

SEPTEMBER 2, 2018

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MONDAY – Labor Day

Saint Gregory the Great, Pope

9:00 Providence Strazzabosco req. by Anne Rondo

TUESDAY

8:30 Ann Haas req. by Gloria Pineiro

WEDNESDAY – Saint Teresa of Calcutta

8:30 Rob Pearson req. by George & Cappy Daggett

THURSDAY

8:30 Matteo Morin req. by Anthony & Joanne Morin
Mike Morelli req. by Family

FRIDAY

8:30 Daniel Mulcahy req. by Betsy Sutherland

9:30 Kathleen Feinhals

SATURDAY

8:30 Clare & Norm Clark req. by their daughter,
Kathryn
Special Intention of Chuck Weibel req. by Anna
& Simon

5:30 William Connors req. by his family
Erich Leibrecht (25th Anniv.) req. by Ingrid
Leibrecht & children

SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:45 People of the parish

9:00 Rev. Brother James Austin Finnegan req. by
Liz Celmer

10:30 Stephanie Bronaugh req. by Mattos Family

12:00 Steve Swentzel req. by Jay Tirone

PARISH FINANCES

August 26, 2018

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REFLECTION

GOD'S WORD AS A MIRROR

In today's second reading, James compares the Scriptures to a mirror. When we read the word of God, or when we hear it proclaimed at



Mass, we often see ourselves in the stories and teachings it contains. Scripture helps us “discern

reflections and thoughts of the heart, both the good thoughts and the not so good ones. Scripture can expose our pride, confront our resentments, or uncover our deception, greed, or lust. But at the same time, Scripture assures us that God made us in his image. It convinces us that God loves us and that his grace is more than enough to change our lives.

But no matter how much grace God has for us, James tells us that it's not enough just to hear the word of God – not if we want to see any significant changes in the sinful areas of our lives. Similarly, just hearing the word of God won't result in a growth in our gifts and virtues. We have to be “doers of the word” as well as “hearers”.

James gives us a wonderful image to help make this point: someone who hears the word but doesn't put it into action “is like a man who looks at his own face in a mirror. He sees himself, then goes off and promptly forgets what he looked like”.

James isn't speaking about a poor memory here. He's speaking about poor priorities. People “forget” Scripture because they have placed other priorities ahead of following the Lord.

The word of God does have the power to help us – but only to the degree that we cooperate with it. So be sure to read Scripture each day. But also be sure to write down one action step you can take based on what you have read. Then, dedicate your day to taking that one step at every opportunity. Let it help you say no to sin and yes to God today. If you do, you will be “blessed” beyond your expectations!

From: *The Word Among Us*



THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH 9/2/18 – 9/8/18

Mon.	6:30 PM Knights of Columbus	McKenna Hall
Wed.	7:00 PM RB Back to School PreK-2 nd	
Thur.	6:45 PM BINGO (non-smoking)	McKenna Hall
	7:00 PM Women's Cornerstone	St. Joseph
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
Sun.	9:30-12:00 Catechist Workshop	

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First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Moses tells the people to always observe the statutes God has given them, without adding or subtracting from these laws. He reminds them that the law is just, and that any nation who heard their statutes would consider them a wise nation.

Second Reading: James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

James discusses the gifts that God has given to all people and implores them to respond by welcoming the words of truth that can save them. He emphasizes that through good deeds and pure conduct, our faith in God is proven to him.

Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The Pharisees observed some of Jesus' disciples eating without first purifying their hands and ask the disciples why they are going against their ancestor's traditions. Jesus responds that nothing from the outside can make a person impure. The only true evil, acts such as fornication, murder, and greed among others, come from within and make a person impure.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

Second Reading: James 2:1-5

Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

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

CATECHISTS NEEDED



As the new school year is quickly approaching, we are in dire need of catechists to share and teach the faith for grades 5, 6, 9, and 10. Please contact the religious office to volunteer.

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

CALLING HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS! YOUTH GROUP RESUMES

Come to the youth group on Mondays from 6:30 to 8 pm. Meet new friends, enjoy activities and strengthen your faith.

**There will not be youth group on Labor Day,
Monday, September 3**

9th & 10th Grade

Confirmation Students & Parents

Current registration may be found 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.

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

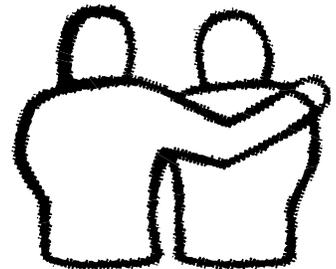
AN INVITATION

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.





THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

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.

WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO ANNOUNCE

NJ Conservatory Symphonic Chorus

This December will be our 31st performance of Handel's 'Messiah' with full orchestra. We invite teens and adults to join our Symphonic Chorus – no audition required. Rehearsal begin Monday, September 10, 2018 at 8:00 PM (registration 7:30 PM) at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 215 Boulevard, Mountain Lake, NJ. There will also be a spring concert TBA. For information please call Conservatory at (973) 402-2004. Visit our website: newjerseyconservatory.com.

Visiting Nurse Association of Norther New Jersey (VNA)

Community Outreach Programs

Speakers Bureau, ///VNA provides free presentations on topics important to your group such as Caring for the Caregiver, Diabetes and You, Home Safety & Fall Prevention, and Understanding Hospice. To schedule a presentation, contact Mary Avenoso at (973) 451-4159 or mavenoso@vnannj.org or Jaime Bennett at (973) 451-4161 or jbennett@vnannj.org.

Community Flu Clinics

One call to VNA and you can schedule an on-site flue clinic for your organization. Please contact Kaitlyn Casamento at (973) 451-4148 or kcasamento@vnannj.org or Billie Goon at (973) 451-4119 or bgoon@vnannj.org.

Join VNA's Volunteer Team. Calls for groceries, Hospice, Friendly Visitors, Junior Helping Seniors and Friendship House Social Adult Day Care. For more information, please contact Rachel Enderle, Volunteer Coordinator, at (73) 451-4128 or renderle@vnannj.org.

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.

Those who attend are encouraged to bring articles of devotion (rosaries, holy cards, pictures of loved ones, etc.) which may be touched to the reliquaries as a means of intercessory prayer. A Mass in honor of each saint will be celebrated at each parish each day.

THE RELICS OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA



Saint Anthony's Relics Visit Diocese of Paterson

Thursday 10/4, Saturday 10/13, Sunday, 10/14

St. Anthony will be visiting five parishes in the form of two precious relics from his Basilica in Padua, Italy. The relics will be accompanied by Friar Mario Conte.

Thursday, October 4th

St. Anthony of Padua Church, Butler (10:00 AM to 1:30 PM & 6:00 to 8:00 PM)

Saturday, October 13

St. Anthony Parish, Hawthorne (9:00 AM to 1:00 PM)

St. Vincent DePaul Parish, Stirling (3:00 PM to 7:00 PM)

Sunday, October 14th

Our Lady Queen of Peace, Branchville (8:00 AM to 1:00 PM)

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, Rockaway (3:00 PM to 7:00 PM)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GOLF CLASSIC

Saturday, September 8, 2018

Rolling Greens Golf Club

Registration & Breakfast open at

6:30 to 7:45 am

7:45 AM Shot Gun Start

Golf, w/Cart, Breakfast & Dinner,

\$115 before Sept 1st.

\$130 after Sept 1st.

We're looking for sponsors. For more information on cost of sponsorships, please contact Don Reichert at (973) 729-3599 or Bill Rudloff at (973) 945-6049.

Make check payable to K of C Marquette Counsel #588 and mail to K of C Marquette Council #588, Attn. Golf Committee, P.O. Box 588, Sparta, NJ 07871

SILVER AND GOLD ANNIVERSARY MASS

Couples, were you married in 1968 or 1993? The Diocese of Paterson invites you to celebrate your



25th or 50th wedding anniversary during a special Mass to be offered at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson, NJ. Bishop Serratelli will serve as main celebrant on this joyful occasion to be held on

Sunday, November 4, 2018 at 3:30 PM.

Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office. The deadline to register is Friday, October 12, 2018. You will receive additional information from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed. *Congratulations on this joyous occasion!*



HAPPY LABOR DAY

Have a Happy, Safe Labor Day.

Mass will be at 9:00 AM.

*The Parish Office will be closed on
Monday, September 3rd
in observance of the holiday.*

17th Annual Critical Life Issues Conference

Saturday, October 20, 2018

8:30 AM to 3:30 PM

St. John Neumann Pastoral Center

146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway, NJ 08854

The Diocese of Metuchen in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Newark presents the 2018 Critical Life Issues Conference. The Most Reverend James F. Checchio, JCL, MBA, Bishop of Metuchen, will be the Celebrant and Homilist. All are welcome to attend. Expert speakers will address Humane Vitae at 50 years – Back to the Future” The Beauty and Wisdom of God’s Design: A Millennial’s Perspective” From Death to Life: A Conversion Story – Becoming Missionary Disciple for Life: Cost \$25 includes lunch and handouts. For more information contact the Diocese of Metuchen’s Office of Human Life and Dignity (732) 562-1990 ext 1629 or 1543. Register: diomethuchen.org/critical-life

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

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time September 2, 2018

“All good giving and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights... Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls. Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to care for the orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep yourself unstained by the world.”

As we reflect on the word each week, we are encouraged to not just hear or read, but to decide how it directs me to live it and put it into practice. From the first page of the bible, care for the oppressed, widows and orphans was a key measure for being a faithful person. The history of the church celebrates the heroes who reached out to the needy, beginning in the Acts of the Apostles. Saints like Vincent de Paul, Mother Katherine Drexler, saw needs and acted upon them.

In his exhortation ‘Rejoice and Be Glad’ Pope Francis indicates that the Beatitudes are our identity card. So if anyone asks ‘What must I do to be a good Christian?’ the answer is clear. We have to do each in our own way what Jesus told us in the Sermon on the Mount. Saint James and Pope Francis tell us ‘we are a people of the beatitudes’.

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.