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5:00 p.m.

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**Monday thru Friday:** 8:00 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

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prior to wedding

Sacrament of

Sacrament of Baptism Every Sunday after the 12:30 Mass



Saturday, August 27, 2016

Vigil: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 p.m. Frank and Rose Mazzanti

Sunday, August 28, 2016

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m.

**Edward C. Swatowy** 

9:30 a.m.

**Christine and Angela DeFonce** 

11:00 a.m.

The Cooney Family and

12:30 p.m.

Mass for the Parishioners of

St. John the Baptist

Neil O'Riordan

Monday, August 29, 2016

Feast of The Passion of St. John the Baptist

8:00 a.m.

John Nuccio, Sr.

9:00 a.m.

Camille DePalma

Tuesday, August 30, 2016

8:00 a.m.

**Anthony Matti** 

9:00 a.m.

Vincent Viene

Wednesday, August 31, 2016

8:00 a.m. Gemma Rizzi

9:00 a.m.

Gloria Altonso and

Zonaida Denusta

Thursday, September 1, 2016

8:00 a.m.

**Terence T. Martin III** 

9:00 a.m.

Lina Yanni -- Birthday

Friday, September 2, 2016

8:00 a.m.

Franco Zito

9:00 a.m.

Leo DiMeglio

Saturday, September 3, 2016

Feast of St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the

Church

8:00 a.m.

**Giuseppe Caputo** 

Saturday, September 3, 2016

Vigil: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. Nora Costello and Elsie Drayer

Sunday, September 4, 2016

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mass for the Parishioners of

St. John the Baptist

9:30 a.m. George and Rose Milder

For the Deceased Members of the 11:00 a.m.

Joyce, Holland and Horne Families

**Dora and John Gervino** 12:30 p.m.



III. Jeffrey Grasson and Diana Squillante III. Paul Morgan and Donika Troshani

### ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, August 27th 5:00 p.m. – M. Bello and C. Castaldi

### Sunday, August 28th

8:00 a.m. – R. Peter and R. Peter 9:30 a.m. – W. Ferguson and R. Tuffy 11:00 a.m. – P. Tozzi 12:30 p.m. – S. Osso

### Saturday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>

5:00 p.m. – M. Colaiacovo and D. Vanadia

### Sunday, September 4th

8:00 a.m. – C. Elias and C. Komosinski 9:30 a.m. – J. Corcoran and R. Corcoran 11:00 a.m. – R. Peter and R. Peter 12:30 p.m. – D. Liberatore and R. Rica

**Holiday**: A week from this Monday is Labor Day (September 5th), a national holiday and a time to celebrate the efforts of millions of men and women who contribute to our free economy and make our country great. Please note: Our parish office will be closed on Labor Day. The church will be open for our 8:00 a.m. Mass; after the 8:00 a.m. Mass, the church and chapel will be closed.

**Back to School**: St. John the Baptist School welcomes its **SCHOOL!** wonderful students  $(PK - 8^{th})$  in their school uniforms according to the following schedule: Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. On Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, all classes begin full days.

Religious Education Program: We welcome our children for the 2016 - 2017 Religious Education Program on Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>: Grades 1-5, 4:00-5:30 p.m. and Grades 6-8, 7:00-8:30 p.m.



<u>TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</u>: Humility is the theme of our first and third readings from Sacred Scripture this Sunday. Humility is not false modesty, which is actually a manifestation of pride. Humility is, rather, an honest recognition of our strengths and our weaknesses. Such an attitude frees us and allows us both to use our talents and to learn from others, acknowledging that everything, ultimately, comes from God.

In today's first reading (Sir. 3:17-29) Sirach reminds us that the greater our gifts or status, the more we need humility. There is always more to learn, some skills are always beyond us, we all have to face mistakes and shortcomings. The truly humble person or institution has no difficulty expressing gratitude for gifts received or regret for errors made. Nor is it accidental that today's psalm connects such an attitude with care for the poor and marginalized; where humility reigns, the needs of all are met.

In the gospel (Lk. 14:7-14) Jesus continues this theme in the passage from St. Luke. As guests invited to a feast, we must not put ourselves forward; it is up to the host to bid us to take a higher place. When we are the host we should take care not just to invite those who can repay us but should welcome those whom society forgets. In that way, we will be ready for the great festal gathering alluded to in the reading from Hebrews, the assembly of those who are just, whose names are inscribed in Heaven.

### SPECIAL SAINTS' DAYS THIS WEEK

### Monday, August 29th - The Martyrdom of John the Baptist

Within two months we recall both the birth and death of the herald of Jesus. The celebration of the martyrdom of John the Baptist invites us to sing of our salvation in the Lord. We pray with the psalmist and with John the Baptist depending on God and praising His name above all earthly things.

### Thursday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> – St. Gregory the Great

Born in Rome in 540, St. Gregory started out as a public official who showed great promise as a civic leader. However, God had other plans for this gifted young man. He entered a monastery, but the Church recognized that he had extraordinary leadership qualities. In 590 he was elected Pope and spent the next fourteen years promoting the Church's missionary work; encouraging the care of the poor; working for reform – particularly of the moral life of the Church. One of his reforms focused on Church music and his name to this day is associated with that special choral music known as "Gregorian Chant". About thirty years ago Benedictine monks in Spain produced a CD of Gregorian Chant that sparked a renewed interest in the wonderful treasure which has been a part of the Church's repertory for 1500 years. Unfortunately in some places in the late 20<sup>th</sup> century that wonderful musical tradition was completely replaced in favor of trendy, more "contemporary" tunes. We are blessed to know, however, that the "ever ancient, ever new" beauty of Gregorian Chant has not been lost and is now experiencing a renaissance.

<u>Advanced Planning</u>: This December, Msgr. Maloney will celebrate his 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordination to the priesthood. Msgr. Maloney was ordained in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome on December 17, 1966. On Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, Msgr. will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. John's at 11:00 a.m. and a reception for our parishioners with light refreshments will follow in the lower church. In addition, the Holy Name and Rosary Altar Societies are planning a Golden Anniversary Celebration Dinner for the parish on Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>. Details about the dinner will be forthcoming in a few weeks.

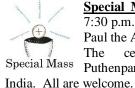


**Sunday Report:** Last weekend 1,125 parishioners attended Mass; our collection totaled \$8,734.00; average contribution: \$7.76. Thank you for your continued financial support of St. John's and its

Your generosity is essential and greatly many needs. appreciated.

Rest in Peace: Let us pray for John Concannon who was buried from our church this past week. Our prayers go out to his family and friends.

**School Summer Project**: We are very grateful to all those parishioners who have responded so generously to the request Sr. Maryalice made in June to make a sacrifice for our 2016 Summer Project: to raise \$100,000 so we can repair our gym ceiling and replace our (aging) school windows with new energy-efficient ones. We are very encouraged by our progress so far, in fact, as this bulletin in being prepared, we are very close to reaching our goal -- thanks to all who have contributed so far! By the time this bulletin is distributed the work on our gym ceiling should be completed. The materials for the windows have been ordered - but work will not begin until the fall when we hope we will have reached our goal. Information about how to help may be found in envelopes at the exits of the church or by calling the rectory.



Special Mass: This Tuesday, August 30th at 7:30 p.m. there will be a Mass for Healing at St. Paul the Apostle Church (602 McLean Avenue). will be: The celebrant Msgr. Puthenparambel of Mission Diocese in Kerala,

St. John's Senior Club: With the arrival of September, the Senior Club resumes its calendar. Our Wednesday meetings begin September 7th in the lower Church; and our fall plans include many special events. On October 7th, we will have our first of the season's "First Friday" Mass, followed by a lunch (Chinese -- \$6.00) in the lower Church. All are welcome. Thursday, October 13th features the production of "Squabbles" a comedy, at the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse. The cost is \$70.00 per person and includes a delicious luncheon and transportation. Tuesday, November 1st, is a Glen Miller performance at the Westchester Broadway Theatre. On Friday, November 4th is our First Friday Mass. The weekend of November 12th and 13th is our annual Bake Sale and our famous Gift Basket raffles, handmade knitted items and a 50/50 raffle drawing in the lower Church. On December 2<sup>nd</sup> will be our First Friday Mass followed by a Christmas luncheon catered by Nick's Homefield Deli before we break for Christmas. Come to our Wednesday meetings and enjoy good company, Bingo and good times. For more information call Deacon Olivieri at 423-4859.



Monthly Maintenance: Since next Sunday is the first Sunday of the month of September, we will take up our regular "First Sunday of the Month" second collection after Communion next week. This collection helps with the

upkeep, maintenance, and cleaning of our beautiful church. Please be generous.

Holy Name Society Scholarship Golf Tournament: The H.N.S. will be holding their annual Scholarship Golf Tournament at Sprain Lake Golf Course on Friday, September 30th. Tee times start at 10:00 a.m. This tournament funds two scholarships that are given annually to graduating 8th graders from St. John's. The price per golfer is \$160.00. This includes the round of golf, breakfast, lunch, cocktail hour, dinner, greens and cart fees. Reservations and payment must be made by September 21<sup>st</sup> and are on a first come basis. Become a sponsor by making a donation to the Holy Name Society Scholarship Fund. For more information, please call Vinny Vanadia at 646-721-0700 or vinny316@aol.com.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (popularly known as A journey in faith "RCIA" is the process designed by

the Church for adults to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion. The goals are to give a complete overview of Catholic teaching and practice and to begin to deepen a Christian spiritual life centered in the Sunday Scripture readings. The sacraments are received at the Easter Vigil Mass. It is open to adults who:

- Have never been baptized; they would be preparing for all three sacraments.
- Were baptized in a non-Catholic Christian denomination who are interested in becoming Catholic; they would be preparing for Confirmation and First Communion.
- Were baptized Catholic but never received Confirmation and/or Communion; they would be preparing for the sacraments they have not yet received.

The 2016-2017 program at St. John's which prepares adults (and older adolescents) to receive sacraments will begin in October. However, if you (or anyone you know) is interested in learning more about our program, please leave your name at the rectory 963-1486.

**Second Collection**: This weekend we will take up our monthly special collection to support our school and maintain our school facilities. The school is not only used for our grammar school children, our CCD classes and our RCIA program, but for a variety of community and parish activities. It is vital that we keep our school facilities in excellent condition. We ask for a contribution of \$7.00 in this monthly collection and once again express our appreciation for your generosity.

Adult Bingo: The Rosary Altar Society is planning an evening for adult (i.e. 18 years and older) Bingo on Friday, October 21st at 8:00 p.m. More details will follow. Please save

the date!

Gala Fundraiser: The Maryknoll Sisters are holding a fundraising gala "United Through Mission" to support the Sisters' Global Mission Outreach. The event will be held on Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. in the Delegates Dining Room at the United Nations Headquarters in New York City. To purchase event tickets, advertise in our Gala Journal, view sponsorship opportunities, purchase raffles, or explore our auction items visit our website www.maryknollsisters.org/gala16 or call 1-866-662-9900.



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Our Father ..., Hail Mary ..., The

Then, on the OUR FATHER BEADS you will say the following words:

Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On the HAIL MARY BEADS you will say the following words:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion have mercy on us and on the whole world. In conclusion THREE TIMES you will recite these words:

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

From the Diary of the Servant of God Sr. Faustina Note Book I, p 197 IMPRIMATUR: November 17, 1979 + Joseph F. Maguire Bishop of Springfield, Mass

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