

# Sunday Messenger



## Seventh Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

February 19, 2017



Love your enemies,  
that you may be children  
of your heavenly Father,  
for he makes the sun rise  
on the bad and the good.

Matthew 5:44, 45

### Mass schedule

Saturday (Sunday Vigil)  
4 p.m.

Sunday  
10 a.m.

Weekdays (Tuesday & Friday)  
8:15 a.m.

**Sick calls** — at any time

**Baptisms** — by appointment

**Confessions** — before Masses

**Weddings** — arrange 6 months in  
advance

### Parish Office hours

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. (Monday - Friday)  
Evenings - by appointment only

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*Santa Lucia,  
pray for us!*

**Saturday, February 18**

**4 p.m.**

- + Gina Nicastro ..... family
- + Linda Catino ..... Butch & Marlene Salvato
- + Geraldine Maratea ..... Michael, Ricky & Gina Ciaccia
- + Philly Levato ..... Hillock family
- + Frank Bruno ..... George & Josephine Castagna & family
- + Natalie Ramirez ..... Carmen & Josie Bertucci
- + Nina Mastro ..... Arnie, Darlene & John Ramirez
- ++ Joseph & Carmela DiPiazza ..... family

**Sunday, February 19  
7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**10 a.m.**

- + Geraldine Maratea ..... Nancy Mancine
- + Alice Dorchek ..... husband Len
- + Bre Paladino ..... Janet Ropke
- + Josephine Vitale ..... St. Lucy Senior Set
- + Angelo Capinegro ..... family
- + Elsie Cemenzo ..... Joe & Sherry LaMantia
- + Frankie Marasso ..... Marasso family
- + Angie Marasso ..... Marasso family
- + Margaret Jackowiak (birthday remembrance)  
..... Jackowiak family
- + Linda Catino ..... family
- + August Pintaro ..... Ropke family
- + Blanche Arnold ..... Ropke family
- ++ of Volpentesta family ..... Joe
- For health of Cindy & Dick Ryan ..... Pat Jackowiak
- For intentions of Steve Ryan ..... Pat Jackowiak

**Tuesday, February 21**

**8:15 a.m.**

- ++ John & Dorothy McCarthy ..... Len Dorchek

**Friday, February 24**

**8:15 a.m.**

- + Catherine Marie Bingham ..... Carmen & Josie Bertucci
- ++ Frank & Claire Dorchek ..... Len Dorchek

**Saturday, February 25**

**4 p.m.**

- + Gina Nicastro ..... family
- + Geraldine Maratea ..... Hillock family
- + Frank Bruno (birthday remembrance) ..... family
- + Joseph Weindorfer ..... Rosemary Bauer
- + Carol Stotler ..... Joe & Debbie Tito & family
- ++ Joseph & Carmela DiPiazza ..... family
- ++ of Bertucci family ..... Carm & Josie

**Sunday, February 26  
8<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**10 a.m.**

- + Geraldine Maratea ..... Theresa Martino
- + Alice Dorchek ..... husband Len
- + Anna Marie Calabretta ..... cousin Rose Marie
- + Josephine Vitale ..... Cathy Amato
- + Frank Bruno (birthday remembrance) ..... daughters
- + August Pintaro ..... Ropke family
- + Blanche Arnold ..... Ropke family
- + Martin Fitzpatrick ..... aunt Hardie
- + Lilian Cozzi ..... Butch & Marlene Salvato
- ++ Fred & Elsie Cemenzo ..... Butch & Marlene Salvato
- ++ of Volpentesta family ..... Joe

**ALTAR SERVERS**

- 4 p.m. – Sebastian Ayala, Kaitlyn DeFoe, Jose Diaz,  
Mikel Garza, Andrea & David Gallegos
- 10 a.m. – Victoria Gonzalez, Carlos Herrera,  
John & Joseph Tracy, Ogbonna Ugwu-Uche,  
Giuseppe & Teresa Ursetta

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

- 4 p.m. – Gina Catezone
- 10 a.m. – Maria Sheppard

**LECTORS**

- 4 p.m. – Roseann Jackowiak
- 10 a.m. – Elena Mancari



**LET US PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO  
ARE ILL AS WELL AS FOR THEIR CARETAKERS**

- Kati Kaup, Joe DiChicchio, Tony Giglio, Mary Mannella,  
Lottie Christiano, Humberto Perez, Connie Dastice,  
Annie Maggio, Jeanine Briatta, Nicholas Tobar,  
Dolores Levielle, Carol Ordzowialy, Gail Wodarski,  
Jerry Pizzotti, Ida Ruffolo, Maria Senerchia,  
Irene Burich, Kate Drost, Gianina Alberto,  
Paride Infelise, Barb Stack, Katie Santello,  
Pat Hoffman, Lizzy Kaup, Breck Neiswender, Jose Lara,  
Ofelia Lara, Fr. Nick Marro, Pat Petrizzo,  
Efen Leanos Sr., Carmen Llamas, Marie Floros,  
Janice Gio, Anne Kavalasuskas, Anne Rodig

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## DIVINE WISDOM

The Lord's message, through Moses, was to "take no revenge and cherish no grudge ... love your neighbor as yourself" (Leviticus 19:18). We might think, "Great in theory, but not always realistic!"

Then Jesus in today's Gospel goes even further. Take a slap in the face and then turn the other cheek? Treat enemies the same as friends? Again, we're tempted to think that those are nice ideals, but not very practical in the "real world."

St. Paul echoes Jesus when he tells the Corinthians that what passes for human wisdom is absurdity to God. Divine wisdom casts sunshine on the good and the bad, showers rain on the honest and the dishonest—without distinction. We must examine our wisdom and common sense to see how they compare to the wisdom of God, and make adjustments accordingly.

2017 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL  
COMMITMENT WEEKEND

This weekend, we will be conducting the Annual Catholic Appeal in-pew Commitment Weekend. The Annual Catholic Appeal is much different than a one-time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift payable in installments.

The ACA theme, "Love Your Neighbor As Yourself," was selected to remind us that our contributions to the Annual Catholic Appeal enable the funded ministries and services to share God's love with many others in our Parish and our Archdiocese.

Each pledge makes a difference because all Parishes participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our Archdiocese to deliver needed ministries and services. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

## ASH WEDNESDAY

The holy time of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 1. Holy Masses will be celebrated at 8:15 a.m. and 7 p.m. Ashes (sign of penance and conversion) will be distributed during both Masses.

## THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Could you walk a mile in Jesus's shoes? The Stations of the Cross bring us closer to Christ as we meditate on the great love he showed for us in his most sorrowful Passion. We can pray the Stations of the Cross alone at any time, but to pray it together during Lent is a very special experience. Join us for this devotion on Fridays during Lent at 7 p.m.

LENTEN DISCIPLINES  
OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

Lent is coming. We are looking forward to the feast of Easter and the great 50 day celebration of Easter. However, to truly enjoy something, like a feast, we need to feel hungry. If we are full, then we cannot enjoy that meal to which we are looking forward. This in a nutshell is our Catholic understanding of fast and abstinence. We associate ourselves with the suffering Christ in his 40 day fast in the desert. During the season of Lent, we spiritually give up something that we like. Then on Easter when we celebrate the resurrection of Christ and our Lenten fast is broken, we also celebrate with a family Easter meal with those we love. Christ loves us more than we may imagine. That is why he suffered.

**Fasting and abstinence on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday:** Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal. Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday and to abstain from meat all other Fridays in Lent. Youth 13 and older are to abstain from meat on these days.

**Abstinence from meat on Fridays:** Catholics refrain from eating meat on all Fridays, as an act of penitence. In the US, Catholics are permitted to substitute another penance outside of the season of Lent. During Lent, however, all Catholics are obliged not to eat meat on Fridays.

**Penance during Lent:** The season of Lent is a penitential time and should also be marked by some additional form of self-denial.

## ST. JOSEPH'S TABLE

We will celebrate St. Joseph's Table on Sunday, March 19. Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. followed by blessing of St. Joseph's table and altar in the school hall. Pasta dinner will be served from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. If you wish to help, please, contact Mrs. Longo at 312-515-8540. Free will donations are appreciated.

## ARE YOU A REGISTERED PARISHIONER?

If you attend Mass here regularly, we encourage you to register as a member of Santa Lucia. Registering makes the process much easier when it is time for infant baptism, religious education registration, weddings and when asked to be a sponsor for baptism or confirmation. Registering is easy! Visit or call the Parish Office (312-842-6115).

## **SANTA LUCIA PARISH**

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Religious ED classes for grades 1 through 8 are held on Sunday mornings from 9 until 9:50 a.m. in our school. The purpose of our Religious Education program is faith formation. Faith formation is an ongoing development of the whole person into the image and likeness of Jesus Christ. All Catholics are on the journey of faith formation. We begin this life-long journey in the waters of Baptism. The end of this journey is eternal life with Jesus in heaven. Contact Luisa Lynn for more info at 708-749-9568.

### **ONLINE GIVING NOW AVAILABLE**

A full church is a happy Church. However, for some, it might be difficult to attend Mass every Sunday. Some travel great distances to attend Mass but traffic and weather can be unpredictable. Being ill or taking care of a sick family member can be overwhelming. There are many family and work obligations that must be prioritized at times.

Your participation at Mass is crucial to the stable life of our parish. You can continue to provide your support for Santa Lucia online. We have established a flexible and secure system that allows you to give from a checking account, credit card, or debit card. Your contributions will safely be delivered to the parish and can be confirmed via e-mail or phone. You can give a single donation as frequently as you like. There is also the option to schedule automatic monthly or weekly offerings for convenience. We hope that online giving provides you with an easy solution when you would like to give to Santa Lucia. Envelopes will continue to be available.

Your support is needed for fulfilling the mission of our parish. Thank you for being generous.

### **SAVE THE DATE**

- **Wednesday, March 1**  
Ash Wednesday
  - **Sunday, March 19**  
St. Joseph's Table
  - **Thursday, March 30**  
First Reconciliation (Confession)
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- **Sunday, April 16**  
Easter Sunday
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- **Saturday, May 13**  
First Holy Communion
  - **Wednesday, May 24**  
Confirmation (at St. Jerome)

## SUNDAY MESSENGER

### RENEW MY CHURCH

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*For Jesus,  
there are no countries to be conquered,  
no ideologies to be imposed,  
no people to be dominated.  
There are only children,  
women and men to be loved.*

— HENRI NOUWEN



#### **PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS TO THE ALTAR**

If you would like to presents the gifts to the altar, please, see one of our ushers before the Mass, especially if a Mass is being celebrated for your deceased loved ones or for your personal intention.

#### **SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

Our Mass schedule is: Saturday evening at 4 p.m. and Sunday morning at 10 a.m. Please, be advised that there are English Masses at St. Jerome as well on Saturday evenings at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday mornings at 7:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. if your schedule calls for Mass attendance at an alternate time. Feel free to bring your Santa Lucia envelope to any of these Masses, and we will ensure your offering gets sent over to Santa Lucia.

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#### **WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

**February 12**

Envelopes (65)	\$1,502.50
Online giving (1)	\$ 25.00
<u>Loose Donations</u>	<u>\$ 160.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,687.50

(average gift \$23.14)

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