TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 19, 2018

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR Dear Parishioners:

It was good to have Deacon Walter Genito home with us for the past several weeks, but he returns this week for his final year of the seminary as he prepares to be ordained a priest next May. What an important and exciting year this is for him, and what a blessing it is for us to claim him as our own. Let us keep Walter in our prayers in a special way this year as we look forward to his ordination and first Mass here at Sacred Heart in May.

We come today to the culmination of Jesus' "Bread of Life Discourse" taken from the Sixth Chapter of Saint John's Gospel which we have been hearing at Mass for the past several weeks. It is the basis for our Catholic belief in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Most Holy Eucharist, and is the essence of Deacon Walter's, of mine, and of every vocation to the Priesthood.

Jesus was very clear in today's Gospel that He was not speaking symbolically about giving us His flesh to eat and His blood to drink. Even as many of His followers left Him because of the way He spoke, Jesus did not back down, but reiterated it four more times: "Amen, Amen I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in Me and I in him."

Jesus showed how he would give His flesh to eat and His blood to drink about a year later on the night before He died. At the Last Supper, Jesus instituted the Eucharist, the first Mass, saying over a piece of bread, "This is My Body which will be given up for you," and over a chalice of wine, "This is My blood which will be poured out for you...Do this in memory of Me." At every Mass the Power of the Cross, the Power of the Resurrection is made present to us and is renewed within us. At every Mass the Risen Jesus becomes truly and substantially present under the appearances of bread and wine for us to eat and drink, bringing us into Holy Communion with Himself and with one another, as He remains in us and we in Him, a foretaste of the life of Heaven which has already begun in us.

The Christian life is so much more than just being a good person and trying to keep the Commandments, as important as that is. But first and

foremost, the Christian life is about living in Communion with Jesus, participating in His Life, drawing our life from Him in the Eucharist like branches on the vine. Everything else flows from that. That is why the Second Vatican Council teaches that the Eucharist is the "Source and Summit of the Christian life." Jesus in the Eucharist is the source. the point from which everything flows, and the summit, the goal toward which everything goes. That is why the Mass on Sunday, the Lord's Day, is absolutely essential and indeed our obligation, because we need it so much. What more could we ask for, what more could Jesus possibly give us than Himself entirely in the Eucharist? As Saint Pius X so beautifully put it: "Remember, there is no way to be closer to Jesus on this side of Heaven than by worthily receiving Him in Holy Communion." May God bless us all.

> Sincerely in Christ, Rev. Matthew J. Furey

NOVENA FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF HUMAN LIFE

The U.S. Bishops urge our participation each Friday from now through September 28th in a nation-wide Novena that this change in the U.S. Supreme Court will move our nation closer to the day when every human being is protected in law and welcomed in Life. To receive a weekly reminder of the prayer intention, an idea for fasting, and a little-known fact about Roe v. Wade go to www.usccb.org/pray and click on, "join call to prayer."

SACRED HEART RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration 2017-2018

For First Grade and New Registrants

Monday, August 27th – 2:00pm-5:00pm Tuesday, August 28th - 2:00pm-5:00pm Wednesday, August 29th – 10:00am-1:00pm

Baptismal Certificate is required at time of registration for all First Grade and New Registrants. A program for children with **Special Needs** is available.

Registration will be held in the Religious Education Office in the school. Please go to the Clinton Place entrance (the side street) of the school and ring the bell during the hours listed above. Please call the Religious Education Office at 357-6044 if you have any questions or to schedule an appointment if you cannot make any of these dates.

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

August 12th Collection – \$12,642. Last Year's Collection – \$14,370.

Propagation of the Faith Collection – \$3,528. Last Year's Collection -\$4,884.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, August 19
Monday, August 20
Novena – 7:15pm
Tuesday, August 21
Prayer Group – 7:30pm in the Rectory Chapel
Vigil Mass – 5:30pm
Wednesday, August 22
Thursday, August 23
Friday, August 24
Saturday, August 25
St. Joseph Group – 7:30am in the Rectory
Sunday, August 26



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

If you or someone you know have not been baptized or have not received the Sacraments of Holy Communion and/or Confirmation, and would like to, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is meant for you. The RCIA is the process by which the Church receives new members into our Catholic community through the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist). It consists of instruction sessions and liturgical celebrations meant to inform individuals of the teachings of the Catholic faith and to prepare them to be received into the Church at Easter Vigil.

Please call the Rectory (357-0035). The first session will start late in September. Sessions will be held once a week from 7:00 - 8:30pm in the Rectory. Those interested will be contacted with the exact starting date.



RENEW & REBUILD CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

To date we have \$1.56 Million in pledges from 244 families which is only 11% of our Parish. We wish to thank all those who have already responded to our Renew & Rebuild Capital Campaign with a pledge and ask that all those who have been prayerfully considering a pledge to reach out to the rectory with any questions and to make their pledge by the end of the summer, if possible. We hope to conclude the campaign early this Fall. We need the support of everyone to reach our goal of \$2.1 Million so that we can complete the proposed projects we hope to accomplish for our Church. Whatever you can do is so much needed and appreciated. Thank you and God bless you.

RECTORY WORKER AND SACRISTAN POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Any High School Student 14 years or older interested in a position as either a rectory worker or a sacristan please call the rectory office, 845-357-0035, Monday through Friday from 9am to 5pm, and ask for Mrs. Schnabel.

CYO BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

Boys and Girls: Clinic Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd Grades/ 3rd thru 8th Grades

> Tuesday, September 18th: 6-7:30pm Wednesday, September 19th: 6-7:30pm (In the school cafeteria)

SACRED HEART SCHOOL

Sacred Heart Preschool 3-year-old program has limited openings for Fall 2018. Our school is a place where a child feels secure, loved and happy which is an excellent backdrop for learning. We have very experienced teachers who are caring and professional and there is an enclosed, gated playground for your child to play. Please contact the school's main office at 845-357-1684 for more information.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY

The pantry needs several food products. If you can donate we need your assistance. The following items are most needed: Peanut Butter, Tuna Fish, Dried Milk, Cereal, Oatmeal. Monetary donations welcomed. The pantry will reopen on Wednesday, September 12, 2018. Thank you! For food emergencies call the Rectory.

THE MARIANIST FAMILY RETREAT CENTER

The Marianist Family Retreat Center www.capemaymarianists.org Will be holding Contemplative Prayer Retreat, Sept. 24-27 (mid-week). This retreat is intended for those interested in a contemplative prayer experience. First-timers as well as those who are familiar and experienced with this type of retreat are all welcomed. Cost: \$150pp (includes; meals, room and program - call: 609-884-3829 - Cape May Point, NJ 08212

ANUNCIOS

El Grupo de Oración en Español tiene lugar habitualmente los miércoles, a las 8 de la noche en la cafetería.

Los próximos bautizos en español tendrán lugar el 15 de Septiembre 2018 a la 1pm. Contactar en el 357-0035.

BOOSTER CLUBWEEK 8- Sandy Cappello

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome into the Roman Catholic Faith and our Parish Community, the following children who were recently baptized at Sacred Heart:

ISABELLA QUITO

Daughter of Angel and Alexandra

JEREMY ALEXANDER ROSALES

Son of Alexander and Yeni

LIBBY NICOLE RECINOS-CARRILLO

Daughter of Ever and Lilian

ISAIAH ARROYA

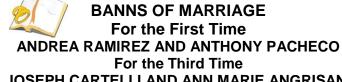
Son of Daniel and Marisol

SOPHIA ROSE HAYDEN

Daughter of Amanda

NASIR AGOSTINHO JONES

Son of Keith and Stephanie



JOSEPH CARTELLI AND ANN MARIE ANGRISANI
For the Third Time
BRITTANY PLATT AND MICHAEL LUDENA



Please pray for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them: **Keith**

Alanis, Luciano Antonucci, Jenna Applebaum, Theresa Anselmi, Baby Ty, Michael Brady, Annette Burbridge. Dolores Cangelose, Frank Calfa, Joseph Carrozza, Kelly Collins, Robert Conly, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Robert Cosenza, Joe Davey, DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Mary Discini, Mary Donato, John Duffy, Stefanie Gaudelli, Arlene Gentile, Debra Gravina, Catherine Greeley, Senan Halpin, Clement Hayes, Carrin Holborn, Mr. Harris, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Rob Incognoli, Bob Janson, Susan Jarkiewicz, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Vasily Lockhart, Laura Mack, Matthew Luludis, Marie Marasuilo, Thomas Mathai, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Ken Meyer, Florence Mohan, Joseph Mikulka, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Shace Paljusevic, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, Philomena Pelzer, Richard Porpora, Etta Rooney, Mary Rooney, Mary Russo, Daniel & Eileen Sammarone, Lenny Scarr III, Janet Schwartz, Ruth Schwetz, Michael Shumway, Jean Simons, Roberto Sorgo, Maureen Starke, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Margaret Szaro, Fr. Peter Tarantino, SA, Phyllis Varacalli, Fr. Wing, Marie Witt, and Vladimir Zaslavsky.

> ALTAR MEMORIALS AUGUST 19, 2018

Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of

ANN MARIE "NANCY" BARRETT



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18

9:00am – Joan Bristow

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS

5:30pm - Jean, Thomas E. & Tom J. Kalber

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

7:00am - All Parishioners

8:30am - Connie Maslik

10:00am - Bernard & Bonnie Wysocki

11:30am – Dawn Madden

1:00pm - Anthony Moschella

5:30pm - Parish Memorial Society

MONDAY, AUGUST 20

7:00am – Jerry Kane

9:00am - Special Intentions Marion & Michael Seman

7:15pm - Novena

TUESDAY, AUGUST 21

7:00am - Peter Cullyer

9:00am - Louis & Jack Rittendale

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22

7:00am - Carol Antonelli

9:00am – Robert "Rob" Pierson

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23

7:00am – Mary Murphy

9:00am - Donald Evan

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24

7:00am - Margaret Billy

9:00am - Aline Hendrickson &

Special Intentions Henny Hendrickson

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25

9:00am - Special Intentions Louis Monrose

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS

5:30pm - Mary & Luciano Antonucci

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26

7:00am - All Parishioners

8:30am - Catherine Howard & Francis McAdams

10:00am – Frank Gilchriest

11:30am - Romona Zuño

1:00pm – Angelica Calfa

5:30pm - Parish Memorial Society



Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, and family members and loved ones:

Our Deceased... Especially: James "Topper" Grasso William Peden



FOR OUR ARMED FORCES

We pray for all the men and women serving our country in the armed forces especially the sons and daughters, grandchildren and loved ones of our parishioners.