

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

August 5, 2018

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saturday, August 4

5:30 pm For Betty Scanga by Lennon Family

Sunday, August 5

9:00 am For Gwendolyn Delong by Lennon Family

11:00 am For Parishioners of St. Mark's

Monday, August 6

8:45 am For

Tuesday, August 7

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

Wednesday, August 8

8:45 am For

Thursday, August 9

8:45 am For

Saturday, August 11

5:30 pm For Raymond J. Blide by Holly Zimmerman

Sunday, August 12

9:00 am For Frank Walsh on his 90th Birthday by O'Shea Family

11:00 am For Gwendolyn Delong by Monteverde Family

**REMEMBRANCE MEMORIALS
FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST**

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
August 11, 12, 2018**

Saturday, 5:30 pm

Celebrant: Fr. Marcin Michalowski, Deacon Bob Head

Lector: Rhianna Smith

Eucharistic Ministers: Barbara Burke

Altar Servers: Jared Bermeo

Sunday, 9:00 am

Celebrant: Fr. Marcin Michalowski, Deacon Jim Jones

Lector: Tony Cretella

Eucharistic Ministers: Eric & Sharon Woelfel, Mark Vetterl

Altar Servers: Annalina Jonkoski

11:00 am

Celebrant: Fr. Marcin Michalowski, Deacon Tom Gibbon

Lector: Al & David Escudero

Eucharistic Ministers: Lorraine Fleming, Ed Michonski

Altar Server: Jordan Roehrig

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S

Monday, August 6

8:45 am Mass

Tuesday, August 7

8:45 am Mass

8:00 pm K of C Meeting

Wednesday, August 8

8:45 am Mass

Thursday, August 9

8:45 am Mass

Friday, August 10

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, August 11

8:00 am Men's Bible Study

5:30 pm Mass

Sunday, August 12

9:00, 11:00 am Mass

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Current Year	Last Year 2017
July 29, 2018: \$1,623.00	July 30, 2017: \$1,666
Supermarket Gift Cards: July 29, 2018 Sales: \$1,550 Profit: \$77.50 YTD Profit: \$3,962.50 # of families: 12	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

ENJOYING YOUR SUMMER?

Want to make it even better? You can, and it's easy. Just donate some non-perishable food items to the Long Valley Food Pantry. A few of the items they are most in need of are coffee/tea, applesauce/healthy snacks, cold cereal, and pasta sauce. Do this and everyone will have a nicer summer!

My dear parishioners,



Today we celebrate 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time. In today's Gospel Jesus says: *"I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."*

We all want to meet Jesus. We want to have a closer friendship with Jesus. We want to have more of Jesus in our lives. We have to come to the right place, to the Eucharist. **The best place to meet Jesus is in the Eucharist.** Our most intimate moment with Jesus is when we receive Jesus in Holy Communion. We receive Jesus into our very bodies. We could not be closer with Jesus. We are one.

Jesus gave up his body for you on Calvary and gives up his body for you in every Mass so that you may receive him in Holy Communion. It is the one sacrifice on Calvary extended through time to us at Mass. Some misunderstand and think Catholics say Jesus is sacrificed again during every Mass. No, it is the one sacrifice of Jesus on Calvary which is extended through time to us in every Mass.

In the Old Covenant the supreme dwelling place of God on earth was in the temple in Jerusalem, but in the New Covenant God is with us in Jesus anytime we celebrate the Eucharist and Jesus gives himself to us in the bread and wine changed into his Body and Blood during Mass. In the Old Covenant God fed his people with manna when they were wandering in the desert. But in the New Covenant Jesus feeds us with his own Body and Blood through his Real Presence in the Eucharist.

Because our faith is weak from time to time God sends us miracles to remind us that the Eucharist really is food and drink for our souls. In the history of the Church a small number of people were given the grace to survive only on the Eucharist, eating no food except the Eucharist. Blessed Alexandrina of Portugal lived only on the Eucharist during the last thirteen years of her life. Marthe Robin in south eastern France did not consume anything except the Eucharist from 1928 until her death in 1981.



Jesus makes the claim which only God can make: I am the bread of life. The bread which Jesus offers is none else than the very life of God. This is the true bread which can truly satisfy the hunger in our hearts. The manna from heaven prefigured the superabundance of the unique bread of the Eucharist or Lord's Supper which Jesus gave to his disciples on the eve of his sacrifice. The manna in the wilderness sustained the Israelites on their journey to the Promised Land. It could not produce eternal life for the Israelites.

Jesus spoke about the works of God and what we must do to be doing the works of God, namely to believe in God's Son whom he has sent into the world. The Lord Jesus offers a new relationship with God which issues in a new kind of life - a life of sacrificial love, selfless service, and the forgiveness of others which corresponds to God's mercy, goodness and loving kindness; a life of holiness, purity, and truth which corresponds to God's holiness; and a life of

obedience and trust which corresponds to God's offer of abundant life, peace, and happiness. This is the work which Jesus directs us to and enables us to perform in the power of the Holy Spirit. **Do you hunger for the bread which comes down from heaven and thirst for the words of everlasting life?**



"Lord Jesus, you are the true Bread of Heaven. Only you alone can truly satisfy the deepest longing and hunger of my heart. Nourish me with the bread of life that I may be truly satisfied in you alone as the giver of life."

*OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAIN PRAY FOR US...
ST. MARK PRAY FOR US...*

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY – AUGUST 15TH – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.



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 on Sunday, November 4th, 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!

FROM FR. SLAWOMIR...

St. Candida Maria of Jesus – August 9

Founder, Daughters of Jesus (1845 – 1912)

Raised in a poor family in Salamanca, Spain, St. Candida spent her early life working as a maid. But she felt herself called to something more. When a young man asked her hand in marriage, she replied, "I'm for God alone." Poor herself she was moved by the sufferings of her neighbors and prayed for some way to be of service.

On Good Friday in 1868, while praying in church, she received a vision of Christ, with the Blessed Mother beside him, who instructed her to found a congregation for the education of young girls. She prayed the whole night though. And then with the help of a Jesuit priest, she set about putting her plan in motion. With little formal education herself, she organized a school for poor girls in the city. In 1871 she and five companions took vows in a new congregation, the Daughters of Jesus, and she became superior general. Explaining the charism of her order, Mother Candida said, "In Jesus we have everything. Without him we have nothing."

The congregation spread throughout Spain, and it was officially recognized in 1901. Eventually her sister traveled the globe, including the United States. Candida died on August 9, 1912, and was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI in 2010.

FROM FR. JAVIER...

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

The Sacrament of Baptism

Who can Receive Baptism?

"Every person not yet baptized and only such a person is able to be baptized."

The Baptism of adults

My dear brothers and sisters, since the beginning of the Church, adult Baptism is the common practice where the proclamation of the Gospel is still new. The catechuminate (*preparation for Baptism*) therefore occupies an important place. This initiation into Christian faith and life should dispose the catechumen to receive the gift of God in Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist.

The catechuminate, or formation of catechumens, aims at bringing their conversion and faith to maturity, in response to the divine initiative and in union with an ecclesial community. The catechuminate is to be "a formation in the whole Christian life . . . during which the disciples will be joined to Christ their teacher. The catechumens should be properly initiated into the mystery of salvation and the practice of the evangelical virtues, and they should be introduced into the life of faith, liturgy, and charity of the People of God by successive sacred rites."

Catechumens "are already joined to the Church, they are already of the household of Christ, and are quite frequently already living a life of faith, hope, and charity." "With love and solicitude mother Church already embraces them as her own."

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, Maryann Litori, Anthony Marino, Norman Milz, Marie Molloy, Madelyn Maruggi, Raymond McCarthy Jr, Jonathon McClelland, Harold & Mary McKay, Edward Michonski, Sr., Kathy Minichini, Faith Morelli, Robert Neilson, Sr., Maryanne & Jack Newell, Girard Nolte, Jr., Marilyn O'Connor, Josh Olsen, Jim Owens, Arlene Parikh, Nicky Piloni, Laurie Pitcock, Clifford Reynolds, Jim Robinson, Ryan, Jillian Elizabeth Sayer, Donald Schmitt, 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

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

The Israelites complain that Moses led them to the desert and there is no food for them there. Then the Lord told Moses he would rain down bread from heaven so the people might know that Al, the Lord, am your God. @ God did as he had promised and in the morning the people found the bread that he had given them.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

Paul tells the Ephesians that they must give up their old way of life and live in accordance with the truth that Christ has brought them. He reminds them to acquire a spiritual way of thinking, and to remember that they are made in God=s image and act accordingly.

Gospel: John 6:24-35

The people Jesus had fed on five loaves of bread follow him, and Jesus tells them they should not be looking for perishable food, but for spiritual food. The people want a sign that they should believe in him. He explains that he is the bread of life, and anyone who believes will not experience hunger or thirst. The people did not fully understand that he was speaking in the spiritual sense, and not of actual food.

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 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

ASSUMPTION COLLEGE FOR SISTERS...

Fall 2018: August 22-December 18 – Theology and Philosophy Courses. Go to www.acs350.org for list of courses offered and information or call 973-957-0188 Ex. 102

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP RECREATION EVENTS...

BUS TRIP - Hunterdon Hills Playhouse Theater & Luncheon, Hampton, NJ. Saturday, Oct. 6th to see "Run for Your Wife", starring Eddie Mekka, well known for his role as Carmine in the TV show Laverne & Shirley. 10:30 am departure, return approx. 3:30 pm. Registration form on line at www.wtmorris.org. Cost \$61 resident or \$66 nonresident. Deadline is August 27th.

EXERCISE AND FITNESS CLASSES – for ages 13-99 at the W.T Senior Center. Deadline to register is Sept. 6.

SELF-DEFENSE CLASS – This course is FREE. Instructors are Sgt. Brian Bigham and Det. John Wuetenburg, they will demonstrate helpful information that teaches a mix of physical skills and life lessons. Monday, Sept. 24th at 1 pm at the W.T. Senior Center. Deadline to register is Sept. 17.

"MINDFULNESS PROGRAM" Friday, Sept. 28 at the Senior Center, 12:30 pm Deadline to register Wed., Sept. 19

FALL YOGA CLASSES – classes at the W.T.senior center. For information on how to register for any of these events contact the Recreation office (908) 876-5941 or email at recreation@wtmorris.net or website www.wtmorris.org.