

JULY 29, 2018

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MONDAY – Saint Peter Chrysologus

8:30 Diane Lounsbery req. by Felix McIntyre

TUESDAY – Saint Ignatius of Loyola

8:30 Special Intention of Sophia Bailey req. by Winnie Charles

WEDNESDAY – Saint Alphonsus Liguori

8:30 Peter Cofrancesco (1 yr Anniv.) req. by Christine Cornish

THURSDAY – Saint Eusebius of Vercelli ; Saint Peter Julian Eymard

8:30 Eileen Ryan req. by Denise Aldana
Harry Sharpe req. by Arline Sharpe, his wife

FRIDAY

8:30 Domenick J Tarantino req. by Christine Cornish

SATURDAY – Saint John Vianney

8:30 Margaret McGovern req. by Family
5:30 Charles Hillenbrand req. by his children

AUGUST 5, 2018

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:45 People of the Parish
William P. Bosworth Jr. (21st Anniv) req. by Mom & Dad

9:00 Frederick Juhls Jr. req. by Arline Sharpe

10:30 Liliana Karpiuk req. by her husband & children

12:00 William & Kathleen G. Hassloch req. by Thomas Hassloch

PARISH FINANCES

July 22, 2018

\$ 9,920



REFLECTION

Jesus, the Bread of Life

If you want a key to understanding the Gospel of John, you could probably do no better than to focus on the word “sign.” In the first half of his Gospel, John recounts seven signs, or miracles, that Jesus performed. Then in the second half, he devotes all his time to the greatest sign of all: Jesus’ cross and resurrection.

In today’s Gospel, we see a large crowd following Jesus because they were impressed by these signs. Who else could turn water into wine or raise a dead boy with a mere word? They wanted to see more, and Jesus didn’t let them down. He performed yet another sign: feeding more than five thousand people with only five loaves of bread and two fishes!

Over the next few Sundays, we will hear how Jesus explains this miracle and how important it is for us. He’ll tell us that this multiplied bread points to the true Bread of Life – his own Eucharistic flesh, which he will give “for the life of the world”. He’ll tell us that this special Bread of Life is greater even than the manna that Moses gave the Israelites in the desert. And best of all, he’ll promise to raise up “on the last day” everyone who eats this bread with faith and trust in him.

These are only three of the many promises Jesus has made to us. He promises to be with us, to teach us, to heal us, and to lift us up. He promises to feed us with his very life, and after this life, he promises to open heaven itself for us. This is how good Jesus is!

Today is a perfect day to fix your eyes on Jesus, the Bread of Life offered at Mass, and thank him for everything he promised you. It’s also a perfect day to tell him that you want to keep following him so that you can receive each and every blessing he has in store for you.

From: *The Word Among Us*

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH 7/22/18 – 7/28/18

Sun.	1:00 PM Women's Social	Cassidy Hall
Mon. – Fri.	– Rev Brown Summer Steam Program	
Wed.	5 to 9 PM Uniform Exchange	McKenna Hall
Thur.	6:45 PM BINGO (non-smoking)	McKenna Hall
Fri.	7:00 PM Filipino Mass	McKenna Hall
	8:30 PM AA	Cassidy Hall
Sat.	9:00 AM Legion of Mary	St. Benedict
	8:00 PM AA	McKenna Hall

GOD IS NEAR



TO ALL WHO CALL

LITURGY

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: II Kings 4:42-44

A man brought twenty loaves of bread to Elisha the prophet, who told his servant to distribute it to the people. The servant asked how he could offer twenty loaves to one hundred people. Elisha replied that God had said, "They shall eat and there shall be some left over." After all the people had eaten, there was bread left over as God had said.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6

Paul implores the Ephesians to live a life worthy of their calling by preserving unity among all of Christ's followers. He reminds them that there is one body, one Spirit, and one God who works through all people.

Gospel: John 6:1-15

Jesus fed a crowd of five thousand people with five loaves of bread and a couple of dried fish. After everyone present had enough to eat, twelve baskets of leftover bread were collected. Jesus then realized the people would want to make him king so he fled alone.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

Gospel: John 6:24-35

MUSIC MINISTRY

Adult Choir practice takes place on Tuesdays at 7:30 PM in the Choir loft.

Contemporary Choir - Saturdays, 4:30 PM in St. Cecilia Room.

Children's Choir practice takes place on Thursdays at 2:45 PM in the St. Cecilia Room.

Vocal- Instrumental Group - contact our Music Director, Krzysztof Kowalewski at the parish office. *New and existing members are invited.*



SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

SCRIPTURE CLASS

Scripture class takes place on Tuesday mornings following 8:30 AM Mass. We meet every Tuesday in the Parish Library. Bring a friend as we all journey in our faith together. It will be an hour well spent.

YOUTH GROUP

High School & College Students Welcome
Monday Evenings
6:30-8:00 PM

9th & 10th Grade Confirmation Students & Parents

Current registration is now on the OLL website. We look forward to a wonderful year ahead! Should you have any questions, please contact Allison Ognibene at Allisono@ourladyofhelake.org. First Sundays of the month will begin again in September. The calendar for the upcoming Confirmation session is also posted on our website.

NEW DOGMA MEMBERS

Summer Intensive Sessions. Sundays, from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM July 29. The new DOGMA team members will focus on leadership skills, peer facilitation, and their personal journey with God.

DOGMA TEAM RETREAT

Paths to Peace - Friday, August 10 to Saturday, August 11 at the Mohican Outdoor Center. The team will be hiking part of the Appalachian Trail, and will listen to talks about peace, prayer, and trust in God. The retreat is to prepare the team for the Confirmation DOGMA retreats. Fee \$10.00.



ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

RCIA is for

- Those who have never received Christian baptism,
- People baptized in a Christian tradition other than the Catholic Church, and
- Baptized Catholics who have not yet received the Sacraments of First Eucharist or Confirmation.

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our Catholic faith. We encourage one another to put our faith into action by living as part of our Catholic community, serving others, and praying. Our RCIA sessions prepare our participants to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation during the Easter season.

You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm, accepting setting. Sessions will be held on Wednesday evenings, 7 - 8:30 pm starting September 12th. For information please contact Deacon Jim McGovern at (973) 864-7669, jamesmcgovern34@gmail.com.

SUMMERTIME, VACATIONS AND MASS

If you are traveling to new territory and don't know the Mass schedule there, it is easy to find out. Go to www.masstimes.org and you can find the schedule for places around the country and the world.



WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO ANNOUNCE

World Apostolate of Fatima

Our Lady's Blue Army Shrine, located at 674 Mountain View Rd. East, Asbury, NJ 08802 invites all to Honor Our Lady's plea of Dec. 10, 1925 requesting Five Consecutive First Saturdays of Reparation. Saturday, August 4th "You at Least Try to Console Me". Special guest Speaker/Celebrant – Fr. Charles Sabella. 10:00: Confessions; 11:30: Rosary w/15 minute meditation; 12:00: Holy Mass; 1:00 pm: Enrollment in the Brown Scapular/Confession; 2:00: Holy House-Children's video' Talk on Last Vision of Fatima; 3:00: Divine Mercy Chaplet. Bring your family and friends to answer the call of the Child Jesus: "And have you spread through the world what our heavenly Mother requested of you?" Go to www.bluearmy.com or call 908-689-1700 Ext 210.

Kitchen Solutions to help DPD Catholic Charities

We have an opportunity to help the disabled of our Diocese. There will be a Pampered Chef Fundraiser to benefit DPD Catholic Charities. The goal is to raise \$3,000. This will only make a dent in the over \$26,000 in needs listed on the DPD (Department of Persons with Disabilities) Catholic Charities wish list on their website www.dpd.org. They need things from bookshelves to washing machines to carpeting. How can you help? It is easy. Go to [https://pamperedchef.com/party/DPD from August 1](https://pamperedchef.com/party/DPD_from_August_1), 2018 to August 8, 2018, click on the shop tab, look at the products and place an order to be delivered to your home. Then enjoy your new kitchen tools that will provide the kitchen solutions you are looking for. The DPD will receive 15% of the sales from each order. Another way to help is to host your own party and they will receive \$3 for each party booked during this time. Any questions, please contact Holley Adams at ILLCOOK4U@YAHOO.COM or 862-221-9062. Feel free to check out her website at <https://www.pamperedchef.com/pws/hadams>

Saint Pio Comes to the Diocese of Paterson

Thursday, September 20, 2018, 8:30 AM to 6:30 PM. For information about the public veneration please call (973) 334-2090 or send an email to stpeterpar@optonline.net. Come and venerate the official relics of Saint Pio of Pietrelcina on the occasion of the 50th commemoration anniversary of his passing. A mass in honor of Saint Padre Pio will be celebrated at 7:00 PM by Msgr. Herbert K. Tillyer, P.A., Pastor of St. Peter the Apostle Church.



SOCIAL MINISTRIES



Food Collection

SEC CHILDREN'S
SUMMER LUNCH
PROGRAM

The Sparta Ecumenical Council Children's Summer Lunch items will be collected on the following weekends:

July 28-29

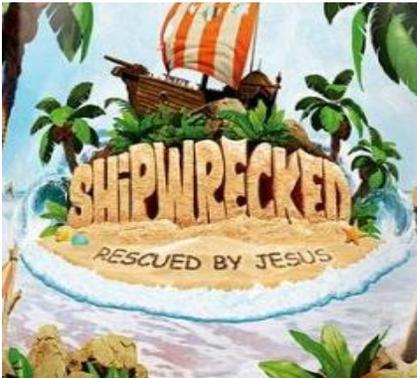
August 25-26

Items such as cans of tuna, soup, fruit, meal-in-a-can, Jell-O, pudding, cereal, mac & cheese, cookies, etc. are most appreciated. Please place your donations in the Food Pantry closet in Cassidy Hall.

Thank you to all who have been donating to this program so generously.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

DON'T GET SHIPWRECKED!



LET JESUS BE YOUR ANCHOR!

Join us for Vacation Bible School this summer
Monday - Friday, August 6th-10th
9:30am till 12:30 pm.

Children entering PreK4 – 4th grade. Prayer, crafts, games, music, Bible stories and an awesome snack time! Registration sheets may be found on our website or at parish office. Registration fee \$50/child. Make checks payable to: Our Lady of the Lake Church, Memo: VBS 2018. Mail or drop off at Our Lady of the Lake Church, 294 Sparta Ave., Sparta.

Adult volunteers who are Virtus trained are needed. Call Angela Bell at 862-955-0222 or email huntermenna22@hotmail.com.

AN INVITATION

The Parents' Support Group of Our Lady of



the Lake Parish invites you to attend a Day of Spiritual Reflection for parents of deceased children on Saturday, September 15, 2018 at the Parish Center. It will begin

at 8:30 AM and will finish 3:30-4:00 PM. The cost of this retreat will be \$15 per person or \$25 per couple and includes lunch and snacks. For more information, please call Judy Bosworth at (973) 729-4629.

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

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 29, 2018**

"But his servants objected, 'How can I set this before a hundred people?' Elisha insisted, 'Give it to the people to eat, for thus says the Lord, they shall eat and there shall be some left over.' And when they had eaten, there was some left over, as the Lord had said... When Jesus raised his eyes and saw that a large crowd was coming to him, he said to Philip 'Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?' He said this to test him."

The selections from the book of Kings and from Mark are quite similar, - a hungry people, a compassionate prophet and a tremendous sign. May we move from the first testament and the mountain miracle to today.

People today are starving throughout the world. Wasteful living traps us and blinds us to this reality. Community food banks, parish pantries, Catholic Relief Services address countless needs. We are asked to respond. We bring not the twenty barley loaves, but what has been offered to us as gift. We are asked to give not of our surplus, but of our selves.

There is another hunger as well, a hunger for the Lord. How many are seeking, and will find His satisfaction, only through our word, our example. Who fed you, bringing the Lord to you? Are you ready to be like the tested Philip and extend your hand of compassion? Maybe I can be the boy Andrew presented and give something of myself.