

The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

October 23, 2016

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saturday, October 22

5:30 pm For Peace

Sunday, October 23

8:00 am For Charles Eichler by Ronceray Family

9:30 am For Rocco Pecora by Uccardi Family and

For Deacon John Meyer by Tom & Marge Gibbons

11:00 am For Helen Lynch by Mangiarcina Family

Monday, October 24

8:45 am For Deacon John Meyer by Stella Walsh

Tuesday, October 25

8:45 am For Deacon John Meyer and Family by Eileen Moore

Wednesday, October 26

8:45 am For Peace

Saturday, October 29

5:30 pm For Margaret Burke by Burke Family

Sunday, October 30

8:00 am For Concetta Magnifico

9:30 am For Deacon John Meyer by Long Valley Columbiettes

11:00 am For Richard Savner by Fania Family

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

October 29, 30, 2016

Saturday, 5:30 pm

Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode, Deacon Bob Head

Greeter: Help Needed

Lector: Help Needed

Eucharistic Ministers: Help Needed

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday, 8:00 am

Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

Greeter: Help Needed

Lector: Susan Vetterl

Eucharistic Ministers: Help Needed

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday 9:30 am

Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

Greeter: Help Needed

Lector: Kevin Mullin

Eucharistic Minister: Help Needed

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday 11:00 am

Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode, Deacon Nick Ardito

Greeter: Help Needed

Lector: Sharon Donovan

Eucharistic Ministers: Sue Reilly, A. Roland, Daniel Dilizia

Altar Servers: Help Needed

FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

Altar Breads & Wine – In loving memory of Patsy & Philip Marchese by Marchese family.

Sanctuary Lamp – In loving memory of Vito and Marie Benardone by Corry and Benardone families.

Mass Candles: For Harmony in the World by Skoczylas Family,

OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAIN PARISH

Saturday, October 29

5:00 pm Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky

7:00 pm Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky

Sunday, October 30

7:45 am Celebrant: To Be Determined

9:15 am Celebrant: Msgr. Peter McHugh

10:45 am Celebrant: To Be Determined

12:15 pm Celebrant: To Be Determined

**ST. MARK'S NEEDS \$5,280 PER WEEK TO MEET
OUR FINANCIAL OBLIGATION**

Current Year	Last Year 2015
October 16, 2016: \$2,526 Envelopes used: 57	October 18, 2015: \$2,998 Envelopes used: 67
Extended Catholic Obligations: \$480 Envelopes used: 28	Extended Catholic Obligations: \$489 Envelopes used: 25
Supermarket Gift Cards October 16, 2016 Sales: \$2,220 Profit: \$111.00 YTD Total: \$5,217.50 # of families: 9	St. Mark's Faith Direct Church Code is NJ484

FAITH DIRECT...

Fall into eGiving through Faith Direct, which is the most convenient and secure way for you to make your weekly offering to St. Mark the Evangelist. Your automatic contributions through Faith Direct will save valuable time for both you and our parish staff.

Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: NJ484

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

God Bless You, Fr. Joe

FOOD PANTRY...THANKSGIVING

Yes, it's early to be thinking about Thanksgiving!

However, if you have something to be thankful for (and don't we all?), here's a great way to show your appreciation. Go to the supermarket gift card table in the Gathering Space and donate gift cards (or cash) for the Thanksgiving Baskets to be distributed by the Long Valley Food Pantry. These donations will be collected after all weekend masses from October 15th through November 6th (or in the office any time during normal office hours). Even though it seems early, the Food Pantry volunteers need time to do the shopping and distribute the baskets in time for holiday cooking. Non-perishable items can also be placed in the Food Pantry bins as usual (**canned** yams, pie filling, flour, sugar, stuffing mix – or other traditional items).

With the holidays coming up, you know you need supermarket gift cards for yourself, so while you're there.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.



THE PSALMS - A GOOD BEGINNING OF PRAYER AND MEDITATION:

Here are the first verses of Psalm 139--- *“Lord, you have probed me, you know: you know when I sit and stand; you understand my thoughts from afar. My travels and my rest you mark; with all my ways you are familiar. Even before a word is on my tongue, Lord you know it all. Behind me and before you encircle me and rest your hand upon me.”*

The Lord wishes us to be comfortable in his presence as he wants us to realize how much he loves and cares for us. He knows all we do - the slightest act of sitting or standing. He knows where we journey in life. He is conscious of every word we speak. He is all encircling of us with his love and rests his hand upon us to guide us. Are we always open to this loving presence and let God guide us each day? Or do we sometimes ignore or forget the close presence of God. Psalm 139 is a beautiful psalm read the entire psalm it ends with a good prayer for us to remember: *“Probe me, God, know my heart; try me, know my concerns, see if my way is crooked, then lead me in the ancients paths.”*

“BE RICH IN GOOD WORKS” – Annual Bishop’s Appeal for our diocesan needs...

Please respond to the bishop’s appeal... you will help many worthy causes within our diocese. Last weekend we had our in pew commitment thank you to the many who responded last weekend. If you were not here, there are pledge envelopes on the bulletin table. Please take one and fill it out and place it either in the collection basket or mail to the church office and we will forward it to the diocesan office. Thank you helping us towards our goal.

Your pledges help programs such as these... You Did It for Me When Holden* first learned of Catholic Charities Senior Aide Employment program in his town, little did he know that his dormant skills in gardening would be awakened. As an older adult on a limited income with no job, Holden seized the opportunity to be retrained. Providentially his talents matched a need at Catholic Charities. Now a part-time employee in the maintenance department, Holden tends to the flowerbeds at the front entrance, providing a special welcome for all who enter Catholic Charities seeking help, just as he did. In 2015, Catholic Charities agencies provided employment services to 75,701 clients.

A NOTICE:

American Christian School is pleased to announce the opening of their North Campus in Wharton for grades 7-12. Pre K-6 remains in Succasunna. American Christian School has rolling admissions and it is not too late to register your child for the current school year. For more information, please visit us at www.americanchristianschool.org, or call us at (973) 584-6616 to schedule a tour of either campus.

American Christian School is also holding a back-to-school benefit dance sponsored by Dance For Life. This is a 50's style family friendly event and is open to the public. The dance will be held on Saturday, 10/29/16 at 6:30 p.m. in our North Campus gym at 325 S. Main Street, Wharton, NJ. Tickets are \$5.00 at the door. Light refreshments will be available for purchase. Proceeds go to American Christian School.

A THOUGHT FOR THIS WEEK...

"The world is noisy and distracting. It is in the silence that we find God and our true self." - Matthew Kelly

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY...ends Nov 20 but God’s mercy never ends...

""Dear brothers and sisters, let us be enveloped by the mercy of God; let us trust in his patience, which always gives us more time. Let us find the courage to return to his house, to dwell in his loving wounds, allowing ourselves be loved by him and to encounter his mercy in the sacraments. We will feel his wonderful tenderness, we will feel his embrace, and we too will become more capable of mercy, patience, forgiveness and love."— Pope Francis

TODAY!!!!!!!!!!!! SUNDAY October 23rd CROP WALK...

A CROP walk is a community effort to help alleviate hunger in the world and in our local community. The CROP walk is sponsored by St. Luke’s, St. Mark’s, Our Lady of the Mountain and Messiah Episcopal Church in Chester, NJ. We have had a CROP walk in town since 2008. If you have never participated it is really easy. It can be a fun family day. We walk from St. Luke’s Church to the Middle School and back to St. Luke’s a total of 3 miles. The purpose of the hike is to raise money. A percentage of the money we raise is returned to Long Valley and we donate it to the Long Valley (CAP) food pantry which helps many people in need. There will be donation/sponsor envelopes on the gathering space table. All you have to do is take an envelope and bring it along with any sponsor monies to St. Luke’s church at 1:30 **TODAY**... The walk begins at 2 p.m. The walks takes just about 1.5 hours on average.

HELP FOR OUR “ISLANDS”...

Our Islands as we call them are scattered throughout the parking lot for the purpose of order in parking. Over the past 9 years we had various individuals and families help maintain these. There are some islands that could use your loving care. Some of the previous helpers have moved away and some retired. This is not a request for a lifelong commitment. If you or your family are interested in adopting an island please call the parish office. There is a person in the parish that is willing to coordinate the care for these

UPDATE ON THE ISLANDS...

We received a couple of response to our request for caretakers of the islands in the parking lot. There are still some that could use some caretakers... Call the office or see Father Joe.

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS...

I am an alumnus of Seton Hall University and because of that I get some vouchers that will waive your application fee to the SHU. If you are considering applying on line to Seton Hall please contact me as soon as possible. There are only a limited amount of vouchers...Fr. Joe (this does not apply if you have already applied).

BISHOP’S ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION FOR COUPLES MARRIED 25 OR 50 YEARS...

The Silver and Gold Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday, November 6, 2016 at St. Peter the Apostle, Parsippany. Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office. Registrations will be accepted through **TOMORROW Monday, October 24, 2016**. Information will be sent from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed. Congratulations on this joyous occasion!

SOME THOUGHTS ON THE POLITICAL PROCESS... Quotes

from the United States Bishops' document "Faithful citizenship" The Common Good... The common good is comprised of "the sum total of social conditions which allow people, either as groups or as individuals, to reach their fulfillment more fully and more easily." Human dignity is respected and the common good is fostered only if human rights are protected and basic responsibilities are met. Every human being has a right to life, a right to religious freedom, and a right to have access to those things required for human decency— food and shelter, education and employment, health care and housing. Corresponding to these rights are duties and responsibilities—to Ourselves, to our families, and to the larger society. The economy must serve people, not the other way around. An economic system must serve the dignity of the human person and the common good by respecting the dignity of work and protecting the rights of workers. Economic justice calls for decent work at fair, living wages, a broad and fair legalization program with a path to citizenship for immigrant workers, and the opportunity for all people to work together for the common good through their work, ownership, enterprise, investment, participation in unions, and other forms of economic activity. Workers also have responsibilities—to provide a fair day's work for a fair day's pay, to treat employers and coworkers with respect, and to carry out their work in ways that contribute to the common good. Workers, employers, and unions should not only advance their own interests but also work together to advance economic justice and the well-being of all. We have a duty to care for God's creation, which Pope Francis refers to in *Laudato Si'* as "our common home." We all are called to be careful stewards of God's creation and to ensure a safe and hospitable environment for vulnerable human beings now and in the future. Pope Francis, consistent with St. John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI (World Day of Peace Message, 1990 and 2010), has lifted up pollution, climate change, lack of access to clean water, and the loss of biodiversity as particular challenges. Pope Francis speaks of an "ecological debt" (no. 51) owed by wealthier nations to developing nations. And he calls all of us to an "ecological conversion" (no. 219), by which "the effects of [our] encounter with Jesus Christ become evident in [our] relationship with the world around [us]". Indeed, this concern with "natural ecology" is an indispensable part of the broader "human ecology," which encompasses not only material but moral and social dimensions as well.

WHY WE ARE CATHOLIC...

We are Catholic because we believe: The Christian Creed - the profession of our faith in God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and in God's creative, saving, and sanctifying action - culminates in the proclamation of the resurrection of the dead on the last day and in life everlasting. We firmly believe, and hence we hope that, just as Christ is truly risen from the dead and lives forever, so after death the righteous will live forever with the risen Christ and he will raise them up on the last day. The Catechism of the Catholic Church 998-

MORRIS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL... Come to our Open House and hear and see why: every student matters...every moment counts. **TODAY** Sunday, October 23, 2 pm. For further information contact Maureen Costello in the admissions office at mcostello@morriscatholic.org, or go online at www.morriscatholic.org to register.

CATHOLICISM FROM SCRATCH... 10:00 AM - 12 PM Saturday, October 29, 2016 - St. Paul's Inside the Walls in Madison, NJ Topic: Grave Matters: Questions about the End of Life - A course in Basic Catholicism for those who need a brush-up, those who missed it the first time around, or those who never heard it before. Register at <http://insidethewalls.org/events>



All- powerful and ever-living God the lasting health of all who believe in you, hear us as we ask your loving help for the sick; restore their health, that they may again offer joyful thanks in your church.

Randi Alloway, Richard Alvarez, John Andaloro, Tony Atkins, Charlie, Baby Natalie Rose Bassett, Kenneth Bernisky, Luz Bracero, Paul Buckley, John Callaghan, Arlene Cichlar, Hannah Clark, Emily Condit, Kaitlin Cross, Natalia Danilczuk, Daniel DePaul, Krish Dharia, Ellen Eichler, Connie Elliott, Rick & Nicholas Fania, Larry Fine, Tracey F, Elaina Grace Gaffin, Ann Geary, Barbara Gotterdam, Louie Gutierrez, Helen Greenly, Harper Lynn Granito, Regina Hague, William Heimsly, Bob Hodiern, Maria Dougherty Jante, Donna Jennings, Laurel Jilek, Claudia Kallmeyer, Kevin Kay, Russell H. Keller, Mary Koenig, Jean Koenig, Mara Lak, Christina Lanaris, Lenore, Margaret Leon, Maryann Litori, Ann Loughney, Helene Mackie, Wayne Marks, Anthony Marino, Norman Milz, Marie Molloy, Irene Madelyn S., Maruggi, Raymond McCarthy Jr., Jonathon McClelland, Harold & Mary McKay, Kathy Minichini, Robert Neilson, Sr., Maryanne & Jack Newell, Girard Nolte, Jr., Jim Owens, Dennis Paradise, Arlene Parikh, Nicky Pilosi, Clifford Reynolds, Jim Robinson, Ryan, Jillian Elizabeth Sayer, Rhonda Soto, Judy Stone, Mary Travisano, Debbie Trepkau, Anne Walsh, Robert Ron Werner, Marie Zimbile

Every now and then we try to update our prayer list of names of the sick and special intentions. We have alphabetized the names in the hopes of making them easier to read. There are some names that we in the parish office cannot associate with a person who made the request to pray for them. Please look over the list and if you requested prayers for a person please either call the office or e mail Fr. Joe to let us know if you wish to continue to be on this prayer list.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP RECREATION EVENTS...

Radio City Music Hall, Saturday, November 12th 1:00 pm matinee. Bus leaves Senior Center 10:30 am returning at 4:30 pm. Non-refundable fee of \$95 for residents and \$110 for non-residents. Payment due by **Oct. 31st**. Only 10 tickets left.

W.T.THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON... Monday, November 14, 11:00 am. Catering by Tony's Luncheonette and Valley Restaurant. Cost is a non-refundable fee of \$10 for residents and \$11.50 for non-residents. Payment due by **November 7th**.

W.T. SENIOR HOLIDAY PARTY...

Monday, December 12 11 am-3:00 pm Minebrook Golf Club, 500 Schooley's Mt. Rd. Long Valley. Delicious menu and the featured entertainment is the famous Joey Arminio and "The Family", and the Long Valley Middle School Orchestra. Non-refundable fee of \$17 for residents and \$23 for non-residents due before **December 5th**. To register send check payable to WT Rec to W.T. Recreation, 50 Rock Road, Long Valley NJ, 07853 or call (908) 876-5941

CRITICAL LIFE ISSUE CONFERENCE...

Sat. October 29 – 8:30 am-3:30 pm at St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway. Registration fee \$25. Register on-line – Information (732) 562-1990, Ext. 1543 or 1629. Lunch included call Judy (Ride) (908) 399-7305

