

**PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW**  
**Stewardship Report – Treasure**  
**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

<b>Budgeted Amount:</b>	\$5,000.00
Sunday Collection (on-line giving) – 7/8/18	\$ 506.00
Maintenance Collection (on-line giving) – 7/8/18	\$ 96.00
Sunday Collection – 7/15/18	\$2,862.00
Second Collection for Diocesan Campaigns -7/15/18	\$ 636.00

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The Sanctuary Lamp is given this week:  
In Memory of: Celso Espejo  
Given by: George and Isabel Sly

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**

7/23	MON:	9:00a	People of our Parish
7/24	TUES:	9:00a	People of our Parish
7/25	WED:	9:00a	No Mass Today
7/26	THU:	9:00a	People of our Parish
7/27	FRI:	9:00a	Celso Espejo
7/28	SAT:	5:00p	Joyce Barkowski Anne Gray William Kopchak Celso Espejo
7/29	SUN:	8:30a	Richard Purcaro Tom Kontizas Special Intention for a Special Soul
		10:30a	James Murray Antoni Pawlica Susan McGovern

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**Deadline for bulletin submissions:** Tuesday of each week for information to be printed on the following Sunday.  
**Email to** [stmonica@ptd.net](mailto:stmonica@ptd.net)

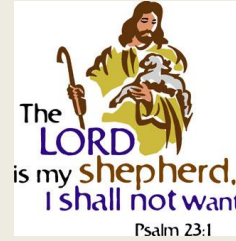
**NEW SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE**

**SATURDAY: 5:00 P.M.**  
**SUNDAY: 8:30 A.M. AND 10:30 A.M.**  
**THERE WILL BE NO 11:45 A.M. SUNDAY MASS.**  
**REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE WILL RESUME ON THE WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 8/9.**

**PARISH REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

Are you new to our parish? If so, welcome! Do you wish to register? If you are attending Mass and using our blue “blank” visitor envelopes and wish to receive our weekly envelopes in the mail, please register with us. If you wish to become a registered member and placed on our parish mailing list, there are blank registration forms on the table near the Church Hall exit. Please fill it out and give it to Fr. Jan after Mass, or either drop it in the collection basket or visit the rectory during the week between the hours of 9:30am and 1:30pm.

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**JULY 22, 2018**



*“The Lord is my shepherd,” we sing today, and rich is Psalm 23 in describing what the Lord does for us. The Lord refreshes our souls, guides us on the right way, furnishes comfort and safety in difficult times, gives us sustenance to overflowing, and promises a dwelling place forever. Truly, the Lord provides all that we need.*

**WEEKLY/MONTHLY PARISH EVENTS**

**COFFEE & DONUTS** – will resume in September.

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**SCRIPTURE REFLECTION** – Wednesdays at 6:30pm in the Rectory Meeting Room. Weekly reading/ reflection of the Sunday Scriptures – fellowship time & refreshments follow.  
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**ST. MONICA’S LEISURE GROUP** – The next meeting will be on **Wednesday, August 1st at 12:00 noon** in the Church Hall. Annual dues are \$10.00. For more information, please call Grace or Mike Casalino at 973-702-8569.

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**TRICKY TRAY COMMITTEE** will meet on **Sunday, July 29th at 12:00 noon** in the rectory meeting room. All are welcome. The Tricky Tray is our biggest fundraiser and many hands make light work.  
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**HELPING HANDS** meets the second Tuesday of each month in the Rectory Meeting Room at 7:30 p.m. New members are always welcome! There is no meeting in July.  
**The next meeting is Tuesday, August 14.**

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**SPECIAL DEVOTIONS AT ST. MONICA’S**  
**Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal** – every Tuesday after the 9:00 A.M. Mass.  
**Chaplet of the Divine Mercy** - Every Friday after the 9:00 A.M. Mass.  
**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** – First Friday of the month after the 9:00 A.M. Mass until 10:00 A.M.



FATHER JAN!!

Please join us in the Church Hall after the 10:30 AM mass on Sunday, July 22, for coffee and cake to celebrate Fr. Jan's birthday. All are invited!

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Our local farmers are beginning to have some delicious produce for all of us to enjoy. Also be sure to obtain these "veggies" for a soulful inner bounty:

"Peas" for Peacefulness, Preparedness, Perseverance and Patience.

"Squash" to Squash gossip, Squash indifference and Squash criticism.

"Lettuce" to Let Us start each day with a good thought of prayer. Let Us appreciate the world around us. Let Us love one another.

Now be sure to get some "Turnips". Turn up for Mass each week. Turn up with your children for care, Turn up with a smile. Turn up with new ideas. Turn up with determination to make every day count for something good and worthwhile.

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Be sure to mark on your calendar:**

**Sunday, August 26, from 2-5 pm in the Church Hall:**

**St. Monica Feast Day Parish BBQ.**

**Details will follow.**

**SUMMER IS HERE!!**

If you plan to travel this summer and will need to look for a church, visit [www.masstimes.com](http://www.masstimes.com). The purpose of the Mass Times ministry is to help Catholics get to Mass by helping them find churches and worship times worldwide. Mass Times makes it much easier to search for a Mass by presenting all the possibilities in a geographical area on one page. We provide worship times, church locations, contact information, website links and maps. There are 117,000 churches in 201 countries/territories.

## SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### **First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6**

In this passage, God denounces false leaders who have scattered his people. He promises that they will be reunited and led by one who is just and wise.

### **Second Reading: Ephesians 2:13-18**

Paul explains that through Jesus Christ, there is no longer hostility between Gentile and Jew. Instead, through the Spirit of Christ, both groups become one body and are equal in the eyes of God.

### **Gospel: Mark 6:30-34**

The apostles returned after their first mission and told Jesus what they had done and taught. He told them to rest, but the people kept coming to them. So they went to find a private place, but the people learned where they were going and arrived first. Jesus felt sorry for them and decided to teach them instead of resting.

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**HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly

### **Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 22, 2018**

**“For he is our peace...He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, for through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father....so they went off in the boat by themselves to a deserted place...his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd.”**

Peace, we are taught, is not the absence of war, but much more. It begins in the hearts of each person who is aware of God's love in us. It moves us to recognize that truth in others, both friend and foe, for all are made in God's image and likeness.

The search for peace is a struggle. The first step is to examine our lives and discover what unites us, as Paul teaches. This is the first building block. The next is dialogue, discovering where we agree as we move beyond perceptions to reality. The most important factor is found in the presence of Christ and His grace. We are to be peace builders.

Like the apostles, find a deserted place, a quiet moment of prayer, ask the Spirit to guide you in discovering the steps to take to bring His peace to you and to others. It is the same Lord who has compassion for all.

### READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

**Sunday** - Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

**Monday** - Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Mt 12:38-42

**Tuesday** - Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Mt 12:46-50

**Wednesday** - 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28

**Thursday** - Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Mt 13:10-17

**Friday** - Jer 3:14-17; Mt 13:18-23

**Saturday** - Jer 7:1-11; Mt 13:24-30

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## Gospel Today

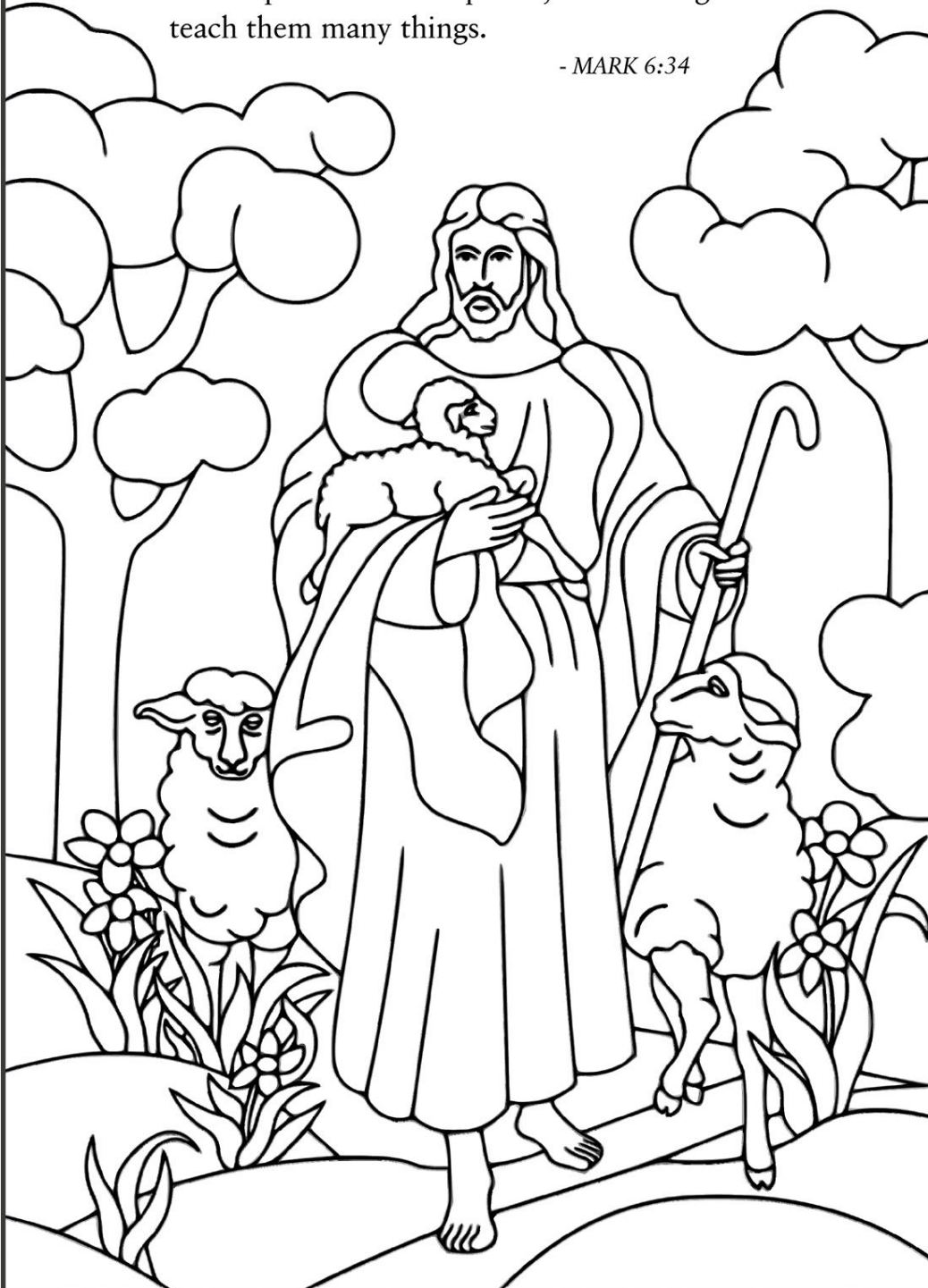
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mark 6:30-34

Jesus saw how tired and hungry the returning Apostles were. He took them out in a boat to give them rest from the gathering crowd. The people were so needy for the Good News they ran ahead and reached the other side before the boat.

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When He disembarked and saw the vast crowd, His heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and He began to teach them many things.

- MARK 6:34



The Lord is  
my shepherd, I  
shall not want.

*Psalm 23:1*



Jesus is  
The Good  
Shepherd  
and we are  
His flock.

When we get  
lost (and need  
forgiveness  
or guidance)  
Jesus guides us  
back to the  
flock. He never  
abandons us!

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and return the lost  
sheep to the flock.

