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Mr. Joseph Neal

MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays: 7:30 AM; 9:00 AM; 10:30 AM
& 12 Noon (Principal Liturgy & Choir)
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 PM

Weekdays: 7:30 AM & 12 NOON **Saturdays:** 12 NOON
CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD AT 5 PM SATURDAY AFTERNOON IN CHURCH

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FOCUS ON THE MISSION

“There are so many things to do.” “We have so little time.” How many variations of these statements have you heard or even said yourself?

Actually neither statement is completely true. There are many things to do in this life, but really few things that are vitally important. Working, searching, conniving, and worrying our way to “gratify[ing] the desires of the flesh,” as Paul relates in today’s second reading, are really non-productive. So little time? When we take on the freedom that Christ offers us, we have all the time we need in this world, and even more in the next.

Elisha, the prophet Elijah’s chosen servant, was slightly befuddled about what he should do. When Elijah called, he returned to bid farewell to his parents and provide food for his people. Only then did he follow.

Jesus demands something different, something more of his disciples. He calls us to a single-minded determination to drop everything and follow him. Now, not later.

Sunday June 26th 2016

UPCOMING EVENTS

Independence Day
Monday, July 4th
One Mass
9:00 AM

Rectory Office
Closed

CHURCH HOURS

OUR CHURCH IS OPEN
MONDAY, TUESDAY,
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
7 AM – 5 PM
WEDNESDAY’S 7 AM – 4 PM
SATURDAY & SUNDAY
According to Mass
Schedule

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9 AM to 5 PM
Tuesday 9 AM to 7 PM
Wednesday 9 AM to 7 PM
Thursday 9 AM to 7 PM
Saturday: 10 AM to 2 PM

**The Rectory Office is
closed on
Friday & Sunday**

Rectory Office will be closed
for lunch daily from
1 PM to 2 PM

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD tells Elijah to anoint Elisha as prophet to succeed him (1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21).

Psalm — You are my inheritance, O Lord (Psalm 16).

Second Reading — Use your freedom in Christ to serve one another through love (Galatians 5:1, 13-18).

Gospel — While journeying to Jerusalem, Jesus speaks of the costs of discipleship (Luke 9:51-62).
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50:16bc-23; Mt 8:18-22
- Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-8; Mt 8:23-27
- Wednesday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19:2-5; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19
 Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
- Thursday: Am 7:10-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 9:1-8
- Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13
- Saturday: Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17
- Sunday: Is 66:10-14c; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20; Gal 6:14-18; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 [1-9]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: St. Cyril of Alexandria
- Tuesday: St. Irenaeus
- Wednesday: Ss. Peter and Paul
- Thursday: The First Holy Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
- Friday: Blessed Junípero Serra; Canada Day; First Friday

Remember your loved ones by dedicating in their honor this week's Bread & Wine / Sanctuary Lamp



BREAD & WINE
Offered for the Memory of Mary McBride

Offered by Kitty O'Donoghue



SANCTUARY LAMP
Offered in Memory of Mr & Mrs Oge Bellevue

Offered by Rita Bellevue

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY	June 25th	Vigil
5:30 PM	Mary McCory	
SUNDAY	June 26th	Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM	June McGowan	
9:00 AM	Charles and Edward Locklin	
10:30 AM	Michael Lang	
12 NOON	Parishioners of St Monica, St Stephen of Hungary & St Elizabeth of Hungary	
MONDAY	June 27th	Weekday
7:30 A M	Grace Bonaro	
12 NOON	Teresa Whelan (Living)	
TUESDAY	June 28th	St. Irenaeus
7:30 AM	James Bausamo (Living)	
12 NOON	Lilian Bosakowski	
WEDNESDAY	June 29th	Ss. Peter and Paul
7:30 AM	Monica Ponce Maneja	
12 NOON	Gerry Lugo	
THURSDAY	June 30th	Weekday
7:30 AM	Eric Watt (L)	
12 NOON	William Tetley	
FRIDAY	July 1st	FIRST FRIDAY
7:30 AM	Felimar Iletto Vilafuerte (Living)	
12 NOON	Cynthia Spilker Vilafuerte (Liv)	
SATURDAY	July 2nd	Weekday
12 NOON	Connie & Anthony Molesphini	
	Martha & Margaret McGowan	

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please remember in your prayers

Raymond Hooper, Kathy Baker, James Baker, Richard DeLong
 and All victims of Military Activity

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Please pray for our deceased parishioners and friends.
Ann Harkins, Robert Rivera, Dominic LoBiacco

"I've gone to prepare a place for you."
 Please pray for our deceased parishioners and friends.

SPECIAL DEVOTIONS**Rosary**

After all weekday masses

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Every Friday after the Noon Mass to 3 PM,
with Benediction following the Divine Mercy
Chaplet

Devotions

Miraculous Medal on Mondays after each
Mass

Divine Mercy

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed each
weekday afternoon at 3 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
5:00 PM on Saturdays

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Just a word

From Your Pastor 6/26/2016

Summer Mode

This past week we began to move into the summer. The school, after another successful year, celebrated its last mass with Fr. Joslin as celebrant. (I had celebrated the week before, but had a meeting with the Archdiocesan Pension Board, of which I have been asked to be a member.) Next year we look forward to adding a second class to yet another grade, as St. Stephen's School continues to grow. Thanks to all the teachers and teachers' aides, the head of the upper school, Ms. Nicole McCabe, the head of the lower school, Ms. Kathleen Murphy our principal, Caroline Walker, and of course all the parents that make St. Stephen of Hungary School the dynamic place it is.

Fr. Joe Francis

As I said at masses last week, the Archdiocese has rules when it comes to clergy assignments. The rule for pastors is: two six-year terms. Hence, in 2003 I was made pastor of St. Teresa on the Lower East Side. 2015 I had to leave. No questions. While for associate priests it is a bit more flexible (there are so few of them) the rule is 3-5 years.

Originally there were no set rules for international priests who come to work and study here. Sometimes they stayed in parishes for years longer than a priest of the Archdiocese could. Several years ago Cardinal Dolan began to change this, asking all international priests living here more than 5 years either to "incardinate" that is, to become priests of our diocese, or to return home. Many chose to become priests of this diocese, as Fr. Joe Francis did several years ago.

However, when you incardinate, you are governed by the rules of the Archdiocese. Fr. Joe Francis has completed his time here at St. Monica's – St. Stephen of Hungary – St. Elizabeth of Hungary and this weekend is his last weekend. Fr. Joe Francis and I have been discussing this for a while, but we did not know the details. As of the writing of this column, I still do not!

This weekend Fr. Joe Francis will be celebrating the 12 noon mass after which we will be having a reception for him at the back of the church so that we might wish him well.

Thank you Fr. Joe Francis for your years of service here: your Bible Studies, your masses and your scholarly sermons. You will be missed.

The Future

As the news of Fr. Joe Francis's departure became known, many of you have asked – who are we getting in return? The answer is simple: no one. Starting in August, Fr. Joslin and I along with Deacon Kevin Byrne and our weekend associate Fr. Jim Gavin, will be the clergy in the parish. Our new Pastoral Associate, Ms. Maryann Tyrer, will be in charge of religious education and will aid in the work, but of course she cannot say mass. Nor can Deacon Kevin. And Fr. Gavin is only available on weekends. So the weekday mass schedule will be just Fr. Joslin and I. Welcome to the future. The diocese once informed us at a meeting that the day will come when each parish will have a maximum of two priests. That day is coming.
Father Baker

Invitations, News, Thoughts and Prayers

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

An old and still vital treasure in our tradition is a document called the "Apostolic Traditions," giving us a snapshot of church life in third-century Rome. Its author, Hippolytus, describes the liturgical life of the church and records the actual texts of the prayers. The way he explained the various "orders" of the church was the basis for a major reform of the rites of ordination by Pope Pius XII in 1947, and later for the Second Vatican Council. Hippolytus tells us that a bishop had to be elected by the entire people, and that ordination had to take place on a Sunday in the presence of the people, the presbyters, and neighboring bishops. The bishop-candidate is ordained by the other bishops, who impose their hands on his head while everyone else keeps a profound silence, awaiting the outpouring of the Spirit. There is a prayer of blessing said by one of them, on behalf of all, asking for the Spirit and describing his ministry.

Later centuries layered new features on top of this liturgy, including the requirement for three bishop consecrators. Today, whenever a new bishop is announced (election by the people is no more), a kind of genealogy is provided, tracing his pedigree through the consecrating bishops down through the centuries to Peter and the first body of believers. Every bishop today can trace his office through his consecrators back to the beginning in a tradition called "apostolic

senior space

Very special thanks to all who attended our first Senior Ministry mass last Saturday evening. It was a tremendous success, with a wonderful reception afterwards. Special thanks to Anne Sabatini for coordinating the event, and for her group of volunteers who assisted in the preparation of the reception, and helped in providing useful information to those who came.

Our next Senior Ministry Mass will be held on Saturday, July 16th at 5:30. Please take the opportunity to join us and learn more about this exciting new ministry.

Religious Education

2016-17

St. Monica's - St. Stephen's - St. Elizabeth's
is beginning a religious education program this fall!!!

Classes run K through 8th Grade · Includes First Communion and Confirmation preparation.

REGISTRATION BEGINS June 1st!

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If you wish to register your child for Religious Education, please visit the rectory office. Sacramental records are required for registration.

SUMMER SPIRITUALITY

Come and join us for our summer program of study, reflection and conversation about Pope Francis and his recent Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation "The Joy of Love" (Amoris Letitia) conducted by Fr. Jim Dugan, S.J. He has been teaching Philosophy and serving as an Associate Campus Minister at Canisius College in Buffalo and will be returning to Rome, Italy and the Pontifical Biblical Institute in September to assist in the Library and the Publishing House. The program will be on the Tuesday evenings of July 5, 12, 19, 26. If you wish to join in please phone the Parish at 212-288-6250 or send an email to: contact@stmonicanyc.org.



SCHOOL NEWS SPRING-SUMMER 2016

Congratulations to our 8th Graders

8th Grade Class Trip to Boston

On Wednesday, June 8, our 8th grade class took their celebratory graduation trip to Boston, Massachusetts. The class and their chaperones met early Wednesday morning to catch an Amtrak train to "Beantown!"

When the group arrived, the first thing they did was take the "T" to Cambridge to visit Harvard, a trip made even more special since their teachers, Ms. Wang and Mr. Simbol, both have degrees from the University. After arriving back in the heart of Boston, the group enjoyed lunch in Boston Common, followed by a walking tour of the Freedom Trail led by Mr. Simbol. The students stopped at Paul Revere's House along the trail for a quick tour as well. The afternoon was spent on a Duck Tour around the city, which was unanimously the eighth grader's favorite part of the day. After a packed day in Boston, the exhausted group headed back to New York City to prepare for their final days as Saint Stephen students.

8th Grade Graduation

On Friday, June 10, our 8th graders graduated from Saint Stephen of Hungary School. We were honored to have Bishop John O'Hara at the graduation to help us celebrate. From his opening prayer, to handing out diplomas, it was a memorable day for everyone. The graduation featured two student speakers, co-Valedictorians Margaret Casson and Ursula Vudrag, who reflected on their days at Saint Stephen and looked ahead to new adventures in high school. The graduation speaker was Tony Oroszlany, the President of Loyola High School, who shared his advice to the graduates and their families as they prepare for the next step. The day was filled with cheers, smiles, and certainly some tears, as the graduates ended their days at Saint Stephen. However, they are looking forward to High School and all that it has to offer.

8th Graders Off to High School

8th Graders from Saint Stephen of Hungary School will be attending the following High Schools in

Cardinal Spellman High School

Mount St. Michael Academy

Cathedral High School

Regis High School

Convent of the Sacred Heart

St. John's Preparatory High School

Hewitt School

Xaverian High School

Honors Academy at Fort Hamilton High School

Xavier High School