

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – SEPTEMBER 6, 2015

SATURDAY: SEPTEMBER 5th

8:00 AM JANE LVEDEKKE
5:00 PM STEVEN SALVADOR

REQ. BY DEBBRA MULLIGAN
REQ. BY THE SALVADOR FAMILY

SUNDAY: SEPTEMBER 6TH

8:00 AM JOHN McMAHON
9:30 AM KAZIMIERZ MARCINKOWSKI
11:00 AM GLORIA OPITZ

REQ. BY HIS WIFE
REQ. BY MR. & MRS. W. FREDRICKS

MONDAY

8:00 AM SISTER BARBARA GERWE

TUESDAY

8:00 AM INTENTIONS OF SISTER MARGARET MULLER

WEDNESDAY

8:00 AM DICK BIRCHFIELD

REQ. CAROL SIEGEL

THURSDAY

8:00 AM DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE NACINOVICH FAMILY

REQ. BY THE FAMILY

FRIDAY

8:00 AM JAMES QUINN

SATURDAY: SEPTEMBER 12th

8:00 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
5:00 PM JASON SALVADOR

REQ. BY THE SALVADOR FAMILY

SUNDAY: SEPTEMBER 13TH

8:00 AM INTENTIONS OF THE COTE' FAMILY
9:30 AM ROSE STOBER
11:00 AM GLORIA OPITZ

REQ. BY THE FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Please remember in your prayers all the sick of the parish and of our families.

SHOP-RITE, WEIS, STOP & SHOP GIFT CARDS

Cards in \$25, \$50 & \$100 denominations are available.

Please support this worthwhile fundraiser.

FLEA MARKETS

Last Saturdays of the month (Apr through Oct). For info & registration call Joe Zidek 973-948-5752.

Bake Sale: Sat, August 29th at the flea market - baked goods may be dropped off in the hall on Fri., August 28th between 9am & 2pm or Sat morning.

CAMP AUXILIUM SCHOOL

Now accepting registrations. School serves ages 6 weeks through Pre-K 4 (ages 4-5) Hours 6:30am – 6:30pm. Visit our website at

www.campauxilium.org or call 383-2621 x1 for info.

PARISH CRUISE

Panama Canal – March 4-14, 2016 – Reserve now and save!!! Contact Regina @ UNIGLOBE Travel Partners (973)810-8025

LECTORS

September 5th and 6th :

5:00 pm Debbie Carter
8:00 am John Mc Dermott
9:30 am Geralyn Boyce
11:00 am John Iacopelli

September 12th and 13th

5:00 pm Scott Ruvo
8:00 am Mary Dunleavy
9:30 am Patricia Pfeil
11:00 am Carolyn Luisi

ALTAR SERVERS

September 5th and 6th :

5:00 pm Pat Kelleher
8:00 am Xavier Munoz
9:30 am Samantha Price
11:00 am Carly Studt

September 12th and 13th

5:00 pm Leia Ruvo
8:00 am Remy Hautau
9:30 am Jon-Paul Devetori
11:00 am Matthew Corazza

From the Desk of Father Ed:

Dear Parishioners,

“Ephphatha” – that is, Be opened!” In our Gospel this week, St. Mark quotes Jesus in his native language of Aramaic. Jesus is traveling throughout pagan territory and a man is brought to him who is both deaf and mute. They beg Jesus to lay his hands on him and heal him.

“He put his finger into the man’s ear and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, “Ephphatha!” – that is, Be opened! – And immediately the man’s ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly.”

St. Mark’s Gospel recalls a powerful miracle that Jesus performed by opening the ears and mouth of the deaf and mute man. We can see another layer of meaning in the Gospel that the man is a gentile or non-Jew living in pagan territory. He represents the gentiles or pagans who are living outside of the covenant that God made with his chosen people the Israelites. Jesus reached out to the man and touched him with the finger of God and his ears were opened. He is able to hear the word of God, he can hear truth as he stands before the One who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. This man represents all of the gentiles who now can hear the word of God through Jesus’ Passion, Death, and Resurrection, and allow their hearts to be transformed from a life of sin to a life of holiness; to turn from the things of the world to the things of God. Jesus opened his physical ears but also opened the ears of his soul so that he could hear the word within his very being – that is he could listen and speak with God in prayer. And come to know that God the Father has sent His Son into the world to restore us to his love as adopted sons and daughters.

“Ephphatha” – that is, Be opened!” The Lord invites us to be open – that is, to be open to his truth. Jesus invites us to open our ears and hearts to the teachings of his Church – the Church he has established and is overshadowed by the Holy Spirit.

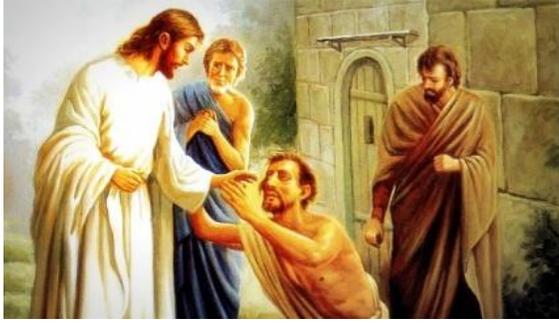
Each time we go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) and confess our sins before the Priest the spiritual doors of our soul are opened and grace enters and we experience the healing power of Christ. The Lord invites us to spend time with him in prayer. It is in silence and solitude that the spiritual ears of our soul are opened and we recognize his presence, his voice, and we come to know his will in our lives; we come to know him better and reflect his love and presence in the world. Let us pray for the grace of openness, to be open to anything and everything that God wants to do in our lives. *“Ephphatha” – that is, Be opened!*”

Our Lady Queen of Peace pray for us,
Father Ed
Administrator

Parish Life:

Once again, I would like to remind you of our parish picnic, which will begin after the 11:00 am Mass on Sunday, September 20th and end at 5:00 Pm. We have rented several inflatable rides for the children and teens of our parish. There is no fee for the picnic and the food will be provided by our Men’s and Women’s Clubs of the parish; if you like you can bring a covered food dish. We are putting together an itinerary of fun events for our children, teens, and adults so be sure to join us for a fun day of events. Pray for good weather!

As I mentioned in last week’s bulletin, in the near future we will be making some changes in the Sanctuary of our Church. Bishop Serratelli, has asked his Priests to place the Tabernacle in the center of the Church behind the altar in the sanctuary. (The Tabernacle is currently off to the side.) The Tabernacle is the place where we keep the Blessed Sacrament reserved. Christ is truly and substantially present in the Blessed Sacrament. We reserve the Eucharist in the Tabernacle so that we can adore Him and bring Holy Communion to the sick. Christ is truly present in the Eucharist; therefore the Tabernacle should be placed at the center of our Sanctuary, the center of our worship, and the center of our lives. He is the “Source and summit of our lives.”



Healing Mass

The Mass will be celebrated on Thursday September 24, at 7:30 PM in the Church.

The healing service will take place immediately after Mass; Father Ed will be celebrating the Mass. Light refreshments will be served in the parish hall at the completion of the healing service. Healing has always been a part of the Church. Jesus healed the blind man, the deaf man, and the leper. We find in Sacred Scripture physical healings, healing of relationships, psychological healing, financial healing, and spiritual healing. Come with expectant faith and join us, and experience the Lord's healing power.

Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Family Picnic

Sponsored by the Men's and Women's Clubs

Date: Sunday, September 20, 2015

Time: After 11:00 Mass to 5:00 PM

Place: Church Grounds and Pavilion

Please bring a covered dish, salad, dessert, etc...



Music, games, hamburgers, hot dogs will be provided. Several *inflatable rides* and *games* will be provided for the children and teenagers of our parish to enjoy!



For further information call:
John Dalmas 973-600-8010
Or
Geraldyn Boyce 973-702-7755

MAKING A JOYFUL NOISE UNTO THE LORD

On Sunday, September 13th at our 11:00am Mass, the MEN AND WOMEN FROM STARIGHT & NARROW will join us to celebrate this Liturgy. Straight & Narrow is a human service agency of the Diocese of Paterson Catholic Charities. Thanks to treatment and facilities offered by Straight & Narrow, these men and women, whose lives were once broken by addiction, are now on their way to living wholesome and productive lives as enthusiastic contributors to society. You'll hear optimism, determination and gratitude in the way they give Praise to the Lord.

Come! You'll never forget this experience!!

Collections

Aug. 29&30	\$4,040.
Weekly Goal:	\$6,500
Envelopes Mailed:	219
Envelopes Received:	129

If you are not already doing so, please use your envelopes each week. Only contributions in your numbered envelope are recorded for documentation required by the IRS. Please contact the parish office if you are not receiving envelopes.

Knights of Columbus

Sept. 10 Council Mtg at Sacred Heart Center 7:30 pm

Sept. 14 St. Joseph Migrant Ministry Dinner 7:30pm

Sept. 27 Picnic Panther Lake Camp Grounds 2pm

Memorials:

Week of September 6th the Sanctuary Lamp Burns for:

Jason & Steven Salvador

Calendar Events

Sept. 7 Labor Day Office Closed
No Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction
Sept. 8 Women's Club Meeting 7:00pm
Sept. 9 Fundraising Meeting 6pm
Sept. 14 Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction 7:30pm
Sept. 20 Parish Picnic after the 11am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration



7:30 pm – 8:30 pm Monday
and 8:30 am -9:30 am Friday
(after the 8:00 am Mass)
Come join us and spend some quiet
time in prayer before the Lord.

*No Adoration on Labor Day 9/7/15



Wedding Banns

Emily Ann Slate
Daughter of
Douglas & Deborah Slate
Will Be Joined Marriage To
Diego Cantillano
Son of
Alfonso & Celia Cantillano
On Saturday September 12, 2015
At 10:00 AM
Our Lady Queen of Peace



Good Counsel
Homes & Hope for Babies & Mothers

Good Counsel: Pregnant? Need Help? Call 800-723-8331 or click here for assistance.

website: goodcounselhomes.org

Good Counsel has a post-abortion referral network, Lumina, with its own national helpline, website and network of assistance for men and siblings, as well as women, affected by abortion.

Pope Francis' Call: The Family Fully Alive

This fall, I'm excited to have the opportunity to be able to see Pope Francis in Philadelphia through my organization The Culture Project International. There we will be fulfilling our mission by inviting our culture to become fully alive through the experience of virtue. We will specifically be reaching out to the young people witnessing to the richness of living out a lifestyle of authentic life and love to the world. We're anticipating Pope Francis' visit is not only because we'll be able to see him but also because of his call to families falls perfectly in line with ours as affirmed by the official slogan for the World Meeting of Families, *Love Is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive*.



With all of the business, distractions, or perhaps pain we may have experienced within our own families, it's sometimes easy to forget that family life holds a special place in our society. The family is meant to be a safe haven and the building block of civilization. This is what we, as a society, need to be reminded of; this is the reason for the World Meeting of Families. Pope Francis calls all families to be fully alive, to experience even through all of the muddiness and brokenness of our everyday lives, the true joy that comes from the intimate relationships with our loved ones. Our Holy Father

states, "In the family we learn how to love, to forgive, to be generous and open, not closed and selfish. We learn to move beyond our own needs, to encounter others and share our lives with them... That is why families are so important in God's plan for the Church."

The upcoming World Meeting of Families should serve as a particular reminder for us to be grateful for our families. A reminder to truly show our families that we genuinely care about their interests, hopes, and dreams. A reminder to be united through the Sacraments and prayer. To be by their sides in times when they have fallen and to rejoice with them in times of celebration. *Love Is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive*. Let us then show the world, starting within our own families, the missionaries of love we were all created to be.

Tom Costello

The Culture Project International

www.restoreculture.com