

**JULY 10, 2016**

**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**MONDAY – Saint Benedict, Abbot**

8:30 Joan Jurich Babrow req. by Mary Ellen Fornaris

**TUESDAY**

8:30 James Smolka req. by Kathleen Heck & John Kuntz

**WEDNESDAY – Saint Henry**

8:30 Linda Kristiansen req. by Felix & Teri McIntyre

**THURSDAY – Saint Kateri Tekakwitha**

8:30 Dr. Salvatore Conte req. by the Gang Family  
Carolyn Ambrosino req. by Family

**FRIDAY – Saint Bonaventure**

8:30 Esther Gillan req. by Elise & Tom Adams Family  
Laura Jean Tilton

**SATURDAY – Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

8:30 Dr. Salvatore Conte req. by the Gang Family  
Alfreda Zawidzka req. by her daughter  
5:30 Frank Diliberto Sr. req. by the Mattos Family

**JULY 17, 2016**

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:45 People of the Parish

9:00 Dr. Salvatore Conte req. by the Gang Family  
Mary Wojtal req. by the Picinic Family

10:30 Linda Wilbert req. by Gerri Ellis  
Beatrice Perri req. by her son and daughter

12:00 Norbert Small req. by Ann Jachts  
Goollee Gorospe req. by John & Rita Scanlon

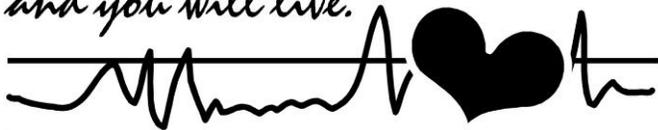
**NO 5:00 PM SUNDAY MASS DURING SUMMER**

There will not be a 5:00 PM Mass during the summer months. The 5:00 PM Mass will resume on the Sunday after Labor Day.

**PARISH FINANCES**

<b>July 3, 2016</b>	<b>\$ 9,178.</b>
<b>Parish Maintenance (H.E.L.P.)</b>	<b>\$2,304.</b>
<b>Amazon.com – April</b>	<b>\$ 78.</b>
<b>ParishPay – June</b>	<b>\$ 8,046</b>

*Return to God with all your heart  
and you will live.*



**REFLECTION**

**THE GOOD SAMARITAN**

The Lawyer asked: “And who is my neighbor?” Perhaps he was looking for a dictionary definition. Instead, Jesus tells a story. A man was traveling from Jerusalem to Jericho and was attacked by robbers. The first passerby was a priest. Surely he would be a good neighbor to the injured man. But no! He was afraid the man might be dead, and it was against his religion to touch a corpse.

Then, next comes a Levite. Surely he will be a good neighbor. But no! Safety first. I’m not getting involved. So he moves to the other side of the street and passes on. Then a third comes on the scene. He sees the injured man and his heart goes out to him. He treats his wounds and takes him to an inn where he receives the help he needs. Surely this was a good Jew in good standing to show up those religious leaders. But to their great surprise he was a Samaritan.

You may ask the question: Why a Good Samaritan? Why not a Good Jew? Because there’s a message being sent to us. What Jesus was telling them – and us – was that we can be a good neighbor irrespective of our race, color or creed. As you read the story, with whom do you identify? We would like to identify with the Good Samaritan who took the time to care for a person in need as his friend and neighbor. He saw the injured man and his heart went out to him. At our best that’s what we would like to do: to help someone in need; to give ourselves so as to lighten the burdens of another. Can you think of a time when you were the recipient of that kindness and help?

Where do we see ourselves in all this? As we travel from our Jerusalem to Jericho, how do we react to people in need? I mean people in our own parish, or place of work, or neighborhood. We might include people in our own family or home, for Jericho to Jerusalem can be as far as from our bedroom to the kitchen. Whenever we find people hurting in some way from illness or loneliness, poverty or senility, depression or rejection, we are called upon to make a decision. We either look without compassion and pass by, or we are moved by love and offer to help...like the Good Samaritan.

Sincerely,

*Father David*

## THE WEEK IN THE PARISH 7/11/16 – 7/16/16

Mon. – Fri. – Vacation Bible School

Mon.	6:30 PM Knights of Columbus	McKenna Hall
Tues	9:00 AM Scripture Sharing	Library
	7:00 PM Endowment	St. Benedict
Thurs.	6:00 PM – BINGO (Non Smoking)	McKenna Hall
Fri.	7:00 PM Filipino Mass	McKenna Hall
	8:00 PM – AA	Cassidy Hall
Sat.	9:00 AM Legion of Mary	St. Benedict
	8:00 PM AA	McKenna Hall

### KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those serving in the military especially: Richard Fox, John Garlasco, Brian McCarthy, Lt. Daniel Faherty, Joseph Venutolo, Cpl. Marc Vero, Sgt. Jeremy Overstreet, Kevin Michael Kiefer, Michael Krapels, Robert Stumpe, USMC, Staff Sgt. Jeremy Curcio, Staff Sgt. Lena Webb, Spc. Samuel Nolan, US Army, Lt. Jamie Curcio, Navy Reserve, 1<sup>ST</sup> Lt. Christopher Tantillo; Cpl. Conor J. Brady, USMC, LCpl. Marc Stanziale, USMC. 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Joseph Brunone, US Nat'l Guard. Please continue to pray for all our service men & women.

## LITURGY

### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading:** Deuteronomy 30:10-14  
Moses petitions the people to follow the commandments God has set before them. He reminds them that the laws are not in the sky or far away at sea, but are accessible to them and meant to be followed if they wish to prosper.

**Second Reading:** Colossians 1:15-20  
Paul discusses the divine nature of Jesus, and explains that Jesus was created before anything else. Everything else was "created through him, and for him."

**Gospel:** Luke 10:25-37  
While discussing everlasting life, a lawyer mentions loving one's neighbor as oneself. The lawyer then asks Jesus, "Who is my neighbor?" Jesus tells him about a man beaten by robbers, who was ignored by both a priest and a Levite before a Samaritan stopped and offered him aid. Jesus asks the lawyer who was neighbor to the injured man. The lawyer says "the one who treated him with compassion." Jesus encourages him to go and do the same.

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

### SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading:** Genesis 18:1-10a

**Second Reading:** Colossians 1:24-28

**Gospel:** Luke 10:38-42

## YOUTH GROUP

There will be no Youth Group during the month of July and will resume on August 8<sup>th</sup>.

### REVEREND BROWN SUMMER DRAMA CAMP

July 18-29, 2016, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Rev. Brown School for children in 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Cost \$300 for the first child, \$250 for a sibling. (Checks payable to Rev. Brown by July 15, 2016.) Please email Mrs. Wilgan if interested at: [evawilgan@revbrownschool.org](mailto:evawilgan@revbrownschool.org).

### CATHOLIC DIVORCE SURVIVAL GUIDE

Are you, a family member, or a friend divorced? There's no such thing as a *Catholic* divorce, but Catholics do civilly divorce. Give someone a copy of this bulletin to invite them to the *Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide* 12-week group which begins September 15<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in St. Lucy's Room. Cost is \$15 per person which includes a "personal survival guide" and all materials for 12 weeks.

The dates of the meetings are:

Sept 15, 22, 29  
Oct. 6, 13, 20  
Nov. 3, 10, 17  
Dec. 1, 8, 15

Find comfort and counsel consistent with Catholic teachings. Call Laurie DiCianni at 973-729-6107 or email [ldicianni@ourladyofthelake.org](mailto:ldicianni@ourladyofthelake.org) to sign up for this program. Space is limited.

### AN RCIA INVITATION

If you, or someone you know would like to know more about the Catholic faith, we invite you to join us at an Inquiry Session. Inquiry sessions DO NOT assume a commitment to join the Catholic Church. These sessions are opportunities to ask questions about God, Jesus, the sacraments and Catholic faith and practices. All who are unbaptized, baptized into another faith denomination, or baptized Catholic but have not received Eucharist or Confirmation, are invited. Inquiry sessions are for those who wish to inquire, explore, and search for ways to grow in relationship with God. For more information call our parish office at (973) 729-6107. Our sessions will begin in September.

*Glorify God*  
**GIVE THANKS**

**A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS  
HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly**

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 10, 2016**

“Moses said to the people: ‘If only you would heed the voice of the Lord, your God, and keep his commandments and statutes that are written in the book of the law, when you return to the Lord your God with all your hearts and with all your soul...’ ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart...being...strength...and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.’ He replied to him, ‘You have answered rightly, do this and you will live.’ ‘And who is my neighbor?’”

Perhaps the best known parable of Jesus, using the law of the first testament, tells us how we remain ‘connected’ a very popular expression. Whether we are using an iPad, cell phone or computer, being connected is essential.

I can ask myself if I really work at being connected - with my heart, my being, my strength and soul - to my God. Do I have the courage to approach the Lord as did the scholar of the law?

I pray, I keep the commandments, the beatitudes are a guiding force in my life, as I address the needs of my neighbor. How wonderful to live so well. But am I willing to take the extra step as portrayed in the person who treated the downtrodden one with mercy? Pope Francis has told us that when we have experienced mercy, it is then that we can exhibit mercy. We are all called to be the Good Samaritan.

**“NIGHT ON THE TOWN RAFFLE”**

The Cassidy Endowment is having its annual “Night on the Town” Raffle. The drawing will be held on July 25, 2016 at 8:00 PM. Tickets are available from Rev. George Brown Parents or the Parish Office. The cost of a ticket is \$5.00. A “Night on the Town” includes two tickets to a show or event of your choice, chauffeured transportation or an \$800.00 gift certificate to Wolf Lodge in PA.



**WE’VE BEEN ASKED TO ANNOUNCE**

**Theology and Philosophy Courses**

Assumption College for Sisters, 200A Morris Ave., Denville, NJ 07834, welcomes lay people to register for theology and philosophy courses for

3 credits or audit and any other course for audit.

\$510/course for credit, \$255/course for audit.

Th 101 – Sacred Scripture I – Tues. 9:15-11:15

Th 202 – Sacramental Theology – Thurs. 12:30 – 3:15

Th 204 – Spiritual Theology – Thurs. 9:15 – 11:45

Ph 205 – Historical Intro. To Philosophy  
Tues. 12:30 – 2:00, Fri. 12:30 – 1:30

For registration call or e-mail: 973-957-0188 Ext. 106 or [academicdean@acs350.org](mailto:academicdean@acs350.org)

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR –  
Dinner, Auction and Wine Tasting**

Sparta Ecumenical Council Food Pantry will be holding its largest fund raising event on Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at the Lake Mohawk Country Club at 6:00 PM (dinner at 7:00 PM). This event provides much of the funds required to provide food for the citizens of Sparta and Sussex County who are currently down on their luck. Ticket prices are \$55. With the exception of the cost of the meal, all monies raised go directly toward providing food for our clients. In 2015, the Food Pantry provided, bagged and distributed nearly 6,000 bags of food to 862 families. Total value of the food distributed was almost \$200,000. Please prayerfully consider joining us at this event. If you are unable to join us, a cash or check donation is always greatly needed and appreciated. Please be sure to mark your envelope “Food Pantry”.

**FAMILIES ANONYMOUS**

Does someone in your family have a drug/alcohol/behavioral problem? Can you see what this is doing to you? Families Anonymous Offers Free Help. Meetings are on Thursdays at 7:30 PM at “The Center”, 65 Newton-Sparta Rd., Andover Township, NJ  
Families Anonymous is a 12-step program for people concerned about drug abuse and behavioral problems of a relative or friend. Completely anonymous, nonprofessional, and nonreligious. No dues or fees. Not connected with any hospital, agency, treatment facility, religious institution, or political entity. Website: [www.Familiesanonymous.org](http://www.Familiesanonymous.org), email [farmonon@FamiliesAnonymous.org](mailto:farmonon@FamiliesAnonymous.org).

## ANNOUNCEMENT

We have been informed by the Diocese that the newly ordained priests who went to Poland after their ordination, will have to wait a few more weeks before they return to the United States. This includes Fr. Martin Bradke who has been assigned to our parish as parochial vicar.

The agency that oversees the application for Religious Worker Visas is understaffed and has an overload of applications. This means that Fr. Martin may not receive an answer to his application until September. Say a little prayer that everything works out alright for him.

## AND THE WINNERS ARE...



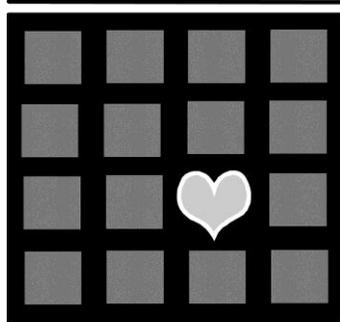
The names of the lucky winners of our Super 50/50 Raffle were drawn on the last day of our Carnival. The winners are:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize Chris Mulvaney      \$9,675.00  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Each                      \$ 387.00

Liz Taylor  
Sylvia Montero  
Mary McIntyre  
Msgr. Herb Tillyer  
Joanne Koenig

***Congratulations to you all!***

**Who was neighbor to the injured?**



**The one who was compassionate!**

## SAINT PAUL INSIDE THE WALLS CALENDAR

**First Steps In Faith** 11:00 AM - 12 PM

Monday, September 12, 2016

Location: Madison

Join instructor Cindy Costello for a 3 week session that introduces the "first steps" in the Theology of the Body to moms and their newborn-preschool aged children. Stories read aloud and age appropriate activities include: "*Everybody Has a Body*": a simple, fun introduction to the differences between boys and girls." *Every Body Is a Gift*: everyday situations to show young children how they can use their bodies to receive and give love to those around them, and *Every Body Is Smart*: a fun introduction to the ways our bodies talk to us and how we can respond. Moms will discuss ways they can further these topics at home.

**Speaking of Faith** is a series of programs in which Fr. Paul Manning interviews a person of faith about his or her encounter with and response to God, and the integration of faith into work and life.

Fr. Kartje - September 14, 2016 at 7:30 PM

Lisa Hendey - October 19, 2016 at 7:30 PM

Christopher Bell - February 22, 2017 at 7:30 PM

Deacon Brian Beyerl, MD-May 17, 2017 at 7:30 PM  
(You are welcome to join us for Mass at 7:00 PM)

**Being Single, Being Faithful (35+)**

**Moderated by: Mary Theresa Conca**

**Madison: Saturdays -Sept 24, Oct 29, Dec 3, Jan 7, Feb 11, May 13, 10 AM - 12 PM**

Whether single by choice or by circumstance, we must live every "single" day to the fullest. We can find fulfillment in Christ and His Church by embracing the opportunities in the Church for spiritual growth, meaningful service and a sense of community.

To register go to [insidethewalls.org](http://insidethewalls.org)