

**TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**JUNE 21, 2015**



**Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:**

**“Do you not yet have faith?...”**  
**Mark 4:35-41**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2015**

5:30 P.M. Fathers of the Parish

**SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2015**

7:30 A.M. Fathers of the Parish

10:00 A.M. Fathers of the Parish

12:00 P.M. Fathers of the Parish

**MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2015**

8:00 A.M. Carmela Canali

Anton Steiner

**TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2015**

8:00 A.M. Maimee Heller

Fannie Canali

**THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2015**

8:00 A.M. John Nemeth

**FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2015**

8:00 A.M. Msgr. Hans Weidner

**SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2015**

5:30 P.M. Marie & Edward Kulak

Jerome Campo

Deceased Members of the Renick Family

Deacon Charlie Tenga

Nick Wolkiewicz

**SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2015**

7:30 A.M. Beatrice M. Bell

Jean & Bob Richter

Rocco Florio

10:00 A.M. Mary Luciani

Sebastian Paraspolo

Lorraine Daly

Josephine Obser

12:00 P.M. Jose R. Gonzalez

Marjorie Obremski

Frischillano Bulaon

**Pray daily for the safety of our servicemen and women serving their country.**

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

<b>SICK:</b> Flora Assidio	Mary Carton	Jacob Hicks
Nina Margossian	Margherita Davis	Chip Franklin
Stacey Caropreso	Ron Gajdzis	Ron Tadesco
Baby Michael Soojian	Baby Juliet Sinisi	Baby Ryder Sasso
Margaret Puzio	Carmela Fusco	Evelyn O'Connell
Frances De Maria	Dorothea King	Jeanne Foy
Gabe Bellantoni	Rosemary Liebman	John Herald
Evenlyn O'Connell	John Nazzaretto	Tony Mazza
<b>DECEASED:</b> Henry Weiszun	Anita Farias	

**CHURCH MEMORIALS**

**Church Tabernacle Candle** in memory of Joseph Purcella requested by the Purcella Family.

**Chapel Tabernacle Candle** – Special Intentions

**WEEKLY OFFERING**

Sunday –\$4,927.00

Thank you for your continued support.

“We have complete faith in God, whose authority is above all things. God is infinitely benevolent” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2086).

The First Reading comes from the Book of Job. The Book of Job deals with the mystery of human suffering. Job was a righteous man afflicted with numerous difficulties. His friends told him he suffered because he sinned. These friends represent a traditional religious point of view: Obedience to God brings blessing; disobedience brings suffering. Job vehemently disagreed because he knew he was a good man. He could not believe his sin caused him to suffer.

Job turned to God and repeatedly asked why he was afflicted. God does not answer his questions or tell Job that his sins caused his misfortune. Instead, God portrays the great mystery and marvels of the universe. In verses 8-11, the creation of the sea is described as if it were the birth of a baby. The waters that burst forth are controlled by God's activity and word. Like a tender parent, God clothes the sea with clouds and darkness.

The tone of God's response to Job is, “Can you match divine activity? Can you even understand it? I, God, control the force you fear most, the sea. What do you know about the order of the universe?” The truth is that God's order is more mysterious than Job will ever understand. What Job can understand is that God, not he, is in charge.

The Sea of Galilee comes into play in the Gospel reading. In the first century, the Sea of Galilee was a boundary between the Jews and the Gentiles. Jesus challenged his followers to cross the sea and enter the unknown territory of the Gentiles. The sea symbolized the fear and doubt the disciples and the early Church must have felt when faced with outreach to the Gentiles. Although Jesus was with them, they felt as if they faced the journey alone. It might have seemed that Jesus was asleep.

In their fear, the disciples cry out and awaken Jesus. They believe Jesus will let them drown. Jesus' words are enough to calm the waters. Like the God of Israel, Jesus has authority over the sea, over chaos, and over the entire world.

Jesus questions the disciples, “Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?” The little band in the boat does not understand. They only respond with awe that their teacher has power over the water. For those with faith, this miracle is a clear sign that Jesus is the one from God.

The early Church, like the boat – battered and blown about – will not sink. Jesus will not let any of his followers sink into chaos. With Jesus, we can weather any storm.

**Children's Choir -  
A Musical Afternoon**

Last Saturday, June 13th, our Children's Choir performed a showcase of songs and piano pieces in front of family and friends in the Church Hall. Congratulations to all of our talented young musicians. Everyone in attendance enjoyed the performances.

Thanks to Dania Emusov, our Music Director, for teaching and guiding the performers. Thanks also to the adults

from our Chamber Group who also contributed to the music. The Children's Choir got off to a great start this year. We look forward to more music in the fall when the Children's Choir starts up again. All children in the Parish, including boys, are invited to contact Dania to join the Children's Choir.

### **Happy Father's Day!**

"When a father gives to his son, both laugh; when a son gives to his father, both cry." – Jewish Proverb

This weekend we celebrate the Father's Day holiday. I wish all of the "fathers" in the parish a blessed weekend. Let us keep in our prayers all of our fathers and those who have been like fathers to all of us.

### **Support the Church in Latin America**

Next week, we will take up the Second Collection for the Church in Latin America. Your generosity to the Collection for the Church in Latin America is invaluable to the future of the faith in this region. Your donations will fund catechesis, marriage and family life programs, and seminarian formation. Please give with a joyful and generous heart. Please support programs like these and give generously in next week's Collection for the Church in Latin America.

### **The Church in Latin America in Action**

In Nicaragua, families face many challenges as they strive to live and share their faith. Through a grant from the Collection for the Church in Latin America, the Diocese of Juigalpa was able to build its capacity for sharing the faith by forming family evangelization teams in all of its twenty-two parishes.

Thanks to the training they received, participants are now able to accompany married couples and those preparing for marriage. This collection is an opportunity to share our faith with the people of Latin America and the Caribbean.

### **Prayer for Solidarity**

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,  
we ask you to give us unity and solidarity with the faithful in Latin America and the Caribbean. Grant us the grace to generously give out time, money, and talents to those in need. May we learn from the example of St. Juan Diego and share our faith in humility and love. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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### **Fortnight for Freedom June 21 to July 4**

The annual *Fortnight for Freedom: Freedom to Bear Witness* sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops will take place from June 21 to July 4, 2015, a time when our liturgical calendar celebrates a series of great martyrs who remained faithful in the face of persecution by political power — St. Thomas More and St. John Fisher, St. John the Baptist, SS. Peter and Paul, and the First Martyrs of the Church of Rome. The theme of this year's Fortnight will focus on the "freedom to bear witness" to the truth of the Gospel.

Put a "Save the Date" on your calendars for Monday, June 29, for a very special event. Justin Anderson, Assistant Professor of Moral Theology at Immaculate Conception

Seminary/School of Theology at Seton Hall University will present a talk at 7:30 p.m. in the Church Hall on "The Church and Gay Marriage," followed by a Q&A session. Professor Anderson's talk will focus on the Church's public position that equal legal standing should not be granted to same-sex couples as is granted to heterosexual couples. He will focus on what the Magisterium teaches regarding the issue at hand and how the Church's teaching is an extension of a broader issue.

Please plan on joining fellow parishioners for what promises to be a fascinating evening; FREE COFFEE and cake included.

Sincerely in Christ,  
Fr. David Pickens  
Pastor

### **BISHOP SERRATELLI'S SUMMER TRIP TO ITALY**

Bishop Serratelli will be the Spiritual Director of a trip this summer to the *Lake Region of Italy*. The trip, "The Natural Beauty of Italy's Lake Region and its Religious and Cultural Heritage" will be from July 20 to 28. It will also include visits to Lugano, Switzerland, Genoa, Portofino and Milan in Italy.

For more information or to make reservations, please contact Great Experiences at 201-825-3725 or email them at [greatexinc@verizon.net](mailto:greatexinc@verizon.net).

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

Registration for Religious Education classes for September, 2015 is now in progress.

Attention: Religious Education parents...Registration forms for the 2015-2016 school year have been distributed to all families presently registered in the program. Please return forms as soon as possible.

New Registrations...Children who are new to the parish or who are entering First Grade in the public schools in September should also register at this time. Registration forms at the rectory or by calling the CCD office 973-835-1946.

First Holy Communion program requires two years of religious education classes starting with the first grade.

### **ST. FRANCIS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

As our St. Francis community grows with many new families, we are in need of CCD teachers, substitutes and aides, etc. Please give some consideration to volunteering for the upcoming school year, starting in September. We are always willing to assist and train anyone who would be willing to serve as a teacher, etc.

Our CCD Program succeeds because of the fine and generous efforts of so many. We need you all!! If interested, call Mrs. Marren at 973-835-1946.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS St. Francis council #2617

is sponsoring

**"WANAQUE COUNTRY NIGHT"**

Featuring the Bobby Wright Band.

BBQ Food, BYOB

\$35 per person

Saturday, June 27

St. Francis School Gym, 7-11pm.

Contact Mike Golas at 973-865-8781 for tickets.

Put a table together.

**Do you have trash to sell or are you looking for a treasure?**

The Ladies Guild is holding a Junk- in-the-Trunk sale on September 12<sup>th</sup> (Rain Date, 9/19) 9AM to 3PM. Food and a 50-50 raffle are planned. Exhibitor space is 16 x 17 (2 parking spaces) and will accommodate one car and one table. Cost is \$25.00. If anyone has items they would like to donate (no clothing or furniture please) or to reserve a space contact Diane at 973-839-1416 / [ladydi240@yahoo.com](mailto:ladydi240@yahoo.com) or Claire at 973-835-9344 [for further details.](#)



**CARNIVAL 2015**

Plans are underway for St. Francis' 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Parish Carnival which will take place from Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup> through Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015. As usual we will be looking for volunteers to help us make this another successful fundraiser for the parish. Mark your calendar to save this week for your parish.

**PIZZA HELP**

We are in need of cooks for the Pizza Booth for this year's Carnival: July 21-26. If anyone can help out, please give Pat Demarest a call at 973 831 6513. Thank you.

**Pope Benedict XVI Summer Institute**

Pope Benedict has reiterated the Church's view that the arts have value in expressing her unvarying message of salvation. This year's **Pope Benedict XVI Summer Institute** will explore Catholicism as a custodian of Beauty. Join Fr. James Platania and Fr. Peter Heasley as they delve into the topic: *Beauty and Its Artistic Expression Through Art and Architecture*. Cost for the four-day program is \$120.00 which includes lunch and runs **from Monday-Thursday, July 6-9** from 10:30am-2:30pm. A limited number of 50% scholarships are available. Register through the website: [www.insidethewalls.org](http://www.insidethewalls.org)



**Holistic Wellness Challenge taking place this summer.**

The Ringwood, Wanaque and West Milford Health Departments and Chilton Medical Center invite you to take the Join us in making Ringwood, Wanaque and West Milford healthier and happier this summer.. How CLEAN can you be??? Join our FREE Holistic Wellness Challenge in a fun, informative and supportive setting. The Holistic Challenge will focus on finding the natural balance of your mind, body and soul. Included will be walking, yoga and meditation at our beautiful, local state parks; nutrition education provided by a Registered Dietitian focusing on "clean" eating at the supermarket (each aisle/section will be discussed, recipes & samples given); Health education talks weekly on subjects like, GMO's, Organic foods and using safe/chemical free household products. Participants will earn points for each activity attended. 5 points for shopping at our Farmers Markets. 25 points by the end, and you are entered into the raffle for a prize. The real challenge is: Are you ready for the change?? See attached schedule for the list of activities included in this free program! Register & for schedule call or email Marianne Stillman-Health Educator 201-248-4551 or [marianne.stillman@atlantichhealth.org](mailto:marianne.stillman@atlantichhealth.org)

**LAKELAND NURSING HOME SCHEDULE  
SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2015**

Frank & Sandy Polglaze

**LECTORS**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2015**

5:30 P.M. Pat Demarest

**SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2015**

7:30 A.M. Erika Reid

10:00 A.M. Sue Kummer

12 NOON Harriet Pairo

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2015**

5:30 P.M. Peg Carolan

**SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2015**

7:30 A.M. Sue Raoul & Mary Kearns

10:00 A.M. Janet & Frank Sanclementi

12 NOON Judy Schroeder & Carol Steiner

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2015**

5:30 P.M. Open

**SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2015**

7:30 A.M. Victoria Sheridan

10:00 A.M. Belle Dykstra & Hubert Bisnar

12 NOON Jon Albert Perrone & Julia Schimmenti

