



*August 12th– August 20th, 2017*

**Saturday, August 12th**

5:30 PM †Martin Verostek  
 †Dorothy Mihalovic  
 †Irene Reyes

**Sunday, August 13th**

7:30AM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners  
 9:00 AM †Hugh & Eleanor DeGhetto  
 11:00AM †Mary Ellen Brophy  
 †Ronald Parker  
 †Charlotte Grabler  
 12:30 PM † Huber Lopez Guerero  
 †Joel Mejia

**Monday, August 14th**

7:30 AM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

**Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>:**

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9:00 AM\*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners  
 5:00 PM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners  
 7:00PM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

**Wednesday, August 16th**

7:30 Am \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners  
 7:00 PM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

**Friday, August 18th**

7:30AM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

**Saturday, August 19th**

5:30 PM †Thelma Reck  
 †Rosa Perez

**Sunday, August 20th**

7:30AM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners  
 9:00 AM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners  
 11:00AM †Mary Ellen Brophy  
 †Joan Yannarelli  
 †Charlotte Grabler  
 † Scelfo M. Anna  
 12:30 PM \*St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

Important Notice: There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday, August 18th, 2017 at 8:00 a.m.-12:00 pm. Service will be held in the Church.

**Grupo Carismático de Oración de San Jorge**

El grupo de oración se reúne todos los martes en la Iglesia comenzando con la Santa Misa 7:00 pm, luego de 7:30 pm a 9:00 pm con cánticos, alabanza, reflexión de la Palabra y peticiones.

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
 Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

9:00 am Fr. Junior  
 5:00 pm Fr. Michael  
 7:00 pm Fr. Junior (Spanish)

**Mass Celebrants  
 Weekend of August 19<sup>th</sup> – August 20<sup>th</sup>**

Saturday  
 5:30pm Fr. Junior

Sunday  
 7:30 am Fr. Charlie  
 9:00 am Fr. Junior  
 11:00 am Fr. Michael  
 12:30 pm Fr. Junior

**Weekend Collection August 5<sup>th</sup> – August 6<sup>th</sup>**

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|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 5:30PM                               | \$ 1,351.00       |
| 7:30AM                               | \$ 524.00         |
| 9:00AM                               | \$ 1,271.00       |
| 11:00AM                              | \$ 939.00         |
| 12:30PM                              | \$1,059.00        |
| <b>Total:</b>                        | <b>\$5,144.00</b> |
| <i>Thank you for your Generosity</i> |                   |



**Message from our Pastor** 

*My Dear friends, please read this exceptional article from Antonio, P. Pueyo:*

Why would anyone want to walk on water? I want to feel solid ground beneath my feet. No extreme sports for me. I am contented with watching people skydive, do motorcycle stunts, climb rocky walls, and drop from great heights with only a bungee chord to keep them alive. I can swim, but I make sure there is a boat around in case I suffer cramps. I do mountain biking, but of the moderate variety. I drive a car, but seldom do I exceed eighty kilometers in the speedometer. I take the plane, only when very necessary. I cross the street and I look right and left. I have visited some war zones, and I scan the surroundings for trees where I can take cover, just in case. I tend to be on the safe side. I guess when God distributed virtues, I caught an abundance of Prudence.

Peter was different. In the Gospel this Sunday, he tried walking on water. There must have been something of an adventurer with Peter. Or did some apostles dare him, "Peter can you do that?" Perhaps he just wanted to try something new, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you walking on the water" (Mt. 14:28). It is a natural human tendency. Watch children. If somebody climbs the fence, another one is bound to follow. I know of one confrere who nearly drowned at sea. He jumped in deep water because everybody in the boat did - he forgot he did not know how to swim. Some bottles of beer must have weakened his memory.

Whatever Peter's motive, he did embark on a great adventure by leaving the safety of the boat and walking on the water. He must have been enjoying himself at the beginning, "Hey look, I can do it." Like a child who was enjoying his first solo bike ride, he was doing fine - until he remembered his father was far behind him and no longer holding the bike. Peter was doing fine, focusing on the Lord - until he focused on the strong wind and the turbulent waters. Then he lost heart. He panicked and he started to sink. He did not lose his senses completely. He had enough sense to turn his attention back to the Lord and shout, "Lord, save me!" (Mt. 14:30)

The lesson is clear. Focus on the Lord. Focus on His saving power. Focus on His strength. Once we lose focus, we lose heart.

When we are in troubled waters, what do we usually focus on? We see our weakness. We see our powerlessness. We could hardly move forward because we see our crippling environment and helpless situation. We see the darkness and we see the storm. Our focus is on our weak selves and our threatening surroundings, rather than on the Lord. How many people feel powerless looking at their addictions, at their poverty, at their being victims of people and circumstances?

At the core of the principles of Alcoholic Anonymous that enabled the movement to help so many people gain freedom from the grips of alcohol and drug addiction is the belief in the power of God. The 2nd and 3rd of the AA Twelve Steps profess this very explicitly:

2. (We) Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity. 3. (We) Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him,

There is a Higher Power we can turn to. That holds true for people who in their personal lives are in the clutches of many forms of addiction. That holds true for marginalized peoples and victimized societies. Power is within reach. The Power of Jesus and His Word has changed personal lives and started social revolutions. We are no longer victims of ourselves and the elements around us. All we need to do is reach out and put our hand in the hand of the Man who walks the water.

And then we will gain courage. We will not sink. We will walk on water.

**Fr. Junior Flores**  
**Pastor**

**Fuente: Catholic.net**

**Reflexión**

Caminar sobre las aguas, ¡qué proeza!, está fuera de nuestro alcance. Por eso sucede que cuando leemos estas líneas no llegamos a penetrar su mensaje hasta el fondo.

Entonces, ¿cuál es la clave de lectura? Pedro no camina hasta que Jesús le dice: *Ven*. También Jesús nos dice esa palabra en diversas ocasiones al día: cada vez que nos viene a la mente una buena obra: hacer un favor, dar una

limosna, etc. Es posible que no nos demos cuenta de esta realidad, pero es Dios quien nos inspira esos pensamientos.

Las dificultades llegan cuando nos pide algo más, un sacrificio mayor. Es entonces cuando sentimos que nuestras pasiones se rebelan y nos echamos atrás. Aquella posibilidad de avanzar se ha convertido en un fracaso, en un naufragio. ¿Por qué?

Veamos qué le sucedió a Pedro. Al principio se asustó al ver a Jesús, que llegaba de forma tan inesperada. Pero al ver que era Él, se sintió seguro, y a la voz de su Maestro comenzó a dar los primeros pasos. ¿Y luego? Dudó, tuvo miedo, no confió en el poder de Cristo para continuar adelante, y empezó a hundirse. Lo que le faltaba era fe.

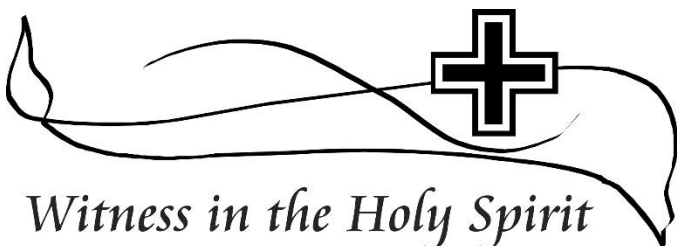
Con fe, Pedro hubiera cruzado a pie todo el lago. Con fe, nosotros también seríamos capaces de los mayores milagros. Si tuviéramos un poquito de fe, nos sorprenderíamos de hasta dónde podemos llegar.



**PRAY**  
FOR THE SICK

Especialmente for: Fr. Michael Burke, Emma Bracigliano, Jose Bravo, Alexandra Cafferta, John Canemalla, Alyssa DiGiacomo, Mary Ann DiPietro, Rose Dziekanowski, Joseph Eagan, Steve Farrell, Frank Feeney, Gerardo Fernandez, Maria Fernandez, Barbara Johnson, Rizel M. Flores Luna, Selby Flores, Delphina Gracias, Christopher Grossman, Louise Gorman, Trudy Lucas, Kimberly Halupka, Teresa Hewitt, Evelyn Kemp, Marie Kennedy, Helen Korczynski, Ivette Larsen, Jan Linton, Joan Marie Miller, Marianne Messino, Albert Mauro, Sophie Messina, Joan Mindrebo, Steven Mihalovic, Elena Montoya, Louis Morgan, Helen Ortiz, Lidia Ramos, Anne Roback, Gerry Roback, Bishop Rodimer, Lolita Rodriguez, George Sharp, Robin Shirak, Jennifer Sogka, Frank Stolair, Carl Stramiello, Josefine VanDerbeck.


*We also remember those who have died.*



Registrations for **CCD, RCIA & Confirmation** Course have begun. Classes will begin in September for **CCD, Confirmation** & November for **RCIA**. Please find registrations in the back of the church. You may drop off all complete registrations during Parish office hours.




The parish office will be closed on Tuesday, August 15, 2017 in observance of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We will resume our regular office hours on Wednesday, August 16, 2017 @ 9am.



**Food Collection** **Father English Collection**  
(Sat, Aug 19th- Sun, Aug 20th)

Please continue to support this Catholic organization donating **Non-Perishable food**, such as: canned foods, cereal, pasta, rice, coffee, tea, peanut butter, etc.  
*Your continued support is greatly appreciated.*



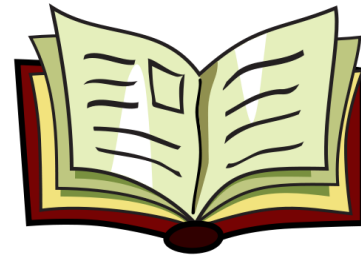
**Straight & Narrow Collection**  
( Sat, Aug 26th – Sun, Aug 27th)

We want to thank you for your continual support in donating items to the men and women of Straight & Narrow, plus a special thank you to the money donated to this Diocesan agency.

# IT'S PARTY TIME



Come Celebrate The Catholic Community of St. Brendan and St. George's 5 year anniversary of the formation on April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018! There will be a formal dinner at The Mansion in Parsippany. Tickets will be \$125.00 and are going on sale starting in September.



## St. Brendan's School

**Registration Open for the 2017-2018 School Year**  
St. Brendan School is now accepting registrations for the upcoming school year. Openings are still available in PreK3 through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade. Please contact the school office at 973-772- 1149 for more information.



Congratulations to Mrs. Kathy Capobianco and Benjamin & Lucy Berberena who are this year's recipients of the Vivere Christus Award. Mass will be held September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at the Cathedral in Paterson.



On the weekend of Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 there will be a special speaker from the Missionary of Crist as well as a special collection for the Diocesan Mission Cooperation Plan.



### UPCOMING LITURGICAL EVENTS 2017

**Saturday & Sunday, August 12 & 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 -  
Altar Server Car Wash**

**Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> 2017 - Assumption of our  
Blessed Lady/ Office Closed.**

**9:00 am (English)**

**5:00 pm (English)**

**7:00 pm(Spanish)**

**Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017– Vivere Cristus  
Award Ceremony at 3:00 pm**



There will be a car wash to benefit our Altar Servers program held on Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Thank you in advance for supporting those who faithfully serve our community!