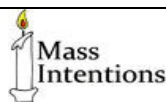


The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

July 22, 2018

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

11:00 am For Jack Leonard by Sue Reilly

For Florence Chambers by Stokes Family

Monday, July 23

8:45 am For Gwendolyn DeLong by Veras Family

Tuesday, July 24

8:45 am For Kyla James Abbondandolo by Locasto Family

Wednesday, July 25

8:45 am For

Thursday, July 26

8:45 am For Joseph Uhrick

Saturday, July 28

5:30 pm For Wladyslaw & Anna Skoczylas by Skoczylas 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 28, 29 2018**

Saturday, 5:30 pm

Celebrant: Fr. Marcin Michalowski

Lector: Tom Morley

Eucharistic Ministers: Marylee Terpstra

Altar Servers: Jared Bermeo

Sunday, 9:00 am

Celebrant: Fr. Marcin Michalowski

Lector: Katie Van Woert

Eucharistic Ministers: Steve Beggin, Mark Vetterl

Altar Servers: Annalina Jonkoski

11:00 am

Celebrant: Fr. Marcin Michalowski

Lector: Isabella DiLizia

Eucharistic Ministers: Lorraine Fleming

Altar Server: Kaitlyn Buchanan

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S

Monday, July 23

8:45 am Mass

Tuesday, July 24

8:45 am Mass

8:00 pm K of C Meeting

Wednesday, July 25

8:45 am Mass

7:00 pm Peer Meeting

Thursday, July 26

8:45 am Mass

Friday, July 27

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, July 28

8:00 am Men's Bible Study

5:30 pm Mass

Sunday, July 29

9:00, 11:00 am Mass

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Current Year	Last Year 2017
July 15, 2018: \$3,280.04 Extended Catholic Obligations: \$272.00	July 16, 2017: \$1,952.50 Extended Catholic Obligations: \$438.30
Supermarket Gift Cards: July 15, 2018 Sales: \$2,250 Profit: \$112.50 YTD Profit: \$3,702.50 # 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.

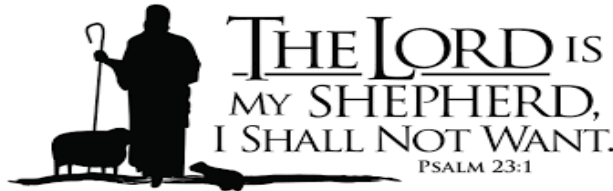
So while you're planning your vacation, why not plan to make life a little easier for someone else -- donate to the Long Valley Food Pantry.

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.



My dear parishioners,

Today marks the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time. How is this summer time going for you?? Do you have time to relax and enjoy sunny and warm weather? We are almost in the middle of this summer time. We come to Mass to meet the love of Jesus but as we depart from Mass we go in peace to love and serve the Lord in those around us. When we gather for the Eucharist it is to be an act of love, reflecting the love of Jesus sacrificing himself on the cross for us. "When we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come in glory.



The beautiful and famous Psalm we prayed today (Ps 23), "The Lord is my shepherd" was written many centuries before Jesus but when we pray this Psalm it is natural for us to think of Jesus.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Jesus is our shepherd, when we have Jesus in our life we want for nothing because then we have everything. When we can say there is nothing I want, we are happy. So it is only when we have Jesus in our life, when Jesus is our shepherd, that we are happy. The person who can truly say, **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want** is a truly happy person. How do we get to be able to say with all our heart and truly mean The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want?

Surely it means having Jesus in our day, every day, as much as possible. The more we have Jesus in our day, every day, the more Jesus is our shepherd, and we want for nothing and are happy. This means not just believing in Jesus, not just knowing about Jesus but knowing Jesus as a real person, knowing Jesus as a friend. To get to know Jesus in this way means spending time with Jesus in prayer every day, not just 5 minutes or 10 minutes but as much time as possible every day. Jesus is waiting for you, waiting for you to get to know him. To get to know Jesus in this way means not just praying as a duty but praying until prayer becomes a joy for us. To get to know Jesus in this way means that if we did not pray to Jesus in this way for one day, that day would not feel right, and we would know there was something missing from our life. In other words, when we go from knowing about Jesus to really knowing Jesus, our life changes that day and is never again the same. How could it be the same after we've met Jesus? Jesus is waiting for you, waiting for you to get to know him. When we've met Jesus in this way we will want to meet Jesus above all in the Eucharist every Sunday because that is what Jesus wants, "Do this in memory of me", and if possible also daily Mass. When we've met Jesus in this way we will want to confess our sins to Jesus in the Sacrament of Reconciliation often because we will want nothing to separate us from Jesus.

When we can truly pray the first two lines of the Psalm with our heart, The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want? We can truly pray the remainder of the Psalm also and we know it's true,

**Fresh and green are the pastures
where he [the Lord] gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me
to revive my drooping spirit.**

When there is evil around us we do not worry because

**If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.**

**You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort.**

When we have Jesus we have everything, even if we have nothing else, because Jesus is everything. When we pass from this world we will take nothing with us except our faith in Jesus and our love for his mother Mary, the prayers we said and our good deeds. When we have Jesus we have everything, even if we have nothing else, because Jesus is everything.

**THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD; THERE IS NOTHING I
SHALL WANT?**

With **GOD,**
nothing is
IMPOSSIBLE

.ST. FRANCIS PRAYER.

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace,
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light;
Where there is sadness, joy;

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
To be consoled as to console;
To be understood as to understand;
To be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life

Our Lady of the Mountain pray for us...

St. Mark pray for us...

God bless you,

Fr. Marcin

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, Tupaczewski Family. Your generosity is greatly appreciated

CLEAN UP CONTINUES...

This coming week work will begin in the parish hall. The walls will be getting a fresh coat of paint and the floor is being professionally cleaned and repaired. It is a long overdue project and we are looking forward to seeing the results. If anyone would like to make a donation toward the expenses of the cleanup, please call the parish office or see Fr. Marcin. We appreciate your support.

FROM FR. SLAWOMIR...

Saint Anne and Joachim – July 26
Grandparents of the Lord

Ann and Joachim are revered as the parents of Mary, and thus the grandparents of Jesus. Their names do not appear in Scripture, and their tradition may be traced to the apocryphal Book of James, written in the mid-second century. That work describes Anne and Joachim as an older couple, who suffered in the belief that their childless condition was a sign of divine displeasure. Joachim retreated to the desert to fast and pray about the matter, while Anne remained at home. Both of them received a message from an angel, assuring them that they would conceive a child. That child, Mary, would later be acclaimed as the Mother of God.

No more is recorded of their story. However, with the rise of Marian devotion in the Middle Ages, there was a flurry of new interest in Anne and Joachim, and they were frequently depicted in icons and religious art. Their cult was officially recognized in the sixteenth century.

“Joachim, a Galilean from the town of Nazareth, took Saint Anne, a native of Bethlehem, as his wife. They were both righteous and walked without reproach in all the commandments of the Lord ... They lived for twenty years without offspring and made a vow to the Lord that if he granted them a child, they would dedicate it to the service of God.”

- Blessed Jacobus de Voragine, The Golden Legend

FROM FR. JAVIER...

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

The Sacrament of Baptism

My dear brothers and sisters according to the Catechism of the Catholic Church the Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the gateway to life in the Spirit, and the door which gives access to the other sacraments. Through Baptism we are freed from sin and reborn as sons of God; we become members of Christ, are incorporated into the Church and made sharers in her mission: "Baptism is the sacrament of regeneration through water in the word.

This sacrament is called Baptism, after the central rite by which it is carried out: to baptize means to "plunge" or "immerse"; the "plunge" into the water symbolizes the catechumen's burial into Christ's death, from which he rises up by resurrection with him, as "a new creature."

This sacrament is also called "the washing of regeneration and renewal by the Holy Spirit," *for it signifies and actually brings about the birth of water and the Spirit without which no one "can enter the kingdom of God."* "This bath is called enlightenment, because those who receive this [catechetical] instruction are enlightened in their understanding" Having received in Baptism the Word, "the true light that enlightens every man," the person baptized has been "enlightened," he becomes a "son of light," indeed, he becomes "light" himself.

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, Rocky Labato, 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 Pilosi, 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

WAASHINGTON TOWNSHIP RECREATION...

5 Week Summer Circuit Craze Fitness Class. Total body workout circuit style. Maximize calorie burn and total body training. Exercises are changed week to week to keep the class exciting. This class is great for anyone and everyone, exercises can be modified so everyone can participate. Instructor: Karen Leyson, NASM Certified PT, Where: L.V. Senior Center (RSP), Wednesdays August 1st - 29th . 8:30-9:30 am. Fee \$60. Registration deadline is July 30th. For information call the Recreation Dept. at 908-876-5941 Website: www.wtmorris.org, email: recreation@wtmorris.net

