

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

May 21, 2017

Sixth Sunday of Easter



Saturday, May 20

10:45 am Mass at Heath Village with First Communicants
5:30 pm For Dino Marciani by Lennon Family

Sunday, May 21

8:00 am For Ellen Eichler by Rick Gebbia
9:30 am For Joan Bannon by Nyman Family
11:00 am For Joseph Sivilich by McGrath Family

Monday, May 22

8:45 am For Pope Francis

Tuesday, May 23

8:45 am For St. Mark's Parishioners

Wednesday, May 24

8:45 am For the Sick

Thursday, May 25 (Ascension of the Lord)

8:45 am For Peace
7:30 pm For Peace

Saturday, May 27

5:30 pm For Barry Sadloski by Holly Zimmerman

Sunday, May 28

8:00 am For Ellen Eichler by Madaras Family
9:30 am For Patricia Barone by Monteverde Family
11:00 am For tony Marucci by Barbara DiLollo

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE
May 27, 28, 2017**

Saturday 5:30 pm

Celebrant: To Be Determined
Lector: Tom & Sarah Hanifin
Eucharistic Ministers: Holly Zimmerman
Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday, 8:00 am

Celebrant: To Be Determined
Lector: Amy & Bill Barron
Eucharistic Ministers: Rick Gebbia, Mark Vetterl
Altar Server: Help Needed

Sunday, 9:30 am

Celebrant: To Be Determined
Lector: Sarah Murray
Eucharistic Minister: Eric & Sharon Woelfel
Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday, 11:00 am

Celebrant: To Be Determined
Lector: Dina Carmelengo
Eucharistic Ministers: Trish Mitchell, Mark Marschall, Nick Caruso
Altar Servers: Help Needed

FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

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

Memorial Day Flowers: In loving memory of Robert Stokes, Sr., by Stokes family

OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAIN PARISH

Saturday, May 27

5:00 pm Celebrant: To Be Determined
7:00 pm Celebrant: To Be Determined

Sunday, May 28

7:45 am Celebrant: To Be Determined
9:15 am Celebrant: To Be Determined
10:45 am Celebrant: To Be Determined
12:15 pm Celebrant: To Be Determined

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

Current Year	Last Year 2016
May 14, 2017: \$2,000 Envelopes used 52	May 15, 2016: Figures not available
Supermarket Gift Cards: May 14, 2017 Sales: \$1,600 Profit \$85 YTD Profit: \$2,701.50 # of Families: 9	St. Mark's Faith Direct Church Code is NJ484

FAITH DIRECT...

Do you have plans for Memorial Day? Are booking your summer vacations? Consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct to make sure that your gift can reach St. Mark the Evangelist even when you cannot. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: **NJ484.**

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!
God Bless You, Fr. Joe

LONG VALLEY FOOD PANTRY...

What is **THE** best gift for Mother's Day? Flowers? Jewelry? Nutritious food?

There are mothers in our area who would consider nutritious food for their family the most precious gift possible! So this Mother's Day, in addition to flowers or jewelry for *your* mother, consider donating some non-perishable food items to the Long Valley Food Pantry. Other mothers will thank you. And so will yours!

Anything you can donate will be appreciated, but this month you might want to consider infant formula, baby food, diapers, cereal, and shelf-stable milk.

Spoiler alert: Next month – similar idea for Father's Day.



NOTE FROM FATHER JOE...

“Sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts. Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope.” 1 Peter 3:15

I always liked the above words that come to us from our second reading today. They speak of the need to place Christ at the center of our hearts and by doing so it leads us to possess a hopefulness that rises about the current realities of the world we live in. Living our life each day in Christ is a great goal that each of us can strive to achieve. We need the presence of Christ to guide us and give us wisdom as to the pathways we are to walk in life. Put Christ in your hearts and see what a difference it can make...Fr Joe

PERSONAL NOTE...

I realize each day the short time now that I have to be with you as your pastor. I read these words and I realize that placing Christ in the center of my heart does bring calmness to ones' spirit and helps us appreciate all the blessings we have received.

I am trying to keep up with my regular schedule as I try to find some time to sort out things in both church offices and in the rectory. I think I am actually doing pretty well. Each week I bring some things to my sister's place for safe-keeping and I have been trying to sort out the things that I will need as I move into a new phase of my life. The first communion celebration last Saturday reminded me that all our parish children are one of the blessings I count each day. They uplift my spirit all the time...Fr. Joe

ASCENSION THURSDAY...

ST. MARK'S --- no vigil mass - May 25 (Thursday) 8:45 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.

OLM MASS SCHEDULE: May 24 (Wednesday) vigil mass 7:30 p.m. MAY 25 (Thursday) 9:30 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...

Remember, God doesn't expect you to become wise and learn to make great decisions on your own. He gives you guidance. – Dynamic Catholic.

WHY WE ARE CATHOLIC...

We are Catholic because we believe: Holy Mother Church believes that she should celebrate the saving work of her divine Spouse in a sacred commemoration on certain days throughout the course of the year. By a tradition handed down from the apostles which took its origin from the very day of Christ's Resurrection, the Church celebrates the Paschal mystery every seventh day, which day is appropriately called the Lord's Day or Sunday. Sunday is the pre-eminent day for the liturgical assembly, when the faithful gather to listen to the word of God and take part in the Eucharist, thus calling to mind the Passion, Resurrection, and glory of the Lord Jesus, and giving thanks to God who has begotten them again, by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead unto a living hope. The Catechism of the Catholic Church 1163, 1166, 1167

ST. PAUL INSIDE THE WALL...

Speaking of Faith

Fr. Manning talks with Dr. Brian Beyerl, attending Neurosurgeon at Morristown Medical Center and Overlook Hospital in Summit and a Permanent Deacon at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Church in Morristown, about his encounter with and response to God and the integration of faith into work and life. Dr. Beyerl specializes in the treatment of patients with brain tumors, with both surgery and stereotactic radiosurgery (focused radiation). He is the co-director of the Cyberknife Stereotactic Radiosurgery program at Overlook Hospital. Register at www.insidethewalls.org. Madison, Wednesday, May 17, 2017 from 7:30-9:00 p.m.

YOU DID IT FOR ME...CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Rahim* was born in southern Iraq. Growing up, he loved cars and learned to fix them. As an adult, he got a job with a U.S. company fixing machines. When insurgents discovered that Rahim was working for the U.S., he became a target. He was granted a special immigration visa and arrived in the U.S. in 2012. Catholic Charities helped him resettle and now he is not only working but also studying at a university. He is grateful to Catholic Charities for the opportunity to live free from death threats and to start a new life. In 2015, Catholic Charities agencies helped 14,350 refugees achieve self-sufficiency. To learn more, Visit www.CatholicCharitiesUSA.org

FIRST EUCHARIST...

We are so happy for our 2nd grade boys and girls, who received their First Eucharist last Saturday, May 13th. A special thanks to Fr. Joe, Fr. Dan and Deacon Jim Jones for celebrating our beautiful mass. Special thanks to the parents who have led their children; thus far, on their faith journey, and to all of the catechists who so lovingly guided them through to their special day. Of course none of this would be possible without the dedication of Mrs. Nowak, all those who served as Eucharistic Ministers, Lector, altar server and choir members, we are blessed to have you with us to love and worship as a parish community! Thanks also, to the Laucella family for providing us with special décor and with the “burst” of surprise at the end! God bless you all! Sue Reilly

OLM BOOK CLUB MEETING REMINDER...

Our next scheduled meeting at OLM is Wednesday, May 24th at 7pm. We will be discussing "Jesus, the Evangelist" by Allan Wright. We will have the privilege of having the author speak to us at our June Meeting thanks to member, Renny Hodgkins. Please join us Wednesday evening even if you have not read the book but think you'd like to do so for the one Mr. Wright will be addressing. It's also a good time to meet the other members or ask questions about our group before we reconvene in the fall. Please email jcmariem.192@gmail.com or solomoja@me.com for more info.

SAVE THE DATE...FATHER JOE'S LAST WEEKEND...

At our last Pastoral Advisory Council meeting, the members asked me to put a “Save the Date” announcement in the bulletin for **Sunday June 25th**. This will be my last Sunday at St Mark's before my retirement. I agreed that we should have another “**Pot Luck Lunch**” **after the 11 a.m. mass**. This will give me a change to say goodbye to you in a more informal setting than any type of big dinner. After ten years, I hope you know that a Pot Luck Lunch would be just what I would like. We have always attempted to do things to build up our community and the self-made lunches have been fun and helped us make connections with one another. So **Save the Date**. You will soon see a sign up poster board in the gathering space with different food items assigned by the first letter of your last name.

YOU ARE INVITED...St. Paul's Inside the Walls...

We are pleased to announce that St. Paul Inside the Walls will host the fourth Benedict Institute from **June 26-28, 2017**. The Institute will be taught by Rev. Johann Roten, S.M., a renowned Marian scholar and former student of Pope Benedict XVI. He has headed the International Marian Research Institute/Marian Library at the University of Dayton and is currently the Director of Research and Special Projects at the University. This year's Institute is entitled, *Mary: Mother of Jesus and Model Disciple*. The **three-day Institute** will run from 10:30am-2:30pm each day.

The cost to participants for the three days is \$125.00 per person, due to the generous gift of an anonymous benefactor. Lunch is included in the cost of tuition. Space is limited, so I urge you to go to our website www.insidethewalls.org and register for this course if you plan to attend.

If you have any questions, feel free to call Allan Wright at (973) 377-1004, ext. 403 or email him at awright@patersondiocese.org.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM...

The Long Valley Knights of Columbus College Scholarship Program is now taking applications for 2017.

Information, details and applications can be found in the gathering space. The deadline for receiving applications is **May 29, 2017**.

Please contact Mike Lennon, mike.lennon@comcast.net, for any further questions.



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, Tony Atkins, Charlie, Natalie Rose Bassett, Kenneth Bernisky, Luz Bracero, Paul Buckley, John Callaghan, Bernie Cho, Arlene Cichlar, Hannah Clark, Emily Condit, Kaitlin Cross, Natalia Danilczuk, Krish Dharia, Catherine DiPasquale, Connie Elliott, Rick & Nicholas Fania, Larry Fine, Tracey F, Elaina Grace Gaffin, Ann Geary, Jerry Green, 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., Margaret Leon, Maryann Litoro, Ann Loughney, Wayne Marks, Anthony Marino, Norman Milz, Marie Molloy, Irene, Madelyn S. Maruggi, Raymond McCarthy Jr., Jonathon McClelland, Harold & Mary McKay, Betty Meyer, Kathy Minichini, Robert Neilson, Sr., Maryanne & Jack Newell, Girard Nolte, Jr., Marilyn O'Connor, Jim Owens, Dennis Paradise, Arlene Parikh, Nicky Pilosi, Clifford Reynolds, Jim Robinson, Ryan, Jillian Elizabeth Sayer, Jeff Schpiner, Margi Schuelke, Rhonda Soto, Special Intention, Judy Stone, William Thompson, Elizabeth Tomaszewski, Mary Travisano, Debbie Trepkau, Rev. Matthew Twiggs, Anne Walsh, Robert Ron Werner, Marie Zimbile

Every now and then we try to update our prayer list of names of the sick and special intentions. We have alphabetized the names in the hopes of making them easier to read. There are some names that we in the parish office cannot associate with a person who made the request to pray for them. Please look over the list and if you requested prayers for a person please either call the office or e mail Fr. Joe to let us know if you wish to continue to be on this prayer list.

Community News

A COMMUNITY MESSAGE FROM ORT FARM...

Our farm (your neighbor) is looking to spread the word about our 2017 Crop share program to locals within the community. The crop share program (called the CSA) is a weekly program where members pick up a share of produce from our farm every week for 20 weeks starting June and ending in October. To check out more about our program visit <http://www.ortfarms.com/csa-program>.

QUELLEN SPIRITUAL CENTER..

Applications are now being accepted at the Quellen Spiritual Center (350 Bernardsville Rd, Mendham) for anyone interested in becoming a Spiritual Director. Visit our website at www.quellenspiritualcenter.org or contact Sister Teresa or Sister Carol at (973) 543-6528. Applicants must be in Spiritual Direction for at least 1 year before applying,

EXPERIENCE ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN...

Come join the St. Joseph School Kindergarten (Mendham) with your preschooler to get a glimpse into the kindergarten school day. Spend an hour in our Kindergarten to experience first-hand our stimulating program, inclusive of the STEM curriculum, that builds confidence, fosters faith-formation, and prepares children for first grade. Call Mrs. Banko, at 973-543-7474, ext. 5, to schedule your visit any Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday during the week of May 21ST. St. Joseph School-National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence; AdvancEd Accredited. See brochures on the table in gathering space.

ST. PAUL INSIDE THE WALLS...Life in the Spirit Seminar...

Starting Monday, 7:30-9:00 pm. Remaining sessions May 22, June 3, 5, and 12th. 205 Madison Ave, Madison. We invite you to a deeper relationship with Jesus with the Help of the Holy Spirit. Come learn about the Holy Spirit that dwells with us, who helps us with His gifts and fruits. For information and registration contact Betty (973) 448-8847 epinsonault@gmail.com

A TASTING EXPERIENCE...

Parish Center at St. Mary's Church of the Assumption 159 Liberty Street, Hackettstown. Saturday, June 3 7:00-10:00 pm. Spend an evening with friends and enjoy wine, whiskey, beer and food. Appetizers, music, silent auction & raffle. Tickets \$35 are available by texting (908) 235-6107, or during store hours at Wine & Whiskey Country, 915 Route 517, Hackettstown, or call (908) 852-3320. Must be 21 & over to attend.

NEEDED:

Rental apartment with 2 bedrooms or one bedroom with room that could be converted to bedroom in the Hackettstown area. Call Emily (908) 645-3377 or Judy 908-399-7305.

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