

## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear St. Joseph Parish Family,

People don't know how to look anymore.

Not in the sense that people are forgetting how to dress themselves (though you could argue that this is also the case), but rather we are losing touch with an even more fundamental way of looking.

At the Metropolitan Museum of Art the other day, a young boy walked past me holding an iPad in front of his face. He was simply recording everything he walked past; for as long as I watched him, he didn't set the iPad aside to actually look at whatever artifact he was passing. Everything was channeled through the screen. Some minutes later I was in another section of the museum, filled with small pieces of medieval art. A woman walked quickly through the room with a small camera, hastily photographed everything she saw, and then walked out. She was in the room for less than a minute.

People don't seem to want to (or perhaps, don't know how to) stop in front of something and contemplate its beauty, to *be* with that thing. There is one subject, however, that we can't avoid spending a good deal of time beholding and considering: ourselves. Self-knowledge is a good thing, but self-*preoccupation* can lead to one of two problems: pride or despair. Both give us a false image of ourselves. Pride says that we're superior to those around us and have no need of improvement. Despair sets in after we are confronted with the reality of ourselves as sinners trapped in certain patterns or cycles of sinful tendencies.

Grace helps us see things and ourselves in the light of the truth, in the light of God. Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa, the Preacher to the Papal Household, writes, "Knowledge of God without knowledge of self leads to presumptuousness; knowledge of self without knowledge of God leads to despair." Grace supplies us with both with self-knowledge and knowledge of God. Fr. Cantalamessa's observation contains echoes of Psalm 34:

*I sought the Lord, and he answered me,  
delivered me from all my fears.  
**Look to him and be radiant,  
and your faces may not blush for shame.**  
This poor one cried out and the Lord heard,  
and from all his distress he saved him.*

It is by looking at God first that we can understand who we are and how we can be happy. Perhaps the line "and your faces may not blush for shame" is a surprising one, since we often drift into the bad habit of "hiding" things from God. But he already knows, and it is *by looking to him* that we can be freed from the shame of sin and drawn into the light.

In Christ,  
Br. Jonah, OP



## Weekly Collection

June 22<sup>nd</sup> and June 23<sup>rd</sup>

<b>Masses Total</b> .....	<b>\$3,146</b>
WeShare.....	\$360
Faith Street.....	\$913
<b>Grand Total</b> .....	<b>\$4,419</b>



### PRAYER REQUEST



**Please pray for:**

Geraldine Arbuiso

Luisa Latorre

Albert Latorre

Mary "Peggy" Milus

Jo-Anne Pignataro

Dennis Quinn

Zoila Vallo

If you would like to include someone on our prayer list, please call the church office to submit their names.

Names on the prayer list will remain for four (4) weeks. If you wish to leave them on longer, please call the church office, weekdays 9am - 5pm.

## Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY, JUNE 29

*Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles*

**12:10 pm** Louis Mariani

**5:30 pm** Martin Nestor

### SUNDAY, JUNE 30

**9:00AM** Nestor Isip Cabrera

**11:30AM** People of the Parish

**6:00PM** Dolores Frias-Lendof

### MONDAY, JULY 1

*Saint Junipero Serra, Priest*

**12:10 pm**

### TUESDAY, JULY 2

**12:10 pm**

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

*Saint Thomas, Apostle*

**12:10 pm** Constantine Cojocararu

### THURSDAY, JULY 4

*Independence Day*

**12:10 pm**

### FRIDAY, JULY 5

*Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest*

**12:10 pm**

## RECTORY OFFICE

### Office Hours:

Monday-Friday  
9:00am – 5:00pm  
(212)741-1274

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## JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> HOLIDAY CLOSING

The **Parish Office** will also be closed  
Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup>.

## CATHOLIC CENTER @ NYU

238 Thompson Street  
New York, NY 10012

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## THE CARDINAL'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

### CONSIDER YOUR GIFT

The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal has served the people and parishes of our 10 counties for 40 years.

To date our parish has received: **74** pledges, totaling **\$77,165** towards our goal of **\$104,500**

## St. Joseph's Play Group

Come join the new play group for little ones ages 0-4 in the parish rectory. Meetings are on the first and third Friday of every month from 11-12 pm.

For more info please contact: Courtney White  
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## Summer Eucharistic Adoration at St. Joseph Monday's in June and July @ 7:30PM

The parish of St. Joseph will have Eucharistic Adoration every Monday night during the summer months of June and July.

In addition to Adoration, Br. Jonah Teller, OP will be preaching a meditation each week.

The holy hour will conclude with compline and benediction. All are welcome to join in prayer for the parish and the community.



## Love and Responsibility Multi Parish Speaker Series Tuesday Nights in July 7:30PM @ Immaculate Conception Church

Join Saint Joseph and other Catholic Parishes in Greenwich Village to hear from world-renowned speakers and authorities on relationship topics relevant to modern men and women everywhere.

Learn how to build authentic loving relationships with 2019's Love and Responsibility.

Tuesday Nights in July at 7:30PM at Immaculate Conception Church. 414 East 14th St.

Just steps from the L train on 14th and 1st, easily accessible to 4,5,6, or B,D,F,M, or N,Q,R lines and Brooklyn.

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### First Reading: 1King 19:16b 19-21

Elijah the prophet followed God's instruction to appoint a man named Elisha as his successor. Elijah threw his cloak over Elisha, who went and said good-bye to his family, then followed Elijah without question.

### Second Reading: Galations 5:1 13-18

Paul reminds us that people were freed from the old law through Christ. But he makes it clear that this freedom does not mean giving in to evil desires. Instead, we must be guided by the Spirit and most importantly love our neighbor as ourselves.

### Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

Jesus set out for Jerusalem, and passed through a town where he was not welcomed. He reprimanded his disciples for desiring vengeance against the town. One man wanted to follow Jesus when he had finished his duties at home. Jesus expressed that a man who begins a task, but constantly looks back is unfit for the reign of God.

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME DAILY READINGS

### Sunday

1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21;  
Gal 5:1, 13-18; Lk 9:51-62

### Monday

Gn 18:16-33; Mt 8:18-22

### Tuesday

Gn 19:15-29; Mt 8:23-27

### Wednesday

Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29

### Thursday

Gn 22:1b-19; Mt 9:1-8

### Friday

Gn 23:1-4, 19, 24:1-8, 62-67; Mt 9:9-13

### Saturday

Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Mt 9:14-17

## FORMED

*Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati: Man of the Beatitudes.*

In this week's FORMED Pick, meet Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, who found that deep prayer, service to the poor, and a passion for bringing others to Christ led to a life of purpose, peace, and happiness.

This week, go to [formed.org](http://formed.org) and listen to *Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati: Man of the Beatitudes*.

## FORMED PICK

### Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati

By Fr. Tim Deeter

#### Man of the Beatitudes

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