

SCRIPTURE READINGS

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TODAY: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Proverbs 9:1-6
Ephesians 5:15-20
John 6:51-58

Next Sun: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b
Ephesians 5:21-32
John 6:60-69



75th ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER – Save the date! Tuesday, October 13, 2015, will be our 75th Annual Spaghetti Dinner. It will be in the school cafeteria from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. and from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tickets for adults will be \$12 and children will be \$6. Tickets will be available soon! We can accept donations for gift baskets. Thank you!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM – We are taking registrations for classes of religious education in the parish office during normal office hours (Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday: 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.). Please register your child as soon as possible. Any registrations taken after August 31st will incur a late fee per child. If you have any questions regarding the classes for the Religious Education program, please contact the parish office. **NOTE: If your child was enrolled last year in 1st year preparation for the sacraments now is the time to re-enroll them for 2nd year preparation.** Please visit the office to pick up sacrament certificates, 1st Communion pictures, and confirmation pictures.

POPE FRANCIS' VISIT to THE USA - Pope Francis will be in New York City for one full day – Friday, September 25th. He has a very busy day. It begins with an address at the United Nations. The Pope will then join other religious leaders for a prayer service at the 9/11 Memorial. After a short pause in the afternoon, Pope Francis will visit a Catholic school in Harlem. His day will conclude with Mass at Madison Square Garden at 6:00 p.m. Tickets to the Mass are very limited. The Archdiocese has not said how many tickets each parish will receive. Prior to arriving in New York, Pope Francis will visit Cuba, then Washington, D.C. In Washington, the Pope will address a joint session of Congress and offer a Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception where the Pope will canonize Junipero Serra, a Franciscan Missionary in the 1700s who founded Catholic missions throughout the territory that is now California. After his New York visit, the Pope will travel to Philadelphia where he will spend two days. His visit coincides with the World Meeting of Families. Please pray for the Pope's good health and safety on an arduous journey!

A PRAYER TO OUR GOD – God, Father and Mother, of us all, may your kingdom come today. May your reign of justice, peace, compassion, and forgiveness be present in the world – my world, the world in which I live and work. May it be present by my commitment to your justice – a justice that is not impartial but biased in favor of the poor, the weak and the powerless. May it be present by my commitment to your peace – not sowing seeds of rancor and division, but fostering unity and friendship. May it be present by my commitment to your compassion – seeing in all whom I meet the face of the living Christ and responding to all as I would to Him. May it be present in my forgiveness – a forgiveness that I offer to all and for which I ask nothing. Yes, loving God, may your kingdom come today and may I be the one through whom your reign dawns in my world today and every day. *Amen.*

NEW PRINCIPAL at OUR LADY of MOUNT CARMEL+St. BENEDICTA SCHOOL – After 29 years at Our Lady of Mount Carmel+St. Benedicta School, Ms. Jeannine Roland chose to accept the position of Principal at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Grammar School. Mr. Stephen Sanchez has been hired to replace Ms. Roland. Mr. Sanchez is a graduate of The University of Notre Dame. He studied Philosophy and Government and is currently pursuing a Masters in Educational Leadership at Fordham University as part of the Archdiocese of New York's Curran Principal Academy. He was a classroom teacher and Pastoral Youth Director for thirteen years, and is currently the Founding Director of ComUnidad Juan Diego, an educational, pastoral, and social services initiative for Latin American immigrants in the Archdiocese of New York. He is the English editor of Traces Magazine, the international magazine of Communion and Liberation. Please welcome Mr. Sanchez when he visits our parish in September!

ARE YOUR CHILDREN READY FOR SCHOOL? – A new school year will be starting very soon. Has your child completed his or her summer assignments? Is your child reading regularly? Make sure your child begins the new school year strongly and not with a deficit as a result of doing nothing during the summer.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PLEDGES to THE CARDINAL'S APPEAL!

WEEKLY OFFERING: August 3 - \$2,208; August 9 - \$3,023. Thank you!

AT THE TABLE - In today's first reading, Wisdom is imagined as a woman rich in poise and grace. She moves smoothly and confidently about her temple-like home. She doesn't flutter about, nervous with worry. Wisdom sends her maidens to invite all to her open house. The guests do not possess any particular genius or insight. They need only be a people of good will and common sense. They are summoned to leave behind foolishness and to find for themselves a place at Wisdom's table. There they may and can eat and drink deeply. Today's Gospel draws us back to the table of the Eucharist. Jesus addresses those who seek to understand his words and, sadly, those who seek to avoid them. As people born of God, we are called and equipped to seek God's will and act on it. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ August 16, 2015



Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you do not have life within you. ~John 6:53

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday August 15

8:00am- † Peter Coraci
5:00pm- † Debbie Bonilla-Perez

Sunday August 16

8:30am- † Michael Contardo
10:00am- † Anna & Charles Urwin
11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Monday August 17

8:00am- †
12:05pm- †

Tuesday August 18

8:00am- †
12:05pm- †

Wednesday August 19

8:00am- -†
12:05pm- †

Thursday August 20

8:00am- †
12:05pm- †

Friday August 21

8:00am - †
12:05pm- †

Saturday August 22

8:00am- † Grace Coleman & Rosela Nazareno
5:00pm- † William M. Frickenstein

Sunday August 23

8:30am- † Joseph Fortunato
10:00am- † Dolores Elizabeth Zukowski
12:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions
6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions



Offered By: Dianne Murphy
Offered By: godsons: Louis & Demetrius Carey & Family

Offered By: wife, Theresa
By: sister, Yolanda & niece, Lynn

Offered By:

Offered By: Aurora Ocampo

Offered By: Family

Offered By: MaryAnn Ugbo

By: Victoria & Wilfredo Garay



This weekend we celebrated the Feast of the Assumption of Mary, Mother of J13esus, Mother of God. It is important for us to remember that we give Mary special honor within the Church because she is the model of discipleship for us. What she did, we should do.

Mary trusted in God's word. Mary was a simple, peasant teenager when she heard the voice of God speak to her in prayer. Mary wrestled with what God asked of her, but ultimately placed all of her trust in God. As a result, she changed the course of human history as she became the mother of Jesus, the Mother of God. As disciples of Christ, we must be persons of prayer who listen to the voice of God. We can wrestle with what God asks of us but ultimately we should be able to place all of our trust in God as Mary did. Remember that Jesus told us in the Gospels that all who hear the Word of God and do it are mother, and brother, and sister to him.

Mary was faithful to God through suffering. Mary's life was not easy. No mother wants to see her son become the object of intense hatred, ridicule and abuse. No mother wants to see her son arrested, tortured, and executed. But Mary was faithful to God, faithful to her Son, through all that she suffered. Her faith was vindicated with the resurrection of her Son and with her own assumption into heaven. When life is difficult for us, we must remember the example of Mary and pray that she will help us persevere in faith through all of our suffering.

Mary was a woman of prayer. It was in prayer that Mary first heard the voice of God speak to her. Mary surely had to have been a woman of prayer to sustain her faith through all that she suffered. We can say this because the last time that we see Mary in the Gospels she is at prayer with the other disciples on the Feast of Pentecost. Only a woman of prayer could have lived a life of such deep fidelity, tremendous love, and generosity. If we are to be true disciples of Christ, we must seek Mary's help to be the persons of prayer that we are called to be.

Pray today to Mary and ask for her help to become better disciples of her Son.

Fr. Mark Hallinan, S.J.

Weekly Memorials

Bread & Wine
Tabernacle Candle
Memorial Candle
Memorial Candle



~ † Anna Urwin *By: Family*
~ † Charles Urwin *By: Family*

Liturgical Minster's Schedule AUGUST 2015~

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Lectors: Linda Graves & Angelo Sabella (*carry Gospel Book*) *Substitute:* Bill Hinton
E. M.: Linford Smith, Angelo Sabella & Tom Ventrudo *Substitute:* Bill Hinton

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Lector: Linda Torres & Jonathan Codipilly (*carry Gospel Book*) *Sub:* Maria Oliveras
E.M.: Linda Torres, MaryAnn Ugbo & Cinderella Wonsewitz *Sub:* Delmeter Carey

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Valerie Cappucci (*carry Gospel Book*) *Substitute.:* Victoria Garay
E. M.: Dianne Murphy, Lydia Moran & Mariana Zukowski

Substitute: Emmanuel Fode