

## **UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH**

### **Wednesday, July 25th**

Bishop Barron DVD Series—"THE MASS"  
Episode 1: 7 to 8 pm (2)

### **Saturday & Sunday, July 28th & 29th**

Raffle to benefit Parish Picnic—After all Masses

### **Wednesday, August 1st**

Bishop Barron DVD Series—"THE MASS"  
Episode 2: 7 to 8 pm (2)

#### **Legend**

Church (1) Padua Hall (2)  
Religious Education (3) Ewald Center (4)

## **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK**

### **JULY 23RD—29TH**

**Monday:** Cheryl Gilmer (L)  
r/b Ladies of Charity

**Tuesday:** David Rymer (D)  
r/b Gracie Rymer

**Wednesday:** Marie Thomas (L)  
r/b Ladies of Charity

**Thursday:** John Brady (D)  
r/b The Family

**Friday:** James Deiso, II (D)  
r/b Dorothy Deiso Benya

**Saturday:** Jim and Tiffany Grimes (L)  
r/b Weilmuenster Family

Virgil Teti (D)  
r/b Nina Teti

**Sunday:** Parishioners  
Ann Garner (D)  
r/b Weilmuenster Family

### **"AND I WILL GIVE THEM REST"**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Tom Sydnor  
and all deceased members and their families.

### **PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY**

Please pray for all members of our parish serving  
our country both here and overseas.

## **THE CATHOLIC FAITH, THE SACRAMENTS & CONVERSION**

Anyone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, converting to the Catholic faith or any Catholic wishing to complete the sacraments are invited to the RCIA sessions. Call Deacon Ed or Nora Baker at 410-257-0347 for more details.

*RCIA meets on Sundays beginning in  
September after the 8:15 Mass.*

## **FROM THE PASTORS DESK**

### **The Beauty of the Psalms**

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Anthony's,

Last Sunday during the liturgy I was swept away by the utter loveliness of the Psalm that was being sung, which was Psalm 85. Psalm 85 would have been the song sung by the people of Israel who were returning to their homeland after having it taken away from them in times of war and desolation.

In the Old Testament there are 150 Psalms. Tradition holds that they were written by King David as a method of prayer. The Psalms are very important to the liturgical life of the Church. All monks in the monastery, as well as priests and religious sisters, pray the Psalms daily as a part of their commitment to immerse themselves into the liturgical life of the Church, in what the Church calls "The Divine Office." This is the universal prayer of the Church, prayed by Catholics all over the world.

The Divine Office has a certain structure; antiphons, psalms, canticles and a reading from Scripture for each morning, afternoon, evening, and night. It is, in a beautiful sense a wonderful way to order your day. Many lay persons in the Church have come to know and pray these prayers also. They can tell you that they have derived much encouragement and help by these simple yet profound prayers. It brings order to their day.

In Psalm 85 we hear the psalmist pray these lines:

"I will hear what God proclaims; the Lord for he proclaims peace.

To his people and to his faithful ones and to those who put their hope in Him.

Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear Him, glory dwelling in our Land.

Kindness and truth shall meet; justice and peace shall kiss.

Truth shall spring out of the earth and justice shall look down from heaven.

The Lord will give his benefits; our land shall yield its increase.

Justice shall walk before Him and salvation along the way of his steps."

One day, I believe, we will see that come to fruition; the day that justice and peace shall kiss. I look forward to having a front row seat to watch that occur on the day of salvation. To behold the happy meeting of kindness and truth, will be truly exhilarating. This, dear friend, is a depiction of heaven where all will be well.

Our Life in this world can be hard and difficult and we can certainly get tired along the way; that is why we need reminders that all life belongs to the Lord. All times and seasons obey Him. He is Lord and Master. So, when we tire during our life journey, take heart in the Psalms of the Old Testament. Jesus certainly knew them and prayed them reverently as a child and they remained a part of His ministry during His life on earth. He drew strength from them when he felt lonely, tired, and fearful.

May we follow His example and turn to them ourselves in all of life's sunshine and shadows.

Peace, In Christ Jesus, Fr. Stack

## **FAITH FORMATION**

### **Faith Formation & "GIFT" Registration**

If you have not yet re-registered your children for Faith Formation classes, please do so as soon as possible for planning purposes during the summer. Contact Mary Beth Woodburn at 443-646-5724 if you have any further questions or concerns.

### **New Students**

Parents can register **new students** for 2018-2019 school year by contacting Mary Beth Woodburn at your earliest convenience, 443-646-5724 for an appointment. Children entering Pre-K must be 4 years old by September 1st, 2019. Please bring a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate (if not baptized at St. Anthony's) and tuition fees.

- 1 child \$120.00
- 2 children \$180.00
- 3 or more children \$230.00

**Please keep the following teens in your prayers as they attend Camp Veritas, a Catholic Summer Camp. Their motto: "Play Hard, Pray Hard"**

Seraphina Barberio	Sophia Matthews
James Bunn	Emma Pellegrino
Teresa Colosi	Isabella Porfiri
Sarah DeGrange	Antonio Porfiri
Tim DeGrange	Christina Scott
Grace DeStefano	Danny Scott
Leah Hartley	Kat Tolentino
Preston Labonte	Nik Tolentino
Joseph Lovecchio	Luke Woodburn
Marco Lovecchio	Thomas Woodburn
Rose Lane Lovecchio	

"Heavenly Father, we love you and thank you for the great gift of every child. Protect them from all evil and watch over them as they learn to trust more deeply in the love of Jesus Christ. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, may they become more aware of their dignity as sons and daughters of God and increase in Wisdom, Understanding, Right Judgement, Knowledge, Courage, Reverence, and Wonder and Awe. Give them hearts and minds open to the will of God in their lives! Amen!"

## **LADIES OF CHARITY**

The Ladies of Charity will be providing backpacks and school supplies again this year for the children of our Food Pantry clients. If you would like to help, these are some of the most needed items: click ball point pens, composition books, notebook filler paper, highlighters, glue sticks, pink erasers, and dry erase markers. All donations may be placed in the white wicker baskets in the foyer of the church by August 5th. Thanks so much for your generous support!

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Charles Basiliko, Chrissy Baxter, Vicki Baxter, JB, John Bell, Sam "Bo" Bradley, Florence, Marlene Bradshaw, Jack Bragger, Jeff Carr, Ralph Carrello, Bill Carroll, Jimmy Carroll, Helga Cuevas, Luis Cuevas, Jean Davis, Sig Degitz, Luke Engler, Jo Finch, Linda Foresta, Anthony Fowler, Taylan Fowler, John P. Flynn, Noah Christopher Haas, Marie Heaton, Maslynn Holmes, Cory Honoker, Roza Ivanac, Kayla Johnston, Shirley Kallal, William Kallal, JoAnn Kery, Rick Kollinger, Brian Lloyd, Donna Lynch, Mark Mann, Walter Matziet, Kelly McCauley, Jennifer Melanab, Margie Edwards Morgan, Sarah Olsen, Doris Pettko, Darley Phillips, Payton Phillips, Ray Pyles, Babies Ace and Troy Remer, Jonathan Rieger, Carolyn Ritch, Joel Rivera, Grayson David Rodriguez, Wayne Romanek, Geri Rosen, Kristy Salek, Bunny Tate, Betty Theurer, Carolyn Vargas, Susan Vilcheck, Pat Waak, Shannon Wink, Richard Walton, Sue White.

## **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: JULY 28TH, 2018**

### **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.

## **GOSPEL QUESTION**

How has God used your doubt to bring you to faith?

## **CONTRIBUTIONS**

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.

*July 15th—\$8,448.32*

## **ST. BERNARDINE'S**

On the fourth Sunday of each month, we invite you to bring non-perishable foods to any Mass for St. Bernardine Parish (in Suitland) for their parish food pantry. You may leave your donations in the large white baskets in the foyer of the Church.

**Designated dates this month: July 28th and 29th**