

**SUNDAY, JULY 14, 2019**

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

5:00PM Rosalie & Nick Menzella  
8:00AM Dolores Calabrese  
10:00AM Maria Martire  
12:00PM Ivan Tarabokia

**MONDAY, JULY 15**

**ST. BONAVENTURE**

8:00AM Barbara Picinich  
11:30AM Carmela Bussanich

**TUESDAY, JULY 16**

**OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL**

8:00AM In Honor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

11:30AM Elena & Domenico Bussanich

**WEDNESDAY JULY 17**

8:00AM Barbara Picinich  
11:30AM In Honor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

**THURSDAY, JULY 18**

**ST. CAMILLUS DE LELLIS**

8:00AM Federico Orpilla  
11:30AM Mila Macaisa Tolentino & Zafra & Santos Families

**FRIDAY, JULY 19**

8:00AM Anthony Mattesich  
11:30AM Joseph Macaluso

**SATURDAY, JULY 20**

11:30AM Anna & Dino Gallussich  
Ints. of Alexander Urtula  
Robert & George Fabre  
Caterina Morin

5:00PM Johanna Rea Reynolds

**SUNDAY, JULY 21**

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

8:00AM Ivan Tarabokia  
10:00AM Marco DeBenedetto  
12:00PM Mosca & Romano Families



**ALTAR BREAD**

*In Memory of*

Eichler & Ferrara Families

**PREPARING FOR MASS**

*The readings for next Sunday are:*

**Gen 18:1-10a**

Sarah and Abraham receive God as a guest

**Ps 15**

"He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord."

**Col 1:24-28**

The body of Christ suffers and rejoices in our sufferings and joys

**Lk 10:38-42**

Martha and Mary received Jesus as a guest

**PASTOR'S MESSAGE JULY 14, 2019**

*My dear parishioners and friends,*

***"Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"***

The young lawyer asked Jesus this question in today's gospel passage. And when Jesus prompted him to say what was in the law, he provided the correct answer. But the young man still had his doubts about whether he had satisfied the demands of the law, so he asked Jesus another question, "And who is my neighbor?"

Isn't it interesting that our gospel passage doesn't give us a clue about the young man's reaction to the answer that Jesus gave him. Did he accept Jesus' words and begin to treat all of the people he met like the Samaritan man in the parable treated the poor fellow he found dying on the side of the road? Or did the young lawyer find a way to reinterpret Jesus' parable that made it possible for him to continue to pick and choose his neighbors?

Brothers and sisters, Jesus' parable is a challenge to us, just as it must have presented a challenge to the young lawyer. Don't we like to choose who we are willing to help? Don't we find ourselves setting limits on our charitable activities? Sometimes we rationalize our choices by denigrating the poor and needy... "Oh, she is just a welfare mom"... "He's too lazy to work"... "I worked hard for what I have, they should learn to pull themselves up and not depend on others!" We try to blame the poor for being poor and needy. But that isn't in the spirit of what Jesus teaches.

We are obeying God's command to love our neighbor as we love our self when we show mercy to those in need... not just to the people we like or the ones we approve of.

*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*

	<i>June 30<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Sunday Collection</i>	<i>\$4,712.00</i>
<i>Peter's Pence Collection</i>	<i>\$1,195.00</i>
	<i>July 7<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Sunday Collection</i>	<i>\$4,836.00</i>

*"Jesus said to him, 'God and do likewise.'" – Luke 10:37*

*As Catholics we are all called to serve. However, many of us are unsure of what our charisms or gifts from the Holy Spirit are to help build God's Church. Through prayer we are able to discern how God is calling us. The next time your pastor or fellow parishioner asks you to join a committee, ask God first, if that is what He wants you to do with your gifts.*



**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.**

**WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to the following couple who will be married in our church during the month of July:

*Anthony Picinich.....Heather Mourao*

### NEW RECTORY HOURS

The Rectory Office will only be open from 10:00AM- 7:00PM from Monday-Friday. Saturday and Sunday the Office will be open from 10:00AM-2:00PM. Please note this change.

### BUS TRIP TO THE SANDS (WIND CREEK BETHLEHEM)

We will be sponsoring a trip to the Sands, now know as Wind Creek Bethlehem, on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. Bus will leave at 8:45AM and return at approximately 6:00PM. Tickets are \$35.00 per person which includes \$25.00 back for play. Tickets must be purchased by September 9<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds will benefit our Epiphany Community Food Pantry so that we may give needy families a chicken or turkey for Thanksgiving and Christmas and a holiday basket as well.



### CHRIST THE TEACHER SCHOOL

#### A 2018 National Blue Ribbon School

We will continue to have open registrations, provided there is availability, for Grades PK-3 year old program to Grade 8, from Monday-Friday, 9:00AM – 2:00PM, and invite you to make an appointment. Please note that being a parishioner offers you the opportunity of a discounted tuition rate. Please contact the school at 201-944-0421 or email us at [info@christtheteacherschool.org](mailto:info@christtheteacherschool.org) for a tour.

### SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS ANNUAL APPEAL

Our Archdiocese has been blessed with many hard-working, holy and dedicated priests who serve Christ and His people. There is no doubt that without the support of the Annual Appeal, forming such men would not be possible. Epiphany has received \$33,896.00 in pledges. If we go over the goal, the parish will realize a rebate which we can use to complete our Rectory kitchen renovation and use it for our new roofs. Envelopes are at the church doors. Thank you for your generosity.

### DON'T MISS THE EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME!

Join Fr. Bruce on a journey to Oberammergau, Germany for the 2020 Passion Play, Rome and the Vatican. Our tour is set for July 16-23, 2020. We will fly from JFK airport to Munich. Then on to Oberammergau where, since 1624, every ten years the town has performed the Passion Play, recounting the last few days of Jesus' life before his death and resurrection. After spending a day in Innsbruck, Austria, we will travel on to Rome for three days, including the Papal audience in St. Peter's square on Wednesday! The price for the trip begins at \$4,298 for double occupancy and it includes airfare from New York, admission fees for museums, First Class Hotel accommodations and gratuities, program fees, daily breakfast and dinner, deluxe motor-coach transportation, and the Passion Play tickets for the performance in two parts (there is a break mid-way for dinner). Don't miss the opportunity for this experience of a lifetime! For more information, brochures are available in the Rectory and at the doors of the church. Make your reservation now!

### STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE?

Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut down? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille is a lifeline to help couples heal and renew their marriages. The program consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The next weekend will be August 23-24. Call Rich & Annette Colasuonno at 732-236-0671 or the Family Life Office at 732-243-4573 or email [3024@retrouvaille.org](mailto:3024@retrouvaille.org)

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Jesus calls us to love the Lord and to love one another. Deepen your communication, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending the next Marriage Encounter Weekend in North Jersey to be held on September 27-28. Go to [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) to find other weekend dates and locations. For more information, email [mikeandjanetwwme@gmail.com](mailto:mikeandjanetwwme@gmail.com) or contact Mike & Janet Turco at 973-427-7016 or 609-335-6880.

### PRE-HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA

This year on November 16<sup>th</sup>, we will sponsor a Pre-Holiday Extravaganza Dinner-Dance with a Cavalcade of Prizes. This will replace our Tricky Tray. We would appreciate any monetary donations so that we may purchase gift items for this Cavalcade or donations of gifts valued at \$75 or more. If you can donate, please bring your gifts or donations to the Rectory. As usual, we thank you for your generosity to the parish.

### LORD TEACH ME TO PRAY

**Are you a woman or a man of prayer? Are you comfortable working with small groups?** On Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Benedictine Center for Spirituality in Elizabeth, there will be a Facilitator Training-Retreat for the "Lord Teach Me To Pray" (LTMTTP) Ignatian prayer series. There is no charge for retreat or materials. Come and discern if God is calling you to become a facilitator! Or, if you are simply interested in finding out more about Ignatian Prayer and the "Lord, Teach Me To Pray" prayer series, you are invited! For info and registration, please go to [lordteachmetoprayer.com](http://lordteachmetoprayer.com), click on Training-Retreats and scroll down to Elizabeth, NJ for registration form, or call 504-439-5933.

### SUPPORT, HEALING AND RECOVERY MASS

All are welcome to Church of St. Mary, 20 Legion Place, Closter for the Third Saturday Mass on Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at 12:00PM. Mass is offered for the support, healing and recovery of not only those individuals directly affected with the abuse of alcohol and/or drugs, but also for anyone involved in the life of the alcoholic or drug addict. A support group, Meeting of Hope, will follow the mass. For information, please call 201-768-7565.

### DOMINICAN COLLEGE

An Information Session interested in Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees including Undergraduate online programs is scheduled for Thursday, July 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30PM in the Prusmack Center at 470 Western Highway, Orangeburg, NY.

### CLIFFSIDE PARK SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER

The following are the activities at the Cliffside Park Center: July 17 – River Belle Luncheon Cruise, \$40 – 9:45AM; August 9 – Music Al Fresco with Son Candela (Salsa) – 7:00PM; August 16 – River Lady Luncheon Cruise, \$45 – 9:00AM; October 18-20 – Fabulous 50's & Beyond Weekend – transportation, hotel, food, concerts, street fair, car show, visit to Cape May and more - \$345 per person. Call 201-941-0655.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

*Ann Callagher, Peter Bertinato, Caroline Craven, Felicia Martello, Arianna Cappola, Doris Levy, Cindy Simeone Reynolds, Baby Juliette Payne, Brian Hone, Cora Shaffer, Kathleen Warren Meserole, Baby Michael, Clyde Harger, Cesar Valdecantos, Kay Tak, Michele Spino, Evelyn Rodriguez, Barbara Snow, Mary Iannaccone, Doris Portillo, Teresita Zafra-Santos, Ann Marie Applegate, Geraldine Fox, Tatiana Flores, Rosalie Connors, Christopher Nash, Pat Romano, Donna Carrajat, Tony Martello, Little Gabriel, Rachel Rocks, Timmy Cappola, Sean O'Connor, Vladimir Drobikov, Vinka Uselj, Louanne Mitchell, Kathy Lennon, Colleen Meyers, Domenick Deodino, Marie Maraia, Rosemarie Liversidge, Patrick McLoughlin, Tony Aquilone, Concetta Giustra, Christine Caruso, Patrick Bove, Camille Moglia., John Keegan, Kay O'Connor.*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

*Robert Trabilcy, Harold Miller, Jr.*

**“YOU MAY HAVE TO FIGHT A  
BATTLE MORE THAN ONCE TO  
WIN IT!”**

