

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2018

**PASTOR'S MESSAGE OCTOBER 7, 2018**

**27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

- 5:00PM Rita Prashker
- 8:00AM Dec'd Mbrs. Spino Family
- 10:00AM Roberto Del Rosario – Birth.
- 12:00PM Sarah & Michael Romano

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 8**

- 8:00AM Dora Karcich
- 11:30AM Libero & Silvestri Families

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9**

*ST. DENIS & COMPANIONS & ST. JOHN LEONARDI*

- 8:00AM Anthony & Domenica Hroncich
- 11:30AM David Mihalinec – Anniv.

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10**

- 8:00AM Stella & Joseph Oliveri
- 11:30AM Lea Ghirardi

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11**

*ST. JOHN XXIII*

- 8:00AM Fran Guglielmo
- 11:30AM Maria Hroncich

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12**

- 8:00AM Rose Raucci
- 11:30AM Senko Skific – Birth.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13**

- 11:30PM Elvira Capriccio
- Rosalie Menzella
- Tonci Svorinic
- Drazen Miskulin
- Amedeo Scaffeo

- 5:00PM Antonio & Grace Marchesani

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14**

**28<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

- 8:00AM Rose Zilocchi
- 10:00AM Ints. of Dinko & Milena Skrivanic
- 12:00PM Dec'd Mbrs. Dooley & Miele Families & Rosalie Menzella

**ALTAR BREAD**

*In Memory of*

Anthony Mario Picinic, Jr.

**ALTAR WINE**

*In Memory of*

David Mihalinec

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

*In Memory of*

Johanna Rea Reynolds

**MASS CANDLES**

*In Memory of*

David Mihalinec

**PREPARING FOR MASS**

*The readings for next Sunday are:*

**Wis 7:7-11**

Nothing compares to the gift of wisdom

**Ps 90**

Fill us with your love and wisdom, Lord

**Heb 4:12-13**

God's word penetrates our soul and spirit

**Mk 10:17-30**

Make God our priority in life

*My dear parishioners and friends,*

Our readings this Sunday underline the importance of marriage and family life.

A lot of people in our society don't understand why the Catholic Church is so committed to protecting and defending the traditional institution of Marriage against "same-sex marriage" and "families of choice." These practices have gained increased acceptance in our society, falling under the general notion of Marriage Equality. Where individual freedom and the assumed constitutional "right" to pursue personal happiness have been given greater weight over questions of what is morally acceptable and what is good for the society as a whole, people have been given license to make choices about their life-style that are unprecedented in history.

We Catholics believe that human beings have a God-given right to marry, but that right is something that is subject to the natural law that is God's original design for all men and women and which insures the good of the human community as a whole.

In today's gospel passage the Pharisees came to Jesus to ask him a tricky question about divorce and Jesus pointed back to God's original plan. This is the story that we have in our first reading from the Book of Genesis that talks about how in the beginning God made human beings male and female so that the two became "one flesh". This was God's original plan for us before sin and selfishness entered into our reality and this is what the Church is committed to defending by upholding the traditional understanding of marriage and family life.

*Fondly yours in Christ,  
Fr. Bruce*

**PARISH SUPPORT**

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

*September 30<sup>th</sup>*

*Sunday Collection* **\$4,016.00**

*"So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name." – Genesis 2:19*

*The creation story reminds us of two important points. First, since the start, God has put the entire world into our care. Second, stewardship has been around since the beginning of mankind, it isn't something recently invented by the Church. Just as past generations built our Church, it is now our responsibility to continue to nurture and develop these gifts for future generations.*

**BINGO**



**THURSDAY BINGO GAMES BEGIN AT 12:15PM. WE NOW OFFER BIGGER JACKPOTS, PROGRESSIVE AND 50/50 GAMES. COME OUT AND ENJOY YOURSELF AND WIN SOME MONEY AND HAVE FUN.**

**BAPTISMS**

The Catholic Community of Epiphany Parish welcomes with great joy the following newcomers baptized during the month of September:

*Cassidy Mia Alvarez  
Aiden John Picinich*

**COLUMBUS DAY**

Monday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, is Columbus Day. The rectory office will be closed on that day but we will have the 8:00 and 11:30AM Masses as usual.

**“HANDS THAT SERVE ARE HOLIER THAN THE LIPS THAT PRAY!”**

### TRICKY TRAY EXTRAVAGANZA

**ONLY THREE WEEKS LEFT TO PURCHASE TICKETS** for our Annual Tricky Tray Fall Beefsteak Dinner/Dance on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, catered by Giresi's. We are looking for new items to use in our raffle. **If you can donate any new items, please bring them to the rectory. If you wish to make a monetary donation for us to buy a gift, it would be greatly appreciated.** It will be an evening of dinner, dancing, raffles and prizes. Tickets are available at the rectory at a cost of \$45.00 per person. Entertainment will be by the Jumpin Dragons Band. **NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.**

### OUTDOOR ROSARY

Please come and join the Legion of Mary in praying the rosary on the front steps of the Church on Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM. If there is inclement weather, we will have the rosary in the Church. All are invited to attend as we honor Our Blessed Mother.

### VOLUNTEER SINGERS & MUSICIANS WANTED

We are looking for volunteer singers and musicians (keyboard, guitar, bass, flute, violin, etc. and percussion) who would like to play contemporary Christian music for our Parish Youth masses. Please contact Fr. Bruce at [201-943-7320](tel:201-943-7320).

### OPEN HOUSE

Open House will be held at the following schools: Saint Dominic Academy, Jersey City – Wednesday, October 10<sup>th</sup> – 6:00-8:00PM and Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup> – 1:00-3:00PM. For more information call 201-434-5938 ext 14; Paramus Catholic High School, Paramus, Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-9:00PM. For more information contact the Admissions Office at 201-445-4466 ext. 104; Immaculate Conception, Lodi – Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM. For more information visit [www.ichslodi.org](http://www.ichslodi.org); Mary Help of Christians, North Haledon – Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00PM – register online or by email to [admissions@maryhlepp.org](mailto:admissions@maryhlepp.org); Don Bosco, Ramsey – Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup> – 1:00-3:00PM. Register at [www.donboscoprep.org](http://www.donboscoprep.org); Academy of the Holy Angels – Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-4:00PM. Register online at [www.holyangels.org/admissions](http://www.holyangels.org/admissions); St. Peter's Prep, Jersey City – Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup> – 1:00-4:00PM – call 201-547-6389; Hudson Catholic, Jersey City – Sunday, October 14 from 2:00-4:00PM.; Immaculate Heart Academy, Township of Washington – Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup> from 11:00AM-2:00PM and Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:30PM. Online registration is requested at [www.ihanj.com](http://www.ihanj.com) or you can call 201-445-6800 for more information; Seton Hall Preparatory, West Orange – Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup> – 12:00-3:00PM. For information contact Michael Zinsmeister at 973-325-6640 or visit [shp.org](http://shp.org); St. Joseph Regional, Montvale – Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup> – 6:30-9:00PM. For information and directions please call 201-391-330 or register at [www.sjn.org](http://www.sjn.org)

### THE MIDTOWN MEN

Can you use a relaxing evening filled with nostalgic music? Join us for a great show, all while supporting a worthy cause? The Midtown Men, the original stars from Broadway's Jersey Boys, will perform a Benefit Concert with all ticket proceeds supporting Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark. It will be held on Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00PM at Union County Performing Arts Center, Rahway. For event information call Catholic Charities - 973-639-6531 or for ticket information call 732-499-8226 or email [www.ucpac.org](http://www.ucpac.org)

### SCARLET RAIDERS BASKETBALL CLINIC

Rutgers University, Newark will be running the Scarlet Raiders Basketball Clinic for boys and girls from ages 6-17 on Thursday, November 8<sup>th</sup> and Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. The clinic will run each day from 9:00AM-3:00PM. We offer early drop off from 8:00-9:00AM, free of charge. The clinic is held on the two days that the New Jersey Public School System has off from school due to teacher conferences. If you need a brochure, please call Joe Loughran at 973-353-1483 or email him at [loughran@rutgers.edu](mailto:loughran@rutgers.edu)

### SUPPORT A CHILD SEPARATED FROM ITS PARENTS

Each year, nearly 500 abused and neglected children in Bergen County wake up in unfamiliar homes, separated from their parents and everything they have grown up with in their short lives. The trauma these children experience is exacerbated when they are placed in unfamiliar homes with different food, clothes, toys and even schools. They are ripped from their customary worlds and have to learn to accept a new sense of what is normal. These children need consistency. They need someone to look out for them. They need you. Bergen County (Court Appointed Special Advocates - CASA) is looking for compassionate, dedicated adults to represent foster children in Family Court. Bergen County CASA trains and supports community volunteers to advocate for the best interests of foster children. To learn more, please visit our website [www.bergencasa.org](http://www.bergencasa.org) and RSVP for one of our information sessions. Alternatively, email her at [lauren@bergencasa.org](mailto:lauren@bergencasa.org) or call Lauren at 201-336-7520.

### **MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIFE OF A CHILD – BECOME A CASA VOLUNTEER!**

### SURVIVING DIVORCE: A 3 DAY RETREAT

The Archdiocese of Newark is sponsoring a three day retreat for the separated and divorced. Each day features DVD sessions that cover topics of shock, denial, anger, grief, guilt, forgiveness and much more. The itinerary includes video presentations and small group discussions. Participants will hear personal testimonies of Catholic men and women who have experienced the breakdown of their families who witness to healing power of Christ in their lives. Sessions run Saturday mornings on October 27<sup>th</sup>, November 17 & December 1<sup>st</sup> between 9:00AM-1:00PM. Each session will cover different topics and discussions. It will be held at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, Roseland, NJ. Cost to attend is \$20 including study guide and food. Babysitting is provided. To register go to <https://www.smores.com/4bOg3> For more questions call Lauren Egan at 973-497-4327 or [Lauren.Egan@rcan.org](mailto:Lauren.Egan@rcan.org)

### CLIFFSIDE PARK SENIOR CITIZENS

The following activities will take place at the Cliffside Park Senior Center: October 23<sup>rd</sup> – Senior Art Show – 10:00AM-2:00PM; October 31<sup>st</sup> – Halloween Party with DJ Alan - \$7.00 – 11:30AM-2:30PM; November 4<sup>th</sup> – Horse Racing – 2:00PM - \$5.00; November 8<sup>th</sup> – Memory Screening; November 9<sup>th</sup> – Honor Our Veterans Party – 10:00AM-3:00PM; November 14<sup>th</sup> – Atlantic City Casino Trip - \$33.00; April 7<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> – Florida & Bahamas Cruise and Norwegian Escape. Call 201-943-3768 ext. 112 for reservations and information.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

*Ann Callagher, Peter Bertinato, Anna Tarabokija, Eric Grigsby, Carrie Craven, Felicia Martello, Oscar Benitez, Elva Lopes, Marilyn Brenes, Sister Kieran O'Riordan, Frank Mendez, Maria Azucena Mercado, John Reynolds, Arianna Cappola, Doris Levy, Cindy Simeone Reynolds, Tammy Ledden, Baby Kennedy Rose Perkins, Baby Juliette Payne, Brian Hone, Laura Palmieri, Margarita Lopez-Amaro, Helen Gallina DeLuca, Renee Pascarella, Brother Peter Lyne, Cora Shaffer, Ivan Tarabokija, Ms. Angie, Ms. Denise, Paul Barbara, Kathleen Warren Meserole, Matt Allen, Richie Allen, Jazmin Cruz, Jaime Van Dam, Meaghan Kilner, Baby Michael, Joe Villani, Michael Duddy, Peter Foglio, Jr., Paul Kiczek, Kenneth Crawford, Clyde Harger, Gloria Bonura, Cesar Valdecantos, Kay Tak, Michele Spino, Evelyn Rodriguez, Tony Martello, James Heyden, Glenn Rome, Ruth Behsman, Barbara Snow, Mary Iannaccone, Norma Brown, Doris Portillo, Cabrini Lepis.*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

*Sister Anne Sullivan, OP, Gloria Colagregco.*

