

The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 20, 2017

LITURGY SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 20-Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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8:30 a.m. – Barbara Thompson req. by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Simon

10:00 a.m. –Ethel Gorman req. by Carol McMahon

Monday, August 21- Saint Pius X, Pope

12:00 p.m. – Teofilo Valerio

Tuesday, August 22- The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin

Mary

12:00 p.m. – Mike Martinelli

Wednesday, August 23-Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin

12:00 p.m. – Barbara Thompson req. by Deanna Gray & family

Thursday, August 24- Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

12:00 p.m. – Joseph Skuta

Friday, August 25- Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest

12:00 p.m. – Michael McCormick Jr.

Sunday, August 27- Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. – Ethel Gorman req. by Rob & Kelly Piechota and Judy & Leo Mc Laughlin

8:30 a.m. – John Vincent Maulbeck req. by the Maulbeck family

10:00 a.m. –Kevin McGuire req. by Kelly, Caitlin, & Tess



Kevin McGuire

Collection for August 12 & 13:\$2195.00

Parish Pay Electronic Giving: \$2224.23 (July)

Mission Co-op: \$1049.00

Collection from last year: \$2864.00

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, LCpl. Aleksandr Killeen, Airman 1st Cl. Andrew Mistkowski, 1st Lt. Nicholas DelCore, Air Force, Captain Jessica L. Rotile Rudo, Kenneth Rudo, Warrant Officer,1

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Irene Schreiber, Doug Bansch, Maria Acevedo, TJ Schoudel, Capt. Adam Cowan, USA, Julio Soto, Ben Marvilla, Michelle Monslave, Amelia Marie Cayea, Mary Therese Loftus, Sharon Bauer, Mary Davenport, Jose Prado, Arlene Berlin, Robert Nielsen, Marge Vogel, Efrain Gonzalez, M.P. Simon, Amanda Villarubia, Mary Skelly, John Skutka, William McBurney, Anne Riordan, D.M. Lynch, Linda Hoffman., Mike Izzo, Edward Frame, Adam Hayward, Carol Centonze, James Boyle, Carol Ann Boyle, Jessica Gorman, Theodora Maulbeck. John Krause, Ethan Chandra, Jim McNamara, Dorothy Murray, Louise Kelly, Tom Gorman, Carlos Carbajal, Gil Shaffer.

2018 TRIP TO IRELAND – Father Zig will be leading a trip to Ireland next spring through Collette Tours, entitled, “Shades of Ireland Featuring Northern Ireland.” The dates are April 9 to 21, 2018. The trip is 13 days and includes 17 meals: 11

breakfasts and 6 dinners. The cost is \$3,999-Double, \$4,499-Single and \$3,969-Triple. AN INFORMATION MEETING FOR THOSE INTERESTED WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH IN HAYES HALL (St. Cecilia Church) AT 7 O’CLOCK IN THE EVENING. Please join us to hear more details about this fabulous trip to beautiful Ireland!

CERTIFICATE OF ELEGIBILITY – All Catholic Churches in the United States require from Catholics serving as a Godparent for Baptism or a sponsor for Confirmation a certificate of eligibility. This document certifies that the Godparent/sponsor is a registered member of the parish, attends Holy Mass, approaches the sacraments regularly and contributes to the support of the Church via the offering envelope system or Parish Pay.



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973-627-6003

ARE YOU BEING CALLED? – Anyone interested in serving as a lector or an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion is asked to contact Father Zig for additional information. Training for both ministries will take place following Labor Day.

ALL MINISTERS: The FINAL SEPTEMBER schedule has been released. Copies are available in the sacristy.

My Dear Parishioners,

Today is the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time as we come to praise God on the Lord's Day. The Scripture readings for this day focus on "foreigners" who are identified as those who don't belong. Right from the beginning we have labeled some people so as to separate them from ourselves; even today's Scriptures indicate that. These Scriptural texts do not endorse that however, they show inclusivity with those who believe. The Prophet Isaiah wrote: "The foreigners who join themselves to the Lord...them will I bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer...for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples." In his correspondence to the Romans the Apostle Paul writes about his association with the Gentiles, the people who were rejected by the Jews. The Lord Jesus meets a Gentile woman whom He helps because of her great faith, even though the disciples tell Jesus to dismiss her.

The universal call to salvation is a proclamation of the Gospel; all are welcome into the community of the Church. The ethnic and cultural distinctions which define a people are not obstacles but rather bring richness to the Church. Christians learn from one another the traditions which witness to the faith in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The sharing of these traditions can help bring greater fervor to one's faith and its practice in the secular world in which we live. Most of our parishes are multi cultural and multi ethnic. We have a variety of people who speak a variety of languages and who even come to Mass in their native dress. It's like what Saint Luke described in Acts of the Apostles, chapter 2, with the variety of people assembled on Pentecost Sunday.

The Gospel challenges us to look upon one another as God does, not as foreigners but as brothers and sisters. In a world of division Christians are called upon to be agents of welcome. When the followers of Jesus welcome and include all peoples into the community of the Church then the words of today's Responsorial Psalm ring true: O GOD, LET ALL THE NATIONS PRAISE YOU!

We welcome back home Deacon Matt who had been in Poland visiting his family. He resumes his final year of seminary studies beginning this week. Deacon Matt will be with us here in Rockaway most weekends until his ordination to the priesthood next spring. I have asked Deacon Matt to begin a regular meeting of altar servers in both parishes. We need to add to and strengthen the ranks of our altar servers so that we will have young people serving at every Mass. I appeal to parents to invite and encourage their children to offer themselves for this holy service. This participation can lead them to getting involved in other ministries and programs which are part of our church life. Indeed something I think all parents should desire for their children.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FATHER CERILO!

Father Zig

Registration for First Holy Communion Classes is now open for children of our parish ages 7 to 8. Mrs. Lucy Rovegno will serve as the catechist. Classes will begin October 1st. Please call the rectory (973-627-0422) for registration and other information.

ATTENTION ALL INCOMING 9TH AND 10TH GRADE STUDENTS – Confirmation registration is underway for the next school year. Registration forms are available at the rectory, in the back of church, or by contacting Michele Shaffer (973) 625-9274. All candidates who would like to receive the sacrament must be registered by August 31. Second-year candidates must also register. Any questions, please contact Mrs. Shaffer.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE – The Diocese of Paterson will make a pilgrimage to the National Shrine of the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception on Saturday, October 21st. A bus will take us from Rockaway to Washington, DC for the day filled with prayer and devotions. Please contact Pat Zayac for details by calling 973-625-4572.

WELCOME FOR NEW PRIESTS – Plan to join us in welcoming our two new priests, Father Pawel and Father Cerilo at a coffee hour which will take place on Sunday, September 10th following the 10:45 a.m. Mass at Saint Cecilia's Hayes Hall. The event is being hosted by the Saint Monica Guild.

FIRST FRIDAY VISITS – The priests of our parish visit those who are homebound with the sacraments each month on the First Friday. The visits begin about 10 a.m. and conclude in the early afternoon. Should you like to be included on these monthly visits please call the rectory prior to September 1st.

The Diocesan Commission for Catholic Filipino Ministries (DCCFM) is inviting you to the annual celebration honoring our two Filipino Saints: San Lorenzo Ruiz and San Pedro Calungsod, on September 24, 2017 (Sunday). The highlight of the celebration will be a Mass presided by Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli at 3:00 in the afternoon at the Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist, 381 Grand Street, Paterson, NJ 07505. A “salo-salo”, Filipino reception and fellowship at the Bishop Rodimer Center immediately following the mass. Free parking is available at the multi-level County Garage across from the Bishop Rodimer Center. Please email Elmer Maximo at dccfmevents@gmail.com for more information. Thank you.

HELP NEEDED – We are planning to refinish the exterior doors of the church on Saturday, September 9th with a group of volunteers. We will be meeting at 8:30 am and will be concluding at 12:30 pm. We need about 7 men to assist us in this project. If you can help, please give your name to Father Zig, Andy Chop or call the rectory office. This volunteer work will help us in our efforts to save our money for other needed projects for our church. May the Lord God richly bless those who give of themselves for His Holy Church.

LIGHTING PROJECT – In addition to upgrading our emergency lighting in the church we would also like to change all the light bulbs in the church chandeliers to new and more efficient LED bulbs. We estimate that the cost for each chandelier is \$140. Should you or your family like to fund a chandelier, please make your check payable to Sacred Heart of Jesus Church for the amount of \$140 and indicate on the check “chandelier.” May God bless you for your kindness.

RENOVATION FUND REPORT – Our regular donations to the church renovation fund are extremely important. We have \$2,000 of past due bills on projects which have already been accomplished. Your generous support is greatly appreciated. Father Zig

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS – Please join us for First Friday devotions on September 1st at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church beginning at 6:30 in the evening. We begin with Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Confession, the Litany to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Holy Mass and the veneration of the relic of Saint Margaret Mary Alaque. We will begin a homily series in September addressing each month one of the 12 promises made by Our Lord Jesus to Saint Margaret Mary. Please join us for this blessing!

LABOR DAY MASS – Holy Mass on Labor Day, Monday, September 4th, will be celebrated at 9 a.m. in the Saint Cecilia Cemetery, weather permitting. Don't forget to bring a lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather the Mass will be celebrated in St. Cecilia Church.

HOLY HOUR TO RESUME – Holy Hour will resume on Monday, September 11th in Saint Cecilia Church from 7 to 8 p.m. During this time a priest will also be available for the sacrament of penance. Please consider spending some quiet time with our Lord Jesus present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. Holy Hour will conclude with the praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.