

SUNDAY, JULY 24, 2016

17<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00PM Florence & Dominick Legreca  
8:00AM Theresa & Charles Ciniello  
10:00AM Wenceslao Contreras  
12:00PM Dec'd Mbrs Mosca & Romano Families

MONDAY, JULY 25

ST. JAMES

8:00AM Antonio Picinic  
11:30AM Maria Ricci Mattessich

TUESDAY, JULY 26

STS. JOACHIM & ANNE

8:00AM Tommaso Morin - Anniv.  
11:30AM Doris Carafa

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

8:00AM Maria Hroncich  
11:30AM Fred Vermeal

THURSDAY, JULY 28

8:00AM Dec'd Mbrs. Vecchione Family  
11:30AM Helen Car

FRIDAY, JULY 29

ST. MARTHA

8:00AM Fred Talamo  
11:30AM John G. Peterson

SATURDAY, JULY 30

ST. PETER CHYSOLOGUS

11:30AM Dorothy R. Porrata  
Dr. Ernesto Resurreccion  
Ints. of Gerardo Montmerano  
5:00PM Thomas Larkin

SUNDAY, JULY 31

18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00AM Christopher Johnson - Anniv.  
10:00AM Pasquale Vicchio  
12:00PM Nasif & Marchesani Families

**ALTAR BREAD**

*In Memory of*

Anthony Mario Picinic, Jr.

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

*In Memory of*

Maria Hroncich

**MASS CANDLES**

*For the intentions of*

John Mezich

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

*In Memory of*

Florence & Dominick Legreca

**PREPARING FOR MASS**

*The readings for next Sunday are:*

**Ecc1 1:1, 2:21-23**

All things are vanity!

**Psalm 90**

Harden not your hearts.

**Col 3:1-5, 9-11**

We are all one in the risen Christ.

**Luke 12:13-21**

Security does not lie in worldly possessions.



**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

Dear Parishioner:

...**"And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says 'Friend lend me three loaves of bread...' 'I tell you if he does not get up to give the visitor the loaves because of his friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence...' 'Lord teach us to pray as John taught his disciples.'"**

...From our earliest days, we were taught to pray. We learned prayers, recited them with faith and devotion, and often used formulas which we did not really understand. The word today offers a remedy.

...The apostles observed Jesus at prayer. Something special was portrayed before their eyes. This led them to ask for a prayer lesson. The petitions, the praise, the expression of remorse provide a summary for prayer 101. Perhaps they saw a special peace and intimacy reflected in Jesus.

...The passage continues with the conversation and the request of one friend develops. The lesson is clear "don't give up" or "hang in there," especially if you think that the Lord is too busy listening to others. Or "help me help the one in need." We don't have to wait on line or jump through hoops to get God's attention. He knows our needs, but only wants us to acknowledge our dependence and His generosity.

...Perseverance in prayer is a gift from God. May I make it my first request.

*God bless,  
Fr. Ken*

**PARISH SUPPORT**

*Thank you for sharing the gift of your treasure so that we can continue to do God's work here.*

*July 17<sup>th</sup>*

*Sunday Collection*

*\$4,147.00*

*"Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." – Luke 11:9*

*Jesus assures us that if we ask Him, God will take care of what we need. The problem is that in our culture we often confuse what we really **need** with what we simply **want**. Many people need very little. However, we usually want so much more. A good steward only asks God for what he needs.*

**BINGO**

**PLEASE NOTE BINGO IS PLAYED ON TUESDAY EVENINGS AT 7:15PM AND THURSDAY AFTERNOONS AT 12:15PM. WE NOW OFFER BIGGER JACKPOTS, PROGRESSIVE GAMES AND 50/50 GAMES. COME OUT AND ENJOY AN EVENING OR AN AFTERNOON OF FUN.**



**MARRIAGE MOMENTS**

Do you ever bargain with your beloved? "If you watch the kids, I'll be able to do this repair project." OR "If only you could give me 5 more minutes, 1 hour, 1 day to finish this, we could spend some quality time together. It's not bad to negotiate, but keep your end of the bargain." – Gn. 18:20-32

**PARENTING POINTERS**

The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in July is Parents' Day. Go beyond the "Hallmark Holiday" notion. Perhaps use it as a time to tell your child what it was like for you to await their birth. How did you prepare?

**MASS IN HONOR OF ST. ANNE**

A Mass in honor of St. Anne will be celebrated at St. Nicholas Church, Palisades Park on Tuesday, July 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:00AM. A holy relic of the saint will be venerated following the Mass. All are invited.

### ARCHDIOCESAN "JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY" PILGRIMAGE

The Archdiocese of Newark is sponsoring a one-day pilgrimage to the **Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC**, on Saturday, **October 22, 2016**. The pilgrimage will take place under the leadership of the Archbishop and Bishops of Newark. Buses will leave from local parish churches and return on the same day. The features of the day will be a rosary devotion and concelebrated Mass in honor of Mary, Queen and Mother of Mercy, in the Basilica of the National Shrine. Plan now to be part of this Archdiocesan act of love and devotion in honor of the Mother of God at the conclusion of this "Extraordinary Holy Year" in the beautiful national sanctuary dedicated to her honor. Sign up with your parish at the rectory as soon as possible. Cost is \$25.00 per person, payable in advance. The parish pilgrimage promoters at our parish are Fr. Jim Tucker and Dorothy Rossi.

### TD BANK AFFINITY PROGRAM

Our participation in the Affinity Program continues. Going forward, the Church will receive \$10 for every existing checking account included in the program and \$50 for every newly opened checking account included in the program. **Nothing is taken from your accounts.** In addition, the **Church** will receive 1/10 of 1% of the average balance of all savings accounts and CDs included in the program. To sign up, please visit the TD Bank at Lafayette and Palisade Avenues.

### YOU AT LEAST TRY TO CONSOLE ME

Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup> – the World Apostolate of Fatima, Blue Army Shrine, 674 Mt. View Road, Washington, NJ, invites all to Honor Our Lady's pleas of December 10, 1925 requesting Five Consecutive First Saturdays of Reparation. Special guest speaker will be Celebrant Fr. Peter Ssekajugo, I.M.C. Confessions will be at 10:30AM; 11:30AM Rosary with a 15 minute meditation; 12 Noon Holy Mass; 1:30PM Benediction; 2:00PM Holy House: Confessions, Children's Video, Talk on Last Vision of Fatima; 3:00PM Divine Mercy Chaplet. Bring your family and friends to answer the call of the Child Jesus: *"And have you spread through the world what our heavenly Mother requested of you?"* For more information visit [www.bluearmy.com](http://www.bluearmy.com) or call 908-689-1700 Ext. 210.

### THANK YOU

We have received a thank you note from the Center for Food Action for our donation of \$200 to their food pantry. Your support is helping us provide 4,700 emergency food packages monthly to local residents - \$5,000,000 worth of food annually. Each food package supplies seven days' worth of food. We strive to make each package as nutritious as possible and funding such as yours, permits us to add fresh produce, meat and eggs and purchase other needed items to supplement the donation of foods we receive. It also helps us assist about 150 households monthly with their housing and utility expenses during especially difficult times. By year's end, we will have provided more than \$1,300,000 to help our community's most vulnerable neighbors with these essential bills.

### PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS

*Heavenly Father, may Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of your Son, Jesus, be an everlasting model for grandparents. Your Wisdom and Word are eternal, meant for all generations. Help grandparents, we pray, as they pass on the rich traditions of the faith to their beloved family members, especially their grandchildren. We are all your children. Help us to know you better each day, ultimately leading us, with our family members, into eternal life with you. Amen.*

**"I AM NOT LUCKY – I AM BLESSED!"**

### RCIA PROGRAM

It's time to think about the RCIA Program for next year. If you know an adult over 18 who has **never been** baptized and would like to become a Catholic or if you know someone who was baptized into another Christian faith and would like to **convert** to the Catholic faith...or if you know a baptized adult catholic – over 18 – who would like to prepare for the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist...please be in touch with Fr. Ken...or please put that person in touch with Fr. Ken. No commitments...just good information – and they can decide if they want to proceed.

We also have a program that starts in September for teens 15-18 who would like to prepare for the sacrament of Confirmation...please contact Fr. Ken.

### THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE BABY IN THE WOMB AND THE NEWBORN BABY

There are four differences between the baby in the mother's womb (or so-called fetus) who has no protection under the law from a newborn baby, who is protected:

1 – Size – The baby in the womb is usually smaller than newborns. The question, then, is what does size have to do with rights of personhood? The answer: nothing.

2 – Level of development babies in the womb are less developed than a newborn (unless the newborn is born prematurely). Again this has no moral significance. Children are generally less developed than adults and all human beings continue to develop and change throughout our entire lives. It is humanity, not brain capacity or strength that determines personhood.

3 – Location – The baby in the womb has a different place of residence. Again this is irrelevant because personhood stems from being a human being, not from your location.

4 – Dependency – Abortion protagonists love to argue that, "since a fetus cannot survive on its own, it has no inherent right to life." The problem with this argument is that to varying degrees, we are all dependent on others. Moreover, newborn babies and small children are absolutely dependent upon their parents for survival. What is absurd about this line of thinking is the fact that dependency should merit more protection under the law, not less! We are all far more outraged, for example, at violence towards children than at violence towards other adults. The reason is obvious. Children are more helpless and innocent and less capable of defending themselves than adults. The child in the mother's womb is the most helpless and innocent and the least capable of defending themselves. That is precisely why we must fight to protect them!

**Every person is part of God's plan.**

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

*Matthew Dickman, Marion Calabrese, Andree Degerinsky, Natalie Lopac, Baby Sofia Gonzales, Baby Carly, Linda Shiers, Anne Lepis, Nadine Nasif, Alvino Masolotti, Dr. Richard Ming, Hay Blou Htoo, Mickey LoPresti, Dorothy Mazzone, Patsy DeRito, Amantina Lizardo, William Weitzel, Michael Coughlan, Colin Berg, Giulio Scoccimarro, Marta Coelho, Margaret Evers, Matthew Rush, Mary Pugliese, Ann Callagher, Willie Soto, Esther Evertz, Barbara Dooley, Anthony Cherkashyna, Gloria Masella, Peter Bertinato, Ronald DeMiglio, Joann Helmick, Mario Pajar, John Hroncich, Kathy Herring, Vinka Usalj, Frieda Marchesani, Anna Tarabokija, Joseph DeMiglio, Efrem Lavrido, Baby Eric Grigsby, Cheryl Barbara, Carrie Craven, Sandy Snow, Lydia Locurcio, Kevin Harris, Patriocia Warren, Adele Raimondi, Gerardo Montemerano, Sr., Felicia Martello.*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

*Rev. Michael Patete, Patricia Kamm, Luise Romano, Joseph Archangelus, Pasquale (Patsy) Matarazzo.*

