



Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 9, 2018



<b>Saturday</b> 5:00 pm	<b>September 8</b> Peter Coviello and Paul J. Burke
<b>Sunday</b> 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:30 am	<b>September 9</b> Carol Hennessey and Tillie Fearon Mary A. Fitzpatrick and Bill Waller Caroline Mendalka, Al Sorrentino and Don Weisbecker
<b>Monday</b> 8:00 am	<b>September 10</b> Virginia Viola and Ursula Hatton
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:00 am	<b>September 11</b> Anthony Infante and Thomas Peterpaul
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:00 am	<b>September 12</b> Joseph Nicholas and Betty Dooley
<b>Thursday</b> 8:00 am	<b>September 13</b> Frank Benvenga and Joseph Korkuch
<b>Friday</b> 8:00 am	<b>September 14</b> Don Weisbecker and Mildred Fowler
<b>Saturday</b> 8:00 am 5:00 pm	<b>September 15</b> Rosalie Nicastro and Rose Dewitz Al Sorrentino, Harry Moore and Helena Granato
<b>Sunday</b> 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am 5:00 pm	<b>September 16</b> Rosalie Devito and Karen Ann Serillo Anthony Marino and Joseph Leonett Ruth Ames and Arnold Bentley Catherine Finnegan and Francis Griffin

## Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 16, 2018

### **First Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9a**

Isaiah describes the willingness of the Suffering Servant to submit to the persecution of his enemies. This willingness stems from true faith in God, and the knowledge that the Lord will always be his help.

### **Second Reading: James 2:14-18**

James states that if some one is hungry and you wish them well but do not help them, you have done them no good. He compares this to stating your faith, without backing it up with your actions. He reminds us that we must show our faith through our good works.

### **Gospel: Mark 8:27-35**

Jesus taught his disciples that as the Messiah, he had to suffer much, be put to death, and rise three days later. Peter began to disagree and Jesus reprimanded him for judging by human standards rather than by God's. He told them that whoever would be willing to lose their life for the sake of Jesus and the gospel, will in fact preserve their life forever.

### Mass Schedule September 15th & 16th

**Fr. Bob** Saturday 5 pm and Sunday 7:30 am & 9 am

**Fr. Kamil** Sunday 11:00 am & 5 pm

### Reconciliation September 15th

**Fr. Bob** Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 pm



## Weekly Memorials

**The Lamp** burning before the Blessed Sacrament the week of September 9 is in memory of deceased members of the Salvo and Ranese families given by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Ranese.

**The Candles** on the altar the week of September 9 are in memory of deceased family members given by Mrs. Marisa Marks.

**The Flowers** on the altar the week of September 9 are in memory of deceased family members given by Mr. & Mrs. Martin Bogue.

**Hear our Prayers for those who are ill** especially Anthony LaFerrara, Neiko Pagaling, Carmela Cecere, Mike Mulane, Evey Staromano, Caroline Palluzzi, Mary Cecere, Eileen Keohane, Josh Crucilla, Bob Moore, Patrick Duffy, Jeanette Piontek, Morgan Plisky, Frank Scherer, Jane Cunningham, Erlinda Ruzol, Jack Meeks, Michael Hare, Robert Murphy, Dinah Villanueva, Bishop Frank Rodimer, Jim Tunny, Theresa Padula and **for all our deceased especially Nick Fiore.**

## **THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH**

### **Monday, September 10**

Meditation: 7 pm; Church

Respect Life Meeting: 7:30 pm; North Room

### **Wednesday, September 12**

Shawl Ministry: 1 pm; South Room

### **Thursday, September 13**

Marian Prayer Meeting: 10 am; North Room

### **Saturday, September 15**

Pastoral Council Meeting: 8:45 am; South Room

SPYM Chili Cooking: 9 am; Kitchen

### **Sunday, September 16**

Faith Formation: 8:30 am, 10:15 am; All School Buildings

Faith Formation Grades 7 & 8 Parent Meeting: 10 am;

East/West Room

Freshmen Rite of Initiation: 5 pm; Church

Grade 8 Faith Formation: 5 pm; Church



*From the desk of our pastor*

## Grandparents

“My young grandson called the other day to wish me a Happy Birthday. He asked me how old I was, and I told him, 67. My grandson was quiet for a moment, and then he asked, did you start at 1?”

Today our nation celebrates Grandparents Day which originated in 1978 in the United States. Some countries celebrate Grandmother’s Day and Grandfather’s Day on separate dates. The day renders an opportunity to ponder the way that grandparents influence our lives in that many grandparents played important roles in our formative years. The day also calls grandparents to realize their precious role in the lives of different grandchildren. I often ask students in our school if they realize how much they mean to their grandparents. Although this is difficult question for them, most students express tremendous love toward their grandparents, and see them as holy, influential family members. Last year St Patrick School welcomed grandparents to a liturgy, luncheon and tour of the facilities, which became an impressive experience for a huge number of grandparents who turned out for the event. Each grandparent was curious to experience the life of their grandchild’s prayer and education. St. Pope John Paul II was stated, “The gift of older people can be specifically that of being witness to tradition in the faith, both in the Church and in society, the teacher of lessons of life, and the worker of charity.”

The first grandchild in a family is a highly anticipated event as I have witnessed much joy and excitement from people who anticipate the newborn life of a grandchild. Researchers in the United States have discovered that one third of children under the age of six receive up to 10 hours of care a week from their grandparents. Most grandparents have a tender way of guiding grandchildren in life as well as in the faith; yet grandparents feel less responsible to a grandchild than their own children. Since most grandparents are either retired or secure in careers, they are not caught up with issues that detach them from family life. This provides much more time than parents to listen, observe and attend to small things in a grandchild’s life. Throughout the past thirty years many grandparents have taken on additional responsibilities that include child care due to changes in society and family life. This often generates strong bonds and fulfilling relationships with grandchildren since a grandparent becomes a major part of a grandchild’s life. However, some grandparents have less involvement in a grandchild’s life in that careers spread families across the country as well as family separation due to separation or divorce. Here grandparents often feel not only the pain and distress of their own child’s situation, but are also concerned about the effects on their grandchildren.

There is an old, Italian proverb that states, “If nothing is going well, call your grandmother.” I knew my longest living grandmother until her passing at the age of 99. As a child I recall treats, conversations, and visits to her home in New York, and Florida in her later years of life. She loved working in her garden and preparing meals. As a young child she took me on walks that led to the thrill of an ice cream cone as well as pony rides. These rides rendered great confidence in me to enjoy horseback riding. I still display a picture of grandmother in my living room taken shortly before her passing as she holds a drink in her hand as she and my uncle toast my arrival upon a visit to Florida. I also remember her presence at my First Communion, Confirmation, Priesthood Ordination and first mass. This makes me feel fortunate to have had a grandmother in that some people go through life without any living grandparents.

As our nation celebrates Grandparents Day, I leave you with some grandparent humor about a grandpa and his grandchildren. A grandfather was bringing his grandchildren to their home as a fire truck zoomed past. Sitting in the front seat of the fire truck was a Dalmatian. The children started discussing the dog’s duties. “They use him to keep crowds back,” said one child. “No,” said another. “He’s just for good luck.” A third child brought the argument to a close. “They use the Dalmatian to find the fire hydrants.” Happy Grandparents Day!

*In Christ’s Love,  
Fr. Bob*

**BAPTISM:** Arrangements should be made one month in advance by calling Deacon Joe Wisneski at 973-635-4976. Parents are expected to attend an instructional session with a Baptism Team. Baptisms are celebrated at 12:30 pm Sundays.

**RCIA-RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:** The R.C.I.A. invites non-baptized persons and those baptized into another faith to participate in a faith journey in preparation for becoming a Catholic. If you are interested in any aspect of R.C.I.A., please email Deb at [Dkuzma@st-pats.org](mailto:Dkuzma@st-pats.org) or call her at the parish office at ext. 153.

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:** Congratulations! In order that we can together plan for your big day, couples should notify the Church and begin to prepare at least one year in advance of the date. Please email Fr. Bob at [Fr.Bob@st-pats.org](mailto:Fr.Bob@st-pats.org) or call Fr. Bob at the parish office ext. 152.

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOME BOUND:** If a family member or someone you know is recuperating from a hospital stay or is homebound for any length of time and would like to receive Holy Communion, please let us know. It is a priority for the parish community to support and be present to those who cannot be with us for the celebration of the Eucharist. If you would like a priest or deacon to visit a family member who is hospitalized, contact Peggy at [Pgentile@st-pats.org](mailto:Pgentile@st-pats.org) or call her at the parish office ext. 155.

**SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Please call the parish office at 973-635-0625 to arrange for a priest.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST:** Children preparing to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist begin preparation in first grade. To register, visit our website at [www.st-pats.org](http://www.st-pats.org).



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## **AROUND THE PARISH**

### **Baptisms**

**Oliver William Carmody**  
Son of Francis and Lauren

### **Welcome New Parishioners**

A warm St. Patrick welcome to those new to our parish especially **Jim, Kristen, James, Andrew and Elizabeth Cullen** and **Scott, Bonnie, Grace, Michael, Matthew and Andrew Donahue**. We look forward to getting to know you!

### ***Grandparents Day Prayer***

*Lord God Almighty, bless our grandparents with long life, happiness, and health. May they remain constant in your love and be living signs of your presence to their children and grandchildren. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### ***St. Patrick Pastoral Staff News***

Effective Wednesday, September 12, Mrs. Diane Wallace begins employment at St. Patrick Church as an Administrative Assistant. Diane replaces Mrs. Jeannine Sorrentino who worked in that position for 16 years and retires on Sept. 11. The prayers of the parish are with Jeannine who was a sweetheart to all as she instilled much love into the Pastoral Staff and worked with great dedication in administrative tasks adjusting to the style of three different pastors during her years of employment. May God bless her in her retirement and new endeavors.

### **Marian Prayer Meeting**

The Marian Prayer Group offers prayers honoring Mary, the Mother of Jesus and gather in the North Room of the Parish Office building at 41 Oliver Street every Thursday at 10 am. We pray for peace in the world, for the sick and homebound, for deceased members and friends of our Parish and more. Everyone is welcome to join us; come every Thursday or as often as you can. Our first prayer meeting for the season will be Thursday, September 13, 2018 in the North Room at 10 am. For more information, please call Barbara at 973-635-8869.

### **Save the Date**

**Sunday, October 7** at 4 pm - *Coast to Coast Rosary*  
**Saturday, November 10** at 9 am - *Women's Morning Reflection*  
*Check future bulletins and the website for details.*

### ***Congratulations to Kevin and Patrice Quinn!***

Today, Sunday, September 9, at 4:00 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Kevin and Patrice Quinn will receive the annual Vivere Christus Award at St. John the Baptist Cathedral (Main and Grand Streets), Paterson. All are welcome to this service, which honors people in the diocese who have brought service and dedication to their parish. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis in that there is always a big crowd for this gathering. The parish congratulates Kevin and Patrice for their contribution to the parish which includes co-chair of the Pastoral Council, work in social ministries, and an assortment of other ministries.

### ***Eva's Village - Drop off this weekend!***

Those who signed up to make chili last weekend, please bring your **frozen** chili to the priests' garage this Sunday by 10 am. Our volunteers will transport your donations to Paterson. Many thanks!!

### **Shawl Ministry**

Our Shawl Ministry grew out of our Health Ministries, through the energy and imagination of our Parish Nurses. We meet monthly on the second Wednesday of the month. Our next gathering will be this Wednesday, September 12th in the South Room from 1:00 - 2:30 pm. The shawls that the group produces are shared with the ill or homebound of the parish. Join us, bring a friend!



Join the St. Patrick Community in helping to stock the shelves of the Fr. English Center with the most needed food and personal care items needed. It's easy to help!

Our Virtual Food Drive is going on NOW through September 14th. Visit our website for the link to donate online. Thank you for your generosity and helping those in need!

### **Music Ministry Registration is Open**

Please visit [www.st-pats.org/music-ministry](http://www.st-pats.org/music-ministry) to find music ministry opportunities and schedules. All students in grades 1-12 need to register even if they served last year. New adults also need to register. Click on the REGISTRATION link below the choir or ministry to submit your information.

#### ***Start Dates:***

**Morning Song Choir** Grades 1-3: Wed., 9/19, at 5:30pm  
**Boys Choir** Grades 3-8: Wed., 9/12, at 6:15pm  
**Girls Choir** Grades 3-8, Thur., 9/13, at 6:15pm  
**God Unplugged Teen Group** (instrumentalists/vocalists), Sun., 9/16, at 5:45pm  
**Student Instrumentalists**, Wed., 9/19, at 4:45pm  
**St. Patrick Choir** (adults/high school), Thur., 9/6, at 7:30pm

### **2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal - Here I Am, Lord!**

The 2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal is officially kicking-off next weekend with the theme *Here I Am, Lord!* Please support this important annual cause that helps so many people throughout our Diocese.

The Bishop's Annual Appeal supports the work of our Catholic Charities; seminarian education; priests' extraordinary healthcare needs as well as Nazareth Village, our diocesan priests' retirement residence and our urban elementary schools. These are all critically important ministries that touch many lives, and so you are invited to make a pledge today. Thank you in advance for your generous support!

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### This Week in Youth Ministry

*Fall Action Team Meeting:* Mon., Sept. 10, 7-8:30 pm; YMC

*Fall Antioch Team Meeting:* Wed., Sept. 12, 7-9:30 pm;  
At St. Vincent's

*Freshmen Rite of Invitation:* Sun., Sept. 16, 5-7:30 pm;  
Starts with Mass in the Church

### Upcoming Service

*Cooking Chili for Eva's Kitchen:* Sat., Sept. 15, 9am-12pm,;  
Parish Center Kitchen

*Serving Chili at Eva's Kitchen:* Sun., Sept. 16; 9:45am-1:30 pm;  
Teens and adult drivers needed

### SPYM Bulletin Board

Our Youth Ministry bulletin board is located in the vestibule of the church on the left hand side wall. Please take a look at it when you attend church so that you can get involved in our activities and know what is coming up.

### Mandatory Freshmen Rite of Invitation

All SPYM freshmen and at least 1 parent must attend the mandatory Rite of Invitation. There are 2 dates offered-Sunday, September 16, 5-7:30 pm (begins at the 5 pm Mass and continues in the parish center) or Thursday, September 20, 7:30-9 pm in the parish center (does not include Mass). An email has been sent to all registered freshmen requesting your choice of dates and a response is required. This Rite is an orientation into Youth Ministry and will explain our program (which is very different from Faith Formation classes), so it is important that all freshmen attend.

### Mandatory Sophomore Rite of Creed Renewal

Mark your calendars! All SPYM sophomores must attend one of the 2 sessions being offered for the Rite of Creed Renewal. The dates are Sunday, September 23rd, 3:15-6 pm (Mass included) and Thursday, September 27, 7:30-9 pm. An email will be sent requesting your choice of session.

### Girl Scout Gold Award

If there is anyone in Youth Ministry who is pursuing their Gold Award and is looking for a project, please contact Maggie.

### Youth Ministry Center Needs

With meetings and activities ready to begin, Youth Ministry can **always** use donations of fun size candy and cans of soda/iced tea/seltzer, etc. Donations can be marked "SPYM" and dropped off at the parish offices at 41 Oliver Street. They are **very much** appreciated. Thanks in advance!

### Have an electric fry pan you aren't using?

Youth Ministry is in need of donations of electric fry pans (used or new) that we can use when we cook our chili for Eva's Kitchen. If you have one to donate, please drop it off at the parish offices at 41 Oliver Street. We would really appreciate it! Thank you!

### Faith Formation Classes Begin Next Weekend!

All youth Faith Formation classes begin next weekend! Registration is now closed so that classes can be formed and class lists can be given to catechists. Those registered will receive an email from their catechist with contact information by Friday, Sept. 14. If you do not receive an email by this date, please visit the Safety Monitor table in the main school on the day of class and they will be able to tell you where your child's class is located.

### Childcare Volunteer for program needed – Substitute!

Walking with Purpose, our women's scripture group is looking for some help. No huge commitment! Our regular childcare providers occasionally have need of substitutes or extra help.

Enjoy children? Please consider volunteering for this fun and easy ministry. We'll put you on our Substitute List. Contact Jennifer Dudeck-Lenis, [dudeckjm@yahoo.com](mailto:dudeckjm@yahoo.com), 908-397-7452 to help out or for more information.



Please join us for a Respect Life meeting on Monday, September 10 at 7:30 pm in the North Room in the parish office building. Please enter using the Washington Avenue side door. All are welcome!

### RCIA

*I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another.* Do you know someone who would like to learn more about Jesus, his love for us, and how we can follow him through the Catholic Faith? Bring them to an Inquiry Session. Inquiry sessions DO NOT assume a commitment to join the Catholic Faith family. Inquiry sessions are opportunities to ask questions about God, Jesus, the Catholic Faith Family. The first session will be Sunday, September 23 at 12:15 PM in the South Room of the parish office building. All who are unbaptized, baptized into another faith denomination, or baptized Catholic but have not received Eucharist or Confirmation, are invited. Inquiry Sessions are for those who wish to inquire, explore, and search for ways to grow in relationship with God. For more information, call Deb at 973-635-0625 x153.



### Calling all Current and Alumni St. Patrick School Families! Join Us for Food Truck Night!

**When:** Friday, September 28, 2018

**Where:** St. Patrick Parish Parking Lot

**When:** 7-10 pm

**Cost:** \$60 per person

Come and enjoy a night out with a DJ and eat from 3 fabulous food trucks, including *Mexican Spice*, *The Pressed Sandwich & Donut Carnivale*. Cost includes all food. Beverages of all types are BYOB. Tickets must be purchased by Sept. 21 via online link. No tickets will be sold at the door. Please contact Alison at [apwjjp@gmail.com](mailto:apwjjp@gmail.com) with questions. Must be 21 or older.

### SILVER AND GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Couples, were you married in 1968 or 1993? The Diocese of Paterson invites you to celebrate your 25th or 50th wedding anniversary during a special Mass to be offered at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson, NJ. Bishop Serratelli will serve as main celebrant on this joyful occasion to be held: **Sunday, November 4, 2018 at 3:30 pm**. Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office. The deadline to register is Monday, October 15, 2018. You will receive additional information from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed. Congratulations on this joyous occasion!

### Parish Support-September 2, 2018

THIS WEEK'S OFFERING .....\$14,853  
LAST YEAR'S OFFERING.....\$18,802