

# Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

July 14, 2019

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



**Saturday, July 13**

5:30 pm For Dorothy Bissell by Madaras Family

**Sunday, July 14**

9:00 am For John Tronlone by Zeliff Family  
 10:45 am Mass at Heath Village – Health Care Center  
 11:00 am For Lori Liskiewicz by Liskiewicz Family

**Monday, July 15**

8:45 am For Betsy Guzenski by Stokes Family

**Tuesday, July 16**

8:45 am For Anne Sheehan by Stokes Family

**Wednesday, July 17**

8:45 am For Elizabeth Feldhusen

**Thursday, July 18**

8:45 am For Fr. Edward Collins

**Saturday, July 20**

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

**Sunday, July 21**

9:00 am For Rocky Labato by Stokes Family  
 11:00 am For Michael Murphy by Donald Family

**REMEMBRANCE MEMORIALS  
 FOR THE MONTH OF JULY**

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

**Mass Candles:** In loving memory of extended members of Grieve & Stokes family

**Altar Breads & Wine:** In loving memory of Jan and Amelia Krzywosz, and Wladyslaw and Anna Skoczylas by Skoczylas Family

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**July 20, 21, 2019**

**Saturday 5:30 pm**

Celebrant: Fr. Marcin Michalowski

Lector: Fred McQuaide

Eucharistic Ministers: Joanne Lee

Altar Servers: Help needed

**Sunday, 9:00 am**

Celebrant: Fr. Marcin Michalowski

Lector: Kevin O'Shea

Eucharistic Ministers: Gina & Paul Tupaczewski

Altar Servers: Help needed

**Sunday, 11:00 am**

Celebrant: Fr. Marcin Michalowski

Lector: Emily Nowak

Eucharistic Ministers: Nick Caruso

Altar Servers: Help needed

**THIS WEEK AT ST. MARK'S**

**Monday, July 15**

8:45 am Mass

**Tuesday, July 16**

8:45 am Mass

Peer Ministry Picnic

**Wednesday, July 17**

8:45 am Mass

Rain date for Peer Ministry Picnic

7:30 pm K of C Meeting

**Thursday, July 18**

8:45 am Mass

**Friday, July 19**

Parish Office Closed

**Saturday, July 20**

8:00 am Men's Bible Study

5:30 pm Mass

**Sunday, July 21**

9:00 am & 11:00 am Mass

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

Current Year	Last Year 2018
July 7, 2019: \$3,536 Parish Debt Reduction: \$1,020	July 8, 2019: \$1,327 Parish Debt Reduction: figures not available
Supermarket Gift Cards Sales: \$1,150 Profit: \$57.50 YTD Profit \$3,197 Number of families: 6	St. Mark's Faith Direct Church Code is NJ484

**FAITH DIRECT...**

Thank you for being a part of our St. Mark's family. I appreciate all that you do for our parish and community by sharing your God-given gifts of time, talent and treasure. 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. During these summer months your generosity through Faith Direct can help provide the consistent resources we need to operate our parish and ministries. Visit [faith.direct/NJ484](http://faith.direct/NJ484) or text the word ENROLL to (Test-to-Give Phone Number) Thank you for your continued support of our parish. God Bless You, Fr. Marcin

**SUMMER...** is time to kick back, relax and take it easy. If that's your definition of summer, consider yourself blessed. Some people can't relax, because they don't know where their next meal is coming from. And yes, there are people in that position right here in Long valley. It's not your problem, BUT, you can be part of the solution. 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 sage and pleasant summer!

## MY DEAR PARISHIONERS,

Today we celebrate 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. **Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?**

In the story of The Beauty and the Beast a wicked witch curses a handsome prince and changes him into an ugly monster. He remains that way until a beautiful princess comes along, kisses him, and changes him back into a handsome prince. Love changes others and makes them lovely.

When we meet people we can affect them for better or worse. How good it would be to have a good effect on others, to be like the princess and make others lovely.

The Good Samaritan helped to bring healing not only to this man's wounds, pouring oil and wine on them, but even more importantly the Good Samaritan poured love on the injured man's psychological and emotional wound, and that love would be just as important for healing him as the bandages and oil and wine.

The people, who hurt us, do so because they are wounded and they themselves may not even be aware of their difficulties. The best medicine of all is love. If we don't love them they will remain wounded and hurt. It is not easy for any Good Samaritan to give the medicine of love but it is the only medicine that heals.

It would be great to look back on your life and say you really helped someone who was down to rise up. Do we ever do anything to heal peoples' wounds or are we always receiving help from others? It would be great to look back on our life and say we really helped someone who was down to rise up.

During those times when it is difficult to heal and love the other wounded person, we can remember that in helping another, Jesus said, we are helping him, "Whatever you do to one of the least of these you do to me."

Let us continue to do our best to help and heal Jesus who is injured and in pain in other people. We are called to grow more and more from being selfish and self-centered to being a Good Samaritan type person. This we can only do with the grace of God. With the help of God's grace, we want to love our neighbor as ourselves as best we can.

I believe we can all be good Samaritans by doing the small things every day for our neighbors. In the Gospel, Jesus tells us that if we follow the commandments to love God and to love our neighbor as ourselves that we will live. If we follow those commandments in ways big and small, what a life we will have.

## **DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION AT OLM CHURCH**

Friday – July 19 – 3pm.



Come and see the goodness of the Lord!



## **CONGRATULATIONS TO DC. TOM AND DC BOB ON THEIR 20<sup>TH</sup> DIACONATE ANNIVERSARY.**

It was May 5<sup>th</sup> 1999 when the two of them said yes to Jesus Christ. Thank you for your devoted service and commitment to the diaconate. You have been a joyful witness to all.

## **RUMOR ABOUT CLOSING OUR PARISH**

**I AM VERY SAID THAT I AM HEARING A RUMOR ABOUT CLOSING OUR PARISH.** I do not know anything about it.

Bishop does not close the parish. Priest does not close the parish, then WHO?? People, because if we stop coming to church for different reasons if we stop supporting church, then Bishop or priest cannot do anything. Whoever repeats this rumor is not helping us to grow but is putting us down.

**OUR PARISH IS IN OUR HANDS AND THE FUTURE OF ST. MARK'S DEPENDS OF US.  
ST. MARK'S IS ALIVE!!!**

## **50TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAIN**

Bishop Casey formally established Our Lady of the Mountain parish in June 24, 1969.

If any of us would like to join OLM Parish for this great celebration please mark your calendar **SEPTEMBER 29TH 2019 - 10:45am Holy Mass with our Bishop. 12:30 Brunch at Minebrook Golf Club in Hackettstown.**

Cost per person - \$35. Registration forms are on the table in gathering room. *God bless you, Have a blessed week. Fr. Marcia*

## **SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND –**

Catholic Communications Campaign supports efforts to proclaim the Gospel in U.S. and abroad through social media and other avenues. Black & Indian Missions serves as a great tool for ongoing evangelization efforts. Catholic University of America is the national university of the Catholic Church, it educates clergy, religious and young men and women throughout the country. Your participation helps underwrite the financial aid program at Catholic University so that it continues to be a viable option for those who would not otherwise be able to attend. These collections, though diverse in their outreach are examples of great Catholic work. Your generous support will help strengthen these efforts.



**FROM FR. SLAWOMIR...**

**Carmelite Martyrs of Compiegne – July 17**  
(d. 1794)

In 1790 a decree of the revolutionary French Republic suppressed all religious communities, save those engaged in convent of Carmelite nuns in Compiegne. They were forced to relinquish their habits, to dress in secular clothes, and to abandon their convent. Nevertheless, in July 1794 sixteen nuns were arrested on the charge continuing their illicit way of life and imprisoned in a former Visitation convent. Two weeks later they were transported to parish. By this time, judging, that the moment for compromise had passed, they resumed their religious habits and openly recited the prayers of the Divine Office.

Their trial was brief. They were convicted of having made themselves “enemies of the people by conspiring against its sovereign rule.” On July 17, 1794, they were transported by open wagons to the place of execution, all the while singing the Salve Regina and Veni Creator Spiritus – the hymn sung for the profession of vows – and reciting the prayers for the dying. They were beheaded in turn, beginning with the novice, Sr. Constance, and ending with the prioress, Mother Teresa of St. Augustine. A witness said they looked as though they were going to their wedding.

These Carmelites were beatified in 1906. Their story inspired a moving opera by Francois Poulenc, Dialogues of the Carmelites, for which Georges Bernanos provided the libretto.

**FROM FR. JAVIER...**

**TEACHING FROM THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH - THE SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH**  
**The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation**

My dear brothers and sisters the Christian who seeks to purify himself of his sin and to become holy with the help of God's grace is not alone. *"The life of each of God's children is joined in Christ and through Christ in a wonderful way to the life of all the other Christian brethren in the supernatural unity of the Mystical Body of Christ, as in a single mystical person."*

In the communion of saints, *"a perennial link of charity exists between the faithful who have already reached their heavenly home, those who are expiating their sins in purgatory and those who are still pilgrims on earth. Between them there is, too, an abundant exchange of all good things."* In this wonderful exchange, the holiness of one profits others, well beyond the harm that the sin of one could cause others. Thus recourse to the communion of saints lets the contrite sinner be more promptly and efficaciously purified of the punishments for sin.

We also call these spiritual goods of the communion of saints the Church's treasury, which is *"not the sum total of the material goods which have accumulated during the course of the centuries. On the contrary the 'treasury of the Church' is the infinite value, which can never be exhausted, which Christ's merits have before God. They were offered so that the whole of mankind could be set free from sin and attain communion with the Father. In Christ, the Redeemer himself, the satisfactions and merits of his Redemption exist and find their efficacy"*.

God bless you



Recognizing a vital, practical need in his community, 29 year-old Father Michael J. McGivney proposed establishing a lay organization, the goal of which would be to unite men of Catholic faith and to provide for the families of deceased members. To symbolize that allegiance to their country did not conflict with allegiance to their faith, the organization took as their patron christophr Columbus – recognized as a Catholic and celebrated as the discoverer of America. Thanks to Father McGivney's persistence, the Knights of Columbus officially assumed corporate status in 1882.

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Reflection for the Week  
*Faith makes things possible, not easy.*  
Author Unknown  
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If you would like to be a part of an international organization of nearly 2 million Catholic men whose principal work involves helping others in need, we'd like to meet you. [Become a Knight!](#)

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*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*

Richard Alvarez, Daria Cremonini, Tony Atkins, Kathleen Goodman, Thomas Kenny, Mary McArdle, Anna McFarland, Denise Niessing, Girard Nolte, Jr., Christopher Popp, George and Ann Senftinger, Fredrick Senftinger, Anne Sheehan, Special Intention, Tracy Tobin, Christopher Zeliff

**Pray for the Deceased:** Dan Salerno (Teri McGrath's father)

**CYO BASKETBALL....**

CYO Basketball sign-ups for the 2019-2020 season is underway. Registrations will be accepted through Monday, July 15. The program is available for St. Mark's Parishioners (Boys and Girls) between 3rd Grade and 8th Grade. The cost of the program is \$225/player (\$200 for additional players in the same family - sibling discount). Uniforms cost approximately \$35 and will be ordered in the fall. If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Jackson, Athletic Director, at [jacksonj041@gmail.com](mailto:jacksonj041@gmail.com). All forms are located on the St. Marks website under CYO Basketball.



