

AUGUST 21, 2016

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MONDAY - The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 Michael J. LoVerdi req. by Clare Cronin
Special Intention for James Doran req. by Joan McLaughlin

TUESDAY – Saint Rose of Lima

8:30 John Sestak req. by Betsy Sutherland

WEDNESDAY – Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

8:00 Walter B. Dymarczyk req. by Clare Cronin & Family

THURSDAY – Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz

8:30 Gerald McClellan req. by John & Carole Taormina

FRIDAY

8:30 Matthew Cowell req. by Family

SATURDAY – Saint Monica

8:30 Special Intention for Marie, Hector & Andre req. by Family

5:30 Dorothy Cunningham req. by Fran Schwork
John Stanton req. by Jane & Bill Wintermute

AUGUST 28, 2016

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:45 Alex D'Arco req. by the Scanlon Family

9:00 People of the Parish

10:30 Francis Meehan req. by Elise & Tom Adams & Family

12:00 Carol O'Brien req. by J. O'Rourke
Barbara DePietro req. by the Salmeri Family

† Father Martin McDonnell will celebrate Mass on Wednesday, August 24th but it will be at **8:00** am because he must be at another parish for their 9:00 a.m. Mass.

† THE 5:00 PM SUNDAY MASS WILL RESUME ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH

PARISH FINANCES

August 14, 2016 **\$ 8,625**
Mission Cooperative **\$ 6,184**

There was some confusion about the second collection last week. The collection was referred to as for the Propagation of Faith, which is also known as the Missionary Cooperative Plan. The Diocese of Khamman in South India, where Fr. Kiran Kumar Medipalli has been assigned as director of Catholic Charities, will benefit from this collection. Thank you for your generosity.



REFLECTION

The Threshold of Faith

[Jesus] is the door. He is the entrance to salvation. He leads us to the Father, and the door that is Jesus is never closed. This door is never closed; it is always open and to all, without distinction, without exclusion, without privileges. Because, you know, Jesus does not exclude



anyone. Some of you, perhaps, might say to me: "But, Father, I am certainly excluded because I am a great sinner: I have done terrible things, I have done lots of them in my life." No, you are not excluded! Precisely for this reason you are the favorite, because Jesus prefers sinners, always, in order to forgive them, to love them. Jesus is waiting for you to embrace you. Take heart, have the courage to enter through his door. Everyone is invited to cross the threshold of this door, to cross the threshold of faith, to enter into his life and to make him enter our life, so that he may transform it, renew it and give it full and enduring joy.

In our day we pass in front of so many doors that invite us to come in, promising a happiness which later we realize lasts only an instant, exhausts itself with no future. But I ask you: by which door do we want to enter? And who do we want to let in through the door of our life? I would like to say forcefully: let's not be afraid to cross the threshold of faith in Jesus, to let him enter our life more and more, to step out of our selfishness, our closure, our indifference to others so that Jesus may illuminate our life with a light that never goes out. It is not a firework, not a flash of light! No, it is a peaceful light that lasts forever and gives us peace.

Pope Francis

THE WEEK IN THE PARISH 8/22//16 – 8/27/16

Tues	9:00 AM Scripture Sharing	Library
Thurs.	7:30 PM Women's Cornerstone	Cassidy Hall
	6:30 PM – BINGO (Non Smoking)	McKenna Hall
Fri.	8:30 PM – AA	Cassidy Hall
Sat.	9:00 AM Legion of Mary	St. Benedict
	8:00 PM AA	McKenna Hall

LITURGY

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21

Isaiah portrays a time when people from many nations will gather in Jerusalem and proclaim God's glory. God's messengers will teach many nations about God. Just as the Israelites bring offerings, these messengers will bring people from all nations to worship.

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

The Hebrews are told that God disciplines those he loves. When a parent disciplines a child, the child usually learns what is expected of him. The Hebrews are encouraged to face life's trials as a form of discipline, and attempt to learn something from them.

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

Jesus warns that the door to God's kingdom will be locked for those who ignored his wishes. Many people will come from all nations and take their place in God's kingdom. Others will not be recognized by God, and he will reject them.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

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First Reading: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a

Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

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 15th 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 to sign up for this program.

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, 1ST Lt. Christopher Tantillo; Cpl. Conor J. Brady, USMC, LCpl. Marc Stanziale, USMC. 1st Lt. Joseph Brunone, US Nat'l Guard. Please continue to pray for all our servicemen and women.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration forms for the 2016-2017 Sunday morning Religious Education classes may be downloaded from our website, www.ourladyofthelake.org and either mailed or brought to our parish office by August 31st.

CONFIRMATION REMINDER

All 9th and 10th grade Confirmation Registration forms must be submitted to our parish office no later than August 31st. All forms are on our website, www.ourladyofthelake.org.

YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group meets on Mondays at
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM in the Youth Room.
Come for fun and fellowship.
Bring a friend!

AN RCIA INVITATION

Your spouse is Catholic, and you want to be united in faith. You have a family member or a friend whom you sense is searching. You were baptized a Catholic, and now wish to deepen your commitment by receiving First Communion or Confirmation. Come - and invite that friend who is searching - to the RCIA Inquiry Session!!

When? September 11th, after 10:30 Mass on Sunday.

Where? Cassidy Hall (the meeting room behind the Church).

What? RCIA, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, is our Parish program for adults discerning a call to join the Catholic faith, or who have already received Christian baptism and now wish to complete the Sacraments of Initiation. We on the RCIA Team welcome you and look forward to joining you along your faith journey!

DEPARTMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

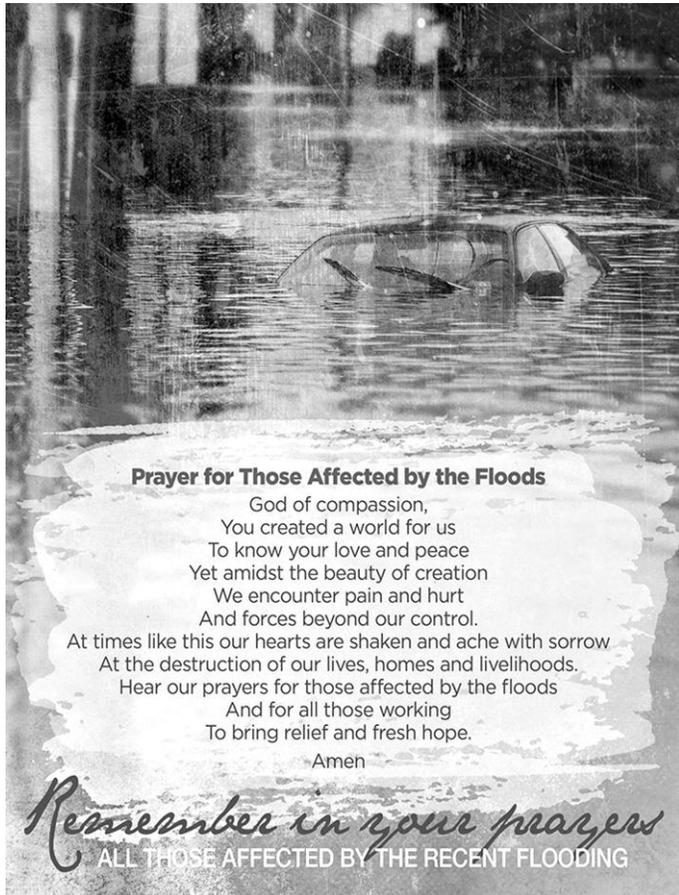
The Department for Persons with Disabilities (DPD) is proud to announce the fall opening of their Saturdays at the Center program (SATC) DPD is a nonprofit, Catholic Charities organization in the Diocese of Paterson that provides support for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.

This endeavor is designed for young adults with disabilities living in the community, who are interested in weekend socialization and recreational activities with their peers.

Education about group home and independent living is also part of the curriculum. Respite time for caregivers of the participating individuals will be provided, as the program is well supervised by experienced staff and volunteers.

SATC will meet Saturdays at Gruenert Center on Rt. 15 in LK Hopatcong and will run for a 12 week span. Meeting times are from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. The tuition for the entire program is \$120 plus minimal additional fees for special activities such as bowling or dining out.

They are seeking interested participants and volunteers for their fall start date of September 17, 2016. Please contact Patt Foth (973) 440-0983 or satc@dpd.org for further information or to obtain applications.



WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO ANNOUNCE

The Auxilium School

Choose the Auxilium School for your child's "First Steps in Faith and Family: Now accepting registrations for the 2016-17 school year! We offer a Year To Grow program in addition to our Infant/Toddler program, Juniors, PreK 3 and PreK 4 programs. We now offer a Holiday Program for our students as well. Registration paperwork is online at www.campauxilium.org or stop by the school; we are located at 14 Old Swartswood Rd. in Newton.

SEC Annual Fund Raiser

Dinner, Auction, Wine Tasting

The Sparta Ecumenical Council Food Pantry will be holding its largest fund raising event on Thursday, October 6th at the Lake Mohawk Country Club at 6:00 PM (dinner at 7:00 PM). This event provides much of the funds to help provide food for the citizens of Sparta and Sussex County who are currently down on their luck. There will be a silent auction and a 50/50 raffle. Ticket prices are \$55 (\$20 of this amount is a fully tax deductible donation. If you are unable to join us on October 6th, a cash or check donation is always greatly needed and appreciated. Your donation can be mailed to the First Presbyterian Church, Attn: Food Pantry, 32 Main St., Sparta, NJ 07871.

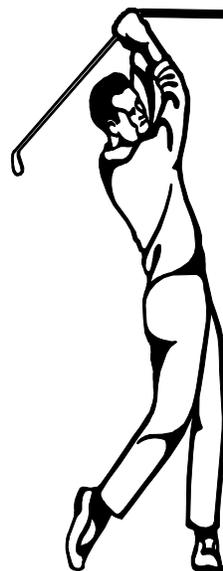
OLMC Tricky Tray

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Annual Tricky Tray, 20 Swartswood Rd., Swartswood, NJ, Saturday, Sept. 3, 2016. Doors open at 6:00 PM; drawing starts at 7:30 PM. Free admission and snacks! Over 200 trays, Specials and Special Specials. Grand Prize is a Laptop Computer with Printer and case! For more information please call 973-383-3566.

Pope John Hockey Clothing Drive

Pope John High School Ice Hockey team is having its Second Annual Clothing Drive. Dates are: Friday September 16, 2016 from 3:00 PM - 5:30 PM and Saturday September 17, 2016 from 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM location Pope John High School parking lot.

We are collecting gently used clothing items such as: Clothing all sizes, sneakers & shoes all kinds, hats, scarves, gloves, handbags, backpacks, belts, all bedding and towels, draperies & curtains, toys & games (all types smaller than 2 feet by 2 feet), stuffed animals & dolls.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GOLF CLASSIC

Saturday, September 10th

Rolling Greens Golf Club, Newton, NJ

**To Benefit Marquette Council #588
Charities**

**Registration & Breakfast
6:30 - 7:45 AM**

7:45 AM Shot Gun Start

**Contact Don Reichert at 973-729-3599
or Kevin Cavanagh at 973-786-5894 or
Bill Rudloff at 973-663-3972**



SAINT PAUL INSIDE THE WALLS CALENDAR

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.

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.

To register go to insidethewalls.org

DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE

The Diocese of Paterson Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, October 15 at St. Paul Inside the Walls in Madison. Join us from 8:30 am-1:00 pm for the opportunity to enhance men's spirituality and encourage them to be more involved with their parishes. Former NFL receiver, Danny Abramowicz; Peter Herbeck, Director of Renewal; and Pete Burak, Director of Young Adult Outreach for Renewal Ministries will make presentations. The conference will conclude with Mass celebrated by Bishop Serratelli. Visit insidethewalls.org for more information.

FAREWELL PARTY PHOTOS WANTED

Did you take photos of Fr. Greg at his Farewell Party? Would you be willing to share them? We are trying to put together a CD with the photos to give to Fr. Greg. Please call the parish office is you can contribute to this effort.

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 on the computer and you can find the schedule for places around the country and the world.



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

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"My son, do not disdain the discipline of the Lord, or lose heart when reproved by him; for whom the Lord loves he disciplines; he scourges every son he acknowledges. Endure your trials as discipline. God treats you as sons. At the time all discipline seems a cause not for joy but for pain, yet later it brings the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who are trained by it."

On the day of baptism, the father is instructed similarly, being told 'you and your wife are the first teachers of your child in the way of faith. May you be the best teachers bearing witness to Christ by what you say and do.' What a great responsibility, yet we can fail, if we do not know Christ, lack a relationship with Him, are not alive to the life of the church, and living fully the sacrament we are seeking for our child.

Discipline is essential, but the way it is carried out makes the difference. We need to learn how to do this. Perhaps the meetings of couples, parent meetings for religious instruction, or the Joseph Ministry, can help our parents, our fathers and mothers, to enjoy their ministry in forming our children. Maybe we never took that course. The Word of God today is our invitation to revisit our unique role as parents.