



**The Roman Catholic Parish
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**We are a Catholic community
rooted in the Eucharist
and committed to the poor.**

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Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.
 Psalm 138

Sunday Mass Schedule

(Vigil Mass)

Saturday —5:00PM

Sunday

8:30AM and 10:30AM

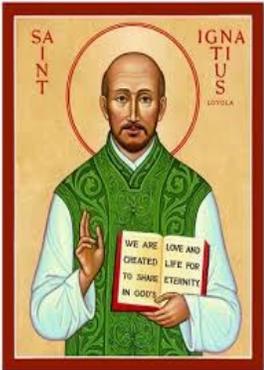
**Confession: Saturday at 4PM
or other days by appointment.**

**Weekday Mass
Schedule**

8:30AM Monday—Saturday

“It would be easier for the world to survive without the sun than to do so without the Holy Mass.” St. Padre Pio

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT	
The weekend of July 20th and July 21st	
Total collected at Masses:	\$6,421
Online WeShare:	\$3,128
Total Offered:	\$9,549

Daily Mass Readings	
Monday Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42	
Tuesday Ex 33:7-11, 34:5b-9, 28; Mt 13:36-43	
Wednesday Ex 34:29-35; Mt 13:44-46	
Thursday Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Mt 13:47-53	
First Friday Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Mt 13:54-58	
First Saturday Lv 25:1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12	



Following the 8:30am Mass this Sunday, our high school students, college students and adult volunteers, 55 in all, will travel to Preston County, West Virginia for our annual mission trip to provide service through home repairs for low income families.

Please pray for all those going on this trip including Fr. Richard, Sister Niky and Sister Elsa, that they travel safely to and from West Virginia and may their service to the poor and needy be a source of hope for those they serve.

“Jesus speaks in the silence of the mystery of the Eucharist and reminds us each time that following Him means going out of ourselves and making our lives not something we “possess,” but a gift to Him and to others.”
Pope Francis

MASS INTENTIONS	
MONDAY	July 29th Saint Martha 8:30AM Karl and Theresa Schlegel and Family (<i>Living</i>) Rosalie Pigna Martha Armenti
TUESDAY	July 30th Saint Peter Chrysologus Bishop and Doctor of the Church 8:30AM Vicky Lau (<i>Living</i>) Rita Joyce Claudia Jardim
WEDNESDAY	July 31st Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest 8:30AM Father John Calabro (<i>Living</i>) Catherine Heller Sara Sorce
THURSDAY	August 1st Saint Alphonsus Liguori Bishop and Doctor of the Church 8:30AM Yves Baeyens (<i>Living</i>) Monsignor John Demkovich Vincent and Mary Esoldi
FRIDAY	August 2nd Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop Saint Peter Julian Eymard, Priest 8:30AM Bishop Arthur Serratelli (<i>Living</i>) Patricia Ann O’Neill John Luckstone
SATURDAY	August 3rd 8:30AM John and Norma Provinsal (<i>Living</i>) George DeFabio Alfredo Oppedisano
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
5:00PM (Vigil)	Frances Brooks Nunzio Dagostino Deceased members of the parish
8:30AM	Karen Cook Edward Turner William and Marian Hosford
10:30AM	Mallory Kilcoyne John Silva, Sr. Patsy Filippone

 **The Rosary** is prayed **daily** following the 8:30am Mass Monday through Friday and on First Saturdays. “The Rosary is the prayer that touches most the Heart of the Mother of God...and if you wish peace to reign in your homes, recite the family rosary.”
St. Louis de Montefort

“Lord, teach us to pray...”

“Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, ‘Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples.’ He said to them, ‘When you pray, say, Father, hallowed be your name...’”

Jesus directed His prayer to the Father. Paul tells us we can pray only through the inspiration of the Spirit. The Trinity is found in every prayer, ‘How much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?’

We, like the disciple, ask the Lord to help us to pray and to pray better. We pray in response to the Spirit’s urging. We pray in many ways, with words, in silent meditation and reflection. We pray with our hands in serving others. Jesus is ever present to lead us, strengthening our prayer life.

Let’s use an example. In teaching people how to swim we can tell them to close their mouths, kick their feet, move their arms and hold their breath. That’s a teaching technique, but is not swimming. One must enter the water and try.

Prayer is no different. We learn to pray better by praying. Like swimming we are refreshed and renewed by our experience.

His Word Today
by Rev. William J. Reilly



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who serve in the military:

Hayden Schultz, Michael Conant, Tyler Nelson, Damian McCoy, Calla Ann Armenti, Dylan T. Jones, James Minogue, Stephen J. Campbell, Sean Milde, Frank Fasano, Richard Lister, Eric Leverone, Jay Donato, Frank Messina, Eileen Murphy, Peter Giovanni

Those who are ill:

Mary Bigelis, Deacon Peter O’Neill, Andrew Balk, John Wharton, Kevin Shea, Pat Bergin, James Castagna, Sharon Baker, Jennifer Pellecchia, Rhoda & Ike Blake, Denise Garcia, Rick and Susan Olkusz, Cecile Fountain Jardim, Rita D’Angelo, Jim Fittin, Sandra Fittin, Jane Moran, John Daglian, Parker Watson, Annette McGrory, Lucy Bustillos, Bill Wallisch, Larry Oster, Nanci Gamba, and Elizabeth Early

Those who have died to this world

Requiescat in Pace

May all the faithful who have departed this world rest in your eternal peace. Amen



Reborn through the waters of Baptism and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, we embrace:

Leo Michael Wilson

son of Anthony and Ximena

claimed now for the fullness of eternal life.

Saint Martha—July 29th



Martha, Mary, and their brother Lazarus were close friends of Jesus. He came to their home simply as a welcomed guest, rather than as one celebrating the conversion of a sinner like Z a c c h a e u s or one unceremoniously received by a suspicious Pharisee. The sisters feel free to call on Jesus at their brother’s death, even though a return to Judea at that time seems almost certain death

No doubt Martha was an active sort of person. On one occasion, she prepares the meal for Jesus and possibly his fellow guests and forthrightly states the obvious: All hands should pitch in to help with the dinner. Martha’s great glory is her simple and strong statement of faith in Jesus after her brother’s death. “Jesus told her, ‘I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?’ She said to him, ‘Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world’” (John 11:25-27).

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23

"Vanity of vanities." Sometimes we may work for wealth, wisdom and knowledge only to discover that it has been left for some one who did not toil for it. The offering of our work, fatigue and pain, if not for God, can also be a



kind of vanity.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Paul urges us to seek what is good and from God, encouraging us to put our minds on the spiritual. He reminds us that, as Christians , we have died with Christ and are hidden with Christ until his glory is once again revealed. We are all one in Christ.

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

On being requested to settle a question of inheritance, Jesus heeds us to beware of all covetousness because our life does not consist on the wealth of possessions. Through the lesson of a parable Jesus reinforces this teaching, explaining that those who store up the treasures of wealth and possessions are not the richest in God’s eyes.

FIRST THROUGH NINTH GRADE FAITH FORMATION

St. Vincent de Paul’s 1st through 9th grade Faith Formation program offers a combination of grade level classroom sessions and Family Faith events all centered around the Mass. Family Faith is designed to help foster a deeper understanding, love and sharing of the Catholic faith for the whole family and parish community. This format promotes the family as being the most important influence in a child’s faith life.

Registration for Faith Formation for grades 1 through 9 is available on the parish website. An email has been sent out to all Faith Formation families with a link to register.

First Communion preparation is a two year process beginning in 1st grade. This year both 8th and 9th grade students will prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

If your child will be new to the program please contact Deirdre Nemeth at 908-647-0421 or dnemeth@stvincentschurch.org for additional information.



Please remember to be conscious of your attire and to dress in an appropriate manner for Mass. The temperature in the Church is regulated for your comfort.



RCIA and the Blessing of Marriages

Adults who desire to be baptized, those who are members of other Christian communities, or those who have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation and would like to be initiated or complete their initiation into the Sacramental life of the Roman Catholic Church are invited to consider doing so. Any adult who has the desire are asked to contact Fr. Richard so that they may be given more information and direction.

If any couple in the parish are married but have not had their marriage blessed by the Church, and for whom there is no impediment in doing so, they are invited to contact Fr. Richard for information on having their marriage blessed.

You may contact Fr. Richard in person, by phone 908-647-0118 or by email frichard@stvincentschurch.org

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

Michael Minogue, a parishioner of St. Vincent de Paul and student at Watchung Hills, is currently working towards the rank of Eagle Scout with Boy Scout Troop 56. In order to accomplish this great task, he must raise close to \$3000.

For his service project, Michael will be refurbishing the area of the outdoor statues at the Shrine of St. Joseph. This includes replacing two memorial benches, platforms and kneelers in the back area of the church.

All donations are greatly appreciated. Checks should be made payable to Michael Minogue with a note in the memo indicating it is for his Eagle Project. Checks can be dropped off at the Parish House or mailed to 595 Chestnut St., Stirling, NJ 07980. Thank you in advance for your support!



The Meals for Moms Ministry seeks to support families who have just welcomed a new baby. We are happy to provide several meals to the family during this special time. Please contact Danielle Grieco at dgrieco7@verizon.net for more information. **If you would like**

to help by cooking one meal please email Danielle.

“Give your hands to serve and your hearts to love.” St. Teresa of Calcutta

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN



Liturgy of the Word for Children will be offered at the **10:30am Mass** in the Chapel on **Sunday, August 4th**. Children who are in fourth grade and younger will be invited to hear and learn about the Bible readings at their age level.

SAVE THE DATES



The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a trip to the Somerset Patriots baseball game on **Friday, September 6th**. Game time is 7:00pm. The Council has 30 tickets available at \$5.00 per ticket.

If you are interested contact Ed P n i e w s k i by email polkajig@verizon.net or phone 908-251-1681 for tickets.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE

The **Knights of Columbus** will be sponsoring a **Blood Drive** on **Monday, August 26th** from **3:30pm to 8:00pm in the gym**. Donor registration will take place in the vestibule of the church after Masses the weekends of August 10th/11th and August 17th/18th. Please consider being a blood donor. Donating blood saves lives! For further information please contact Ken Schaefer at 732-356-6148.



Support Group for Family and Friends of those affected by Substance Use Disorder are offered at **Trinity House, Stirling**. These meetings are held the **last Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm**. The next meeting will be **July 31st**. The evening features discussions, speakers, spiritual consolation and light refreshments.

If you or someone you know is suffering and would benefit from an evening of sharing and community support please consider attending one or more of these sessions. For more details contact Keaton Douglas at 973-370-3784 or shrinerecovery@gmail.com.

FOOD PANTRY ITEMS



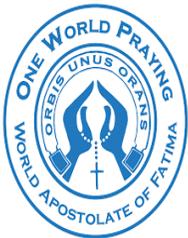
Our parish Food Pantry is in need of the following items: rice, coffee, pasta, tomato sauce, spaghetti sauce with meat, honey nut cheerios, jelly, syrup, peanut butter, peas, corn, refried beans,

beets, spam, and chicken noodle soup.

Please no oversized or bulk items.

Thank you for your generosity to those in need.

WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA



Please join us on **First Saturday, August 3rd** to honor the plea of Our Lady requesting Five First Saturdays of Reparation for five consecutive months. Confession will take place at 10:30am followed by the Rosary at 11:30am and Mass at 12:15pm.

The celebrant will be Fr. Matthew Mauriello. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at 3:00pm.

Take a break from your daily routine and come to the beautiful Blue Army Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima in Washington, NJ. Families, groups, ministries and individuals are invited and encouraged to participate. For more information visit their website www.bluearmy.com or call 908-689-1700 ext. 224 or email: dorothy@bluearmy.com.



Memorial Bricks are available for purchase for the patio in the **Our Lady of Fatima Garden**.

Please consider buying a brick that will be engraved with your name or the name of a family member, friend or loved one to ensure a remembrance of them. Forms are available at the parish office.

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

If you are new to our parish, or not receiving our bulletin and parish information each week by email, please take this opportunity to register or update your information by visiting our website at www.stvincentschurch.org or by **calling the parish office 908-647-0118.**

REQUEST FOR DIAPERS

Mercy House, located in the Archdiocese of Newark, is in need of diapers. Their supply of diapers was stolen and they need to replace what was lost. Mercy House is a day center for homeless women.

If you are able to donate diapers size 3 and up **this weekend**, Jan Parry, a parishioner, will get them to Mercy House. **The diapers can be dropped off in the church meeting room.**

If you are able to donate after this weekend, please call the parish office and you will be given further details as to where the diapers can be delivered.

Also, have you ever participated in the Shrine Recovery Group Meals posted by Stacey Beer? If you are interested in participating contact Stacey who will send you a Perfect Potluck invitation. Signups are needed asap.

Thank you in advance for your generous support.

MOUNT ST. MARY HOUSE OF PRAYER WATCHUNG

**Siesta Spirituality
Wednesday, August 7th
7:00pm to 9:00pm**

Do the “lazy days of summer” have a relationship to our faith and prayer? What place does leisure play in our spirituality? Come and discover leisure’s role in our lives and how it helps to renew our souls and refresh our spirits.

(\$20-\$30 as you are able)

For more details call 908-753-2091 or email mshmhope@mshmhope.org

The presenter will be Eileen P. Smith, RSM.

CALLING ALL GOLFERS!

The Sisters of Christian Charity, Mendham will host their **6th Annual Golf Outing on Thursday, September 26th at Cedar Hill Golf and Country Club, Livingston.** Shotgun start is at 1:00pm. Join the Sisters for an outstanding day of golf, camaraderie and example of God’s bounty. All proceeds from the outing support the Sisters in their ministries, care for the infirm and elderly Sisters and help to make visible the love of Christ in the world.

To register as a golfer and/or sponsor visit www.sceast.org/golf-outing or contact Casey Dolan at dev.director@sceast.org or 973-230-5355.