September 10, 11, 2016

*Saturday, 5:30 pm*

**Celebrant:** Rev. Daniel Chajkowski

**Greeter:** Help Needed

**Lector:** Fred McQuaide

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Help Needed

**Altar Servers:** Help Needed

*Sunday, 8:00 am*

**Celebrant:** Rev. Daniel Chajkowski, Deacon Jim Jones

**Greeter:** Help Needed

**Lector:** Amy & Bill Barron

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Help Needed

**Altar Servers:** Help Needed

*Sunday 9:30 am*

**Celebrant:** Rev. Daniel Chajkowski, Deacon Tom Gibbons

**Greeter:** Help Needed

**Lector:** Julie Dunn

**Eucharistic Minister:** Help Needed

**Altar Servers:** Help Needed

*Sunday 11:00 am*

**Celebrant:** Rev. Daniel Chajkowski

**Greeter:** Help Needed

**Lector:** Dina Carmelengo

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Help Needed

**Altar Servers:** Help Needed

### FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

**Altar Breads & Wine** – In loving memory of Patsy & Philip Marchese by Marchese family.

**Sanctuary Lamp** – In loving memory of Vito and Marie Benardone by Corry and Benardone families.

**Mass Candles:** For Harmony in the World by Skoczylas Family, and For Peter Goodman, by Mom, Dad, Christine, John, Jimmy & Courtney

### OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAIN PARISH

*Saturday, September 10*

5:00 pm Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

7:00 pm Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

*Sunday, September 11*

7:45 am Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

9:15 am Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky, Deacon Nick Ardito

10:45 am Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky,

12:15 pm Celebrant: Msgr. Peter McHugh, Deacon Bob Head

### ST. MARK'S NEEDS \$5,280 PER WEEK TO MEET OUR FINANCIAL OBLIGATION

Current Year	Last Year 2015
August 28, 2016: \$1,882 Envelopes used 48	August 30, 2015:\$2,253 Envelopes used: 40
Online donations for August: \$8,249	Online donations for August: \$9,320
<b>Supermarket Gift Cards</b> Sales: \$1,450 Profit: \$72.50 YTD Total: \$4,353 # families: 8	St. Mark's Faith Direct Church Code is NJ484

### THANK YOU...

Thank you to all who generously donated to the Mission Appeal this past weekend. A total of \$1,427 was collected. Also thank you to Sister Mary Louise Lloyd for speaking to us about all the work that the sisters do for the poor.

### FAITH DIRECT...

With the arrival of autumn, I'd like to invite you to join Faith Direct, our parish's electronic eGiving program. Our to-do lists can get lengthy this back-to-school season, but Faith Direct's eGiving program will give you one less thing to remember each week - no more envelopes to find and checks to write before you go to Mass. Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: NJ484 Thank you for your continued support of our parish family! God Bless You, Fr. Joe

### FOOD PANTRY REMINDER...

Every child should have a good breakfast before going off to school. Please consider donating some breakfast foods to the Food Pantry so that every child can have a good breakfast! Some suggestions are hot or cold cereals, pancake mix, syrup, juices, pop tarts, etc. Of course lunch and dinner are important too, so anything you can donate will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.



### **SAINT MOTHER TERESA OF CALCUTTA....**

Mother Theresa died on September 5, 1997. As is often the custom when someone is officially declared a saint by the pope their feast day is celebrated on the day they died and joined the Lord in the Kingdom of Heaven. This Monday Pope Francis will be joined with a multitude of people from around the world as he celebrates the canonization of Mother Theresa as a saint of the church. To most people who knew her personally, felt her healing, knew her humility she was already a saint. Monday the church proclaims her a saint of the whole church and holds up her life of selfless service to the poorest of the poor and the dying in India as an example to us of what it means to fulfill the command of the Lord to do unto the least of your brothers and sisters and you will be ministering to Jesus. There have been several books written about St. Mother Theresa's life and many quotes attributed to her. My favor and one that I pray I can do is - "Do everything with great love." Let us pray to St. Mother Theresa that we always learn to love each person as our brother and sister no matter who they are rich, power, sick, poor and dying. See only the presence of Jesus in each person as she did and we will be following her way to sainthood too...Fr. Joe

### **"THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED CONTRIBUTE TO THE 'THANK A COP' PROJECT..."**

This project was proposed by a mother of police office from OLM and it is a very concrete way to show support for our police ends this weekend your support with so many cards and gift cards will be greatly appreciated as they are distributed to local police stations. Simple gestures of appreciation and respect go a long way to make a person feel appreciated. Thank you.

### **PARISH PICNIC... only two weeks away --- SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 18 12:30 – 3:30 P.M.**

Three important things to do:

- 1) We need you to sign up now for the picnic - registration forms are in the gathering space so sign up today so we can plan accurately
- 2) Please consider signing up to volunteer some time just to watch some games or others things please sign up on the poster board in the gathering space.
- 3) If you would like to sponsor an event take the sponsor form. There will be a sign made up with your business or family name.

### **A SPECIAL INVITATION - SAVE THE DATE --- A SPECIAL EVENING AT ST MARK'S --- TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 27<sup>th</sup> 7:30 p.m. MEDITATIONS ON MERCY:**

Please join us for an hour of prayer to mark this Year of Mercy. Jim and Coleen Caulfield, husband-and-wife team of "Mustard Seed Missions" will lead us in a presentation which incorporates music, stories, and art as they assist us in reflecting on the infinite mercy of God. Come and spend some time listening to what the Holy Spirit is saying to you about embracing the love and mercy God is offering. (<https://sites.google.com/site/caulfieldmission/>)

### **LECTORS NEEDED...**

I want to invite you to seriously consider becoming a lector at St. Mark's. Proclaiming the readings in church is an important and significant part of our liturgy. We will help you and prepare you for this service. Anyone who is in 7<sup>th</sup> grade up to an adult is very welcome. We have a great group but we can use some more to help us. Some of our younger people have moved on to college etc. Please consider it and call the parish office or contact Kevin O'Shea

– the lector coordinator – his contact information is on the front of the bulletin...Fr. Joe

### **TWO THOUGHTS FOR THIS SPECIAL WEEK...**

Silence is the great unknown power source, the great untapped resource. Silence is more than more, not less. – Peter Kreeft "Making Choices) --- "In nature we find silence – the trees, flowers, and grass grow in silence. The stars, the moon, and the sun move in silence. Silence of the heart is necessary so you can hear God everywhere—in the closing of a door, in the person who needs you, in the birds that sing, in the flowers, in the animals". –Mother Teresa

**"THANKS" LABOR DAY**– Don't forget this word and use it often to thank those who labor for us, work for us and serve us in many different way.

### **POPE FRANCIS TO THE YOUTH AT WORLD YOUTH DAY...**

I have been sharing with you the remarks of Pope Francis to the world youth at world youth day in Poland at the end of July. Today is the conclusion of his remarks in which he has been calling upon the youth of the world to be witnesses for Christ: The Pope concluding words:

"So today, my friends, Jesus is inviting you, calling you, to leave your mark on life, to leave a mark on history, your own and that of many others as well.

Life nowadays tells us that it is much easier to concentrate on what divides us, what keeps us apart. People try to make us believe that being closed in on ourselves is the best way to keep safe from harm. Today, we adults need you to teach us how to live in diversity, in dialogue, to experience multiculturalism not as a threat but an opportunity. Have the courage to teach us that it is easier to build bridges than walls! Together we ask that you challenge us to take the path of fraternity. To build bridges... Do you know the first bridge that has to be built? It is a bridge that we can build here and now – by reaching out and taking each other's hand. Come on, build it now, here, this first of bridges: take each other's hand. This is a great bridge of brotherhood, and would that the powers of this world might learn to build it... not for pictures on the evening news but for building ever bigger bridges. May this human bridge be the beginning of many, many others; in that way, it will leave a mark. Today Jesus, who is the way, the truth and the life, is calling you to leave your mark on history. He, who is life, is asking each of you to leave a mark that brings life to your own history and that of many others. He, who is truth, is asking you to abandon the paths of rejection, division and emptiness. Are you up to this? What answer will you give, with your hands and with your feet, to the Lord, who is the way, the truth and the life?" -- Pope Francis

### **JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY...**

Words of Pope Francis: "Jesus insists on the conditions for being his disciples: preferring nothing to the love of Christ, carrying one's cross and following him. Many people in fact drew near to Jesus, they wanted to be included among his followers; and this would happen especially after some miraculous sign which accredited him as the Messiah, the King of Israel. However Jesus did not want to disappoint anyone. He knew well what awaited him in Jerusalem and which path the Father was asking him to take: it was the Way of the Cross, the way of sacrificing himself for the forgiveness of our sins. Following Jesus does not mean taking part in a triumphal procession! It means sharing his merciful love, entering his great work of mercy for each and every man and for all men. The work of Jesus is, precisely, a work of mercy, a work of forgiveness and of love! Jesus is so full of mercy! And this universal pardon, this mercy, passes through the Cross. Jesus, however, does not want to do this work

alone: he wants to involve us too in the mission that the Father entrusted to him." — Pope Francis

#### **BLESSING OF EXPECTANT PARENTS...**

Parents who are expecting or adopting parents... on the weekend of Sept 24 – 25 at all the masses we will offer you a special blessing. You might wish to invite any friends, families or neighbors who might like to receive this blessing.

#### **BISHOP SERRATELLI INVITES THE MEN OF THE DIOCESE...**

**Save the date...**“I am pleased to announce that this fall we will have the first Paterson Diocese Men's Conference, which will be held Saturday, October 15th at Saint Paul Inside the Walls, 205 Madison Avenue, Madison, NJ from 8:30 am - 1:00 pm. The Conference is intended to enhance the spirituality of men including fathers and sons throughout the Diocese and encourage them to become more involved in their parishes. Several well-known Catholic speakers will make presentations and the Conference will conclude with Holy Mass, at which I will be the main celebrant.” To register visit the website: [www.insidethewalls.org](http://www.insidethewalls.org) and see the event details for Oct 15<sup>th</sup>. Look for flyers on gathering room table.

#### **WHY WE ARE CATHOLIC?**

We are Catholic because we believe: Among the Christian faithful by divine institution there exists in the Church sacred ministers, who are also called clerics in law, and other Christian faithful who are also called laity. In both groups there are those Christian faithful who, professing the evangelical counsels, are consecrated to God and so serve the Church's saving mission. The Catechism of the Catholic Church 934

#### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES...Program Helping Young Adults with Special Needs...**

The Department for Persons with Disabilities (DPD) is proud to announce the fall opening of their Saturdays at the Center program (SATC)! DPD is a nonprofit, Catholic Charities organization in the Diocese of Paterson that provides support for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families. This endeavor is designed for young adults with disabilities living in the community, who are interested in weekend socialization and recreational activities with their peers.

Education about group home and independent living is also part of the curriculum. Respite time for caregivers of the participating individuals will be provided, as the program is well supervised by experienced staff and volunteers.

SATC will meet Saturdays at Gruenert Center on Rt. 15 in Lake Hopatcong and will run for a 12 week span. Meeting times are from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. The tuition for the entire program is \$120 plus minimal additional fees for special activities such as bowling or dining out.

They are seeking interested participants and volunteers for their fall start date of September 17, 2016.

Please contact Patt Foth, SATC Coordinator, at (973)440-0983 or [satc@dpc.org](mailto:satc@dpc.org) for any further information or to obtain applications. You can also visit [www.dpd.org](http://www.dpd.org) or [www.facebook.com/dpdcc](http://www.facebook.com/dpdcc) for more information about DPD.

#### **ST. LUKE GOLF OUTING:**

October 3, 2016 at Black Oak Golf Club; a private golf course in Long Valley, New Jersey. We are delighted that Black Oak has granted us access to their facility for the day and would like you to share that experience our parishioners. Please refer to the flyer and brochure found on our website ([www.stlukeparishlv.com](http://www.stlukeparishlv.com)) for sign-up and registration details.

#### **COPING WITH LOSS OF LOVED ONE...**

Visiting Nurse Association

Tuesday, September 13 to November 1 2-4 p.m. VNA Headquarters, 175 South Street, Morristown, NJ. Call Rachel 973.451.4128 or [renderle@vnannj.org](mailto:renderle@vnannj.org) by September 6<sup>th</sup> to register.

#### **PRAYER FOR THOSE AFFLICTED BY THE FLOODS...**

God of compassion, you created the world for us to know your love and peace, yet amidst the beauty of creation we encounter pain and hurt and forces beyond our control. At times like this our hearts are shaken and ache with sorrow at the destruction of our lives, homes and livelihoods. Hear our prayers for those affected by the floods and for all those working to bring relief and fresh hope. — Amen

(The bishops of the United States have asked that support by way of a collection be given the victims of the floods in Louisiana. We do not have any further information about the date but if you wish to donate through catholic charities go to [www.CatholicCharitiesUSA.org](http://www.CatholicCharitiesUSA.org) to make an on line donation.)

#### **TEACHERS NEEDED FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION...**

Please see our sign-up board in the Gathering Space, where you can place your name in one of the openings we have for Catechist. This is a very rewarding and enriching experience, and we can help p you to feel right at home in our Christian Ed. Setting. Thank you for your help, our children are so worth our time! God Bless, Sue Reilly

#### **NEW EYES FOR THE NEEDY...**

The Knights of Columbus will have an eyeglass recycling container in the gathering space beginning September 1 through September 30. Please donate your used eyeglasses which will be given to the needy and will be sincerely appreciated.



*All- powerful and ever-living God the lasting health of all who believe in you, hear us as we ask your loving help for the sick; restore their health, that they may again offer joyful thanks in your church.*

Randi Alloway, Richard Alvarez, John Andaloro, Tony Atkins, Charlie, Baby Natalie Rose Bassett, Kenneth Bernisky, Luz Bracero, Paul Buckley, John Callaghan, Arlene Cichlar, Hannah Clark, Emily Condit, Kaitlin Cross, Natalia Danilczuk, Daniel DePaul, Krish Dharma, Charles & Ellen Eichler, Connie Elliott, Rick & Nicholas Fania, Larry Fine, Tracey F, Elaina Grace Gaffin, Ann Geary, Barbara Gotterdam, Louie Gutierrez, Helen Greenly, Harper Lynn Granito, Regina Hague, William Heimsly, Bob Hodiern, Maria Dougherty Jante, Donna Jennings, Laurel Jilek, Claudia Kallmeyer, Kevin Kay, Russell H. Keller, Mary Koenig, Jean Koenig, Mara Lak, Christina Lanaris, Lenore, Margaret Leon, Maryann Litori, Ann Loughney, Helene Mackie, Wayne Marks, Anthony Marino, Norman Milz, Marie Molloy, Irene Madelyn S., Maruggi, Raymond McCarthy Jr., Jonathon McClelland, Harold & Mary McKay, Kathy Minichini, Robert Neilson, Sr., Maryanne & Jack Newell, Girard Nolte, Jr., Jim Owens, Dennis Paradise, Arlene Parikh, Nicky Pilosi, Clifford Reynolds, Jim Robinson, Ryan, Jillian Elizabeth Sayer, Kurt Shubert, Rhonda Soto, Judy Stone, Mary Travisano, Debbie Trepkau, Anne Walsh, Robert Ron Werner, Marie Zimbile

