

**PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW**

**Stewardship Report – Treasure**  
**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

**Budgeted Amount:** \$5,000.00

**Sunday Collection – 7/22/18** \$2,808.00

**Online Giving – 7/22/18** – to be announced

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**The Sanctuary Lamp is given this week:**  
**In Memory of: Summer Ponce**  
**Given by: A Friend**

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**

7/30	MON:	9:00a	People of our Parish
7/31	TUES:	9:00a	People of our Parish
8/1	WED:	9:00a	No Mass Today
8/2	THU:	9:00a	Mary Alice Hosking (LIV) Ethel Alexander (LIV)
8/3	FRI:	9:00a	People of the Parish
8/4	SAT:	5:00p	People of our Parish
8/5	SUN:	8:30a 10:30a	Special Intention for a Special Soul Sonia & Greg Frankowski James Murray William Fischer, Jr. Mary Losiewicz Antonia Biziak

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for information to be printed on the following Sunday.  
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**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.

**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**JULY 29, 2018**



*We gather today to celebrate the Eucharist, as we do each Sunday, to be nourished by Christ's Body and Blood. In the Gospel, we hear one of Jesus' most familiar miracles, the multiplication of the loaves and fish. But every time we celebrate the Eucharist, we witness another miracle, the transformation of bread and wine into Jesus' Body and Blood. May it nourish us as we go out into the world.*

**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, August 5th 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.



**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.**

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**6 ways to get the most out of Mass**

- Be on time!**  
Arrive at least 10 minutes before it starts to dial down your mind.
- Mother Church wants YOU**  
Help out if you can! (As a lector, usher, altar server, etc.)
- Sing...even if you're out of tune**  
Don't worry if you have no talent for singing: most people don't.
- Pray Business Class**  
Sit near the altar. It will help you pay attention.
- Give God your full attention**  
Isn't it fair that we spend one hour each week worshipping God?
- Call your Mother**  
Ask Mary to intercede for you during Mass. Pray to her for guidance and strength.

**CatholicLink**

**Celebration of Marriage Retreat  
September 28-30**

Marianist Family Retreat Center  
417 Yale Ave., Cape May Point, NJ 08212

This weekend is intended for couples **married for at least 10 years**. It honors and celebrates the commitment of marriage. We strike a deliberate balance among participation/reflection, liturgy, free time, fun activities and plenty of "couple time" for walks on the nearby beaches.

**Cost:** \$270 per couple (includes all meals, room, and program)

**Sign up online at [www.capemaymarianists.org](http://www.capemaymarianists.org)** or call 609-884-3829 for more information.

## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### **First Reading: II Kings 4:42-44**

A man brought twenty loaves of bread to Elisha the prophet, who told his servant to distribute it to the people. The servant asked how he could offer twenty loaves to one hundred people. Elisha replied that God had said, "They shall eat and there shall be some left over." After all the people had eaten, there was bread left over as God had said.

### **Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6**

Paul implores the Ephesians to live a life worthy of their calling by preserving unity among all of Christ's followers. He reminds them that there is one body, one Spirit, and one God who works through all people.

### **Gospel: John 6:1-15**

Jesus fed a crowd of five thousand people with five loaves of bread and a couple of dried fish. After everyone present had enough to eat, twelve baskets of leftover bread were collected. Jesus then realized the people would want to make him king so he fled alone.

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A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

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

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**July 29, 2018**

**"But his servants objected, 'How can I set this before a hundred people?' Elisha insisted, 'Give it to the people to eat, for thus says the Lord, they shall eat and there shall be some left over.' And when they had eaten, there was some left over, as the Lord had said... When Jesus raised his eyes and saw that a large crowd was coming to him, he said to Philip 'Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?' He said this to test him."**

The selections from the book of Kings and from Mark are quite similar, - a hungry people, a compassionate prophet and a tremendous sign. May we move from the first testament and the mountain miracle to today.

People today are starving throughout the world. Wasteful living traps us and blinds us to this reality. Community food banks, parish pantries, Catholic Relief Services address countless needs. We are asked to respond. We bring not the twenty barley loaves, but what has been offered to us as gift. We are asked to give not of our surplus, but of our selves.

There is another hunger as well, a hunger for the Lord. How many are seeking, and will find His satisfaction, only through our word, our example. Who fed you, bringing the Lord to you? Are you ready to be like the tested Philip and extend your hand of compassion? Maybe I can be the boy Andrew presented and give something of myself.

### **READINGS FOR THIS WEEK**

**Sunday** - 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

**Monday** - Jer 13:1-11; Mt 13:31-35

**Tuesday** - Jer 14:17-22; Mt 13:36-43

**Wednesday** - Jer 15:10, 16-21; Mt 13:44-46

**Thursday** - Jer 18:1-6; Mt 13:47-53

**First Friday** - Jer 26:1-9; Mt 13:54-58

**First Saturday** - Jer 26:11-16, 24; Mt 14:1-12

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## Gospel Today

### Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | John 6:1-15

As Jesus and His disciples came out of the boat, the crowd gathering was large and hungry. Passover was near and Jesus asked if there was food enough for everyone. Andrew told Jesus of a boy with 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish. Jesus took the food, gave thanks and fed the crowd. When all 5 thousand had eaten there were 12 full baskets collected, so none would go to waste.

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Jesus then took the loaves,  
and when He had given thanks,  
He distributed them.

JOHN 6:11

### BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words...  
left, right, up, down  
or diagonally.



#### Multiplication

- Miracle
- Boat
- Crossed
- Sea
- Crowd
- Followed
- Disciples
- Passover
- Near
- People
- Hungry
- Andrew
- Found
- Loaves
- Fish
- Men
- Reclined
- Jesus
- Blessed
- Food
- Thousands
- Fed
- Twelve
- Baskets
- Leftovers
- Gathered

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