



**The Roman Catholic Parish
of St. Vincent de Paul**
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**We are a Catholic community
rooted in the Eucharist
and committed to the poor.**

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Father Richard blessed the animals on Saturday, October 5th in celebration of the feast of St. Francis of Assisi



Sunday Mass Schedule

(Vigil Mass)
Saturday —5:00PM

Sunday
8:30AM, 10:30AM
and 6:00PM

Confession: Saturday at 4PM
or other days by appointment.

Weekday Mass Schedule

8:30AM Monday—Saturday

"It would be easier for the world to survive without the sun than to do so without the Holy Mass." St. Padre Pio

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Parish Expense Budget 2019-2020 — \$1,275,000
includes Diocesan Assessment of \$105,000

Less other projected income — (\$340,000.00)

Annual amount needed from collections
\$935,000

Amount needed from the weekly collections
\$17,980

Collection for the weekend of Oct. 5th and 6th

Total collected at Masses \$10,822

Online WeShare Amount \$3,747

Total \$14,569

Deficit for this week \$3,411

Deficit to Date \$88,859

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Next weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next weekend's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Daily Mass Readings

Monday

Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday

Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday

Rom 2:1-11; Lk 11:42-46

Thursday

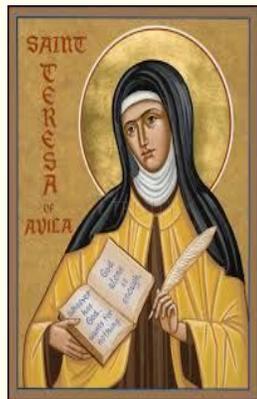
Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54

Friday

2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9

Saturday

Rom 4:13, 16-18; Lk 12:8-12



MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY October 14th
Saint Callistus I, Pope and Martyr
8:30AM The Narduzzi Family (*Living*)
 Beverly Guldner
 John Luckstone

TUESDAY October 15th
Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

8:30AM Richard Higgins
 Louis Aroneo
 Gloria Shope

WEDNESDAY October 16th
Saint Hedwig, Religious
Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

8:30AM Sean Flanagan (*Living*)
 Norbert Terri
 Frank LoRe

THURSDAY October 17th
Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

8:30AM Maureen Meade
 Christopher Giraldo
 Gloria Shope

FRIDAY October 18th
Saint Luke, Evangelist

8:30AM Brian Gillespie
 Andrew Gale
 Theresa Galante

SATURDAY October 19th
Saints John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests and Companions, Martyrs

8:30AM John and Judy Calabro (*Living*)
 Olga Riotto
 Louis Aroneo

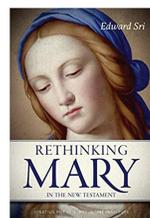
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00PM (Vigil) Walter Selkaitis
 Anthony Sinagra
 Reggie and Gregory Pigna

8:30AM Therese McCloskey
 John McMonagle
 Domenico and Elisabetta Russillo

10:30AM Andrew Gale
 Deceased members of the Senyk Family
 Emil, David, Ralph and Joseph Maffucci

6:00PM Louis Aroneo
 Alexander Michael Cortez Babia
 Deceased members of the parish



Sr. Elsa's Spiritual Book Club will resume on **Monday, October 21st** at 9:15am in the Church Meeting Room. The book we will be discussing is entitled ***Rethinking Mary in the New Testament*** by Edward Sri and examines every key New Testament

reference to Mary while addressing questions you may have along the way.

To purchase the book, email Sr Elsa at srelsacsjb@aol.com or call the parish office.

FROM THE PASTOR...

First of all, thank you to those members of the parish who took to heart the financial needs of the parish and have increased their weekly offering. Your decision and sacrificial offering will allow this parish to continue the great work that takes place here. It seems that those who have increased their offering are those who are already supporting the parish through WeShare and the use of envelopes. If you are contemplating an increase in your weekly offering, I encourage you to do so. Closing the gap on budgeted need and weekly offerings is essential for us. As I mentioned at Mass on the weekend of the Financial Report, all who come here benefit at some level and so I appeal to all who come here to support the parish according to their means.

Speaking of benefiting—the parish exists for each one of us. To adore God and to receive the grace of the sacraments is the main thrust of our parish life and mission. Then there are other aspects which are offered to enhance and deepen your life of faith. One only needs to look at the bulletin or website to see what is available to you. I highly recommend our weekly Bible Study which is geared to prepare each one of us to have a deeper understanding of the Word of God which is proclaimed at Mass each Sunday. We meet on Thursday afternoon in the church meeting room from 1 to 2PM and then another session takes place Thursday night from 7:30 to 9PM in the Library in the school for those who are not available in the afternoon. Those who gather are delightful and we have a wonderful time sharing insights. Sometimes a person may be hesitant as they feel ill-equipped to participate if they believe that a certain level of understanding is required—this is not true. Truly, one only needs to have an interest in becoming more familiar with the Word of God in order to have a deeper relationship with God. I so enjoy hearing from people how they come to learn so much more and then when they come to Mass on Sunday the readings are so meaningful for them because they have a deeper understanding. It is a joy to hear others share about their faith, their experiences, and their challenges in the journey of faith. It is non-threatening and very enriching. An individual is welcome to come when they can, even if they cannot attend each Thursday. I highly recommend that Lectors come most particularly on the Thursday before they are scheduled to proclaim the Word of God at Mass, that they may have a fuller understanding and make the proclamation even more relevant by that understanding.

There is still the opportunity for men of the parish to participate in the **That Man is You!** Program which meets on Saturday mornings. It is so wonderful each Saturday to see so many brothers gathered together to grow in faith and to strengthen each other in the journey of faith. The doors open at 6:45AM for coffee, bagels, and fellowship with the presentation following and then faith sharing/discussion groups. The meetings end in time for 8:30AM Mass for those who can stay. To participate, you may register online or simply come to the St. John Paul II center (church basement) on Saturday morning to sign in.

Fr. Theo was so pleased to be able to visit our parish and was so encouraged by those who greeted him after Masses. He returns to our sister parish at a time of great unrest in Haiti but expressed that he is both hopeful and confident that the current situation will not continue. As he expressed at Mass last weekend, life for our Haitian brothers and sisters is not easy due to consistent natural disasters and challenges and the political unrest of that nation does not help matters. Still, he returns hopeful and grateful for the great good that is happening in his parish through your prayers, goodness and support.

I am delighted that we have such a commitment from parents that children's Liturgy of the Word will be offered twice a month at the Sunday Masses. Thanks go to Jaime Falvey, Danielle Dill and Michele Vanderstreet who led the children this past Sunday. It is a wonderful gift that our children have the opportunity to have the sacred texts explained at a level relevant to their understanding. I am most grateful for all involved in assisting the children in this manner.

These past weeks you have been very patient at the end of Masses with the Knights of Columbus recruitment, the Financial and Budget Reports and Fr. Theo's report on our sister parish. Thank you for that and for your continued goodness. I try to keep such interventions at Mass to a minimum so as not to distract from our primary purpose of offering the Mass and worshipping God. There is much that happens here and we are blessed to have so many people who offer their treasure, time and talent to make this parish a place of sacred encounter. Be assured of my daily prayer for you. Please pray for me.

Peace, Fr. Richard

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who serve in the military:

R. J. Hainey, Hayden Schultz, Michael Conant, Tyler Nelson, Damian McCoy, Calla Ann Armenti, Dylan T. Jones, James Minogue, Stephen J. Campbell, Frank Fasano, Richard Lister, Eric Leverone, Jay Donato, Frank Messina, Eileen Murphy, Peter Giovanni

Those who are ill:

Mary Bigelis, Deacon Peter O'Neill, John Wharton, Kevin Shea, Pat Bergin, James Castagna, Sharon Baker, Jennifer Pellicchia, Rhoda & Ike Blake, Denise Garcia, Susan Olkusz, Cecile Fountain Jardim, Rita D'Angelo, Jim Fittin, Sandra Fittin, Jane Moran, John Daglian, Parker Watson, Annette McGrory, Lucy Bustillos, Bill Wallisch, Larry Oster, Nanci Gamba and Elizabeth Early

Those who have died to this world

Kristi Ann Dahl, John Baker,
Rev. Msgr. Brendan P. Madden

Requiescat in Pace

May all the faithful who have departed this world rest in your eternal peace. Amen



Reborn through the waters of Baptism and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, we embrace:

Theodore Kevin Long
son of Brian and Ruth

Giuseppe Ugo Paternostro
son of Gerardo and Daniela

Emily Katherine Villani
daughter of Christopher and Katrina

claimed now for the fullness of eternal life.

AFTER CARE TEACHER POSITION

Hudson Way Immersion School, which leases the school building on our property, is a preschool and elementary school. They are looking to fill the position for an After Care Teacher who would be responsible, flexible and able to supervise and care for students after regular school hours on Monday through Friday from 3:00pm to 6:30pm for the 2019-2020 school year.

A complete job description is available at the parish office. Please call John Castagna 908-647-0118 for more information.



The parish Office will be closed on **Monday, October 14th** in observance of Columbus Day. **In the case of an emergency please call 973-222-0720.**

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

First Reading: Exodus 17:8-13

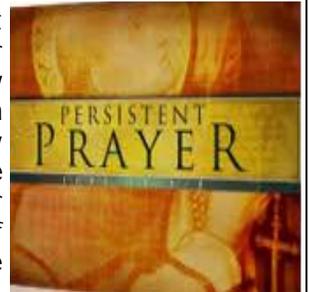
Amalek and his people attacked the Israelites, so Moses instructed Joshua to lead some of the Israelites into battle the next day. While Moses kept his hands raised in prayer, the Israelites were winning. But when he put his hands down, they would begin to lose. So two others helped him keep his hands raised, and Joshua and the Israelites won the battle.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

Paul tells Timothy that the Scriptures are inspired by God and are an excellent tool in teaching others about God's expectations of his people. Knowledge of the Scriptures, coupled with faith in Jesus, will lead many people to salvation. Paul urges Timothy to continue preaching the gospel, although this will sometimes be a difficult task.

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

Jesus speaks about a corrupt judge who lacked respect for either God or man. A widow repeatedly asked him to settle a case in her favor. He finally settled the case, only because he grew weary of listening to her requests. Jesus points out that if even this corrupt judge eventually listened, then God, who is just, will certainly answer the pleas of his people.



REQUEST FOR NEW LECTORS

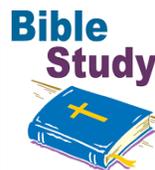


The Ministry of Lector is exercised by one who has a love for the Scripture, feels confident in proclaiming the sacred texts at Mass and desires to use their baptismal gifts in service to the Lord and this community.

Please prayerfully consider participating in this beautiful ministry.

For more information contact Steve Delia at steve@littleway.us or the parish office so that training can be arranged to familiarize you with the Ministry of Lector.

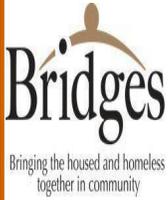
Getting Ready For Sunday



If you are in search of a deeper insight into the Scripture Readings for Sunday Mass prayerfully consider joining Fr. Richard on Thursdays 1:00pm to 2:00pm in the church meeting room and repeated in the evening from 7:30pm to 9:00pm in the Library.

Please note: the evening session this Thursday, October 17th will meet in the church meeting room. By gaining an understanding of the context and culture within which they were written, the upcoming Sunday Readings will surely take on a more profound and richer meaning for you. Previous attendance and registration is not required.

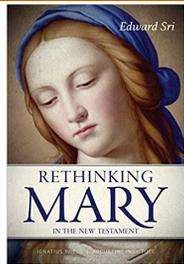
BRIDGES OUTREACH



Our first **Bridges Run** will be **Saturday, October 26th**. To donate supplies to make 250 sandwiches and fill 250 goody bags for the homeless visit: www.perfectpotluck.com

Coordinator: bridges Password: 2323

Please bring donated items to the church meeting room the week prior to the Run. Monetary donations are welcome. Volunteers are needed to donate supplies, make sandwiches and attend the Run. To go on the Run you must be 16 years of age and older. To volunteer please go to the parish website to sign up.



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BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY



St. Vincent de Paul Parish and St. Mary Stony Hill in Watchung will be hosting their Bereavement Support Group on **Thursday, October 24th** at **7:00pm to 8:30pm** at St. Mary's Center, 225 Mountain Blvd., Watchung. The group will meet each Thursday until December 5th. The sessions are open to all who are grieving the loss of a loved one, be it a family member or a friend. To register please contact Barbara Carlson at 908-647-0407 or call the parish office.

Covenant House of New Jersey helps to serve the homeless and trafficked youth population. A unique opportunity is available for anyone interested or in need of a service project.

Sleep Out America is a night that takes place in 50 states across the country and will be held **November 22nd**. If this is of interest to you please reach out to Kirsten Corley, Development Associate at Covenant House, Newark 973-621-8705 ext.3431 or visit their website at www.covenanthousenj.org.

TRIVIA NIGHT



The Knights of Columbus and St. Vincent's are hosting **Trivia Night on Friday, October 18th at 7:30pm in the gym**. It is guaranteed to be a fun night with family and friends. Food and drinks are provided and it is free of charge.

To rsvp and/or to reserve a table contact Tim Wallisch at timwallisch@aol.com or call 908-524-7311.

DIAPER DRIVE TO BENEFIT STRAIGHT AND NARROW



Life Ministries will be collecting diapers (all sizes) to assist Catholic Charities' Straight and Narrow facility which experienced a devastating fire this past August. Please consider supporting this very needy cause. **The last day to drop off diapers is Sunday, October 13th.** Diapers can be dropped off in the church meeting room. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

The Respect Life Committee will host a program entitled **"An Honest Discussion of End of Life"** on **Saturday, October 26th from 7:00pm to 9:00pm.**



The program will address some of the complicated end of life issues and decisions which often must be made on an emergent basis, unprepared and under great stress as the end of life approaches. See flyer in next weekend's bulletin.

Human life is sacred and inviolable at every stage and in every situation; it is an indivisible good. Evangelium Vitae, Pope John Paul II

2019 ARRAY OF HOPE GALA

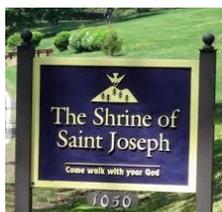
Array of Hope is a lay apostolate within the Archdiocese of Newark that exists to reveal the "Truths of our Faith" by creating high quality films, music and events.

Each year Array of Hope hosts its **Gala event**, an inspiring evening filled with live music, fellowship and film premiers. Being honored are Abby Johnson of the movie *Unplanned* and her husband Doug Johnson, Clare Byrne, Founder of Imprint Hope and the guest speaker is Mario Enzler, former Swiss Guard to Pope John Paul II.

The event is **Wednesday, October 23rd** at 6pm at the Valley Regency, Clifton. For tickets visit www.arrayofhope.net or call 201-261-3372.

The Catholic Church: A Power for Good An International Seminar

How is the Church a power for good? How can we be part of that power for good?



The Shrine of St. Joseph invites all people of good will to be part of The Catholic Church: A Power for Good. The seminar will be held on **Saturday, October 19th from 9:00am to 6:00pm**. Some of the featured speakers include Fr. Dennis Berry, Director of the Shrine and Allan Wright, author and principal of Koinonia Academy.

Register online at www.shrineofsaintjoseph.com. Refreshments, lunch and dinner will be provided. The seminar ends with the celebration of Mass at 6:00pm.

MOUNT ST. MARY HOUSE OF PRAYER

The Qualities of Mercy: 50 Years of Monastic Life from Hollywood to Holy Vows
Sunday, October 27th 12:00 to 3:00pm
Union Catholic High School, Scotch Plains

You are invited to an inspirational talk by Mother Dolores Hart, OSB. She will reflect on her life and share her love story with God. How many of us would walk away from an exciting career and have the courage to follow the tiny whispering voice deep inside us? Come and be inspired by this amazing story of fidelity.

\$45.00 per person which includes brunch.
Registration required by calling 908-753-2091 or email: msmhope@msmhope.org



Food Pantry Needs

Tuna, pancake mix, syrup, Honey Nut Cheerios, canned salmon, coffee, pasta, chicken noodle soup, canned green beans, canned black beans, Mandarin oranges, peaches and tomato paste. Please no oversized or bulk items. Thank you for helping with the needs of the poor.



Technology class meets on **Tuesdays** from 9:30am to 10:30am in the church meeting. For questions contact Teri at the parish office or by email tkesselmeyer@stvincentschurch.org



The **Rosary Altar Society Collection** of wearable, usable clothing for the needy throughout the world is the weekend of **October 19th and 20th from 9:00am to 6:00pm**. Needed items are men's, women's and children's clothing, shoes, belts, and handbags. We are also

accepting linens, bedding, curtains, towels, stuffed animals, soft toys, bikes and strollers. Please put all items in standard kitchen garbage bags (except the bikes and strollers) and tie the bag closed. The bags should not exceed 20 pounds. Please bag shoes separately.

Please do not bring your items to the church meeting room before the collection dates. Call Wendy at 908-647-6345 or wdisarno@verizon.net with questions or to volunteer to help.

OPEN HOUSES

Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child, Summit
Saturday, October 19th
and Saturday, November 16th for girls grades 7 thru 12. Registration is at 9:30am.

A presentation is planned for 9:45am followed by tours until 11:15am. For information and to register call Suzanne Lewis, Admissions Director at 908-522-8109 or visit www.oakknoll.org. Pre registration is suggested.

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Morris Catholic High School, Denville
Wednesday, October 23rd from 7:00 to 9:00pm. Please register to attend at www.morrisatholic.org/OpenHouse/

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Oratory Prep School, Summit
Thursday, October 24th from 6:45pm to 8:15pm. For further information call 908-273-1084 ext. 1 or visit www.oratoryprep.org.

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Immaculata High School, Somerville
Sunday, October 27th from 12:00pm until 4:00pm.

For further information call 908-722-0200 ext. 218 or visit www.ImmaculataHighSchool.org/OpenHome

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Seton Hall Prep School, West Orange
Sunday, October 27th for 7th and 8th grade boys between noon and 3:00pm.

For information contact Michael Zinsmeister, Director of Admissions at 973-325-6640 or visit www.shp.org