PRINCE of PEACE

CATHOLIC PARISH

5 Worcester Road (P.O. Box 305) Princeton, MA 01541 | Office hours Mon.-Wed. 9:00 am-2:00 pm | (978) 464-2871

MEETINGS

Baptism
Instruction is required for all parents seeking baptism of their child. Please contact the Rectory.

Care of the Sick
Please advise us of parishioners who are sick that we may keep them in prayer. We would also like to bring the Eucharist to those who cannot celebrate Mass with us in church.

Confidential Prayer Line
To add intentions call Ellen Calamari at 978-660-3818 or the Rectory at 978-464-2871.

Marriage
Interviews, instruction and Pre-Cana are required. Please contact the Rectory at least one year in advance.

Programs
- Adult Bible Study
Please contact the Rectory for class schedule.

- Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting
Wednesdays at 8:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

- Reconciliation/Confession
Saturday -4:00-4:30 pm at the church or by appointment.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Development Committee
978-464-2871

Finance Council
Chairperson: Gerald Gates (978) 464-5636

Education Committee
(978) 464-2871

Liturgical Committee
(978) 464-2871

Evangelization & Outreach Committee
(978) 464-2871

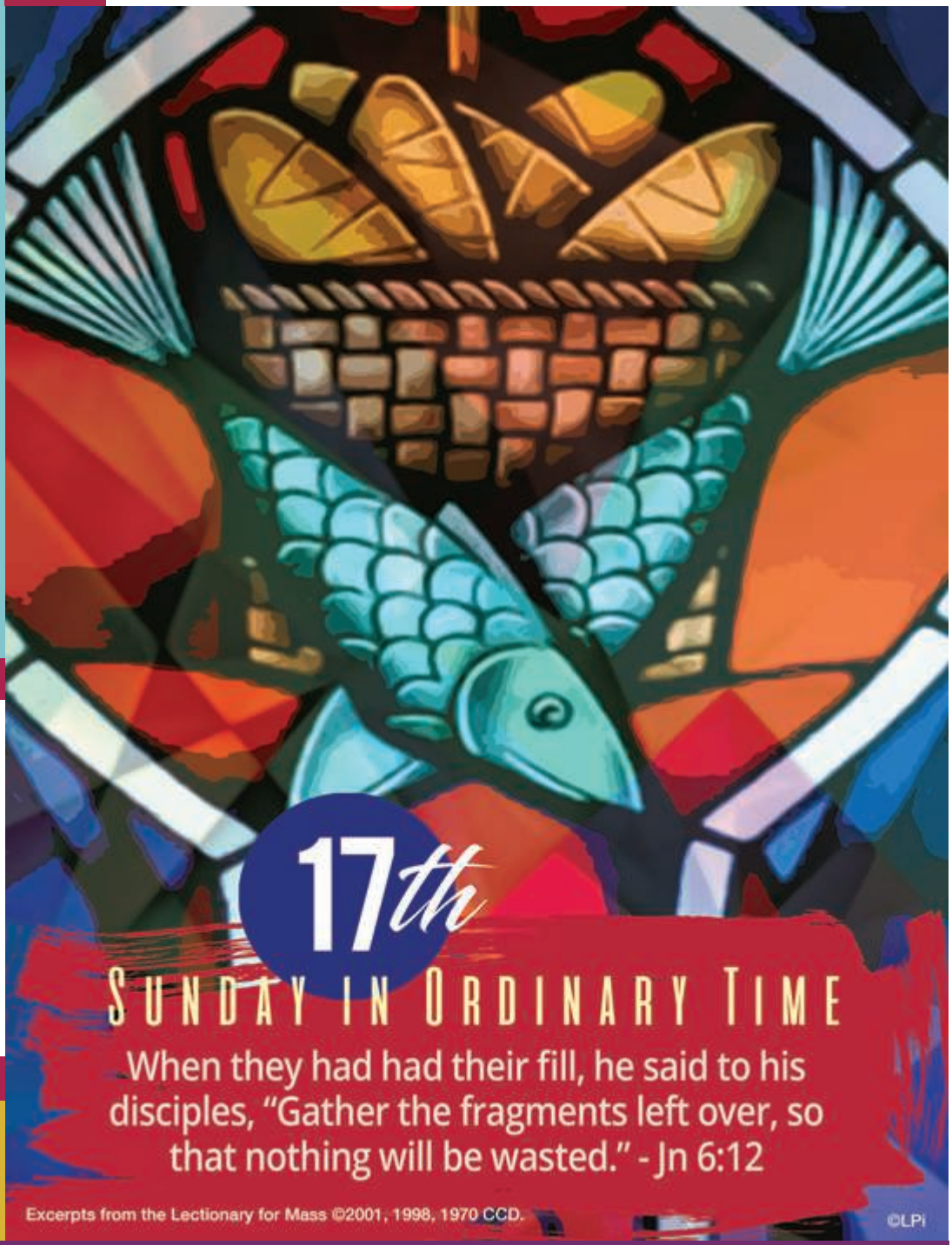
SCHEDULE/MASSES

Mon—Wed, Friday. ..... 8:30 am
Saturday ..... 4:30 pm
Sunday ..... 8:30 & 10:30 am

Holy Days/Feast Day 8:30 am & 7:00 pm

Rev. H. Edward Chalmers, Pastor

STAFF Parish Secretary, Paula Greeley Religious Education Coordinator, Sharon Bushway



Your talents are welcome. We encourage you to call a ministry chairperson to find out more about our on-going programs.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, July 28th
4:00-4:30 PM Confessions
4:30 PM Unrequested
Sunday, July 29th
8:30 AM Unrequested
10:30 AM For our Parish and its Parishioners
Monday, July 30th
8:00 AM Unrequested
Tuesday, July 31st
8:00 AM For the Holy Souls
Wednesday, August 1st
8:00 AM For the Intentions on our Prayer Line and in our Prayer Intention Book
Thursday, August 2nd
8:00 AM **NO MASS**
Friday, August 3rd
8:00 AM Unrequested
Saturday, August 4th
4:00-4:30 PM Confessions
4:30 PM Anthony Kilenskas, requested by Jeanette Marsh
Sunday, August 5th
8:30 AM Unrequested
10:30 AM For the Parish and its Parishioners

PLEASE NOTE: ALL WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK WILL BE AT 8:00 AM DUE TO OUR SUMMER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM. NO MASS ON THURSDAY.

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Congratulations to the following students who recently graduated from high school, and who were each awarded the **$200 Richard and Carole Clark Scholarship** from Prince of Peace for their service to our parish during their high school years:

Christina Adams
Alison Barrows
Timothy Forkey
Patrick Johnson
Travis Lanpher
Ryan Malkowski

Thank you for your service to Prince of Peace Parish, and best of luck as you begin your college careers.

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 29, 2018

Dear Friends,

In today's second reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians, he wrote, "Brothers and Sisters: I, a prisoner of the Lord, urge you to live in a manner worthy of all you have received, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all; who is over all and through all and in all."

St. Paul is writing about God's personal call to each believer to embrace the reality of Christian discipleship. In this process, St. Paul challenges Christians to be humble, gentle, and patient; responding to people with God's love while preserving the unity and oneness of the faith.

May we accept the mission of the Roman Catholic Church: which is to teach, preach, and evangelize the message of Jesus Christ through Sacred Scripture, Tradition, and Church Teaching. In a personal way, let us be committed to Jesus Christ. In today's gospel reading from John, Jesus manifested His love by feeding five thousand people. May we be inspired to share God's love with others, a love that has been graciously given to each one of us by our dear and loving Triune God.

Fr. Ed

NATIONAL NOVENA

The U.S. Bishops urge our participation each Friday in a nationwide ***Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life***, August 3rd through September 28th. Participants will receive weekly email or text reminders to pray and fast, along with little-known facts about Roe v. Wade to share with others. Sign up at www.usccb.org/pray!

The collection for the weekend of July 21-22, 2018 was as follows:

Maintenance	$ 20.00
Monthly	$ 925.00
Make-up envelopes	$ 360.00
Advanced envelopes	$ 158.00
Church in Eastern Europe	$ 5.00
Regular collection	$1,625.00
Total Collection	$3,093.00

Good News!

July 29, 2018
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)
2 Kgs 4:42-44; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

The multiplication of the loaves and fish is a scene commonly sculpted on the tombs of Christians in Rome. These early Christians, an ocean away, not only heard the story but believed it and sealed their lives with it. What powerful message of life and death did they find?

Aside from being a symbol of the Eucharist, the center of early Christian worship then as today, this miracle is a call to generosity. By giving your life to Jesus, he can multiply it and raise it up to new life.

Jesus sees the hunger of the crowd and wants to satisfy them. He asks what provisions they have, and all they can muster is two fish and five loaves. Andrew questions what good that is for so many. Implicit is that it may be better to save what little there is for themselves.

Jesus sees things differently. He gives thanks for the little they have and has the apostles give it away. He knows the Father will multiply this generosity. Rather than look at what they have as a scarcity of goods, he sees them as gifts to share.

This is the radical change of heart that Jesus asks of us. Everything we have is a gift to be shared. When we live in love, and not in selfish fear of how to satisfy ourselves, then God multiplies what little we have and provides everything we need.

When the Gospel declares the apostles had collected twelve baskets of leftovers, the text shouts that God is a God of abundance, not of scarcity.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SUMMER LEARNING MODULE

Coordinator — *Sharon Bushway*

Grades 1-3 Teacher — *Katie Locke*

Grades 4-6 Teacher — *Marie Kincaid*

Music — *Eleanor Bushway*
Ciara Kelly

Snacks — *Cathy Greene*

DAILY SCHEDULE

9:00 — 9:10	**Opening Prayer in Church**
9:10 — 10:10	**Session I**
10:10 — 10:30	**Music**
10:30 — 10:45	**Snack (4-6); Recess (1-3)**
10:45 — 11:00	**Recess (4-6); Snack (1-3)**
11:00 — 12:15	**Session II**
12:15 — 12:30	**Closing Prayer in Church**

SAFETY: In order to ensure reasonable safety for our young people, they will be dismissed from the Church through the lower Church into the **lower parking lot.** The driveway will be **ONE WAY** toward the rectory. Please be extremely cautious in dropping off and picking up your youngsters.

SUPPLIES NEEDED

In keeping with our teaching about Stewardship, the students in the Summer Program are being asked to bring in supplies for the backpacks of the **eight children we sponsor in Haiti.** ***Please join our students in these efforts.*** Suggested items include toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, college ruled notebooks, scissors, small umbrellas, bath towels, wash cloths, twin sized bed sheets (fitted bottom sheet only) and pillow cases, insulated hot/cold travel mugs, etc. Since the backpacks need to be shipped to Haiti, we need any donations by next weekend, **August 4/5**. Thank you for your generosity!

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION PILGRIMAGE

The Sisters of Mercy are hosting the 117th Annual Mass and Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Grotto at Nazareth on Wednesday, **August 15th,** the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady into heaven. The procession leaves St. Joseph Church at 9:15 am, arriving at the Grotto at 10 am for Mass with Fr. Richard Reidy. Following Mass, there is a reception on the Nazareth grounds. All are welcome!