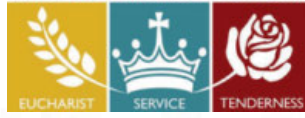
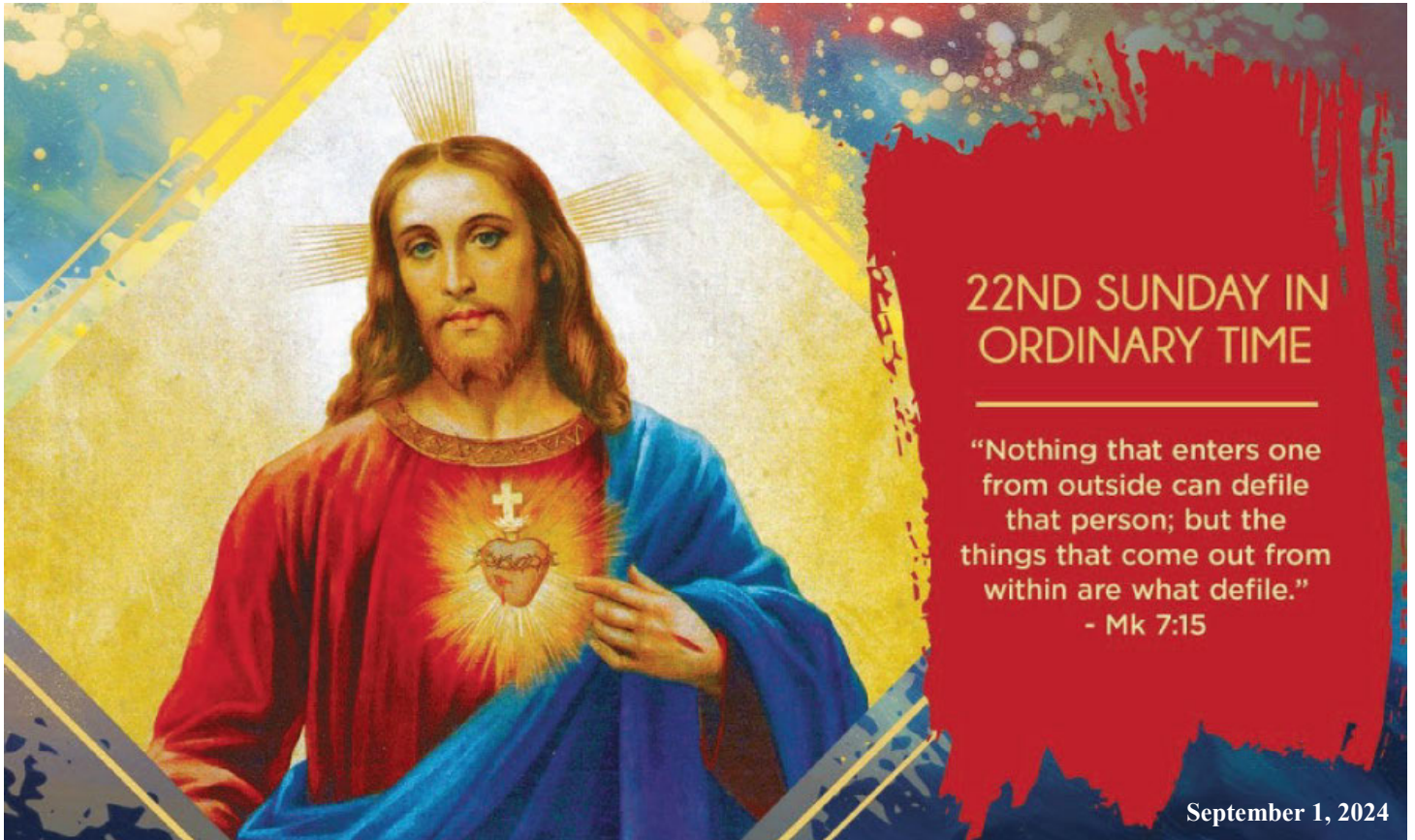


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"Nothing that enters one
from outside can defile
that person; but the
things that come out from
within are what defile."
- Mk 7:15

September 1, 2024

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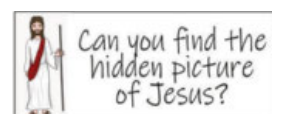
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This past Sunday, we heard what was the culmination of Jesus's preaching on "The Bread of Life." This comes from the 6th chapter of the Book of John and is often referred to as the "Bread of Life" discourse. The reason the Church gives us weeks of Gospel readings from this discourse during the summer is to highlight the importance of Jesus's instruction about the Eucharist. One of the most beautiful teachings that the Catholic Church highlights is the importance of the Eucharist and of the regular reception of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, not simply in a symbolic way, but in a mystical, actual way. The Church highlights this reality with such prominence because Christ Himself stressed how necessary it is to consume His flesh and blood for us to receive eternal life. There is no question that this is a difficult teaching of Jesus, one that is often misunderstood, misinterpreted, or, worst of all, simply ignored.

We heard about how some of the followers of Christ at that time began to seriously doubt Jesus and His teachings after hearing this discourse, and how some even returned to their former ways of life. When we are faced with a difficult teaching from Christ or, in a broader sense, when we are faced with a difficult reality in our lives, how do we respond? Are we like those disciples in the Gospel who begin to grumble and walk away? Or are we like Peter who, when asked by Christ if he too was going to leave, responds, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." The reality of doubt in God's design for our lives can affect each of us at some point in life. Though it may be tempting to walk away when faced with difficulty, we must remember the words of Peter and ask God to help us cast out whatever doubt we might have about His love and care for us. No good comes from doubting the Love of God and we must put it from our minds, and ask the Lord to give us a renewed and stronger faith. And we must be mindful that with God, nothing is impossible.

God bless you,

Father Joseph

NEWS AND EVENTS



Labor Day: Due to the holiday on Monday, September 2, there will be one Mass only at 9:00 am. The Parish Center will be closed.

A Second Collection Next weekend: On September 9 -10, we will be taking up the National Collection for the Catholic University of America. Catholic University, in the heart of Washington, DC, is a national research university with over 7,500 undergraduate and graduate students in more than 250 academic programs. By donating to the collection, you are supporting future Catholic leaders, both religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional, faith-rooted education. You also are supporting the University's research and training initiatives that help dioceses and parishes respond to the most pressing needs of the faithful. The Catholic Project is an initiative that aims to heal the breach of trust many have experienced as a result of the crisis in the Church. Learn more at collection.catholic.edu. Thank you for your generosity.

Prayer Chain: Become a link in our prayer chain! Once a month a list of those who would like to be remembered in prayer will be mailed to you. The praying is done at home with respect for the confidentiality of those seeking prayer. With prayer, all things are possible. If you would like to join our prayer chain or have someone prayed for, please contact MaryAnn Musto at the Parish Center, 201-891-1122 ext. 212.



Catechists and Aides are needed for Religious Education this fall. If you are interested, please contact Pat K at 201-891-1122 ext. 226.

For those of you who did not have the opportunity to watch Father Frank O'Connor's funeral Mass, please click on this link to view it in its entirety:

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The Collection for the week ending August 25
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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 31

9:00am James Smith

5:00pm Ann Mc Neill

Sunday, September 1

7:30am People of the Parish

9:00am Scott Edward Mault,
6th Anniversary

10:30am John &
Rosetta Cannizzo

12:00pm Jean Mary Pawlak

6:15pm Francine Barone

Monday, September 2

9:00am Harry Ciarleglio

Tuesday, September 3

7:00am Brian McCarthy

9:00am Terrence Hull

Wednesday, September 4

7:00am Bill Priestner

9:00am Steven Ratzlaff

Thursday, September 5

7:00am Ted S. Allen

9:00am Susan Campbell

Friday, September 6

7:00am Jocelyn Carey

9:00am Christopher walker

Saturday, September 7

9:00am Robert McGarvie

5:00pm Frank, Teresa & Sal Anello

Sunday, September 8

7:30am People of the Parish

9:00am Carolyn Demarest

10:30am Vincent Varisano

12:00pm Philip Veli

6:15pm Joseph Schuh

NEWS AND EVENTS

Fall Bereavement Support Groups: Bereavement Support Groups will begin in the morning on **Tuesday, September 10th** and in the evening on **Thursday, September 12th**. Both groups will run for eight consecutive Tuesdays and Thursdays respectively. Please call 201-891-1122 ext. 266 for more information and to register in advance. All participants are required to be fully vaccinated.

R.C.I.A. Program for next year. Sign up now! Are you interested in or do you know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic? Are you Catholic but have not received all of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation)? Candidates include: non-baptized adults who wish to enter the Catholic Church, baptized adult Christians of other denominations (ex., Lutheran, Anglican, Presbyterian, etc.), and adult baptized Catholics who have not completed the Sacraments of Initiation and wish to do so. Now is a great time to begin the process of becoming a full member of the Catholic Church community. For more information, please contact Father Joseph at frjoseph@saintelizabeths.org.

Supporting St. E's School– Tennis & Pickleball Social: On Wednesday, September 11, at 9:00 am, St. Elizabeth School HSA will host their inaugural Tennis and Pickleball Social. Enjoy a morning of racquet sports with friends at the Indian Trail Club. The cost will be \$150. This round robin event starts with a light breakfast and, after two hours of play, is followed by a buffet luncheon on the pro-shop patio with door prizes and more. Tickets are limited. Corporate and individual sponsorships are available, and proceeds support St. Elizabeth's School in Wyckoff. To purchase tickets online, go to <https://sestennis2024>.

Golf Outing: On Friday, October 4, at 12:00 noon, the St. Elizabeth School HSA will host their third annual Golf Outing at the New York Country Club in New Hempstead, Rockland County, NY. Enjoy an afternoon of golf, friendly competition and great prizes at the award ceremony. Then cool down over cocktails, passed hors d'oeuvres, and a pig roast – a culinary feast for all senses. Cost is \$175 and up. Opportunities for individual and group sign-ups, discount for registering before September 3, and corporate and individual sponsorships are available. For non-golfers, tickets to cocktails and dinner can be purchased separately. Proceeds support St. Elizabeth School in Wyckoff. Sign up online at <https://sesgolf2024.givesmart.com>.

Lay Spirituality Program: The parish of St. Francis Xavier in NYC invites you to participate in a nine-month Lay Spirituality program, rooted in Ignatian contemplative tradition. In this small group community, members listen deeply to the voice of God within themselves and one another while exploring various prayer practices and the spirituality of Catholic tradition. Weekly meetings are Tuesday evenings via Zoom from October through June, with breaks for holidays. Also, there are two weeknight and Saturday sessions in NYC, monthly spiritual direction, a weekend retreat, and a weeklong silent retreat in June. For more information, email Donna Gormley at DGormley27@gmail.com.

***"To everything there is a season and
a every purpose under heaven."***

Recently deceased: Joseph Vertucci

Memorials for the week of September 1

Altar Bread and Wine: In memory of Joan Buono
donated by Light Youth Ministry

Candles on the Altar: In memory of Bitsy Madigan, 25th Anniversary
donated by the Madigan family

Flowers for the Holy Family Shrine:
In memory of Charles Carozza, 1st Anniversary
donated by Catherine Devaney

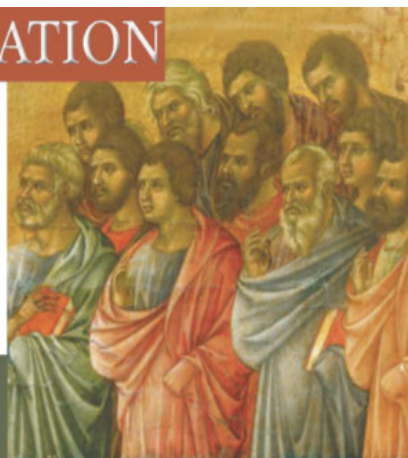
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Go to our website www.Saintelizabeths.org for more details or to register and click on Pre-Cana Online (regfox.com). If you have any questions please contact Sharon Mault-Weir at sharonm@saintelizabeths.org or at 201-406-2411.



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CONTACT US TO LEARN MORE ABOUT HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

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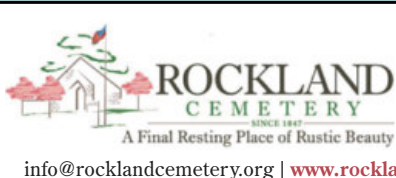
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