

Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will

January 15, 2017

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saturday, January 14

5:30 pm For Claire Murphy by Kathy Woeste
Sunday, January 15

8:00 am For Peace

9:30 am For Claire Murphy by Lennon Family

11:00 am For Deacon John Meyer by Sue Reilly & Peer Ministers

Monday, January 16

8:45 am For Peace and Justice

Tuesday, January 17

8:45 am For Vera Griffin by Bill Betz

Wednesday, January 18

8:45 am For Rose Eifu by Draghi Family

Saturday, January 21

5:30 pm For Joseph Forlini by Stolte Family

Sunday, January 22

8:00 am For Parishioners of St. Mark's

9:30 am For Mary Lucero by Maria Marione

11:00 am For John Cannon by Ciniewicz Family

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

January 21, 22, 2016

Saturday, 5:30 pm

Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode, Deacon Jim Jones

Lector: Daniel & Isabella Dilizia

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Scarda

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday, 8:00 am

Celebrant: Rev. Daniel Chajkowski

Lector: Jim Scott

Eucharistic Ministers: Carmen Veras, Austin Harvey

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday, 9:30 am

Celebrant: Rev. Daniel Chajkowski

Lector: Kevin O'Shea

Eucharistic Minister: Paul & Gina Tupaczewski

Altar Servers: Hannah & Sarah Tupaczewski

Sunday, 11:00 am

Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode, Deacon Tom Gibbon

Lector: Sharon Donovan

Eucharistic Ministers: Ed Michonski, Elizabeth Jasek, Angel Nowak

Altar Servers: Help Needed

FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

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, January 21

5:00 pm Celebrant: Rev. John Andrew Connell

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Sunday, January 22

7:45 am Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

9:15 am Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky, Deacon Bob Head

10:45 am Celebrant: Msgr Ray Lopatesky

12:15 pm Celebrant: Rev. Daniel Chajkowski

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

Current Year	Last Year 2016
January 8, 2017: \$ 2,981 Envelopes used: 57	January 3, 2016: \$2,657 Envelopes Used: 54
Supermarket Gift Cards January 8, 2017 Sales: \$2,970 Profit: \$148.50 YTD Profit: \$239.50 # of Families: 12	St. Mark's Faith Direct Church Code is NJ484

FAITH DIRECT...

The twelve days of Christmas culminate with the celebration of the wonderful feast of Epiphany. I am thankful for all the generous gifts that you provide to our parish, but I realize that you cannot be with us every Sunday of the year. Please consider using our secure electronic giving program, *Faith Direct*. *Faith Direct* will automatically process any offertory or second collections donations of your choosing.

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



Have you made any New Year's resolutions yet? (Have you broken any yet?)

Whether it's your first, or one of many, here's a good resolution to consider: Donate something to the Food Pantry every month during 2017. You'll be sure to have a blessed year, and you'll be helping others at the same time. And, you don't have to worry that you'll forget – the Bulletin will remind you every month!

For January, consider stews or hearty soups, hot cereals, canned fruits/vegetables, and medicine cabinet items such as Tylenol, cough drops, etc. As always, anything you donate will be appreciated.



In the Gospel St. John he writes about the reaction of John the Baptist upon seeing Jesus coming for baptism. He calls out in recognition that Jesus is the promised one, the Lamb of God, the redeemer and hope of all his people. The significance in encounter for us is that it reminds us that we too are to be people who recognize the presence of Jesus among us. Christmas gave us time to reflect upon the wonderful love that God has for us by letting Jesus be born into human nature. The reason however that Jesus was born among us, his birth was only the beginning of the sign of God's love. Jesus by his life, death and resurrection completes what Christmas only began. Once we recognize Jesus present in our lives, we are called to go forth and announce his presence to others. Our own baptisms were a sign of our recognition of Jesus. Our baptism like Jesus' sends us forth to announce the Good News. This is not a simple task. Some people do not accept what Jesus stands for. There are still people whose hearts have been hardened by sin and selfishness. To be a follower of Jesus, whom we recognize as God among us, means that each day our words and actions should allow people to see that we do all things in love because of the love that God has given to us through Jesus. This is not always easy. It is a challenging task to proclaim of the Good News of Jesus to a world that often does not want to hear it. But do not be afraid for Jesus is with us...Fr. Joe

ST. MARK'S POT LUCK LUNCH...NEXT SUNDAY JANUARY 22 AFTER THE 11 A.M. MASS

Plan to join us for this fun lunch that gathers our community together as the New Year gets under way. Our pot luck lunch is always a good time for friends to gather. We welcome especially new parishioners who joined our parish over the past year or so. This is really a great way to connect. Sign up on the poster board in the gathering space. Don't delay! We want to make sure we are prepared for the turnout...

ANTIOCH CANDIDATES RETURN...

This weekend our confirmation candidates participated in an Antioch retreat and will return for the 11 a.m. liturgy. At that time they will be formally enrolled as the candidates of our parish in preparation for the celebration of Sacrament of Confirmation by Bishop Serratelli on Feb. 25. Keep them in your prayers.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...

"Let each of us accept the truth of the following statement and try to make it our most fundamental principle: Christ's teaching will never let us down, while worldly wisdom always will. Christ Himself said that this sort of wisdom was like a house with nothing but sand as its foundation, while His own was like a building with solid rock as its foundation." — St. Vincent de Paul -- worked among the poor in Paris.



WHY WE ARE CATHOLIC...

We are Catholic because we believe: The flight into Egypt and the massacre of the innocents make manifest the opposition of darkness to the light: "He came to his own home, and his own people received him not." Christ's whole life was lived under the sign of persecution. His own share it with him. Jesus' departure from Egypt recalls the exodus and presents him as the definitive liberator of God's people. Catechism of Catholic Church #530

ST. LUKE CATHOLIC PRESCHOOL PROGRAM...

Registration for the 2017-2018 School Year will be held during the months of January and February 2017 Tuesday through Thursday from 12 to 1 pm at the Preschool. If that time doesn't work, you can bring the Registration to the St. Luke Office. Forms are located in the Gathering Room and can also be accessed on the St. Luke website at www.stlukeparishlv.com. Upon registration, a \$50 non-refundable check is required to reserve your child's enrollment. If you have any questions, please e-mail us at preschool@stlukelv.org

ROSES FOR LIFE THIS WEEKEND...

In recognition of the upcoming March for Life on Friday, January 28th, the Knights of Columbus will be distributing Roses for Life stickers after all of the masses and collecting voluntary goodwill offerings that will go directly to fund local charities such as CareNet and Birth Haven. If you would like more information on this year's March for Life, you can contact Pat Gibbons at patgibb@gmail.com or 908-414-0963



The Long Valley Columbiettes are having a "WONDERS OF CHOCOLATE" afternoon celebrating Valentine's Day on Sunday, February 12 from 3-5 pm at St. Mark's. Details to follow.

THANK YOU...

On behalf of the Department of Child Protection and Permanency, I would like to thank you wholeheartedly for your most generous donations to our needy children during the 2016 holiday season. All of the children truly appreciated your kindness. You did not have to give gifts to our needy children, but you did. For that, all of us at DCP are grateful. Thank you once again and we all wish you a happy and healthy New Year. Elena Fletcher

OLM BOOK CLUB...

Join us, Tuesday, January 17th, 2017 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Conference Room as we discuss the book: A Mother's Reckoning: Living in the Aftermath of Tragedy – a powerful and moving memoir written by Sue Kiebold, mother of Dylan Kiebold, one of the Columbine High School shooters. All author profits from this book will be gifted to mental health research.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

This reading is a short passage from the second song of the Servant of the Lord. The Lord will show his glory through His servant whose mission is to restore Israel and bring salvation "to the ends of the earth."

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-3

Paul sends greetings to the people of Corinth, who have been called to be holy and consecrated in Christ.

Gospel: John 1:29-34

When Jesus visits John, John recognizes Jesus as the "Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world." John further indicates that Jesus is truly the Messiah and "God's chosen One."



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, Natalie Rose Bassett, Kenneth Bernisky, Luz Bracero, Paul Buckley, John Callaghan, Arlene Cichlar, Hannah Clark, Emily Condit, Kaitlin Cross, Natalia Danilczuk, Krish Dharia, Catherine DiPasquale, 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., 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., Marilyn O'Connor, Jim Owens, Dennis Paradise, Arlene Parikh, Rev., Raymond Pavlick, Nicky Pilosi, Clifford Reynolds, Jim Robinson, Ryan, Jillian Elizabeth Sayer, , Jeff Schpiner, Rhonda Soto, Special Intention, Judy Stone, William Thompson, Elizabeth Tomaszewski, 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.

Community News

FEMALE SELF DEFENSE CLASS FOR TEENS...

Two girl scouts from Troop 94100 have created a no-charge female self-defense class for girls run by Washington Township police with the help of the Township Rec. Department. This class will teach physical techniques, security tips, and how to avoid potentially dangerous situations. Two 4 week sessions are available, one for grades 9-12, January 23rd through February 13th, and another for grades 6-8, February 27th through March 20th. All sessions are on Monday from 4:30-5:30 pm at the Senior Center, 34 East Springtown Road. If interested contact the Rec Department by either calling (908) 876-5941 or emailing recreation@wtmorris.net to sign up.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP HEALTH DEPARTMENT...

In cooperation with the State of NJ radon test kits are available at the reduced price of \$6.00 each (while supplies last). Price includes: test canister; instructions; pre-paid mailer; and lab testing. Results are sent directly to the home owner. Test kits are available at the Health Department, 43 Schooley's Mountain Road, Long Valley.

ASSUMPTION COLLEGE FOR SISTERS...

Looking to jump-stat your college career, fulfill your college core requirements, or gain personal enrichment during the summer? Consider taking an online course with Assumption College for Sisters from June 4-July 30. Courses are open to high school graduates and students entering their senior year of high school with the written recommendation of their guidance counselor. For more information, course descriptions and /or application form, contact academicdean@acs350.org or call 973-957-0188 Ext. 106. Assumption College for Sisters is accredited by Middle States Commission on Higher Education.

ASSUMPTION COLLEGE FOR SISTERS 16th Annual Caring Basket Gala! March 23, 2017. To honor Father Brian Plate, Eileen and Les Quick and Terry and Prudence Pigott for their service to Church, family and community. The Gala raises scholarship money for the Sister's education which equips them with the necessary pastoral and professional skills for ministry. For information, contact Patricia McGrady 973-957-0188, Ext 101 or email: gala@acs350.org

NEEDED...

Boy's winter jacket, pants and shirts, size 14-16 (husky)
Please call (908) 399-7305 to arrange for pick up.


