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Monday to Friday
9:30 AM to 1:30 PM

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**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 30, 2018**

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Evening Vigil: 5:00 PM April through October

4:00 PM November through March

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM in English & 12:30 PM Spanish

Holydays: Vigil: 6:30 PM English

Noon, 6:30 PM English., 7:30 PM Spanish

Check the bulletin for Christmas & Easter Schedules

Weekdays: Mon. – Fri.: Noon

Saturday: 9:00 AM

Confessions: Monday - Friday after the noon Mass, 4:00 PM Saturday and call the priest for an appointment

Baptisms: Call the Parish Office to make an appointment with a priest.

Marriage: A year in advance, Call the Parish Office to make an appointment with a priest.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact a priest at any time.

Communion calls: For anyone confined to their home, arrange with the office.

Devotions:

First Friday: Holy Hour with Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, 11:00 AM

First Saturday: MORNINGS WITH MARY, begins with 9:00 AM Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet and reading diary of St. Faustina: 4th Saturday of the month before Vigil Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena: Monday after Mass

St. Jude Novena: Thursday after Mass

Societies of the Parish:

Bukas Loob sa Diyos - BLD: Fri. 7:30 PM - Parish Center

Filipino Choir – 3rd Sunday, 5:00 to 6:30 PM Church

Worship Apostolate, in Room 104

Reuniones Hispanos

Eucaristía Dominical: 12:30 PM

Bautismo: Por favor llamar a la oficina de lunes a viernes.

Matrimonio: Feligreses registrados tienen que presentarse un año antes de la boda.

Reconciliación: Confesiones cada Domingo 12 hasta 12:30 PM

Unción de los Enfermos: Por favor de llamar la casa parroquial para visitas a las casa y hospitales.

Educación Religiosa: 732-382-0004

Coro: Miércoles 7:30 PM

Movimiento Juan XXIII: – Jueves 8:00 PM – Parish Center, Aula 201

Grupo Guadalupano -Martes 7:00 PM - Iglesia

Grupo Juvenil "Angeles de Jesús" - Sábado 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM Aula 208

Grupo de Oración - Sábado 7:00 PM Connell Hall

Escuela "Jesus el Buen Pastor" Todos los Lunes, 7:30 PM, clases de Biblia, Connell Hall

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One of the problems most governments seek to prevent in the economic sphere are so-called "mega mergers." This threat comes when two major companies want to combine to form a new, more powerful and profitable entity. What is the threat? Monopolies. An example would be if one entertainment empire were to merge with another. Here we would have two entities whose combined presence in the marketplace becomes so dominant that not only does one philosophy emerge, but also consumers are denied options.

The word "monopoly" comes from the Greek word "monopolion", meaning one (mono) sell (poleo). It means the exclusive possession or control of trade or a commodity. The idea is the limitation of choice and the end of competition, with little or no care about consumer interests or experience with the goods in question.

The same applies when we consider spiritual entities, like the gift of healing. No one has a "lock", so to speak, on that gift. Jesus told us that "The Spirit blows where He will." Sometimes the results of that are surprising to say the least. In our gospel passage for Mass this weekend we find the Apostles a bit disconcerted that someone "who does not follow us" was seen driving out demons. They thought they had a monopoly on such actions. Jesus is quick to educate John, presumably His favorite among the Twelve, not to worry or try to prevent these "outsiders" from performing such mighty deeds. The key words Jesus uses are that were doing this "in my (Jesus') name." He added that someone can't be both for and against Him at the same time. Finally, we get the beautiful interpretation of what befalls a person giving a mere cup of water to a fellow Christian.

St. Mark moves on to Jesus' memorable metaphor of cutting off whatever body part causes one to sin and blocks entrance into the kingdom of God. In the Greco-Roman era in which Our Lord lived, the body was also a metaphor of the community. Jesus uses that hyperbole that precludes any literal self-mutilation. So, we have monopoly madness and spoiling scandal in the same passage. For us, spiritual monopoly could come down to holding one's opinion as the only correct one in a hypothetical discussion. Scandal could arise by a sarcastic cocktail party description of parish personnel, or even Church teaching, especially when people of other religions are also sipping martinis with you. Same evils, present contexts.

Meanwhile, we're so good at making excuses. I thought it might be some comic relief from these heavy thoughts to close with some five allegedly real excuses that someone collected, and which were offered to police officers in relation to automobile accidents. Pick your favorite.

"An invisible car came out of nowhere, struck my car and vanished."

"I had been driving my car for forty years when I fell asleep at the wheel."

"I pulled away from the side of the road, glanced at my mother-in-law, and headed over the embankment."

"The pedestrian had no idea which direction to go, so I ran over him." "Suddenly a tree was there, where no tree had been before."

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward." (Mark 9:41)

Does your life reflect the life of Jesus? Remember, we were made in His image. We tend to forget this. When others see you, do they see the face of Jesus? When you look at others, do you see the face of Jesus in them?

OUR LADY'S BLUE ARMY SHRINE

Saturday, October 6th *"You at Least Try to Console Me." World Apostolate of Fatima, Our Lady's **Blue Army Shrine**, 674 Mt. View Rd East, Asbury, NJ 08802 invites all to Honor Our Lady's plea of Dec. 10, 1925 requesting Five Consecutive First Saturdays of Reparation. Confessions 10:00 am; 11:30 Rosary w/15 minute meditation; 12:15 Holy Mass; 2:00 Holy House; Children's Video, Talk on Last Vision of Fatima; 3:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet. Bring your family and friends to answer the call of the Child Jesus: "**And have you spread through the world what our heavenly Mother requested of you?**" www.bluearmy.com 908-689-1700 Ext 210*

R C I A: This could be for you or someone you know; Catholics who want to return to celebrating their faith; adults who never celebrated the sacraments of First Eucharist, Confession or Confirmation; anyone who wishes to join the Catholic Church.

For more information, please call the recory at (732) 388-0082.

BENEFIT CONCERT

Coming to the Union County Performing Arts Center, Saturday, November 10th at 8:00 PM, "The Midtown Men," the original stars from Broadway's Jersey Boys, will perform a benefit concert with all ticket proceeds supporting Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark. For tickets or information call (732) 499-8226 or log onto www.ucpac.org.

SANCTUARY GIFTS	ST. MARY'S	SUNDAY READINGS
Tabernacle Lamp	Fr. Myers	Numbers 11:25-29
Altar Bread	Fr. Hermanns	Psalm 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14
Altar Wine	Msrgr. Buttner	James 5:1-6
Altar Candles	Fr. Kasper	Gospel: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

 **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday, September 29
5:00 PM Rev. Raymond T. Lukenda

Sunday, September 30
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM Nancy Sullivan
9:30 AM Rudolfo Cruz
11:00 AM John Morro
12:30 PM Paulina Maria Rivas

Monday, October 1
St. Therese of the Child Jesus
Noon Cecelia Flanagan

Tuesday, October 2
The Holy Guardian Angels
Noon The conversion of sinners

Wednesday, October 3
Noon The unborn

Thursday, October 4
St. Francis of Assisi
Noon People of the Parish

Friday, October 5
Noon William G. Davis

Saturday, October 6
9:00 AM Celeste Ross
5:00 PM Mary Pileggi

Sunday, October 7
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM Salvatore Mione
9:30 AM Rev. Harold Hermanns
11:00 AM Pedro Velazquez
12:30 PM Albert F. Reitemeyer



Please remember the souls of those who have recently died.

Ruth Ensor

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May perpetual light shine upon them.

LORD, PROTECT THOSE WHO PROTECT US



Brian Brenkman, L/CPL Christopher Castro, Sgt. Brian Chandler, Trooper William J. Condron, Jr., Michael Dinis, Airman Paul Domingues, Jr., LTC Kenneth Gawronski, Johannes Hanselmann MSG. Robert Karnas, Lt Bernadette Lack, SSG Osvaldo Lee, Arthur Magaspac, SPC Robert McCartney, Jr., Cpl. Megan Michel, Zack Palmer, SSG Ian Peattie, Thomas Quinn, Corey Rafter, PFC Joseph Reinman, Sr. Airman Davey Rivera, III, Matthew Smith, AB Sean Twerdak, Keith Zalasar.

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Let us ask the Holy Spirit to inspire us to lend a helping hand to feed those especially in need. We are always in need of funds in order to continue our mission. We are open every Sunday at 12:30 in the Annex building to serve the needy of our community. Your generosity will help us meet that goal.

PARISH NEEDS A FREEZER

If someone has a freezer in good working order and would like to donate it to Divine Mercy Parish, please call the Parish Office and let us know.



Bill Belig, Edwin and Mary Blazewicz, Ruth Breen, Josephine Brown, Anna Caffrey, Marietta Clark, Kathleen Condron, Kathleen Cremona, Nicholas Delmonaco, Santiago Escobar, Eileen Flade, Helen Freshcoln, Rose Geraghty, Christine Gianella, Jose Luis Gonzalez, Nicolette Greco, Margarita Perez Hernandez, Diane Henry, Stepphanie Higgins, Mary Ann Hofmann, Solomon Igbinosun, Frank Jacik, Wladyslawa Kalafut, Edmund Kasprzyk, Linda Kasprzyk, Victor Krivitski, Gloria Latherow, Ana Alvarez-Marquina, Kitty McGuire, Janice McEwen, Ida Mele, Lourdes Mendez, Travis Mitchell, Jane Monahan, Ronnie & Guy Morosini, James Mottley, Edward Mowczan. Cesar Nieto, Madison Noguerras, Nicholas Noguerras, Iena Olivo, Gladys N. Rengifo, Gregory Romeo, Ronald Rosivack, John D. Rusin, Jr., Lucille Salvatore, Kelly Scholte, Richard Shackell, Anthony Spadora, Joseph N. Terracina, Patrick Toner, Sharon Katzenback Wilson, Fr. Peter Vo, Baby Bennett Vogel, Daniel Zur.

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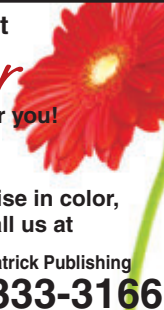


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