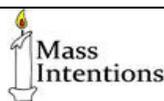


Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

July 15, 2018

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saturday July 14

5:30 pm For Parishioners of St. Mark's

Sunday, July 15

9:00 am For Jack Leonard by Yanuzzi Family

11:00 am For Florence Acker

Monday, July 16

8:45 am For Betty Ann Rusczyk (living) by Carol Ann Zeliff

Tuesday, July 17

8:45 am For Elizabeth Feldhusen by Parishioners of St. Mark's

Wednesday, July 18

8:45 am For

Thursday, July 19

8:45 am For Marie Betz by Bill Betz

Saturday, July 21

5:30 pm For Jan & Amelia Krywosz by Skoczylas Family

Sunday, July 22

9:00 am For Ria Romano by Eric & Sharon Woelfel, Rick Gebbia

11:00 am For Jack Leonard by Sue Reilly

For Florence Chambers by Stokes Family

**REMEMBRANCE MEMORIALS
FOR THE MONTH OF JULY**

Altar Breads & Wine: In loving memory of Aeneas and Genevieve Corry by Corry/Benardone family

Sanctuary Lamp: In loving memory of Vito and Marie Benardone by Corry/Benardone family

Mass Candles:

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE
July 21, 22, 2018**

Saturday, 5:30 pm

Celebrant: Fr. Slawomir Tomaszewski

Lector: Fred McQuaide

Eucharistic Ministers: Holly Zimmerman

Altar Servers: Shaeleigh & Shane Fleidner-Book

Sunday, 9:00 am

Celebrant: Fr. Slawomir Tomaszewski

Lector: Kevin O'Shea

Eucharistic Ministers: Eric & Sharon Woelfel, Carmen Veras

Altar Servers: Kaitlyn Buchanan

11:00 am

Celebrant: Fr. Slawomir Tomaszewski

Lector: Tom & Sarah Hanifin

Eucharistic Ministers: Trish Mitchell

Altar Server: Piper Heike

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S

Monday, July 16

8:45 am Mass

Tuesday, July 17

8:45 am Mass

8:00 pm K of C Meeting

Wednesday, July 18

8:45 am Mass

Thursday, July 19

8:45 am Mass

Friday, July 20

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, July 21

8:00 am Men's Bible Study

5:30 pm Mass

Sunday, July 22

9:00, 11:00 am Mass

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Current Year	Last Year 2017
July 8, 2018: \$1,327	July 9, 2017: \$1,952
Supermarket Gift Cards: Sales: \$1,975 Profit: \$98.75 YTD Profit: \$3,460 YTD Profit: 2017: \$3,752 # of Families: 10	St. Mark's Faith Direct Church Code is NJ484

FAITH DIRECT...

EGiving is especially important in the summer months, when many families may be out of town. The more families who welcome the beginning of summer by participating in eGiving the more consistent and predictable our offertory will be month after month--and this will help us do even more to spread Christ's love throughout the community. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: **NJ484**. God Bless you, Fr. Marcin

SUMMERTIME.... and the livin' is easy!

Unfortunately, that's not true for everyone. Livin' can be easy when you know where your next meal is coming from. Not so much when you have to worry about feeding yourself and your family. And yes, there are people in that position right here in Long Valley.

So while you're planning your vacation, why not plan to make life a little easier for someone else -- donate to the Long Valley Food Pantry.

Any non-perishable items you donate will be appreciated, but this month the Food Pantry could especially use canned meat or tuna, oil/vinegar, shampoo/toothpaste, and pasta/sauce.

Enjoy a safe and pleasant summer!

My dear parishioners,

Today we arrive at the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time in our observance of the Lord's Day. Think of all the problems we have in the world. Why? Because we do not pay heed to the Word of God. Or, to put it another way, there are so many problems because none of us has yet become the fullness of whom we are called to be by God if we have not yet allowed God's graces to come to full flower in our lives. Our Christian calling is to allow ourselves be transformed by the Word of God to become more and more an image of God, to live God's message so fully in our lives that we could be said to be examples of what Jesus means by the kingdom of God.

When we hear the Word of God we have a choice, to allow it to transform us or to reject the Word and go our own way. In our first reading today Amaziah rejected the Word of God preached through the prophet Amos. In the Gospel today when Jesus sent out the Twelve he prepared them for the fact that not everyone would accept them or their message when he said they were to shake off the dust from their feet when leaving any town that did not make them welcome. Why would anyone reject the Word of God? The Word of God is Good News; it makes our lives better, so why would anyone reject it? When the Word of God challenges us, when the Word of God invites us to leave sin behind and change our lives, no one likes that. In Heb 4:12-13 we read: *"The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves."*

Our calling is to allow ourselves be transformed by the Word of God and when we do what a blessing life becomes for us. In our Gospel we see some people blessed by submitting to and accepting the word of God when the apostles "cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them." We see especially in one person in the New Testament who allowed himself to be transformed by the word of God that it brought him the greatest of blessings. I am thinking of St. Paul. He went from rejecting and persecuting the word to preaching the word. We could probably describe him in his early days, when he was still Saul, as a terrorist. What a transformation Paul underwent from Saul to Paul. Before undergoing this transformation Paul received a special revelation from heaven on the road to Damascus. For the first time in his life he saw who Christ was and that Jesus was the promised Messiah.

If we are proud we will say we have no sins and we're okay but if we have humility we will see into the depths of our soul and recognize our poverty before God and our need of his redemption and salvation and healing. Jesus is always waiting to respond to us, to make us new and whole.

We pray for the grace to respond to God's word in humility and lay aside any pride so that whatever of Saul still remains in us may be transformed into Paul. We pray that if in any way we are kicking against the word we may be transformed to be able to say, "I live now not my own life but the life of Christ who lives in me." We pray in the words of the second reading today that we may be holy and spotless and live through love in God's presence.

As all of us are taking some time during these summer days to slow down, go on vacation, etc., let us take some time to consider

how we can respond more positively to the Lord's call to minister in His Name. God is calling YOU to serve and not to be served. We all need to answer His call before it's too late!

Have a good and blessed summer,

What is Divine Mercy?



The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, he wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:

A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.

B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.

C - Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

This message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread.

The message and devotional practices proposed in the Diary of Saint Faustina and set forth in this web site and other publications of the Marianists of the Immaculate Conception are completely in accordance with the teachings of Church and are firmly rooted in the Gospel message of our Merciful Savior. Properly understood and implemented, they will help us grow as genuine followers of Christ.

Spend time to learn more about the mercy of God, learn to trust in Jesus, and live your life as merciful to others, as Christ is merciful to you.

**DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION – OLM CHURCH –
FRIDAY- JULY 20 – 3PM**

THANK YOU...

Thank you to all those who volunteered to help with our "Clean Up Day". Nicholas Caruso, James Bermeo, Carol Ann Zeliff, Pat Reagan, Diane, Sue Reilly, Trish Mitchell, Heike Family. A special thank you to Kevin Fleming for providing us with the dumpster for all the trash. Your help is greatly appreciated.

CHALICE DONATIONS...

Thank you to those who generously donated toward the purchase of new chalices. Hanifin Family, Zimmerman Family, Gebbia Family Labue family and Herzog Family. Your generosity is greatly appreciated

FROM FR. SLAWOMIR...
St. Hedwig of Poland – July 17
Queen (1374 – 1399)

St. Hedwig was the daughter of Louis, king of Hungary and Poland. At the age of one she was betrothed to Wilhelm, the five-year-old heir to the grand duchy of Austria. When she was eight, however, her father decided, prior to his death, to appoint Hedwig his successor. This caused much political turmoil. Before accepting her as their monarch, the Polish nobles insisted that she marry Jagiello, grand duke of Lithuania and Ruthenia. Though Wilhelm protested, Hedwig and Jagiello were married, and she was declared “king” of Poland (indicating that she ruled in her own right, not simply as a consort). The Hapsburg court did not concede graciously. Rumors were spread throughout Christendom that Hedwig and Wilhelm had consummated their marriage and that she was an adulteress and bigamist. Such calumny stung, but in time Hedwig’s reputation as a Christian monarch was widely recognized. She endowed many churches, monasteries, and universities as well as a “college of psalmists” in the Cathedral at Krakow – a team of priests who took turns to sing the psalms twenty-four hours a day.

Hedwig died on July 17, 1399, four days after giving birth. Pope John Paul II oversaw her beatification in 1986 and her canonization in the Cathedral of Krakow in 1997.

“Today we wish to kneel with you, Hedwig, at the feet of the Crucified One, to hear the echo of that lessons of love which you listen to. We wish to learn from you how to put that lesson into practice in our time.”

- Pope John Paul II, at the canonization of St. Hedwig.

FROM FR. JAVIER...

TEACHING FROM THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH - THE SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

My dear’s brothers and sisters for the last months we have been reviewing the Ten Commandments from the catechism of the Catholic Church. It was a great experience to see all the commandments, one by one with their own explanation.

Now I will like to invite you to continue our learning with **The Sacraments** from the catechism of the Catholic Church. It will be a great journey to see the explanation of what we believe.

My brothers and sisters Christ instituted the sacraments of the new law. There are seven: Baptism, Confirmation, the Eucharist, Penance, the Anointing of the Sick, Holy Orders and Matrimony. The seven sacraments touch all the stages and all the important moments of Christian life: they give birth and increase, healing and mission to the Christian's life of faith. There is thus a certain resemblance between the stages of natural life and the stages of the spiritual life.

God bless you.



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, Richard Alvarez, Tony Atkins, Kenneth Bernisky, Paul Buckley, John Callaghan, Emily Condit, Naalia Danilczuk, Jerry Devine, Krish Dharia, Catherine DiPasquale, Neil Donohue, Elizabeth, Connie Elliott, Larry Fine, Tracey F, Elaina Grace Gaffin, Ann Geary, Jerry Green, Barbara Gotterdam, David Guemond, Louie Gutierrez, Helen Greenly, Harper Lynn Granito, Regina Hague, William Heimsly, Bob Hodiern, Maria Dougherty Jante, Donna Jennings, Laurel Jilek, Joey, Jim Karpinski, John, Kevin Kay, Russell H. Keller, Mary Koenig, Jean Koenig, Mara Lak, Christina Lanaris., Margaret Leon, Maryann Litori, Anthony Marino, Norman Milz, Marie Molloy, Madelyn Maruggi, Raymond McCarthy Jr, Jonathon McClelland, Meghan McDonough, Harold & Mary McKay, Edward Michonski, Sr., Kathy Minichini, Robert Neilson, Sr., Maryanne & Jack Newell, Girard Nolte, Jr., Marilyn O’Connor, Josh Olsen, Jim Owens, Arlene Parikh, Nicky Piloni, Clifford Reynolds, Jim Robinson, Ryan, Jillian Elizabeth Sayer, Jeff Schpiner, Ann Senftinger, Bill Siegrist, Rhonda Soto, Special Intention, Judy Stone, Cindy Sullivan, William Thompson, Mary Travisano, Debbie Trepkau., Patricia Villano, Anne Walsh, Robert Ron Werner, Marie Zimbile

Every now and then we try to update the names on our prayer list. There are some names that we in the parish office cannot associate with a person who made the request to pray for them. If you requested prayers for a person please either call the office or e mail Mary mary.stm@comcast.net to let us know if you wish to continue to be on this prayer list.

Community News

SARAH’S FIGHT FOR HOPE FOUNDATION...

Family Fun Day & Cornhole Tournament. Saturday Aug. 25, rain date Aug. 26th Cornhole Tournament 11:00 am Double elimination. Registration deadline – 8/22. Family Fun Day 12:30 pm-4:30 pm Games & activities, rock climbing wall, obstacle course, pie eating contest, music, food, vendors and much more..

www.SARAHSFIGHTFORHOPE.ORG

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP RECREATION....

SOCCER CAMPS – Week long soccer camps throughout the summer....

World Cup Camp ages 6-15 from 9 am-1 pm.

Kiddy Kickz Soccer Camp ages 3-5 from 9 am-11 am.

Camp dates are July 16-20, July 30-August 3, and August 13-17

For more information on any of these activities contact W.T.

Recreation office (908) 876-5941 or visit website www.wtmorris.org



