## **Our Weekly Newsletter** for our Parish Family

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St. Virgil's Parish

## Mass Intentions for this Week >>>

| Sat., Aug. 15  | 5pm     | Edith Nunn—17 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary<br>Ann Marie Lagan<br>Phyllis & Francis D'Annunzio |
|----------------|---------|--|
| Sun., Aug. 16  | 8am     | Grant Morgan—11 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Domenico Procopio Vittorio Procopio              |
|                | 10:30am | Teresa Aguayo  |
| Mon., Aug. 17  | 9am     | Lorenzo Magliocchetti  |
| Tues., Aug. 18 | 9am     | Vincent McGuinness   |
| Wed., Aug. 20  | 9am     | Timmy O'Shea<br>Josephine Annarumma  |
| Thur., Aug. 21 | 9am     | Anton Thelappilly  |
| Fri., Aug. 22  | 9am     | Selvin Alex  |

#### Please remember in your prayers:

Deacon Alan Lucibello, Bill Warrick, Tony Loughlin, Florence Luckey, Rosemary Paulison, Jackie Donnelley, Judy Taylor, Mary Eileen & Douglas Prisinzano, Baby Akeen Butchko, Mary Beth Jensen, Colleen Dillion & Family, Mary Maffeo, Marie E. Logan, Rose Marie Warrick, Sandra Buck, Margaret Ellis, John & Elizabeth Zisa, Anne Benson, Bob Taylor, Kamasha Redhead, Miah Tully, Barbara Bock, Baby Emma Scannelli, Stephen Burke, Eileen Lagan, and Teresa Procopio.

## **Parish Office Hours**

The Rectory will remain closed to in-person contact. However, you can reach the office Monday - Thursday from 10:30am until 1:30pm. When calling for information, Mass Cards and/or Mass registration, please call during those hours. Otherwise, please leave a message on the machine and we will return your call.



Through the waters of Baptism, we welcome to the parish family Gino Joseph Graziani, son of TJ and Shannon.



Please pray for all those who serve in defense of our Country, both at home and abroad, especially:

The deployed airmen of the 914 Air Refueling Wing SSGT Blake Reidinger PO2 Timothy Butchko LT Patrick Leahev MJR Stephanie Sittmann LTR Andrew McGuinness LCDR Daniel M. Leahey LT Mark C. Leahey LT Kian Federick Stewart DC1 Alexander V. Fernandez

LT Kelsey Bergh MJR Gary Windt 2LT Ryan Feeney SSGT Thomas Sittman SSGT Eric Wright LT Mark Van Ordan MSGT T.J. Hopkins LT Tyler Huhn CPL Irvin Carithers



We are extremely grateful for your continuing financial support.

The regular collection for the week of August 8/9 was \$7,262. In pew and office donations were \$5,084 and from Faith Direct, \$2,178

We continue to accept your offerings at the Parish Office. We also ask you to please consider using Faith Direct. Faith Direct is an online giving service where you can donate the amount you currently give each Sunday through an online medium. (Our parish number is NJ732) or you can give a onetime gift. (Ctrl+Click this link

https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/NJ732/20872



## 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Live Streamed on our website at www.stvirgilparish.org

Sunday at 10:30am ~ Weekdays at 9am

#### Readings for the Week

Sunday

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

Monday

2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26

Tuesday

Ez 2:8-3:4; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday

Ez 9:1-7, 10:18-22; Mt 18:15-20

**Thursday** 

Ez 12:1-12; Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday

Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Mt 19:3-12

Saturday

Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16, 16:1-2; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk

11:27-28

Day: Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk

1:39-56



#### Operation Chillout Summer Campaign

This is the 20th anniversary year of Operation Chillout, an all-volunteer organization dedicated to providing the basic necessities to help the homeless, primarily veterans, survive the summer and winter months.

Many events and fundraisers were planned to commemorate this milestone. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, however, many of them have been canceled. The summer campaign will be conducted entirely online.

St. Virgil's is one of Operation Chillout's collection partners. Instead of donating cases of bottled water, baseball caps and tee shirts, we hope you will support our gift registry at <a href="www.operationchillout.org">www.operationchillout.org</a>. For \$10 you can "purchase" three cases of bottled water (24 packs) or two tee shirts or two baseball caps. All donations will be used to purchase these items as we are an organization of volunteers, and we will make the purchases and deliveries - no middleman involved. You will receive a receipt for your donation. All items will be distributed at locations where the homeless congregate, primarily soup kitchens.

Please be as generous as you can to make the months ahead a little less stressful for those who have so little and have many challenges to face.



#### Help Wanted

The Diocese of Paterson Development Office (Clifton) is seeking a part-time data entry applicant for seasonal employment. Hours are flexible and not to exceed 30 hours per week. Responsibilities include accurate data

entry of campaign pledges and payments and other pertinent donor information into donor database. Computer skills and advanced typing skills are a plus. Any interested parties should contact the Development Office at (973) 777-8818, ext. 218 for further details.

Farewell, Fr. Babu!

We wish to extend our gratitude and prayers to Fr. Babu, who left yesterday to begin his new assignment at Our Lady of the Magnificat in Kinnelon. We wish Fr. Babu every good blessing as starts his ministry to the Magnificat family.

Welcome, Fr. Marcin!

We are very happy to welcome Fr. Marcin Kania to our parish family. Fr. Marcin (pronounced marchin) comes to us from Christ the King and he is very excited about starting his ministry here with us. Please join in welcoming Fr. Marcin and wishing for him a very fulfilling ministry here at St. Virgil's.

This is just a friendly reminder that we are trying to have all registrations collected as quickly as possible, for the K-8 P.R.E.P. program. Here is the link to the registration form if you have not yet gotten a chance to complete it: <u>LINK</u> We hope to begin ordering materials next week, so if your registration form is not completed by August 15, your book(s) may arrive at a later date.

Payments can be made by mailing a check to the parish office. If you are experiencing any financial difficulties, please do not hesitate to reach out to us or the parish office. We are here to help you!

## Welcome High School Students!



Registration for FISH Youth Ministry is open. You can find the link to registration on the Youth Ministry website. You can access our site through the St. Virgil home page. Please use the appropriate link to register for Confirmation. We look forward to sharing your faith journey

toward adult faith. Join us for meetings, service to the community, and reterats. Our ministry will most likely be very different from what we are used to, but we are committeed to the religious education of our youth. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me, Penny Manser at <a href="mansersvym@gmail.com">mansersvym@gmail.com</a>

"Everyone who has received the sacrament of Confirmation has received the gift of the Holy Spirit, who guides them and gives them the strength to follow God's will.



A Message from one of our Bible Study Leaders Fellow Parishioners,

My name is Philip and I run a Bible study and the Return Group here at St. Virgil's. During

myself asking if there is something else we can offer you, to learn more about Catholic teaching or about Jesus Christ. When I learned the Baltimore Catechism, we were also taught that we are supposed to continue to learn more every day of our lives—just as the great Saints did.

So, I'm asking an open question, is there any subject or approach that you would like to see offered? Perhaps a study of the Baltimore Catechism itself? Or more about the Catholic teachings? Perhaps how to pray?

I'm not sure, so I'm opening a brainstorming request—if you have a need "throw"—tell us. If there is enough interet, I'll put something together. We can use phone conference or perhaps even a Zoom conference.

Just email your thoughts to <a href="mailto:syparishoffice@gmail.com">syparishoffice@gmail.com</a> or call at (973) 538-1418.

Phil Alcock

## Evangelization Corner

The Sacrament of Matrimony (Continued)

As mentioned in a previous column, wedding traditions are, to a certain extent, shaped by the religious belief and practices found in all societies and the importance of these rituals have been established by the customs and habits of the particular culture.

For example, we mentioned that in early Rome there was a tradition where a young woman who was getting married would be escorted by her father to the home of her husband. The tradition, however, has its basis at a time when women were viewed as property and, therefore, had few rights and privileges. The father of the bride would literally give his daughter away to the groom and his family for social and monetary gains. While this tradition continues today, the meaning has changed. Today it signifies that the parents of the bride support and bless the union and the transfer of care and responsibility to the husband.

The wearing of a white wedding dress is a relatively new tradition that had its start with Queen Victoria's wedding in 1840 to her husband, Prince Albert. It is said that Victoria wore white because she liked it. It

was not until later that wearing a white wedding dress came to symbolize the bride's moral purity and her virginity. Wearing a white wedding dress is also a mark of the bride's reverence to God. It is a symbol of her righteousness; the righteousness of Christ described in Revelations: "Let us be glad and joyful and give to glory to God; for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his bride has been able to dress herself in dazzling white linen, because her linen is made of the good deeds of the saints." (Rev 19:7-8)

The wedding veil is a tradition that dates to Ancient Greece and Rome. At that time brides wore veils to protect them from evil, jealous spirits, to preserve their modesty, and to confuse and protect the bride from the devil. In the time of arranged marriages the groom's family would not allow him to see his bride until the wedding because, if he did not like her looks, there was a chance that he might not agree to marry her. Therefore, the veil was used to conceal the bride's appearance up until the very moment in which they were married. Today, the wearing of the bridal veil is seen as a sign of the bride's modesty and purity and her reverence



for God. The removal of the bridal veil has become a reflection of the union between Christ and the church. Through marriage, the couple now has full access to one another; "The wife does not have authority over her own body, but the husband does; and in the same way, the husband does not have authority over his own body, but the wife does.' (1 Corinthians 7:4)

Next week we will discuss the symbolisms and origins of the joining of right hands, the exchanging of the rings, the wedding cake, and the throwing of rise.

May the Lord's peace be with you always!

Evangelization Ministry



20<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time Old Testament: Isaiah 56:1,6-7 New Testament:15:21-28

## Weekly Reflection

oday Matthew is unusually straight to the point in his message, as is Isaiah in the Old Testament. The point is: Who is Christ's message for, and what do we have to do to belong to this movement?

Isaiah tells us that "my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples." Following that pithy point, Matthew then completes the topic by telling us of a non-jewish woman crying out to Jesus to heal her daughter. Contrary to the apostles' opinions, Christ tells her that "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish."

There it is. Christ's message is not complicated; it is for anyone who asks (prayer), and for those who believe. Since we by now are use to Matthews's wordy style, it is different for us to see his message here put in rather concise terms. This message from Matthew's Gospel is an easy one to carry with us on our summer vacation, no matter if we are in our backyard, or away from home: pray and believe.

Lord, walk with me in prayer and faith these difficult summer days.

# final thoughts...

St. Virgil's Parish



If you know of a parishioner who is not yet signed up for Flocknote but would like to receive them, email the parish office at svparishoffice@gmail.com



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## **Emergency Resources in Morristown NJ**

During the Covid-19 Pandemic - As of April 24, 2020

#### **Hot Meals and Groceries**

#### Table of Hope

At Bethel Church - 59 Spring St.

**Carry out free Dinners** 

Monday through Friday from 5:30-7 pm

**Thursday Food Pantry** 

Every Thursday from 2 to 4:45pm

Nourish. NJ (formerly the Community Soup

Kitchen) at the Church of the Redeemer

36 South Street

Monday through Friday from 11:30 am to 1 pm

Saturday's at St. Peter's Episcopal Church;

70 Maple Ave between 11:30 am to 1 pm

#### Free Food Fridays

Cornerstone Family Programs in Partnership with

Calvary Baptist Church

10 Martin Luther King Ave.

Use Willow Street Entrance

Every Friday from 12:00 to 3:00 pm

#### **Interfaith Food Pantry**

Call 973.538.8049 ext 210 o ext 213 and leave a message with your name and phone number. You will receive a call to give you an appointment for a phone interview. After the interview you will receive food periodically.

Emergency food on 190 Speedwell Ave on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 am to 11:45 am and on 2 Executive Drive, Morris Plains. Monday through Friday from 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

#### I am Morristown

At St. Margaret Church.

Call Patricia Clavijo (973)452-8270 to register

#### Health

#### **Zulfall Health Center**

Call (973) 267-0002 for telemedicine (video or phone visit). Fees are being waived.

#### **Atlantic Health Center**

Call 1-800-247-9580 to find a doctor for a telehealth visit

## For more resources, visit:

https://covid19.nj.gov/faqs/nj-information/getassistance/what-types-of-benefits-or-assistance-areavailable-to-me-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak or https://wotsnj.org/wind-of-the-spirit-dovermorristown-area-covid-19-resource-guide/

## For students in the School District that are eligible for free or reduce lunch

### Pick-Up Location:

Morristown High School, 50 Early Street Monday - Thursday 11am - 12:30pm

Meals for Friday will be distributed on Thursday

#### **Bus Stop Locations:**

**BUS #1** 

Stop 1 - 11:00am - 11:30am - Coal Ave Lot @ Corner of Martin Luther King Ave. and Coal Ave.

Stop 2 - 11:40am - 12:10pm - Collinsville Playground, Monroe Street

Stop 3 - 12:20am - 12:45pm - Alfred Vail School, 125 Speedwell Ave.

#### BUS #2

Stop 4 - 11:00am - 11:30am - Latino American Supermarket @ Speedwell and Henry St.

Stop 5 - 11:40am - 12:00pm - Assumption Church Lot @ McCulloch St. and Madison St.

Stop 6 - 12:10am - 12:30pm - Corner of Franklin Street and Todd Place

Both Buses Will Operate Monday - Thursday Only Meals for Friday will be distributed on Thursday

## Housing

#### Housing partnership NJ

HUD-approved Foreclosure Prevention Counseling Call (973) 659-9222 – 2 E Blackwell St #12, Dover

#### Utilities and rental assistance

Salvation Army — Utilities and rent Call (973) 539-2700 — 95 Spring St. Hispanic Affairs - Utilities

Call (973) 644-4884 or visit https://hispanicaffairs.net/

## **Preventing evictions and foreclosures**

NJ Executive Order: 106

Wind of the Spirit Immigrant Resource Center

Website: wotsnj.org

Call (973) 538-2035 or visit 40Sussex Ave.

## Unemployment

Call 908-820-3969 / 973-328-6490 / 609-292-6800 or visit: https://myunemployment.nj.gov/

#### Student Loan Aid

https://www.studentaidpandemic.org/ http://freestudentloanadvice.org/