



**SUNDAY, September 16, 2018**

7:00 AM For the people of the parish living or deceased  
 9:00 AM Laura Smith, r/o Rose & Joe Ragucci  
 10:45 AM James Waltsak, r/o family  
 12:15 PM Cosmo Esposito, r/o Tom & Janice Michnewicz

**MONDAY, September 17, 2018**

7:00 AM Irene Endler, r/o Paul Murphy Family  
 8:45 AM Arthur Palumbo, r/o Renee & John Deresz

**TUESDAY, September 18, 2018**

7:00 AM Benedita Pinho, r/o Domingues Family  
 8:45 AM Frank DeStefano, r/o Mr. & Mrs. Virrazzi

**WEDNESDAY, September 19, 2018**

7:00 AM Benjamin Wilder, r/o Family  
 8:45 AM Frank J. Cierpial, r/o Family

**THURSDAY, September 20, 2018**

7:00 AM Carmela Traettino, r/o Maria & Larry Puerschner  
 8:45 AM Sister Rose Maxine, r/o SJV Seniors

**FRIDAY, September 21, 2018**

7:00 AM Bruno Salamunia, r/o Mr. & Mrs. A. Moskwa  
 8:45 AM Robert Streck, r/o Joanne

**SATURDAY, September 22, 2018**

8:00 AM Victor Pacheco, r/o Caroline Liguori  
 5:00 PM John Makar, r/o Ciuba Family  
 7:00 PM Caroline Szweczyk, r/o Friends

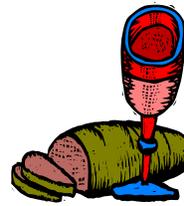
**SUNDAY, September 23, 2018**

7:00 AM Joseph Kurdyla, r/o Peter & Christine Farbaniec & Family  
 9:00 AM For the people of the parish living or deceased  
 10:45 AM Josephina Mariano, r/o Maria Neves & Family  
 12:15 PM Laura Smith, r/o Feeny Family



**Remember and pray for the sick of the parish**, those who are hospitalized, and their caregivers: Walter Halting, Barbara Perez, Marc Repace, Art Horning, Bob Bayer, Annie Panaccione, Carl Walker, Priscilla Ragucci, Mary Bowkley, Edward Sprague, Dan Weiss, Arthur Shipiro, Helen Slusark, Eileen Reilly, Ronald Syslo, Christine Camping, Arthur Ellermann, Gladys Gonzalez, Catherine Donahue, Becky McCabe, Art Boudier, Bill Hillyer, Marianne Muscavage, Marie Negri, Christiano Bianco, Dorothy Zsamba, Charlene Misak, Mike Misak, Mary Ann Baureis, Andres Quijano, Eileen Ammon, John Murphy, Marian Cassel, Louis Faccone, Mary Mayo, William Kriston, Pauline Mendicino-Franke, Sadako Vargas, Robert Grecco, Baby Lucas DeCarlo, and please remember our service men and women in your prayers. Let us pray for our recently departed brothers and sisters: Patricia Schleck, Joan Collins.

May they rest in the eternal embrace of our loving God.



The Bread and Wine have been offered in loving memory of Florence Cerami from the Dunbar family & for the deceased members of the Streck family.

Flowers for the Altar have been donated in loving memory of Helen & Harry Leathem From Jean & Bill Stevens.



*We welcome our littlest member born to new life  
 "Baptized in water and the Holy Spirit"*

**September 16, 2018  
 JACOB CELAURO**

Child of David Celauro & MaryAnn Sokolowski

*Next Baptismal class will be September 18, 2018.  
 Please call the Rectory to register.*

**Parish Bible Study Offering**

**Do You Want to Understand the Bible and Appreciate the Readings at Mass?  
 Then Join the Hundreds of your fellow Parishioners who have taken this course!**

If you have ever wanted to read the Bible, but did not know where or how to begin, then this **8-week *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible*** Parish Study is for you!

This video study provides the easiest way to understand the Bible. **Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible** makes the complex simple. It helps you to uncover the story woven throughout Scripture, so that you can get the "big picture" of the Bible and understand what it's all about. The Bible is a story about the Father's unending love for you, a love that you are now called to share. Call Now! You will be glad you did!

**Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible** will be offered for 8-weeks starting in September:

- Sunday Evenings – 6:30pm – 8:00pm (Beginning Sept 30<sup>th</sup>)
- Tuesday Mornings – 9:30am – 11:00am (Beginning Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>)

**You must REGISTER before Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>** by calling Rose Ragucci (732-548-3880)  
**There is a \$20 fee for materials.**



**St. John Vianney School News**

Thank you to all the parents who attended our Back to School Night last Tuesday. Parental involvement with the school and your child’s teacher is so important to your child’s success in school.

Today we celebrate Catechetical Sunday. All teachers from St. John Vianney School as well as Catechists from our Parish Religious Education Program will be recognized at the 9 AM Mass.

If you haven’t already done so, please return the signature page from the back of the handbook/calendar as well as the Emergency Contact Form. It is imperative that we have correct phone numbers where you can be reached in the event of an emergency.

**May She Rest In Peace**

*Please remember in prayer Sister Julia Ladzinski, former principal of St. John Vianney. She passed away at 96 years on September 3<sup>rd</sup> and was buried on September 6, 2018. She was a member of the Bernadine Franciscans for 77 years.*

**Upcoming Parish Meetings**

Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 3pm in the church.  
 Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm in the church.

**September 16, 2018 – 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.” MARK 8:34*

When we truly believe that all we have is a gift from God, then we must be willing to give up some things so that we can share our blessings as God intended. Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for our own life, but the lives of others as well.

**Reflection**

Last weekend we heard about Jesus’ healing of those with physical ailments. It is often thought that when someone has a physical ailment it is a punishment inflicted by God, but this is not the case. God has an ultimate plan for all his sons and daughters and no two plans are the same. Although we are faced with trials and tribulations that seem unbearable at times, God gives us these moments for a reason, so that greater things can come to fruition later on our journey. The most important thing to remember is not to take the little things in life for granted. Take time each day to appreciate things like being able to see a rainbow form after it rains, being able to smell fresh pie coming out of the oven, being able to tell someone ‘I love you,’ being able to walk and play with your kids, etc. While celebrating our own little miracles each day, we must remember to never pass judgment on others because they sin differently than you, look differently than you, speak differently than you, or live their lives on a different journey. All of us are children of God, created equal, yet unique in His image. Instead of tearing down others for our differences, we should be celebrating our differences, and rejoicing in the fact that we all have our own special purpose in this beautiful world.

*Our true value doesn’t lie in our abilities but rather in our identity as a child of God.*

**Father John’s Installment as Pastor**

Please join us on Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup> for Father John’s installment as Pastor of St. John Vianney during the 5pm mass. There will be a reception to follow in the cafeteria. There will be no 7pm mass or evening confessions this weekend.

**Military Families**

We're looking to include names of SJV parishioners and family members serving in the military in future bulletins. If you know someone who would like to be included, please contact the rectory. 732-574-0150

**Novena for the Protection of all Human Life**

The U.S. bishops urge our participation each Friday in a nationwide Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life, August 3-September 28. Participants will receive weekly email/text reminders to pray and fast, along with little-known facts about *Roe v. Wade* to share with others. Sign up at [www.usccb.org/pray](http://www.usccb.org/pray)

**Volunteer Catechists (Teachers) Needed**

*What is a Catechist?* The word is from the Greek word “**echo**”. Catechists **echo** the **Word of God** to our parish children. They come from all walks of life and all ages: women, men, parents, grandparents, single, and married. They are not expert teachers or theologians. They are ordinary people, **just like you**, who generously give of their time to share their Catholic faith with our youngsters in the Religious Education Program. **It is a very important ministry.** Is God calling you to open your heart to help our parish with this ministry? You will be supplied with books, training, and support. Our program is on Monday evenings beginning in September. If you are interested or want more information, PLEASE call the Religious Education Office at 732-388-1424.

***The Holy Spirit can and will work through you! Our children need you! Can you step forward to share your faith?***

**SJV Secular Franciscan Fraternity**

The Secular Franciscan Order (Third Order) is not an organization or a club but an Order. Our Fraternity meets the Second Sunday of each month at 1:30pm in the upstairs room of St. John Vianney Church. Is God calling you to walk in the footsteps of St. Francis of Assisi? Do you want to deepen your relationship with the Lord & give witness to the Kingdom of God? Then come visit with us. Information call: Dolores Jules 908-756-3659

**St. Vincent DePaul:**

**Friends of the Poor Walk**

It's that time of year again! On September 29th my daughter, Lisa, Suzanne McIntyre and I will once again be participating in the annual SVdP Friends of the Poor Walk in Long Branch. This year we will be joined by our seminarian [Jay Alquiros](#). Over the past several years because of the generosity of so many people we have been able to raise thousands of dollars that have been used by our local conference to assist families in need. If you would like to support our efforts, you can do so by making a pledge. Just go to the Friends of the Poor website ([www.fopwalk.org](http://www.fopwalk.org)), click on Find a Walker, type in any of our names and follow the simple instructions. Thank you and God Bless You, Deacon Tom Michnewicz

**Walk for Life**

Please join us on Saturday, October 13th from 9am-12pm at Merril Park for the Walk for Life. The day will include a DJ, refreshments, games, family fun, and students that participate can receive Confirmation hours! This event benefits the lifesaving work of Life Choices Resource Center. Register or donate today at [www.LifeChoicesRC.com](http://www.LifeChoicesRC.com) or download a pledge form. Call (732) 516-0811 or text 848-229-7634 for more information.

**Critical Life Issues Conference**

On Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, the Diocese of Metuchen in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Newark will be sponsoring the “17<sup>th</sup> Annual Critical Life Issues Conference.” The theme is “Every Life: Cherished, Chosen & Sent.” It will be held at the St. John Neumann Conference Center, Piscataway from 8:30am-3:30pm. Registration is \$25 – this fee includes lunch and handouts. To register please visit <http://diometuchen.org/critical-life> or call 732-562-1990 ext. 1629 or 1543.



**SJV Basketball 2018-2019 Season**

**OPEN GYM**

SJV will host open gym  
Wed 9/19 & Fri 9/21 6-9pm.

This is not a formal practice or training, just open gym for individual practice.

**PARENTS MEETING**

All parents are required to attend  
Wed 9/26 at 6:30pm

**TRYOUT INFO**

- All SJV parish & students welcome!
- Tryouts will be held at the SJV Gym
- Players are recommended to attend both tryout sessions
- Players must wear sneakers and bring water
- Coaches needed at all grade levels

**TRYOUT SCHEDULE**

WED 9/26

Boys 3/4 grade 6-7pm  
Boys 5/6 grade 7-8pm  
Boys 7/8 grade 8-9pm

THURS 9/27

Girls 3/4 grade 6-7pm  
Girls 5/6 grade 7-8pm Girls 7/8 grade 8-9pm

FRI 9/28

Boys 3/4 grade 6-7pm  
Boys 5/6 grade 7-8pm  
Boys 7/8 grade 8-9pm

THURS 10/4

Girls 3/4 grade 6-7pm  
Girls 5/6 grade 7-8pm  
Girls 7/8 grade 8-9pm

For questions contact Joe Marinello:  
[joeSJVbball@gmail.com](mailto:joeSJVbball@gmail.com)

**Mass & Healing Service - St. James,  
Woodbridge**

Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm Father John Campoli, I.V. Dei Director of His Love Ministries will celebrate Mass. Following the mass, he will pray for special blessings and healing for those present. For information, call Maryann 732-803-7466.

**Music Ministry News**

This weekend we welcome back our children's choir from summer break and next weekend we welcome back our adult choir! All our groups are now going into "Full Swing" for the fall season and as always, we welcome new members! We are happy to announce that ALL our groups will be participating during Father John's installation mass on Saturday October 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm!

**Adult Choir**

Our parish adult choir enhances our liturgies each Sunday from September through mid-June. The choir sings for many special occasions during the year, such as: Christmas Eve Mass, Holy Week, Confirmation, our "Mass of Remembrance" and provides two beautiful concerts for the parish, during Advent and Lent. We welcome all adults (And high school students) to be part of our choir! The adult choir sings weekly at the 9:00 am mass (And once a month at the 10:45 am mass). We practice each Wednesday from 7:30 to 9:00 pm in the church. **Our first rehearsal for the new season will be on Wednesday September 26<sup>th</sup> and we sing for the first time this season next Sunday at the 9:00 am mass.**

**Children's Choir**

Our parish children's choir is made of students from our parish from grades two and up! The choir sings for our parish Christmas Pageant and 4:00 pm mass on Christmas Eve, as well as the 9:00 am mass on Easter Sunday. We practice on Tuesday afternoons from 4:00 to 5:00 pm in the church. We sing twice a month at either the 9:00 or 10:45 am mass. **Our next rehearsal will be on Tuesday September 25<sup>th</sup> and we sing again on Sunday September 30<sup>th</sup> at the 10:45 am mass.** Please join us this Sunday September 16<sup>th</sup> for breakfast in the school cafeteria following the 9:00 am mass!

**Folk Group**

Our Parish Folk Group enhances the 12:15 liturgy each week. The Folk Group is under the direction of Ms. Jennie Esposito. Rehearsals are held weekly at 11:15 am in the conference room adjacent to the church gathering area. Jennie is always looking for more singers as well as instrumentalists to join with the Folk Group!

**High School Group**

This year we are going to start a new group consisting of high school students. We are reaching out to ALL high school students and parents to try to coordinate practices etc. While we are still in the planning stages, our hope is to have the students sing once a month at either the 10:45 or 12:15 pm mass. More information to follow!! You can contact me at [jframeiii@yahoo.com](mailto:jframeiii@yahoo.com) with any questions.

See you all at rehearsals,  
Jamie Frame  
Dir. Of Music/Organist

**St. Cecelia's Tricky Tray Gift Auction**

Join us on Saturday, September 29, 2018 at St. Cecelia Church, 45 (Lourdes Hall). Doors open at 6:00 pm – Prizes called at 7:30 pm. General Admission is \$20 (includes 2 free sheets of yellow tickets and coffee/tea and dessert). The Bundle Package is \$80. Must be 18 or older to participate – Bring your own food and beverages. Tickets are available on [www.stcecelia.com](http://www.stcecelia.com). For further information contact Kathy at 732-283-2300 or [kbeglan@stcecelia.com](mailto:kbeglan@stcecelia.com).

**St. Anthony's Relics Visit  
The Parish Family of St. Anthony of Padua,  
Port Reading**

On Friday, October 5, 2018 the Franciscan Friars invite you to join them in welcoming Saint Anthony of Padua. St. Anthony will be visiting us in the form of two precious relics from his Basilica in Padua, Italy. The relics will be accompanied by Friar Mario Conte from the Messenger of St. Anthony in Padua.

Prayer petitions with holy cards will be distributed by Friar Mario and volunteers to allow parishioners to write their prayer petition to the saint. The writing of a prayer petition is a worldwide tradition when venerating a relic of a saint. Fr. Conte will bring the petitions back to the Basilica in Padua and place them at the tomb of St. Anthony where the Friars will gather to pray for the saint's intercession upon our intentions and petitions.

All are welcome!

Veneration 10:00am - 8:00pm - Mass 12:15pm

**2018 Champions for Catholic Charities  
Dinner**

Please join us for this year's dinner will be Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at The Palace at Somerset Park. Cocktails – 6:30pm, Dinner 7:30pm. The cost is \$250 per person. The honorees are David & Debra Samuel and Rev. Msgr. John N. Fell, STD. Your presence at the Champions Dinner will be a sign of solidarity for the less fortunate among us while providing much-needed financial support. For registration and information call 732-562-2432 or email [champions@diometuchen.org](mailto:champions@diometuchen.org).

**The Body of Christ Prayer Group**

Please join us for 7 Thursdays that will change your life! September 13<sup>th</sup> – October 25<sup>th</sup>. The prayer group will meet at St. Francis Cathedral, in Metuchen at 8pm each Thursday. For more information or to register contact Tom Mockoviak 732-549-4740 or [mockofam@optonline.net](mailto:mockofam@optonline.net).

**Bereavement Group for Widow & Widowers**

Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> – October 31<sup>st</sup> from 10:30am-12pm at Robert Wood Johnson Fitness Center in Scotch Plains, NJ. The group will meet for 7 consecutive Wednesday mornings. There is no fee to attend, but registration is required. For additional information, or to register, please call Jane Downing 732-247-7490.

**Union Catholic High School Open House**

Wednesday, October 3rd - 7:00 p.m.

"Early Bird Tours" will begin at 6:15 p.m

Union Catholic is a faith-based environment where you'll be inspired to reach your greatest potential and get the greatest return on your investment. A UC education will open your mind, introduce you to life-changing ideas, provide unforgettable hands on experience with the latest technology and engage you in an extraordinary collaboration. For more information, contact Betsy Thornton at 908-889-1600, ext. 302 or [bthornton@unioncatholic.org](mailto:bthornton@unioncatholic.org).

**Mother Seton Regional HS**

732-382-1952 – [www.motherseton.org](http://www.motherseton.org)

OPEN HOUSE – Girls Grades 5-8

Sunday, September 23 – 1:00 p.m.

"The Future is Hers"

**BISHOP GEORGE AHR HIGH SCHOOL  
FALL OPEN HOUSE**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2018 – 1:00 – 4:00 P.M.  
Meet our faculty, tour our facility, hear about our technology. Learn about our sports, clubs and organizations. Student guides, brochures available, refreshments served. All are Welcome!

7<sup>th</sup> Graders are Encouraged to get an early start!  
Call Bishop Ahr for further info or directions (732) 549-1108 X620 or visit us on the Web at [bgahs.org](http://bgahs.org).