

Lord, let us see your kindness and grant us your salvation.

August 13, 2017

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saturday, August 12

5:30 pm For Betty Meyer by Lennon Family

Sunday, August 13

8:00 am For Josefa Silfa by Her Sisters

9:30 am For Deceased members of Nyman Family

11:00 am For Helen Stoffel by Monteverde Family

Monday, August 14

8:45 am For Deacon John & Betty Meyer by Knights of Columbus

Tuesday, August 15

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Holy Day of Obligation

8:45 am

7:30 pm

Wednesday, August 16

8:45 am For

Saturday, August 19

5:30 pm For Megan McQuaide by Holly Zimmerman

Sunday, August 20

8:00 am For Madeline Rymarzow by Nugent Family

9:30 am For Tom Mackie by Holly Zimmerman

11:00 am For Kazmiera Flak by Skoczylas Family

FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

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

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

| Current Year | Last Year 2016 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| August 6, 2017: \$2,399 Envelopes used: 40 | August 7, 2016: \$1,852 Envelopes used: 45 |
| Parish Debt Reduction: \$880 Envelopes used: 19 | Parish Debt Reduction: \$545 Envelopes used: 24 |
| Supermarket Gift Cards: August 6, 2017 Sales: \$4,840 Profit \$242.00 YTD Profit: \$4,560 # of Families: 22 | St. Mark's Faith Direct Church Code is NJ484 |

FAITH DIRECT...

Thank you for being a part of our St. Mark the Evangelist family. As you prepare for the end of summer and the start of a busy fall, consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot.

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

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

God Bless You,
Fr. Marcin

ENJOYING YOUR SUMMER?

Want to make it even better? You can, and it's easy. Just donate some non-perishable food items to the Long Valley Food Pantry. A few of the items they are most in need of are coffee/tea, laundry detergent, peanut butter/jelly, and plastic sandwich bags. Do this and **everyone** will have a nicer summer!

DIOCESE OF PATERSON...

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE

NATIONAL SHRINE TO THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Seeking a spiritual awakening or journey? The Diocese of Paterson will be hosting the 2017 Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC on October 21, 2017. Join us for a truly wonderful experience. One-Day Pilgrimage includes:

- Transportation and Gratuity - \$49/person
- Prayer filled day at Shrine – Mass, confession, rosary, divine mercy and presentations
- Rest Stop - going - Meal stop - return
- depart Washington 4:15pm

For more information please call parish office or Lorraine Fleming (908) 813-0152. Signup sheet is in the Gathering Space.



FROM FR. MARCIN...

My dear parishioners,

As we gather to celebrate the Lord's Day, on this the first day of the week, we mark the 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Scripture texts given for our reflection today speak of the power of God.

I guess that if we were to write down all the things we are worried, anxious or concerned about our list would go from the sanctuary here right back to the main door of the church and maybe even well out into the street. Just think of all the things we are worried about: parents worried about their children, people worried about their health or that of others, farmers worrying about the weather or their livestock, financial worries, worries about relationships, worries about so many different things.

When troubles come our way often we forget that God is still with us. It is strange really, but that is what happens to so many people when they get upset. They think God has gone on holiday. But that is not so. God is still with us. We cannot always rely on our feelings, and we can rely on them still less when there is something bothering us. The truth is that God is with us always, whether or not we feel his presence. Don't ever forget that Jesus and Mary are always with you no matter what your feelings tell you. God and Mary will not abandon you. Remember when Jesus was worried he prayed and received strength in prayer to face his passion. Let's finish with a reflection to assure us that Jesus is still with us even when we don't feel his presence.

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the LORD. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonging to him, and the other to the LORD.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life.

This really bothered him and he questioned the LORD about it. "LORD, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me."

The LORD replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

In moments of darkness and interior storms, how do YOU react?

What do YOU ask the Lord in a dark night? A miracle, that he frees YOU from this?

PRAYER

Lord Jesus, sometimes we are full of enthusiasm and forget that You are the source of our joy: In the moments of sadness we do not seek you or we want your miraculous intervention. Now we know that you never abandon us that we should not fear. Prayer is also our force.

Increase our faith, we are ready to risk our life for your Kingdom.

OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAIN PRAY FOR US...

ST. MARK PRAY FOR US...

Why we should come to church on time???

-Being punctual shows your respect to other people and God.

-Punctuality reveals your integrity.

-Being late can potentially lead to sin.

Come to church on time JESUS IS NEVER LATE FOR YOU!!!

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

AUGUST 15 (TUESDAY)

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN??

IT MEANS WE HAVE TO COME TO CHURCH AS WE COME ON SUNDAYS

Holy Mass at OLM: Monday (August 14) 7:30pm. Tuesday 9:30am and 7:30pm.

Holy Mass at St. Mark's: Tuesday 8:45am and 7:30pm.

If a small child hurts his finger he runs to Mommy crying. All Mommy has to do is to kiss the finger and it is well again. Children know their mother loves them and has made a great many sacrifices for them.

In the same way we look on Mary as our heavenly mother. She is the mother of us all. We look on her as our mother who loves us a great deal, who watches over us to protect us. She is the mother to whom we can tell every joy and every sorrow. We remember Jesus' words as he was dying on the cross; he said to Mary, 'Woman behold your son', and to John he said, 'Son, behold your mother' (John 19:26-27). We have always regarded this little incident as being symbolic for us: as Jesus was dying on the cross gave us his mother to be our mother also.

Do you know that Our Lady is depending on you to help her? Do you know that you can change the future course of world events? When Our Lady was assumed into heaven she continues to help us from heaven but she depends on you, on each of us to help her. We learn from her many apparitions that she is depending on our Rosaries. On July 13th 1917 in Fatima Our Lady said, "Continue to say the Rosary every day in honor of Our Lady in order to obtain peace for the world and an end of the war because only she can obtain it." Mary is depending on your Rosaries to help her achieve her plans in the world.

So as we celebrate the Assumption of Our Lady I encourage you to pray the Rosary every day. It is a most beautiful prayer, a prayer that can bring us closer to God and keep us closer to God. When we pray the Rosary we are not just saying prayers. Saying the prayers is to calm us down so that we can tune in to God and our blessed Mother. While we say the prayers our minds are meditating on the fifteen great events in the life of Jesus. When we are in desperation and we don't know how to pray, it is a good prayer and is a most beautiful way to keep in contact with our heavenly mother. When we do so we can unite ourselves with Mary in expressing her sentiments:

"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid." (Luke 1:46-48)

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a

After fleeing from the revenge of the King of Israel, Elijah hid in a cave, but at the command of God, he went outside and stood on a mountain. There the Lord came to him, not in the wind nor in the earthquake, but in a "tiny whispering sound."

Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5

Paul is deeply pained because the Jews - in spite of everything that has been given to them - have rejected Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

Matthew vividly recounts the event of Jesus walking on the water. When the disciples see this, they are terrified, and Jesus chastises them for their fear. Peter begs Christ to let him walk on the water; he is at first brave but begins to sink and loses faith, crying out, "Lord save me!" Christ rescues him for his faltering faith.

GET MASS INTENTION (MASS CARD) FOR LIVING AND DECEASED

I pray that more of our parishioners will make offers so that Holy Mass will be offered on Sunday and during the week for living and deceased.

MASS CARDS MIGHT BE THE BEST GIFT FOR A BIRTHDAY, WEDDING ANNIVERSARY, AND GRADUATION OR PRAY FOR YOUR BELOVED DECEASED AND HELP THEM GET TO HEAVEN!!!

PIZZA NIGHT FOR WOMEN

Save the Date - Monday, September 25th from 7 - 9 PM at Pope John Paul XXIII High School - the first "Pizza Night for Women" with Bishop Serratelli. This event will be open to high school and college aged women discerning their vocation. For details, please contact the office of the Delegate for Religious at 973-777-8818 ext. 207, or kerry@patersondiocese.org

VANDALISM AT ST. MARK'S...

I'm sorry to say that last weekend we experienced some vandalism on our church property. The St. Francis statue and pergola in the front of the church were knocked down and damaged. Police were notified and we are assessing the damage. We will attempt to have the statue repaired but we may have to replace it. If you would like to contribute toward the cost of repairing or replacing the shrine please contact the parish office.

COMMUNITY NEWS

4th ANNUAL SISTERS OF CHRISTIAN CHARITY GOLF OUTING...

Please join the Sisters of Christian Charity from Mendham, NJ on **Thursday, September 28, 2017** at the beautiful **Cedar Hill Golf & Country Club** in Livingston, NJ for an outstanding day of golf, camaraderie and example of God's bounty. For more information, contact Casey Dolan at dev.director@scceast.org or (973)-543-6528 ext. 313 or visit www.scceast.org/golf-outing.



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, Tony Atkins, Charlie, Natalie Rose Bassett, Kenneth Bernisky, Luz Bracero, Paul Buckley, John Callaghan, Bernie Cho, Arlene Cichlar, Hannah Clark, Emily Condit, Kaitlin Cross, Natalia Danilczuk, Krish Dharia, Catherine DiPasquale, Connie Elliott, Larry Fine, Tracey F, Elaina Grace Gaffin, Ann Geary, Jerry Green, Barbara Gotterdam, Louie Gutierrez, Helen Greenly, Harper Lynn Granito, Regina Hague, Claudia Harrington, William Heimsly, Heather Henry, Bob Hodiern, Maria Dougherty Jante, Donna Jennings, Laurel Jilek, Claudia Kallmeyer, Jim Karpinski, Kevin Kay, Russell H. Keller, Mary Koenig, Jean Koenig, Mara Lak, Christina Lanaris,, Margaret Leon, Maryann Litori, Ann Loughney, 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, Arlene Parikh, Nicky Piloni, Mary Rathburn, Clifford Reynolds, Jim Robinson, Ryan, Jillian Elizabeth Sayer, Jeff Schpiner, Rev. Frank Rodimer, Rhonda Soto, Special Intention, Judy Stone, William Thompson, Mary Travisano, Debbie Trepkau, Rev. Zbigniew Tyburski, Linda Van Hoorebeke, 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 call the office to let us know if you wish to continue to be on this prayer list.



Pasquale Clemente



