

He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord

July 17, 2016

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saturday, July 16

5:30 pm For St. Mark's Families

Sunday, July 17

8:00 am For Vocations

9:30 am For Teresita Ybud Mancao by Dizon Family

11:00 am For St. Mark's Families

Monday, July 18

8:45 am For the Youth of the Parish

Tuesday, July 19

8:45 am For Marie Betz by Bill Betz

Wednesday, July 20

8:45 am For Victims of Religious Persecution

Saturday, July 23

5:30 pm For Peace

Sunday, July 24

8:00 am For Justice & Freedom from Oppression

9:30 am For Parishioners of St. Mark's

11:00 am For Barbara Noyces by Madaras Family

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

July 23, 24, 2016

Saturday, 5:30 pm

Celebrant: Msgr. Peter McHugh, Deacon Nick Ardito

Greeter: Help Needed

Lector: Tom Morley

Eucharistic Ministers: Holly Zimmerman

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday, 8:00 am

Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

Greeter: Help Needed

Lector: Tony Cretella

Eucharistic Ministers: Rick Gebbia, Mark Vetterl

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday 9:30 am

Celebrant: Rev. John Andrew Connell

Greeter: Help Needed

Lector: Sarah Murray

Eucharistic Minister: Eric Woelfel, Marylee Terpstra

Altar Servers: Help Needed

Sunday 11:00 am

Celebrant: Rev. John Andrew Connell, Deacon Bob Head

Greeter: Help Needed

Lector: Al Escudero

Eucharistic Ministers: Allison Kowlewski, Trish Mitchell

Altar Servers: Help Needed

FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

Altar Breads & Wine – In loving memory of Patsy & Philip Marchese by Marchese family.

Sanctuary Lamp – In loving memory of Vito and Marie Benardone by Corry and Benardone families.

Mass Candles: For Harmony in the World by Skoczylas Family

OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAIN PARISH

Saturday, July 23

5:00 pm Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky

7:00 pm Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky

Sunday, July 24

7:45 am Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky

9:15 am Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Good, Deacon Tom Gibbon

10:45 am Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

12:15 pm Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

ST. MARK'S NEEDS \$5,280 PER WEEK TO MEET OUR FINANCIAL OBLIGATION

Current Year	Last Year 2015
July 10, 2016: \$2,290 Envelopes used: 54	July 12, 2015: \$3,532.89 Envelopes used: 50
Supermarket Gift Cards July 10, 2016 Sales: \$3,250 Profit: \$162.50 YTD Profit: \$3,567.50 # of Families: 13	St. Mark's Faith Direct church code is NJ484

FAITH DIRECT...

Thank you for being a part of our St. Mark the Evangelist family. I appreciate all that you do for our parish and community by sharing your God-given gifts of time, talent and treasure. Your active participation in the life of our parish helps us to fulfill our vision and mission.

This summer, I pray that you will have some quiet and restful time that includes the love, joy and peace of being with family and friends. Please consider that St. Mark the Evangelist continues to be open for Mass, numerous activities and the Sacraments. During these summer months your generosity through *Faith Direct* can help provide the consistent resources we need to operate our parish and ministries.

Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: NJ484

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

God Bless You,

Fr. Joe





A POT LUCK LUNCH...July 31 at St Mark's...

As you will read elsewhere in the bulletin our "Kitchen Angels" are hosting a pot luck lunch on Sunday, July 31 after the 11 a.m. mass. They have invited the priests and deacons who help us at St Mark's. I am not sure how many will be able to attend due to their schedule. However, pot luck lunches bring the community together and this will be a time to just spend some nice time with each other too. The sign-up sheets are on the poster board in the gathering space sign up today. We need to spend time together to connect with others of the community for our support and growth...Sign up today... Fr Joe

Father Dan...I visited with Fr. Dan this Tuesday. He is coming along. He went to the doctor's this week for a post-surgery visit. He still has some staples/stitches to be removed soon. He has an appointment for review in mid-August. So this is the latest. I will keep you informed of his progress. There is a basket in the lobby if you would like to send Fr. Dan a get well card.

Father Slawek ... no further word this week. It is just a matter of waiting until the visa process progresses.

"THE JOY OF LOVE"... AN EXHORTATION BY POPE FRANCIS ISSUED MARCH 19, 2016

In the bulletin for the past several weeks I have included excerpts for the fourth chapter of Pope Francis' exhortation wherein Pope Francis has been reflecting on the words of St. Paul from the first letter to the Corinthians (chapter 12) "Love is patient....etc". Pope Francis reflects on these various characteristics of love that Paul wrote about to the early Christians. We are nearing the end of this particular reflection as we off the Pope's reflection on the third of the last four characteristics that Paul writes on love. Love hopes all things.

St. Paul says "Love hopes all things" in sections 116 and 117 of his exhortation Pope Francis offers this comment on "Love hopes all things..." Pope Francis writes: "Love does not despair of the future...this phrase speaks of the hope of one who knows that others can change, mature and radiate unexpected beauty and untold potential... This does not mean that everything will change in this life. Here hope comes most fully into its own, for it embraces the certainty of life after death. Each person, with all his or her failings is called to the fullness of life in heaven. There fully transformed by Christ's resurrection, every weakness, darkness and infirmity will pass away. There the person's true being will shine forth in all its goodness and beauty. This realization helps us, amid the aggravation of this present life, to see each person form a supernatural perspective in the light of hope, and await the fullness that he or she will receive in the heavenly kingdom, even if not yet visible.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY...

"The Christian way is not easy, but this is it. To those who say, 'I don't feel like doing this,' the response is 'if you don't feel like it, that's your problem, but this is the Christian way. This is the path that Jesus teaches us. The reason to take the path of Jesus, which is mercy, is that only with a merciful heart can we do all that the Lord advises us, until the end. The Christian life is not a self-reflexive life but it comes outside of itself to give to others: it is a gift, it is love, and love does not turn back on itself, it is not selfish: it gives itself!"
— Pope Francis

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...

What kind of world do we want to leave to those who come after us, to children who are now growing up? Pope Francis asks this question in his Encyclical *Laudati Si* - a message on the environment.

WHY WE ARE CATHOLIC...

We are Catholic because we believe:

The word "Church" means "convocation." It designates the assembly of those whom God's Word "convokes," i.e., gathers together to form the People of God, and who themselves, nourished with the Body of Christ, become the Body of Christ. The Church is both the means and the goal of God's plan: prefigured in creation, prepared for in the Old Covenant, founded by the words and actions of Jesus Christ, fulfilled by his redeeming cross and his Resurrection, the Church has been manifested as the mystery of salvation by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. She will be perfected in the glory of heaven as the assembly of all the redeemed of the earth. The Church is both visible and spiritual, a hierarchical society and the Mystical Body of Christ. She is one, yet formed of two components, human and divine. That is her mystery, which only faith can accept. The Church in this world is the sacrament of salvation, the sign and the instrument of the communion of God and men. The Catechism of the Catholic Church 777-780

CATHOLIC CHARITIES AT WORK: Maria* dropped in at a Catholic Charities Women's Center. She had had several miscarriages and began to think she could never have a child. The staff welcomed and consoled Maria, and they offered to help her. She was referred to a medical doctor who would consider her situation, and she was reminded that even children who die in the womb have a soul. Maria said, "For the first time in many years, I have hope." To learn more, visit www.CatholicCharitiesUSA.org

MEN OF THE PARISH...Save the date...

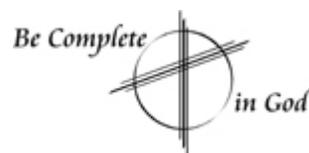
Don't make excuses...men too need some time to find themselves in a quiet setting...More information will be forthcoming but save the date...The Paterson Diocese first Men's Conference will be held Saturday, October 15th at Saint Paul Inside the Walls, Madison, NJ from 8:30 am - 1:00 pm.

OPENING FOR SCHOOL PRINCIPAL....

The Catholic Schools Office of the Diocese of Paterson is seeking applicants for an elementary school principal at St. Pius X School, Montville. Saint Pius X School is a co-educational elementary school, preschool through eighth grade. Information about the opening and the application materials can be found at <http://www.patdioschools.org/administrative-openings>. The closing date for applications is July 25, 2016.

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**ST MARK'S PARISH PICNIC...SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 18 -
...AN AFTERNOON OF FOOD, FUN, GAMES, 50/50 RAFFLE.**

PRIEST APPRECIATION LUNCHEON...

St. Mark's is blessed to have the wonderful priests we have been given! Fr. Joe works, tirelessly, and sometimes with very little help, to make St. Mark's and OLM the wonderful parishes they are. We have been blessed to receive the help of Fr. Dan, and we are getting ready to welcome Fr. Swazek to our parish families! Also, there have been many priests who have come to help us on a regular basis, or some for just a Mass or two...we will have an opportunity to meet and talk with them and our Deacons. We are planning a pot-luck luncheon on Sunday, July 31 immediately following the 11:00 am Mass in St. Mark's Hall, which we are calling Priest Appreciation Day. Sue Reilly and the Kitchen Angels (Holly Zimmermann, Eileen Stokes, Nora Goodman and Sharon Donovan) are orchestrating the food and set up. Please watch for sign-up sheets in the Gathering Space, if you wish to join us and bring a dish to share. We think this is an awesome way to come together, enjoy each other, break bread and say a big "Thank You" to our wonderful priests. It will give us a chance to meet and welcome our newer clergy members, and to thank God for His many blessings through the vocations of these fine men.



PLANNING YOUR VACATION?

Remember that hunger doesn't take a vacation! Before you go, please consider donating some non-perishable food items to the Long Valley Food Pantry. A few of the items they are most in need of are baby food/formula, toothpaste/toothbrushes, hot cereals/pancake mix/syrup, and fruit juices (non-perishable). Then have a wonderful trip!

ARE YOU AN ADULT WHO WOULD LIKE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

If you have not received Holy Communion and/or Confirmation would you like to learn more about how this can be done as an adult? Do you know any neighbors who have expressed an interest in the Catholic Church...then invite them to join our group of inquirers. The RCIA team is holding a Summer Sunday Series that will prepare inquirers to become candidates and catechumens for the start of our program in October 2016. We will be meeting the second Sunday of the month at Our Lady of the Mountain church on August 14 and September 11. As a group we will attend the 9:15 AM Mass at OLM. We want all of you to feel comfortable and meet our RCIA TEAM and fellow family members. We will sit as a group in the front pews of OLM. All of your family is invited to attend mass and our short class afterwards. Mass is 9:15 AM to 10:15 AM and then we will go to the parish office or parish center from 10:30 to 11:15 AM for a discussion on the readings that you just heard at mass. This program will gradually acclimate you to learn how our RCIA program operates, some of the topics we will discuss in classes and meet our instructors. If interested call parish office 908- 850- 0652.



All- powerful and ever-living God the lasting health of all who believe in you, hear us as we ask your loving help for the sick; restore their health, that they may again offer joyful thanks in your church.

Randi Alloway, John Andaloro, Tony Atkins, Charlie, Baby Natalie Rose Bassett, Kenneth Bernisky, Luz Bracero, Paul Buckley, John Callaghan, Arlene Cichlar, Hannah Clark, Emily Condit, Kaitlin Cross, Natalia Danilczuk, Daniel DePaul, Krish Dharia, Charles & Ellen Eichler, Connie Elliott, Rick & Nicholas Fania, Larry Fine, Elaina Grace Gaffin, Ann Geary, Barbara Gotterdam, Louie Gutierrez, Helen Greenly, Harper Lynn Granito, Regina Hague, William Heimsly, Bob Hodiern, Maria Dougherty Jante, Donna Jennings, Laurel Jilek, Claudia Kallmeyer, Kevin Kay, Russell H. Keller, Mary Koenig, Jean Koenig, Mara Lak, Christina Lanaris, Lenore, Margaret Leon, Maryann Litori, Ann Loughney, Helene Mackie, Wayne Marks, Anthony Marino, Norman Milz, Marie Molloy, Irene Madelyn S., Maruggi, Raymond McCarthy Jr., Jonathon McClelland, Harold & Mary McKay, Kathy Minichini, Robert Neilson, Sr., Maryanne & Jack Newell, Girard Nolte, Jr., Jim Owens, Dennis Paradise, Arlene Parikh, Nicky Pilosi, Clifford Reynolds, Jim Robinson, Ryan, Jillian Elizabeth Sayer, Kurt Shubert, Rhonda Soto, Judy Stone, Mary Travisano, Debbie Trepkau, Anne Walsh, Robert Ron Werner, Marie Zimbile

COMMUNITY NEWS

ANNUAL JON SLUSHER 5K RUN/WALK...

This year's race will take place on Sunday, Oct. 9, fees are \$25 before Oct. 1, \$30 after Oct. 1. Families of 4, \$40. Kids 8 and under \$5. Proceeds go to the Jonathan Slusher Memorial Scholarship Foundation. To register on line: <https://runsignup.com/Race/NJ/Califon/JonSlusher5K>
For more information: Shirley Slusher (908) 832-7383
Email: slushersm@comcast.net
To make a donation send to: The Jonathan Slusher Memorial Scholarship Foundation, 79 Guinea Hollow Road, Lebanon, NJ 08833.

PEACH FESTIVAL ... August 6, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Community Presbyterian Church – Chester - cleaning out closets? Having a garage sale? Moving? Downsizing? Community Presbyterian Church will be happy to accept your leftover items. Donations will be accepted through mid- July. Donation items can be dropped off beginning at 8:30 a.m. Community Presbyterian Church 220 Main St. Chester, NJ. Call 908 879-5091 for information and also for possible furniture pick up.

PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOPS...

St. Mary's R. C. Church (Assumption) 302 High Street, Hackettstown. Learning to live by learning to pray. Are you seeking Peace? You will find it by learning the art of praying. According to the method of Fr. Ignacio Larranaga. 15 free 2 hour sessions. Start Date: August 18th. Frequency: Weekly – Every Thursday from 7 pm to 9 pm. For information call Maureen Toye (908) 235-6107 maureentoye@gmail.com or Fanny Magdalena (908) 852-4680 magdalenonynj@gmail.com or www.tovpil.org to find out more.