August 13, 2017
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

From the Desk of Rev. Msgr. Hugh J. Corrigan:

For thirteen straight Sundays from June 25 to September 10 (August 6, Feast of the Transfiguration, is the exception) our second reading has excerpts from the Epistle to the Romans. Our Scriptural readings follow a three year cycle. We are now in Year A which features the Gospel of Matthew and Paul's Epistle to Romans. This Epistle is one of the seven authentic letters by Paul (the other six were probably written by the School or Disciples of Paul). What we know about Paul comes from these letters and from the Acts of the Apostles (written by Luke many years after the death of Paul). The Letter to the Romans is considered the greatest of the letters and greatly influenced men like St. Augustine and Martin Luther.

The Letter to the Romans is difficult to read. It is more like a theological dissertation than a letter. A.N. Wilson in his book "*The Mind of the Apostle"* advises us to read slowly, absorbing its extraordinary intellectual passion, it spiritual ardor, its clashing contradictions and paradoxes. Read it in the wrong mood, read it in haste, read it with a determination to strike common-sense attitudes. Romans can seem to better than gibberish. Read with patience, it is visibly an attempt to come to grip with the human condition. Unlike any of the Gospels, it sails straight into the heart of the deepest metaphysical questions: What is God like? Why was a Christ necessary? How can God be worshipped in a world full of pain and sorrow? What is Revelation? Are we to suppose to believe that God revealed himself on Mt. Sinai to Moses and then left it to the Jews to interpret the Divine Law for the rest of History?

I must admit that when I read this whole letter yesterday it felt like gibberish. I was happy that all the excerpts chosen for our thirteen Sundays were the best parts of the letter. But I am going to read it again and again, slowly. I will let you know what I have learned.

Stain Glass Windows– Scaffolding

Will be erected on the South Broadway side of our church in the first week of September.

Collection : the collection for last Sunday, August 6, 2017 was $3,692.00.
Thanks to your generosity we were able to fill 16 bags of groceries for the needy in our community. Once again thank you.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: When we gather here each Sunday, we know where we will find God: in each other, in the Word proclaimed, in the Blessed Sacrament. Our readings today will challenge us to find God in other places and at other times in our lives. Perhaps as we continue our celebration today, our prayers can be for the vision to see and hear God in our lives outside this sacred place.

Tuesday, August 15, 2017~ the solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Mother:
Is a Holy Day of Obligation ~Masses will be at 8:15am and 12:05pm in English and at 7:30 pm in Spanish.

Registration for 2017-2018:
Begins Monday, June 26,2017 through Saturday, August 19, 2017
Monday's, Thursday's and Saturday's ONLY

To register you must submit $25.00 deposit per child this will be deducted from your registration fee. If you are new to the program you need to submit a Birth Certificate along with a Baptismal Certificate and a photo of your child.

Registration for one is $95.00

Registration for two is $160.00

Registration for three is $195.00

Registration for four is $185.00

If your child will be receiving Communion this year the fee for Holy Communion is $75.00 per child.

If your child will be receiving Confirmation this year the fee for Confirmation is $95.00 per child.

Classes will be held on Saturdays from 9:30 am to 11:00 am. Classes will start on September 9, 2017

Parish Membership: All adult Catholics should be registered. We want to know and serve you and hope that you will become an active member of our parish community. Please notify the rectory of any changes in address, or if you are leaving the Parish. It is necessary to be a registered member of our parish for a minimum of 3 months in order for us to testify to your ability to be a sponsor for Baptism/Confirmation, witness to a Catholic marriage, or provide recommendation for a position at work or character reference.

Mass Schedule for the week of

August 13, 2017 to August 20, 2017

Mass are daily at 8:15 and 12:05 in English and in Spanish on Thursdays at 7:30pm

Below are the Special Intentions for this week

Sunday August 13, 2017
7:30 for the Parishioners
9:00 Honoria Hernandes, Jose C. Gonzalez & Lidia Aria — Maria Torres
11:00 Celina Antao — Esther & Eduardo Rodrigues
Monday August 14, 2017:
8:15 Hanada Carbon
5:00 Eve of the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday August 15, 2017: Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:15Hanada Carbon
12:05 Patricia Zamborsky — William Zamborsky
7:30
Wednesday August 18, 2017:
8:15 Hanada Carbon
Thursday August 17, 2017:
8:15 Nestor Domingo — Nerea Mendoza
12:05 Walter Moray — Rose Mary Moray
7:00 Jose Molena — Family
Friday August 18, 2017:
8:15 Mr. & Mrs. M.C. Baby
12:05 Ruth McMahon — The Bonano Family
Saturday August 19, 2017:
12:05 Hanada Carbon
5:00 Josephine Nowajeski — The Kunny Family
7:30 Sijimundo Pena — Aura C. Pena
Sunday August 20, 2017
7:30 for the Parishioners
9:00 San Judas Taddeo & El Nino Perdido — Angela Abreu
11:00 Juvenil Antao — Esther & Eduardo Rodrigues