

PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

Stewardship Report – Treasure

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Budgeted Amount: \$5,000.00

Regular Collection – 9/25/16: \$3,419.61

Parish Pay - 9/25/16: \$ 541.00

Total Regular Collection – 9/18/16: \$3,960.61

Parish Pay ---is a convenient way for you to set up your weekly contributions - online – visit ParishPay.com

The Sanctuary Lamp is given this week:

In memory of: Hope Paddock

Given by: The Vernacchio family

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

- 10/10 MON: 9:00a Bob Esposito (LIV)
Shannon Kent (LIV)
- 10/11 TUES: 9:00a Celso Espejo
Arthur Randall
- 10/12 WED: 9:00a No Mass today
- 10/13 THU: 9:00a Bob Esposito (LIV)
- 10/14 FRI: 9:00a Sandra Staub
- 10/15 SAT: 5:00p Fr. Patrick Mullen
Barbara Restelli
Denae Cantaupo
Hilary Battaglia
- 10/16 SUN: 8:00a Rosemarie Pacifico
Elsie & Ella Rodriguez (LIV)
Michael J. Lawlor
Jim Bishop
10:00a Carmela DiCarlo
James Fischer
Thomas Walsh
Richard Livak
11:45a Steven Kazmierski
Gretchen Worsley
Eliseo Lettieri

WEEKDAY MASSES IN THE AREA:

- St. Jude’s, Hamburg – Mon. – Sat. – 8:45am
- St. Francis de Sales, McAfee – Mon. -Sat – 8:30am
- Our Lady Queen of Peace, Branchville – Mon.-Fri. – 8:00am
- Immac. Concept., Franklin –Tues, Wed, Fri, 7:30am, Sat, 9:00am
- National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Middletown, NY
Mon.-Fri. 11:30am (Holy Door for Year of Mercy)

ALL SOUL’S DAY ENVELOPES – can be found at the Church and hall exits. November 2nd is All Soul’s Day. Masses celebrated on that day and for 8 days in the month of November will be offered for our deceased relatives and friends. The purpose of these envelopes is for writing on the back the names of deceased persons you wish to have remembered in prayer. The envelopes are placed in our parish “Book of Remembrance” which will be displayed for the nine-day period. Return the All Soul’s Day envelopes to the collection box near the pulpit by Sunday, October 23rd. Those who receive our weekly envelopes have already received this in their packet – please use this one if you wish to participate.

SCRIPTURE READINGS THIS WEEK

- Sunday 2 Kgs 5:14-17; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19
- Monday Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1; Lk 11:29-32
- Tuesday Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41
- Wednesday Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46
- Thursday Eph 1:1-10; Lk 11:47-54
- Friday Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7
- Saturday Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 9, 2016

PARISH EVENTS/MEETINGS

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COFFEE & DONUTS –is held on the first Sunday of each month after the 8:00am Mass in the Church Hall –next Coffee and Donuts is Sunday, November 6th - all are invited!

HELPING HANDS – meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM in the rectory meeting room. Please consider joining to support our parish. Contact Terry Westdyke at 845-258-8051 for further information.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION – Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm in the Rectory Meeting Room. Weekly reading & reflection of the Sunday Scriptures – fellowship time & refreshments follow. Call Carol at 973-875-4521.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP – third Monday of the month at 7:30pm in the Rectory Meeting Room. **Next session -Monday, October 17th at 7:30pm in the Rectory meeting room. The short story “Parker’s Back” by Flannery O’Connor will be shared. Call Carol for information - 973-875-4521.**

ST. MONICA’S LEISURE GROUP - below are dates and themes for 2016. Each month we enjoy lunch, good company and delicious desserts made by our members. We meet at 12:00 noon in the church hall on the first Wednesday of the month, unless otherwise noted. Dues are \$10 a year. New members are welcome. For further information please contact Grace Casalino at 973-702-8569. **TUESDAY, October 4th** – Oktoberfest; **November 2** – Halloween Party; **December 8(Thursday)** –Christmas Party at Lampost Rest.

2016 BISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL “*Be Rich in Good Works*”.....Many parishioners have received a letter from Bishop Serratelli requesting support for the 2016 Bishop’s Annual Appeal. This year, the theme of the Appeal is *Be Rich in Good Works*. The Bishop’s Annual Appeal supports four very worthy causes: 1) **our Catholic Charities agencies**; 2)**Nazareth Village**, our diocesan priests’ retirement residence; 3)**our inner-city elementary schools** and 4)**seminarian education**. You can help make this year’s Appeal an even greater success by making a generous pledge today. Whatever you can do to help will be a great blessing!

Order of Franciscan Seculars– Information Night

The San Damiano Fraternity-OFS is comprised of lay people who strive to follow the Gospel more intensely and develop a deeper relationship with Christ in the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi. We are women and men of all ages and walks of life that engage the same struggles and challenges of the world that you do. We attempt to focus on daily conversion and rely on the Holy Spirit to guide us and our community of Franciscans to support and pray for us. The challenge of a Secular Franciscan vocation and the grace, love and joy that we experience and share are beyond awesome. We’d love to share that with you too. If you’d like to learn more, please join us. **When: Wednesday, October 12, 7:30 - 9 pm**
Where: Sacred Heart Center Newton, NJ - Contact: Hugo Bader 973-579-1430 or Ruth Pisano 908-362-9904

YOUTH MINISTRY

SERVICE PROJECTS - Remember, that you are required to complete three church and three community services for the year. There are a few Phase II candidates that need to catch up on service. Please consider taking advantage of the current projects that are up on the bulletin board in the church hall. Also, please be sure to have a completion certificate completed, signed and turned into your Catechist once the project has been completed.

MASS ATTENDANCE AND SIGN INS - Mass attendance is a very integral part of your faith journey and you need to make every effort to attend each week. Please be sure to sign in each week as attendance is taken. The books can be located at both doors of the church.

CALENDAR:

Saturday, Oct. 15th - Fall Roadside Cleanup- time TBA

Saturday, Oct. 22nd - Fall Roadside Cleanup - Rain date

Saturday, Nov. 5th - YM Class - beginning with Mass, followed by light dinner then class.

Phase I - Theme: "What's Holding you Back" and a short talk on choosing a Sponsor; Phase II- Theme: "The Holy Spirit"

Sunday, Nov. 13th - Phase II Candidates - "Dist. of the Our Father"



ST. MONICA'S TRICKY TRAY is November 11th!!

We will be accepting your donations/trays for the Tricky tray after Masses in the Church Hall during the weekend of October 29th and continuing through the week from Thursday, November 3rd during the hours of 10 till 3, and Friday, November 4th from 10 till 3; also after Masses during the weekend of November 5th and continuing through the following week from Monday, November 7th through Thursday, November 10th during the hours of 10 till 3:00 and on Friday, November 11th from 10 until 2:00. Please indicate somewhere on your tray the value of the tray (what it is worth and not what you paid for it).

I would also like to mention to anyone delivering a business letter to kindly follow up to that business with a courtesy visit as a reminder or to possibly receive their donation. We are hoping and praying to present at least 200 trays at our event so whatever support you are able to lend us towards achieving this goal would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Our next tricky tray meeting will be on Sunday, October 16th at 12 noon in the Meeting Room.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - Grades 1-8

A SPECIAL NOTE TO PARENTS

All Grades - Class schedules with important information have been mailed out to all families who have turned in a registration form.

1ST & 2ND GRADERS - Sundays, 9:00am - Rectorv Mtg. Rm.

10/16 2nd session
11/6 3rd session
11/20 4th session
12/4 5th session
12/17 6th session - Saturday - Breakfast in Bethlehem

3RD & 4TH GRADERS - Sundays, 11:00am - Rectorv Mtg. Rm.

10/16 2nd session
11/6 3rd session
11/20 4th session
12/4 5th session
12/17 6th session

5TH, 6TH, 7TH & 8TH GRADERS - Saturdays, 6:00pm - Ch. Hall

10/15 1st session
10/29 2nd session
11/12 3rd session
11/19 4th session
12/10 5th session
12/17 6th session

All sessions are held in the Rectorv Meeting and Church/Church Hall. Parents should strive to attend the Mass prior to/after your child's Religious Ed session. If you have more than one child who attends our Religious Ed program, you may attend the Mass that best fits your schedule. Mass attendance is an integral and necessary part of your child's faith formation - class without Mass just doesn't make sense!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD - this program is open to children in Grades 1-4 at the 10:00am Mass each week. The children are dismissed to listen to the Sunday readings with volunteer Catechists who read and reflect with the children. Please consider having your child participate each week.

-----Carol Bezak, Coordinator of Religious Formation

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"They stood at a distance from him and raised their voices, saying, 'JESUS, MASTER! Have pity on us!' And when he saw them he said, 'Go show yourselves to the priests.'... 'Has none returned but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?' Then he said to him, 'Stand up and go, your faith has saved you.'"

A familiar gospel passage, usually attached to our celebration of Thanksgiving. Nine did what they were told to do, don't chastise them for that. One had a deeper insight to what happened, and he was praised and came back to Jesus.

As we soon will bring the Jubilee Year of Mercy to a close we, like the ten, call out 'have pity on us.' Why not take the seven works of mercy and put a name or face on them, as we find leprosy and hurt in those around us. 'Jesus Master', help me feed the hungry, support a shelter. Help me ease the thirst of someone. Assist me in giving some good clothing to a needy person. May we cry for the refugees and welcome the immigrant in our community. Allow me the privilege of praying for an incarcerated person, or lift this or another family's burden. A phone call to an elderly shut in, or a card to a person in rehab makes Jesus' compassion present. He didn't even touch the leper, but spiritually reached out to him.

Simple things, but expressions of compassion, mercy, making Christ present to those whom Pope Francis calls the marginalized.

*One returned
to five
thanks*





TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: 2 Kings 5:14-17

Elisha cures Naaman of leprosy, which convinces Naaman that there is only one God. Naaman then asks to take some loads of soil from Israel, so that he can worship and make sacrifices to one true God on his own land.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-13

Paul reminds Timothy that Christ rose from the dead so that many people could be saved. Paul was being treated as a criminal and kept in chains but says, "There is no chaining the word of God!" Paul also says, "if we die in Christ, we will live in him. But if we deny him, he will deny us."

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Jesus cures ten lepers, but only one returns to express gratitude for being healed. Jesus is disappointed that only one gave thanks to God, but tells that one, "Your faith has been your salvation."

A special "THANK YOU" from Catholic Charities (regarding the Clothing Bin in our parking lot)

Thanks to all the generous parishioners of St. Monica's for the donations to our Catholic Charities donation bin. Unfortunately we have removed the bin. Sadly this is due to the fact that some of the local individuals have taken to using the bin as an outlet of the Sussex County Municipal Dump. We still would like to offer the option of a house pick up for larger quantities of clothing, shoes and usable household items (sorry no furniture, no outdated technology, TV sets or similar items). You can schedule a pick up by calling our toll free number at 877-343-3651.

Keep our contact information handy!
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Gospel Today

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Luke 17:11-19

Jesus healed ten lepers, yet only one gave glory to God for his healing. Jesus told the Samaritan he will be saved by his faith.

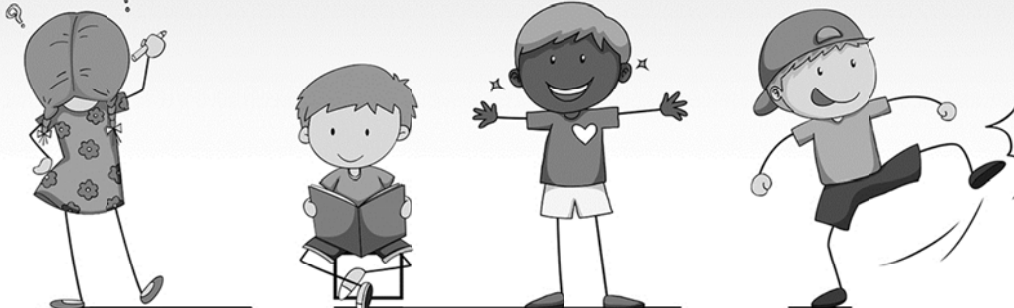
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Faith

The trust in God and in His promises as made through Christ and the Scriptures by which man is justified or saved -or- a belief, not based on proof.

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FOLLOW



BEGIN

FAITH

IN JESUS,
LEADS TO
SALVATION

"Stand up and go; your
faith has saved you."

LUKE 17: 19



2

The grateful man and his _____ in Jesus saved him.



3

Where are the other nine?

- a) At a party celebrating
- b) Thanking God for healing them
- c) Gone with no gratitude to God for healing them

