

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

Dear Brothers and Sisters of Sacred Heart:

In chapter 15 of Luke's Gospel, Jesus tells three parables about losing, finding, and rejoicing. The outcasts of society, the taxpayers, and the sinners approach Jesus eager to hear what he has to say. In Luke's Gospel, *hearing* is a sign of conversion. The Pharisees and scribes, still suspicious of Jesus, complain about him associating with sinners. So he tells them these three parables.

In the first story, the parable of The Lost Sheep, the shepherd leaves behind the 99 sheep to search for the 1 lost sheep. When he finds it, the shepherd rejoices not alone as in Matthew's version, but with friends and neighbors. In the same way, God rejoices more over 1 sinner who repents—like the outcasts who have come to hear Jesus—than over the 99 righteous like the Pharisees and scribes.

The second story, about a poor woman who will not stop searching until she finds her lost coin, makes the same point. Why are the Pharisees complaining? They should rejoice when the lost are found.

Finally, we come to what is probably the most memorable parable in the Gospels, the story we know as The Prodigal Son. Just as in The Lost Sheep and The Lost Coin, this story (found only in Luke) is really about the seeker. The loving father is at the center of this parable. Even though his son runs off with his father's inheritance and squanders the money, the father waits for him, hoping for his return. Upon his son's return, the father, "full of compassion," runs out to embrace and forgive him before the son can utter one word of repentance. At this point the rejoicing begins.

The parable does not end there. Rather, it makes one more point about the older son's reaction. This son who never left, just like the Pharisees and scribes who feel they are righteous, refuses to enter his father's house to join in the rejoicing. He has served his father. He has obeyed him. Perhaps it was not out of love. The father's response teaches us that God's care and compassion extend to the righteous and sinner alike. When we are lost, God doesn't wait for our return. He actively seeks us out. And when the lost are found, how could we not celebrate and rejoice?

Loyola Press
Sunday Reflection

24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*May the working of this heavenly gift, O Lord, we pray,
Take possession of our minds and bodies, so that its
effects, and not our own desires, may always prevail in
us. Through Christ our Lord. Amen*

BILINGUAL HEALING MASS

HERE AT SACRED HEART
SEPTEMBER 16, 2019 AT 7:00PM

We will begin with The Holy Rosary at 6:30pm. Fr. Joseph Espailat, Director of NY Charismatic Movement will be our celebrant please join us for our first bilingual Mass as a parish family.

CYO BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

Boys and Girls: Clinic Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd Grades/
3rd thru 8th Grades

Tuesday, September 17th: 6 – 7:30pm

Wednesday, September 18th: 6 – 7:30pm
(In the school cafeteria)



SACRED HEART RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades 6 and 7 on Monday, September 16th and Grades 3-5 and Grade 8 on Tuesday, September 17th. If you have not registered your child / children, please call the office at 357- 6044.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR SIGNUP SEPTEMBER 18TH

Children ages 6 to 12 are invited to join the Sacred Heart children's choir. The choir practices on Wednesday afternoons from at 5:00pm and sings at the 5:30pm Vigil Mass on Saturdays. This is a wonderful opportunity for the children to develop a closeness with the Lord.



SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

September 8th Collection - \$12,351.
Last Year's collection - \$12,802.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

If you or someone you know have not been baptized or have not received the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation, and would like to, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is meant for you. The RCIA is the process by which the Church receives new members into our Catholic community through the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist). It consists of instruction sessions and liturgical celebrations meant to inform individuals of the teachings of the Catholic faith, to help them discern whether they wish to become Catholic and to prepare them to be received into the Church at Easter. **These classes are also open to adult parishioners who would like to be more informed about their faith.**

If you are interested in participating, please call the Rectory (357-0035).

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, September 15

Monday, September 16

Rel Ed. – Grade 6- 4:30pm to 6:00pm

Rel Ed. – Grade 7 – 7:00pm to 8:30pm

Novena – 7:15pm

Tuesday, September 17

Prayer Group – 7:30pm in the Rectory Chapel

Wednesday, September 18

Rel Ed. Confirmation Rehearsal – 7:00pm in the church

Hispanic Prayer Group – 8:00pm cafeteria

Thursday, September 19

Rel Ed. Confirmation Rehearsal – 7:00pm church

Friday, September 20

Prayer Shawl Mtg. – 1:00pm in the rectory

Saturday, September 21

St. Joseph Group – 7:30am in the Rectory

Rel. Ed. – 9:30am Grades 1 & 2

Sunday, September 22

PRAYER GROUP DEDICATED TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY AT SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Meets every Tuesday from 7:30 to 8:30pm in the Rectory Chapel. Everyone is Welcome! For more information call Margaret Petukh at 551-804-1631.



On October 12th, 2019, Saturday at 12pm at the Village Gazebo a prayer service will take place in response to Mary's plea to pray the Rosary every day for Peace. All are welcome to attend.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL CORNER



A warm welcome back to all students and families! May teachers and students return to their classrooms renewed and refreshed as they embrace their academics and faith.

Applications are still being accepted for the 19/20 school year!

Blessings for a rewarding and fulfilling academic year from your Rockland County Regional Catholic Schools!

Sacred Heart School (UPK, PreK – Gr. 8)

60 Washington Avenue, Suffern, NY

St. Anthony (PreK3 – Gr. 8)

34 West Nyack Road, Nanuet, NY

St. Gregory Barbarigo (UPK, PK3 - Gr. 8)

29 Cinder Road, Garnerville, NY

St. Margaret (PreK3 – Gr. 8)

34 North Magnolia St., Pearl River, NY

St. Paul (UPK, PreK3–Gr. 8)

365 Kings Highway, Valley Cottage, NY

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS ACADEMY

659 Belmont Avenue, North Haledon, NJ 07508

973-790-6200 • www.MaryHelp.org

**Open House – Sunday, September 22nd and
October 20th at 1pm**

You're invited to learn more about our innovative curriculum that includes our Internship Program in a variety of fields, a 1:1 iPad initiative, and our many offerings in the arts and athletics. Explore the possibilities of a 21st-Century education provided within a safe and nurturing single-sex environment of a Catholic Academy with over a 75-year tradition.

Preview Day – Friday, October 25th 8 am – 12 pm

Designed with middle school students in mind, Fall Preview is an excellent introduction to MHC Academy! While many schools offer shadow days and campus tours, Fall Preview allows groups of students to spend a morning at the Academy, sample our course selection, and enjoy special presentations from our student athletes and performers. Prospective students may sign up by themselves or even encourage classmates and friends to sign up too!

You may register for either event online or by email to admissions@maryhelp.org

ANUNCIOS

El Grupo de Oración en Español tiene lugar habitualmente los miércoles, a las 8 de la noche en la cafetería. Los próximos bautizos en español tendrán lugar el 21 de septiembre 2019 a la 1pm. Contactar en el 357-0035.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome into the Roman Catholic Church and our Parish Community the following child who was recently baptized at Sacred Heart:

TARYN JEAN POHLMAN
Daughter of Kevin and Jessica



Please pray for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them: **Keith Alanis, Jenna Applebaum, Theresa Anselmi, Baby Ty, Michael Brady, Pat Brady, Annette Burbridge, Robert Conly, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Joe Davey, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Mary Discini, John Duffy, David Eckert, Sr., Ginny Figula, Stefanie Gaudelli, Arlene and Fred Gentile, Wayne Gannon, Mark Goldman, Joan Grau, Debra Gravina, Catherine Greeley, Senan Halpin, Roy Harris, Clement Hayes, Carrin Holborn, Mr. Harris, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Rob Incognoli, Bob Janson, Fran Janson, Susan Jarkiewicz, Anna Kasperska, Eileen Kennedy, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Vasily Lockhart, Roberta Lynch, Laura Mack, Rosemarie Manthey, Matthew Luludis, Marie Marasuilo, Thomas Mathai, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Rosemary McCormick, Rich McDowell, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMamin, John McLoughlin, Ken Meyer, Florence Mohan, Joseph Mikulka, Barbara Neilson, Robert Nunes, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Pat O'Neill, Tony Ortiz, Shace Paljusevic, Peter Princi, Etta Rooney, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, Frank Salveggi, Ruth Schwetz, Michael Shumway, Jean Simons, Roberto Sorgo, Maureen Starke, Shaun Stein, Richard Vanadio, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Phyllis Varacalli, Kali Villela, Robert Vogt, Fr. Wing, and Vladimir Zaslavsky.**



FOR OUR ARMED FORCES

We pray for all the men and women serving our country in the armed forces especially the sons and daughters, grandchildren and loved ones of our parishioners.

ALTAR MEMORIALS SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

Altar Candles In Memory of
DOLORES CANGELOSE

Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of
JAMES P. TONER



Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, and family members and loved ones:

Especially: **Josephine Boos**



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

5:30pm – Anna, Frank & Robert O. Colbath

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

7:00am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Dianne Messina

10:00am – Edna Harvey

11:30am – Thomas B. Collins

1:00pm – Frank & Joan Doyle

5:30pm – Parish Memorial Society

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

7:00am – Geraldine P. Kane

9:00am – Mary C. & Thomas B. Collins

6:30pm – Novena / Rosary

7:00pm – Healing Mass

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

7:00am – Joseph & Lee Licata

9:00am – Katherine Sullivan

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

7:00am – Anna Dattillo & Family

9:00am – Paul Keogh

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

7:00am – Joseph Lopardo

9:00pm – Steven Statham

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

7:00am – Josephine Dattillo

9:00am – Joan Bernstein

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

9:00am – Daniel J. Geelan

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS

5:30pm – James P. Toner

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

7:00am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Mary R. Murphy

10:00am – Rose Pagliuca

11:30am – John Ofeldt

1:00pm – Amalio Zuño

5:30pm – Parish Memorial Society

BOOSTER CLUB

WEEK 6 – LUCY RIZZO