

**PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS
FLOW**

Stewardship Report – Treasure

Regular Collection – 9/4/22 \$2,930.00
Maintenance Collection – 9/4/22 \$1,024.00
Online Giving Totals will appear in future bulletins
when available

If you are unable to attend Mass, weekly collection envelopes may be mailed directly to the Rectory office at 33 Unionville Avenue, Sussex, NJ 07461. Collection envelopes may also be dropped in the metal milk box located to the left of the front door of the rectory. Thank you for your generosity!

“Give generously to him and do so without a grudging heart; then because of this the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in everything you put your hand to.”

Deuteronomy 15:10

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The Sanctuary Lamp is given this week:
In Memory of: People of our Parish

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

9/12	MON:	9:00am	People of our Parish
9/13	TUES:	9:00am	People of our Parish
9/14	WED:	9:00am	NO MASS TODAY
9/15	THUR:	9:00am	People of our Parish
9/16	FRI:	9:00am	People of our Parish
9/17	SAT:	5:00pm	Bert Yocamelli Mark Whritenour Audrey Merkel
9/18	SUN:	8:30am	Craig Bennison George Olear
		10:30am	Susan McGovern Kathleen Dunphy

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK



Sunday - Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10
Monday - 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday - 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday - Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Thursday - 1 Cor 15:1-11; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Friday - 1 Cor 15:12-20; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday - 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Lk 8:4-15

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 11, 2022



In today’s Gospel, we hear the Pharisees disparage Jesus for welcoming sinners and eating with them. Jesus turns their criticism on its head by telling them three parables that show how much joy God finds in one repentant sinner. We sinners are welcomed to this banquet today where Jesus provides himself as the meal to share. Let us approach the altar with repentant hearts, thankful for God’s constant mercy.

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WEEKLY/MONTHLY PARISH EVENTS

HELPING HANDS- The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 13, 2022, at 7:30 pm in the Church Hall. New members are always welcome.

LEISURE GROUP- Meets the first Wednesday of each month. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 5th at 1:00 pm in the Church Hall.

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SPECIAL DEVOTIONS AT ST. MONICA’S

Recitation of the Rosary – Come join us every Monday at 4:00 pm in the Church to recite the Rosary for peace in our nation and around the world.

Chaplet of the Divine Mercy – every Friday after the 9:00 A.M. Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament –First Friday of the month after the 9:00 A.M. Mass until 10:00 A.M.

MASS TIMES:

SATURDAY: 5:00 PM
SUNDAY: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM
WEEKDAY MASSES: MON., TUES, THURS, FRI. AT 9:00AM (NO MASS ON WEDNESDAYS)

Deadline for bulletin submissions: Please contact the Rectory Office by 10 am on Tuesday of each week for articles to be printed on the following Sunday.



PARISH REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Are you new to our parish? If so, welcome! Do you wish to register? If you are attending Mass and using our blue "blank" visitor envelopes and wish to receive our weekly envelopes in the mail, please register with us. There are blank registration forms on the table near the Church exits. Please fill it out and give it to Fr. Jan after Mass or drop it in the collection basket.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR DECEASED, ILL OR HOSPITALIZED



If you have a prayer request for someone who is deceased, ill or hospitalized, please enter the name of the person in the prayer request book located in the Church Hall. Each week, the prayer list is placed on the altar.



On Sunday, August 28, 2022, WESLY CARTER TREZZA, son of Michael and Faleigh Trezza, received the Sacrament of Baptism here at St. Monica's. The Godparents are Timothy

Edward Delia and Carlyle Galante. Congratulations and God bless you, Wesly!

FALL MUM SALE
Sponsored by Helping Hands



Want to exchange those wilting summer flowerpots for some fresh Fall color?

Helping Hands is sponsoring a Fall Mum Sale with C & C Growers in Newton, NJ until Thursday, October 1st. Pick up an orange flyer/coupon from the table in the church hall for more information.



THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL
70 Carmelite Drive,
Middletown NY

MORNING OF PRAYER

Art and Spirituality with Peggy Murphy, OP -Thursday, September 15th 9:30-11:00am followed by 11:30am Mass for Our Lady of Sorrows. Call Carol Bezak, Shrine Director to register, 845-343-1879 for mor information or see the flyers on the table in the Church Hall.



OLD CLOVE CHURCH
ROUTE 23, WANTAGE, NJ

Old Clove Church will be having their Annual Worship Service on Sunday, September 18, 2022 at 2:00 pm. The worship service will be led by Pastor Kendall Everett of the Sussex Christian Reformed Church. Special music will be provided by The Church Choir. For more information, go to www.oldclovechurch.org.



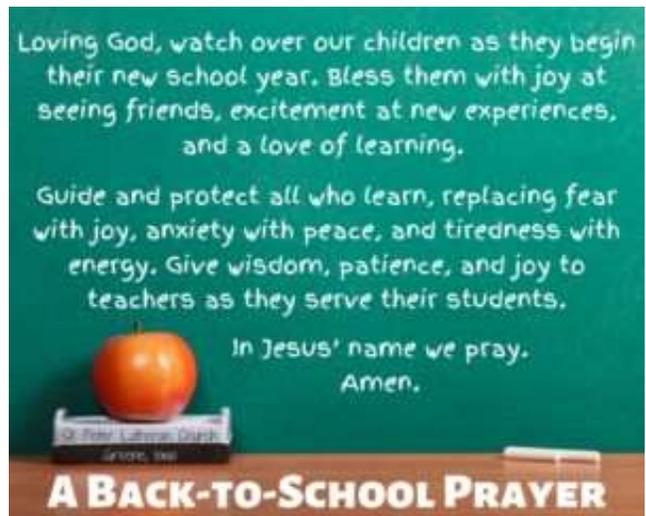
Today is National Grandparents Day! This day is a celebration of family and life. It's a time for the younger generations to discover and learn about their past. And who better to tell them about where they came from than the grandparents who love them.



FOR THE SUSSEX HELP CENTER:

If you can please help a bit! We are beginning to be very busy again, so our food goes quickly. Now – any size applesauce, canned fruit and cereal would be most welcome. Thanks, Hugs and God Bless!

It's that time again! As a new school year begins, let us remember to keep the children, their families, and their educators in our prayers. May God guide their steps and make this school year a healthy, fruitful, and positive learning experience for all.



JUST A REMINDERThe premier event of the diocesan Year of the Eucharist is the Eucharistic Congress on September 24th and 25th at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson. All parishioners are invited to attend. What is a Eucharistic Congress? It's a gathering of clergy, religious, and laity to bear witness to the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Several events in both English and Spanish will feature prayer, community, and talks from Archbishop Rino Fishichella, Pro-Prefect of the Dicastery for Evangelization at the Vatican. See the flyers in the Church Hall for more information. For a full schedule of events and to register, visit <https://rcdop.org/year-of-the-eucharist>.





When people ask me the biggest lesson I took away from 9/11, I say, “There’s so much good in this world.” During the 102 minutes that the attacks took place, we saw absolute horrors and truly the worst of humanity, but we also saw the best. Thousands of people from all over the country and all over the world poured into lower Manhattan to help at Ground Zero and following the attacks people were kinder to each other. We still see it today. People come from all over the world to visit the Memorial and Museum and when they’re here, the barriers we build up around ourselves come down. People are kinder to each other; they see that we’re all the same and still trying to process what happened that day.

Right now, we are living through another trying, and at moments, scary time in human history. This past year has been a very challenging year for so many people. A lot of us have lost someone we care about, and we have all had to adjust to a whole new world. But I keep returning to what I see every day in the Museum.

Some thought New York City would never recover from 9/11, but it did, and it came back stronger than before. We will come through the challenges we face today; we’ll bear the scars, we’ll remember the ones we lost, but we will come through it. Because even though we live in a world where bad things do happen, there is so much more good that connects us.

By Joey Cooke, Interpretive Museum Guide, 9/11 Memorial & Museum

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS
HIS WORD TODAY
by Rev. William J. Reilly
Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 11, 2022

“I tell you, in just the same way, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance.”

The fifteenth chapter of St. Luke is the chapter of mercy with the three parables of the lost sheep, the lost coin, and the lost son or forgiving Father. All of us know what makes us happy. We also try to make others happy by words, kindness, gifts. Is that not the end result of these parables, to make both God and ourselves happy? Did not the beatitudes speak of what is happiness and the reward promised to make sure we are happy?

Pope Francis stated that God's last name is 'mercy', and it is a gift I can offer someone else.



