

Praise the Lord, my soul!

September 25, 2016

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions of the Week

Saturday, September 24

5:30 pm For Paul Bomely by Eufrasia Conca

Sunday, September 25

8:00 am For Pope Francis

9:30 am For Anne Ristich by Uccardi Family

11:00 am For Bill Dondiego by Stokes Family

Monday, September 26

8:45 am For those persecuted for their faith

Tuesday, September 27

8:45 am For the poor

Wednesday, September 28

8:45 am For those who teach children about faith

Saturday, October 1

5:30 pm For Anna & Walter Skoczylas by Skoczylas Family

Sunday, October 2

8:00 am For respect for life

9:30 am For Madeline Vieiro by Eufrasia Conca

11:00 am For Martin Lynch by Mangiaracina Family

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

October 1, 2, 2016

Saturday, 5:30 pm

Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode, Deacon Nick Ardito

Greeter: Help Needed

Lector: Daniel and Isabella Dilizia

Eucharistic Ministers: Joanne Lee, Mary Scarda

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday, 8:00 am

Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode, Deacon Bob Head

Greeter: Help Needed

Lector: Susan Vetterl

Eucharistic Ministers: Sue Clark

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday 9:30 am

Celebrant: Rev. Daniel Chajkowski

Greeter: Help Needed

Lector: Sarah Murray

Eucharistic Minister: Terri & Bob Baffuto, Steve Beggin

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday 11:00 am

Celebrant: Rev. Daniel Chajkowski

Greeter: Help Needed

Lector: Tori & Darcy Caracciolo

Eucharistic Ministers: Ed Michonski, Kevin Ramos, Nick Caruso

Altar Servers: Help Needed

FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

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, and For Peter Goodman, by Mom, Dad, Christine, John, Jimmy & Courtney

OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAIN PARISH

Saturday, October 1

5:00 pm Celebrant: Rev. Daniel Chajkowski

7:00 pm Celebrant: Rev. Daniel Chajkowski

Sunday, October 2

7:45 am Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky

9:15 am Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky

10:45 am Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

12:15 pm Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

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

Current Year	Last Year 2015
September 18, 2016: \$2,241 Envelopes used: 52	September 20, 2015: \$2,596 Envelopes used: 55
Extended Catholic Obligations: \$593 Envelopes used: 24	Extended Catholic Obligations: \$860 Envelopes used: 21
Supermarket Gift Cards September 18, 2016 Sales: \$1,400 Profit: \$70 YTD Total: \$4,760.50 # of families: 7	St. Mark's Faith Direct Church Code is NJ484

FAITH DIRECT...

With the arrival of autumn, I'd like to invite you to join Faith Direct, our parish's electronic eGiving program. Our to-do lists can get lengthy this back-to-school season, but Faith Direct's eGiving program will give you one less thing to remember each week - no more envelopes to find and checks to write before you go to Mass. 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 REMINDER...

Every child should have a good breakfast before going off to school. Please consider donating some breakfast foods to the Food Pantry so that every child can have a good breakfast! Some suggestions are hot or cold cereals, pancake mix, syrup, juices, pop tarts, etc. Of course lunch and dinner are important too, so anything you can donate will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.



TRI ANNUAL PRIEST CONVOCATION SEPT 26 – 29...

Every three years since about 1978 the bishops of our diocese have called all the priests to a special Convocation – three days of prayer, study, reflection, fun and fellowship. This year the priests of the diocese, Fr. Dan and me will be away from the parish. There will be a couple of retired priests who will be celebrating the morning masses and will be available for emergencies. Please keep all of our priests in your prayers as we gather to truly seek to make us better ministers of God's Word...Fr. Joe

A THOUGHT FOR THIS WEEK... Selfishness must be discovered and understood before it can be removed. It is powerless to remove itself, neither will it pass away of itself. Darkness ceases only when light is introduced; so ignorance can only be dispersed by knowledge and selfishness of love. –James Allen

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

"One should truly listen to the word, in the Bible, in the Gospel, meditating on the Scriptures to put their content into practice every day. But to scan the Gospel superficially is not listening to the Word of God: this is reading the Word of God, as if one would read a comic strip. To listen to God's Word is to read it and ask oneself: 'What does this say to my heart?' Only in this way, in fact, does our life change. This happens every time we open the Gospel and read a passage and ask ourselves: 'Is God speaking to me with this, is he saying something to me?' This means to listen to the Word of God, to listen with the ears and listen with the heart, to open the heart to God's Word." — Pope Francis

REACHING OUT TO OTHERS...BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL... BE RICH IN GOOD WORKS...

As you consider your pledge to the 2016 Bishop's Annual Appeal, it is important to know that the Partners in Faith campaign conducted in 2013 and the Bishop's Annual Appeal are different drives serving different needs. The Partners in Faith campaign raised funds for ministries outside the Diocese's general operating funds and included some endowments with an eye toward future needs. The Bishop's Annual Appeal, on the other hand, helps fund immediate, day-to-day operations of four important ministries and programs: Catholic Charities, seminarian education, our diocesan priests' retirement residence and our inner-city schools. With this in mind, please be as generous as possible to this year's Bishop's Annual appeal. If you have received the bishop's letter, please prayerfully respond today.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY AT ST MARK'S...

Come join us as we delve into Dr Edward Sri's new study *Follow Me: Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John*. Journey with us as we explore how each of Jesus' encounters throughout John's gospel is yet another loving call from God, persistently drawing us into deeper life-changing relationship with and in Christ. We will meet every Wednesday morning in the chapel from 9:15am til 11am, To register, call the main office or contact Lorraine Fleming at Lorraine@Flemingconstruction.com.

A SPECIAL INVITATION - SAVE THE DATE --- A SPECIAL EVENING AT ST. MARK'S --- TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27th 7:30 p.m. MEDITATIONS ON MERCY:

Please join us for an hour of prayer to mark this Year of Mercy. Jim and Coleen Caulfield, husband-and-wife team of "Mustard Seed Missions" will lead us in a presentation which incorporates music, stories, and art as they assist us in reflecting on the infinite mercy of God. Come and spend some time listening to what the Holy Spirit is saying to you about embracing the love and mercy God is offering. (<https://sites.google.com/site/caulfieldmission/>) See the flyer on the bulletin table and invite your friends.

BLESSING OF PETS...

Next Sunday in honor of St. Francis of Assisi (Feast Day Oct. 4) we will hold the blessing of pets at 12:15...This will give you a few minutes to get home and bring your pet back even after the 11 a.m. mass. This is a nice tradition that is done worldwide to recognize our pets as part of God's Creation.

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC...

A local doctor has volunteered to conduct a free blood pressure clinic at St. Mark's on Sunday, October 2nd in the parish hall. The personnel will be here from 9:30 until 1 p.m. Just stop by before or after mass no appointments. Dr. Okpala, MD of Victory Medical Clinic advertises on the back cover of our bulletin.

CALLING ALL MEN!!

On Saturday, October 15th from 8:00 until 1:00 the Paterson Diocese is holding a Men's Conference. You are invited to attend. Register online at www.insidethewalls.org. It promises to be an uplifting and enhancing time. Join with Danny Abramowicz former New Orleans Saint wide receiver, and others! Head counts are needed to prepare light snacks and coffee. For questions see Deacon Jim or contact him at cinjim1126@hotmail.com.

R.C.I.A. PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT FOR 2016-2017...

Do you, a family member or one of your friends have an interest in learning more about the Catholic Church with the possibility of joining our Faith? Are you already a Catholic who has not been confirmed or received your First Communion? Or do you just want to learn more about your faith?

If so, Our Lady of the Mountain and Saint Marks Catholic Churches will be beginning our 2016-2017 R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation) program on Wednesday October 5, 2016. If you or someone you know meets the above criteria and would like more information about our RCIA program call Deacon Nick Ardito at 908-343-8094 or the parish office at Our Lady of the Mountain or Saint Marks.

LECTORS NEEDED...repeat call!!!

I want to invite you to seriously consider becoming a lector at St. Mark's. Proclaiming the readings in church is an important and significant part of our liturgy. We will help you and prepare you for this service. Anyone who is in 7th grade up to an adult is very welcome. We have a great group but we can use some more to help us. Some of our younger people have moved on to college etc. Please consider it and call the parish office or contact Kevin O'Shea – the lector coordinator – his contact information is on the front of the bulletin...Fr. Joe

ALTAR SERVERS...repeat call!!!

Any boy or girl who is in 4th grade and older can be an altar server at St. Mark's we are in need of some new servers to replace some of our older servers who have gone on to be lecturers, Eucharistic ministers etc. Please call the parish office and leave your information and we will get back to you.

LONG VALLEY COLUMBIETTES CANDLE SALE...

The Long Valley Columbiettes will be selling Yankee Candles after all masses October 1 & 2 and October 8 & 9 in the gathering space. There is a beautiful selection available for the fall and Christmas holidays. The profit will benefit some of the programs we sponsor: high school scholarship for a graduating senior, veterans, food pantry, vacation bible school etc. Please stop by and check it out.

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

Were you married in 1966 or 1991? 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 **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!

WHY WE ARE CATHOLIC...

We are Catholic because we believe: Lay people share in Christ's priesthood: ever more united with him, they exhibit the grace of Baptism and Confirmation in all dimensions of their personal family, social and ecclesial lives, and so fulfill the call to holiness addressed to all the baptized. By virtue of their prophetic mission, lay people are called . . . to be witnesses to Christ in all circumstances and at the very heart of the community of mankind. By virtue of their kingly mission, lay people have the power to uproot the rule of sin within themselves and in the world, by their self-denial and holiness of life. The Catechism of the Catholic Church 941-943

ST. LUKE GOLF OUTING:

October 3, 2016 at Black Oak Golf Club; a private golf course in Long Valley, New Jersey. We are delighted that Black Oak has granted us access to their facility for the day and would like you to share that experience our parishioners. Please refer to the flyer and brochure found on our website (www.stlukeparishlv.com) for sign-up and registration details.

MARKET STREET MISSION MORRISTOWN...

Since 1889 Market Street Mission has reached out to the poor. The Agency is looking for a Major Gifts Officer. If you have the background and experience e mail G. David Scott at gdsconfig@jrescue.org and request a detailed job description.

ASSUMPTION COLLEGE FOR SISTERS...invitation to all

Invite you to a presentation – A Merciful Heart: Blessed Pauline and the year of Mercy – presenter Sr. Ann Marie Paul, SCC – Director of Passaic neighborhood Center for Women. Sunday October 23 – 2:30 – 4:30p.m. To register: Phone 973.957.0188 ext. 102 or e mail acs@acs350.org

ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR POSSESSING A MASTER'S DEGREE IN HISTORY NEEDED FOR SPRING 2017 (JAN.9-MAY 9)

Assumption College for Sisters, Denville. Please send resume by **October 15** to president@acs350.org. Course description: Hi 102 World Civilization II 3 credits Beginning with the European Renaissance and its effect on other parts of the world, this class continues the themes of cultural

developments initiated in World Civilization I. World-wide interactions increase as transportation and communication methods grow allowing both positive and negative interactions between cultures and peoples leading up to the mass communications of today.

"THANK A COP"...A THANKS TO ALL OF YOU! The project was an amazing success all due to the generosity of the parishioners from OLM, St. Marks and St. Luke's. I was able to put together 3 baskets of all the items collected. My husband Renny and I delivered them to the Washington Township Police Department, the Chester Police Department and the State Troopers Barracks in Netcong. It was an overwhelming, emotional experience to have the opportunity to present these gifts of "Thanks" to these police officers in person as a representative of our communities. They were so grateful for our outpouring of love and support and shared with us how much it meant to them to know that there really are people out there who appreciate what they do and that prayers are being offered for them. The total of gifts that were collected and distributed were:

320 cards and letters

260 cards that contained gift cards (I was able to determine that gift cards were enclosed in the sealed envelopes by feeling them).....(good detective work)

45 gift cards alone

50 goodie bags

2 posters

1 Frisbee for a K9

On behalf of all the police that we donated to, I thank you and please continue to keep all of them in your prayers...Pam Hodgskin

COMMUNITY NEWS

PANCAKE BREAKFAST...

Schooley's Mountain Firehouse, 231 Schooley's Mountain Road, October 2, 8am-12pm all you can eat Pancakes, Sausage, Eggs and Pastry. Children ages 4-10 \$4 - Senior Citizens, \$6 - Adults \$8

HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES...

MORRIS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL...

Every student matters...every moment counts. **Wednesday, October 12, 7pm & Sunday, October 23, 2 pm.** For information contact Maureen Costello in the admissions office at mcostello@morriscatholic.org. or go online at www.morriscatholic.org to register.

VILLA WALSH ACADEMY...

October 2, 2-4 pm. College preparatory Catholic school for girls Grades 7-12. www.villawalsh.org VWA@villawalsh.org

POPE JOHN XXIII

8-12TH Grade School Community. Incoming 9th grader (Sept. 2017) Tues. Oct. 11 at 7:30 pm. - Tues. Oct 18th 8:30 am to noon. Come and be a Lion for a day! Contact Ann Kaiser at Admissions (973) 729-6125 Ext. 255 or annekaiser@popejohn.org

THANK YOU...For the new & used clothing for the pregnancy center and the mother of 3 boys. Life choices always appreciates receiving items for new mothers and toddlers.

HEALING MASSES...ST. LAWRENCE, CHESTER

Healing masses take place **every third Tuesday of the month** at 7:00 pm in the church. All are welcome to attend. Whatever your healing may be, physical, spiritual, financial, relational, or emotional, you are encouraged to bring it before the Lord. We will begin the evening by reciting the Rosary at 6:30 pm.