

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 23, 2015

LITURGY SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 22

5:00 p.m. – William M. Phelan req. by Ralph J. & Laura M. Andreotta

Sunday, August 23

8:30 a.m. – Angelito Caparas req. by Elmer Maximo

10:00 a.m. – Helen Joyce req. by the Malatesta family

Monday, August 24

12:00 p.m. – Frank Wach Jr.

Tuesday, August 25

12:00 p.m. – Peter Chipko

Wednesday, August 26

12:00 p.m. – Georgina Arnoa req. by St. Cecilia's Seniors

Thursday, August 27

12:00 p.m. – Michael Stefanik

Friday, August 28

12:00 p.m. – Janet Sautter req. by John Sautter

Saturday, August 29

5:00 p.m. – Cynthia Meudt req. by the Maulbeck family

Sunday, August 30

8:30 a.m. – Gary Castro req. by Ethel Gorman, grandmother

10:00 a.m. – Lolita & Tony Cruz req. by Daisy & family



PARISH POLICY – PLEASE NOTE - All Catholic families living within the parish boundaries are encouraged to register as members. Registration as a parish member has many benefits, and in particular, facilitates any arrangements for baptisms, marriages, sponsors, etc. **Please contact the Parish Office at 973-627-0422**

First Friday Communion Calls: A priest will be making "First Friday" visits to those who are homebound. These visits will be made by one of our priests who will distribute Holy Communion. He will also be available for the sacraments of penance and anointing of the sick. Please call the rectory at 972-627-0422 to register your name for this monthly visit by one of our priests.

Look at our new Website!

The Paterson Diocese recently provided the opportunity for all Parishes in the Diocese to either upgrade or obtain new websites to assist them in evangelization. The web sites are hosted by "eCatholic" a Christian Texas based company. The diocese is making this opportunity available to its parishes cost free. Sacred Heart has taken advantage of the generosity of the diocese, and is now using the new diocesan website platform. With the new site, information is accessible from any electronic device, desktop, tablet or smart phone. If you have information you would like on the website, please contact the webmaster, Bob Kelly by email at contact@sacredheartrockaway.org or Mrs. Janet Maulbeck by email at Clergygal@aol.com or by phone, at the Rectory, at 973-627-0422.

Want to be more involved?

If you are wondering "how can I become more involved in my church community", we happen to be looking for a few good people!! If you would like more information on how to become a Lector, Minister of Communion or an Altar Server, please contact Fr. Marcin at 973-627-0313 ext: 15 or martmich1983@gmail.com

Prayer: You are invited to pray the Rosary every Sunday at 9:30am. Bring the intentions deep in your heart to Our Lady.

Collection for August 15&16: \$1782.00
Parish Pay Electronic Giving: \$2105.81 (July)
Collection from last year: \$2321.00
Ongoing Renovation "Jug" Money: \$7491.90

PARISH PAY: Have you thought about automating your giving? No more writing checks! You decide the amount and the frequency. Sign up today for automatic contributions to Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish. Go to the Parish Pay link at www.sacredheartrockaway.org or call 866-727-4741.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS
IN THE MILITARY**

Major Mike Cherry
Pfc. Aleksandr Kileen, SSgt. Zhenya Killeen
Airman 1st Cl. Andrew Mistkowski,
1st Lt. Jessica L. Rotile Rudo
Kenneth Rudo, Warrant Officer,1

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: M.J. Simon, Irene Schreiber, Rosemary Woodring, Doug Bansch, Kevin McGuire, Maria Acevedo, TJ Schoudel, Capt. Adam Cowan, USA, Julio Soto, Ellen Forbes, Jean Weber, Ben Marvilla, Frances Murphy, Michelle Monslave, Theodora Maulbeck, Kiana Rodriguez, Enid Osorno, Theresa Cicerchia, Patricia Martinelli, Amelia Marie Cayea, Mary Therese Loftus, Sharon Bauer, Mary Davenport, Jose Prado, Jean Hageny, Eugene Walsh, Arlene Berlin, Emil Fahrman, J.R., Jim Goliat, Robert Nielsen, Lyle Ryder, John Peter Byrne, Jr., Marge Vogel, Dan Koettters, Efrain Gonzalez, Amanda Villarubia, Father Patrick Donahoe, Mary Skelly, Carol McMahon, Emila Cichon.



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for more information or a tour: Sr. Marie @ 973-627-7689
Open House on Monday August 24 at 10:00 a.m.
Come meet & greet Sr. Marie, our principal.

	Lector	Minister of Communion	Altar Servers
August 29 @5:00 pm	Lyle Ryder	Bridget Wilson	Christine Habib Volunteer Needed
August 30 @ 8:30 am	Marie Byrne	Anne Marie Hopler	Victoria Ruiz Nicholas Schreiber
August 30@10:00 am	Elmer Maximo	Joanne Gula	Inigo Cadag Joaquin Cadag

ALL MINISTERS: Copies of the schedule are available in the sacristy. Any questions/concerns please contact the appropriate group leader.

My dear parishioners,

The Lord's Day is our weekly observance of Christ's Holy Resurrection. Today we mark the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time. For five weeks we have read chapter 6 of Saint John's Gospel which is called "the Bread of Life Discourse." The evangelist presents the words of Our Savior which are the source of our Eucharistic theology, our belief in the real presence of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament. The scriptural texts for these past Sundays have provided us the opportunity to reflect upon that which the documents of the Second Vatican Council call, "the source and summit of our life."

Today's Gospel periscope concludes chapter six with some listeners of Jesus parting company with Him because He says, "I am the Bread of Life" and other such disclosures. They will not accept such teaching and so they reject this theology of the Eucharist. Although some reject the Lord's words the Apostles accept this teaching. Saint Peter, the leader of the Apostles, makes an affirmation of faith, "We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." The Apostles will hand down this Eucharistic faith which we now possess today.

Making the decision to accept the teachings of Jesus which have come down to us from the Apostles is left to each individual. The Creator has given us the free will to accept or to reject, we decide. Each of us has to make the decision to assent to the Church's teaching. When we wisely decide to welcome this apostolic faith we stand in the company of those blessed ones whose praises are sung in the Scriptures.

Let me say it again, the handing down of this faith is the work of parents. Mom and Dad, "...subordinate to one another out of reverence for Christ," they are the teachers in the family who witness to these mysteries by words and deeds. Together they instruct their children in the theology of the Holy Eucharist with the assistance of the Church's ministers. By pointing their children to the Holy Mass and the reception of the Bread of Life, parents show their longing for their children to be one day in heaven as they recall Jesus' words, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven, whoever eats this bread will live forever." Christian parents take seriously the spiritual responsibilities they have for the children God has given them. They can say with Joshua, "As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."

May the Lord continue to bless our parish, our household of faith, and that through our Sunday Eucharistic liturgies we may always "taste and see the goodness of the Lord."

God bless you!

Father Zig

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process by which non-Catholics learn and normally enter the Catholic Faith. RCIA is also for baptized Catholics who missed receiving Eucharist or Confirmation. Consecutive RCIA lessons will be held at 3:15 pm on Saturday for children and adults at Sacred Heart Church Hall starting October 3. Consecutive RCIA Lessons will be held at 9 am for children with their parents and at 11:45 am for adults on Sunday in the St. Cecilia Office building starting October 4. For further information send email to RockawayRCIA@gmail.com or telephone 973-551-0749 leaving a message.

Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli is designating this August as a diocesan-wide Month of Prayer for Those Suffering Religious Persecution. After all daily masses in August we will pray the following prayer:
Good and gracious Father, whose own Beloved Son suffered violence and death for the salvation of the world, listen graciously to our cry for all who are being persecuted for their faith.

In your great mercy, comfort them with the Holy Spirit. Give them strength in the face of hostility and courage in the face of trial.

Open the eyes of those who raise their hands in violence to see others as their brothers and sisters, children of the one Father of all. By your grace, turn their hearts from hatred to love.

Through the powerful intercession of the Immaculate Queen of Peace, may justice and peace prevail so that all may have the freedom to worship you, the one true God and him whom you have sent, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

We ask you to use this prayer and pray for Those Suffering Religious Persecution with your families at your homes.

Tricky Tray: Knights of Columbus Council 514 is holding a Tricky Tray on Friday, September 11 at St. Clement's Church, 154 Mt. Pleasant Ave. Rockaway. Doors open at 6p.m.; first drawing at 8p.m. Admission includes a sheet of tickets, coffee, tea, & dessert. Bring a canned food item for the food pantry and get five additional tickets. Advanced payment is \$15.00; at the door is \$20.00. For reservations call Russ Hrady, 973-769-9389

The Diocesan Commission for Catholic Filipino Ministries (DCCFM) is honoring two Filipino Saints- San Lorenzo Ruiz and San Pedro Calungsod, on September 19, 2015, Saturday at Our Lady of the Valley Church located at 630 Valley Road, Wayne NJ 07470. This year's theme is "Pamilyang Pilipino Nagkakaisa kay Kristo" (Filipino Family United with Christ). Please come at 12:30 in the afternoon for the Rosary, Novena, and Holy Mass. Most Reverend Arthur J. Serratelli, Bishop of Paterson Diocese, will be the principle celebrant at the Mass. Fellowship and a brief program will immediately follow at the parish hall. Come and celebrate with us!

Save the date for our Fall Retreat, Sunday, October 4th, 11-4. Loyola Retreat House in Morristown. Join the Women Society for a spiritual afternoon. The Retreat is open to everyone. Day will include a reflection/talk, lunch, quiet time for prayer (beautiful gardens), and end with Mass. Transportation if needed will be provided. Donation of \$20.00. More information coming soon, Claire Miller 973-586-9706.

GRANDFRIENDS NEEDED TO HELP WITH CHILDCARE THURSDAYS

Our Thursday morning mom group is looking for a few(more) grandfriends! We already have 10 very devoted and dedicated parishioners from St.Cecilia and Sacred Heart who help care for children, so that their mothers can grow closer to Our Lord through Scripture study and prayer. Our group is gaining a few more moms/children for the fall so we could use some more help. If you remember what it was like to try and have a prayer life with small children, and know how important it is to allow moms to have time for spiritual renewal, please consider joining us! We meet from 9:30-11am Thursdays. All grandfriends must complete background check and protecting God's children training. Please contact Jennifer Nelson, group coordinator, for more information. Jennels104@gmail.com or call 973-476-2568

Bereavement Support - Group Series - St. Cecilia's Bereavement Support Ministry invites those, who have suffered a loss and who are grieving, to a journey towards healing. A series of six weekly sessions will begin on Tuesday evening, September 15th, 2015 from 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM, at the Parish Office, 90 Church Street (the brick building to the left of St. Cecilia's Church). This group is led by a trained facilitator certified by the National Catholic Ministry to the Bereaved and the Family Life Office of the Archdiocese of Newark. We pray that in this informative environment, you will find understanding, suggestions for coping, practical help, people who care, and friendship. Please contact the rectory at 973-627-0422 to register. Advanced registration is required at your earliest convenience, but no later than September 8th. There is no charge for this series. Confidentiality will be observed at all times and sharing is optional. Light refreshments will be served.

LABOR DAY MASS - Holy Mass on Labor Day, Monday, September 7th will be celebrated in Sacred Heart Church at 8:30 in the morning. An outdoor Mass will be celebrated at Saint Cecilia Cemetery at 9 o'clock in the morning, weather permitting. Don't forget to bring a lawn chair.

2016 EUROPEAN TRIP - Father Zig will lead a trip to Switzerland, Austria and Bavaria, April 27 -May 6, 2016. Brochures for this travel will be available within a few days from the parish office (and the church vestibule). A program regarding this trip will take place in Hayes Hall (St. Cecilia Church) on Tuesday evening, October 6th beginning at 7 o'clock with a video presentation given by Collette Tours. The 10 days include 12 meals: 8 breakfasts and 4 dinners. The cost is \$3,799 (double), \$4,099 (single) and \$3,769 (triple). The trip includes a panoramic train ride in the Alps.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET - The final Divine Mercy Chaplet service at Sacred Heart Church will take place on Friday, August 28th at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Beginning on Friday, September 11th we will move the weekly Divine Mercy Chaplet service to Saint Cecilia Church at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Parishioners of both Sacred Heart and Saint Cecilia are invited to join in prayer at the "hour of mercy" each Friday recalling when the Lord Jesus gave His life for us on the Cross.

PARISHIONERS: The Knights of Columbus, is sponsoring a ROSARY PRAYER SERVICE on the fifth Sunday of the month August 30th. The intent is to provide a visible "faith formation" program that will engage you, your family, and friends to experience the faith and fellowship that comes with being a member of our parish. The service will be at Sacred Heart, August 30, at 2pm. If you are interested in attending or have questions, contact PJZAY@OPTONLINE.NET or 973-625-4572. Thank you, Jack Zayac

ALL MINISTERS: The FINAL SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE has been released. Copies are available in the sacristy. ANY question/concern notify your group leader. Thanks, Jack