

**20<sup>TH</sup> & 21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAYS in Ordinary Time**

Aug. 14 & Aug. 21, 2016 **MASSES FOR 2 WEEKS**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 14TH**

8:30 A.M. Robert Petillo  
10:30A.M. People of the Parish  
12:00P.M. Patricia Guinan

**MONDAY, AUGUST 15TH**

9:30 A.M. Robert & William Rech

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 16TH**

8:00 A.M. Anne Wallace

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17TH**

8:00 A.M. Charles Hillenbrand, Jr.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 18TH**

8:00 A.M. Cecilia Ballestero

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 19TH**

8:00 A.M. Ray Polakoski

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 20TH**

9:00 A.M. Norman Ressler  
5:00 P.M. Ann Diodato

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 21ST**

8:30 A.M. Ruth H. Apice  
10:30A.M. Marie McDonald Kalb  
12:00P.M. People of the Parish

**MONDAY, AUGUST 22ND**

8:00 A.M. Theresia Fickensberger

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 23RD**

8:00 A.M. Dorothy Gross (1st Anniv)

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24TH**

8:00 A.M. Bela Paulovitz

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 25TH**

8:00 A.M. Martha Aragona

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 26TH**

8:00 A.M. Louise Thatcher

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 27TH**

9:00 A.M. Anita Bono  
5:00 P.M. Alan Lawton

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 28TH**

8:30 A.M. Robert Petillo  
10:30A.M. Halina Drzyzga  
12:00P.M. People of the Parish

**SCRIPTURES:**

**August 28th– 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading:** THOSE WHO ARE HUMBLE WILL FIND FAVOR WITH GOD. EVERYONE SHOULD REALIZE THAT THERE IS MUCH WE CAN LEARN FROM EACH OTHER. EVEN THE MOST KNOWLEDGEABLE PEOPLE NEED TO BE HUMBLE ENOUGH TO KNOW THAT THEY CAN STILL LEARN FROM OTHERS. (SIRACH 3:17-18, 20, 28-29)

**SECOND READING:** THE HEBREWS ARE INFORMED THAT THEY ARE NOT APPROACHING AN UNTOUCHABLE MOUNTAIN ETCHED WITH GLOOM AND FEAR. RATHER, THEY HAVE NEARED "THE CITY OF THE LIVING GOD, JERUSALEM." THE HEBREWS HAVE APPROACHED A JOYFUL GATHERING OF ANGELS, GOD OUR JUDGE, AND JESUS, WHO BROUGHT US A NEW COVENANT. (HEBREWS 12:18-19, 22-24a)

**GOSPEL:** JESUS WENT TO SHARE A MEAL WITH ONE OF THE LEADING PHARISEES WHEN HE NOTICED OTHER GUESTS COMPETING FOR PLACES OF HONOR AT THE TABLE. HE WARNED THAT A GUEST WHO TAKES THE PLACE OF HONOR MAY BE ASKED TO MOVE TO THE LOWEST PLACE. YET A GUEST WHO TAKES THE LOWEST PLACE IS HONORED WHEN A BETTER POSITION IS OFFERED BY THEIR HOST. HE THEN ADDED, "HE WHO HUMBLING HIMSELF WILL BE EXALTED." (LUKE 14: 1, 7-14)

**STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK- Sunday, August 14th, 2016**  
In today's second reading, St. Paul encourages us not to grow weary or lose heart, but to persevere in following Jesus. Our willingness to give of ourselves, even in the face of conflict and division, is one way to measure our discipleship.

**STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK- Sunday, August 21st, 2016**  
Today's reading from Isaiah describes the Israelites bringing their offering to the Lord "in clean vessels." The gift of myself—my patient endurance and fidelity to the will of God—is as important as the monetary gift I offer.

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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** ☩ 🍎

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**ATTENTION ALL PARENTS/ REGISTRATION FORMS**

New and renewal registration forms for the 2016-2017 Religious Education Program were e-mailed in May. Forms also available in the Church vestibule.

**FEE SCHEDULE**

1 child \$180/ 2 children- \$200 Family-3 or more- \$210  
Pre-K/K \$50 per child if no other siblings in program.

**HIGH SCHOOL**

\$90 Per student-separate fee from Elementary grades.

Registration deadline was June 30, 2016.

**\$40.00 late fee now being applied, no exceptions.**

**CATECHISTS NEEDED FOR THE NEW**

Religious Education year beginning in September 2016. Please consider sharing your faith with our children. We are in need of Catechists for Grades 4, 5, 8 & 9 (A Week), 3, 4, 6, 7 & 8 (B-Week). Materials and training will be provided. For more information call Mrs. Jaye Hedrick at the Religious Education Office 973-663-0124. Thank you.



**MASS WITH BISHOP SERRATELLI**

Our Lady Star of the Sea is honored to be hosting Bishop Arthur Serratelli as the Main celebrant at Mass **Saturday, September 3rd at 5:00PM.** Please join us for this special celebration of the Eucharist with our chief shepherd of the Diocese.



**Please remember in prayer those who are sick: Msgr.**

Leo Carey, Msgr. Martin Rauscher, Fr. William Santeliz, Fr. Patrick Walsh, Fr. Ron Sordillo, John Ulianiello, Mary Dalessio, Sr. Kathleen Doyle, Fr. Brian Fletcher, Richard Brannigan, Mary D'Alessio, James Coughlin, Jr., Dominic LaFranca, James Tulloch, Christine Profaca & all those who are ill at this time.



**OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA PRAYER SERVICE FOR PEACE**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2016 at 3 pm.** On Sunday September 11th, the 15th Anniversary of the terrorist bombings in our country, Deacon Alberto Totino will lead us in prayer to ask our Lord and the Blessed Mother to help us obtain peace in our world. With the recent attacks and gun violence in the United States and around the world there is no better time than now for us to come together for peace. We ask you to invite your friends and neighbors to this service.

**BAPTISMS** Next Baptism preparation class will be held Tuesday, August 30th at 7:15pm in the Church Hall for Baptisms to be performed on Sunday, September 4th at 1:00pm in Church.



**MASS CARDS** We are asked to pray for the dead. The best way to do this is to have a mass celebrated in memory of a loved one. Call the rectory 973-663-0211. **Please note-** the offering is \$15.

**RCIA** is a process where adults can enter the Catholic Church or adult Catholics can be confirmed. The next **RCIA process for 2016-2017 will begin in September.** If you know an adult who is not confirmed or who is a member of another church & is interested in the Catholic Faith, please call Fr. Chris at 973-663-0211. Thank you.

**NEW TO THE PARISH Welcome!** Please call the rectory (973) 663-0211 & arrange to register to become a member of our active parish.



**OBSERVING THE SABBATH**

Quite often I hear myself talking to myself and saying, "I need to take some time out for myself." It seems that life has been busy for most people during this calendar year. Once Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, parish life becomes quite stressful. During Lent many extra parish activities take place--the Antioch Retreat Weekend, First Penance, Wednesday evening Masses, and the RCIA process becomes more involved. Holy Week is a special time of holiness and grace but it is also stressful with the extra liturgical events of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter.

Shortly after Easter we had Confirmation with Bishop Serratelli on April 4th and then we moved into May with First Communion on May 7th and 14th. We had special Masses for the closing of the religious education year, and the Hunger Walk took place on May 15th.

On Saturday, May 21st we held our first Beefsteak Fundraiser, and little known to me the committee decided to surprise me for not only the 45th Anniversary of my ordination into the Priesthood, but also my 70th birthday. I was amazed that 100 people kept this a secret! Then there was our Ministry Breakfast and Vow renewal ceremony in June. After all this, things begin to slow down at the parish with the emergence of summer, but not before I celebrated the marriage of Andrew Harrison and Deidre Cilento on July 16th. The summer months offer us a chance to relax and take things easier.

What does this have to do with the Sabbath? I recently came across this observation by a Rabbi about the Sabbath. He described the Sabbath this way. "Imagine a desk full of all the things you have to do. They demand to be done even though you don't have enough time and energy to do them, and the farthest thing from your mind is taking time away from getting through them. Then, despite all that, imagine sweeping everything away and clearing a space- only for a day. That's what the Sabbath is like. No matter how many your responsibilities, take one day to make room for God, for those closest to you, for service to others, and for rest. Each week the Sabbath offers this chance to re-ground yourself in what's most important."


The Sabbath gives us a chance to re-ground ourselves in what is most important in *life*. In the Book of Exodus when Moses goes up to the summit of Mt. Sinai he receives the Ten Commandments from God. The third asks us to keep holy the Sabbath Day. God wanted his Chosen People to constantly remind themselves of their duty to Yahweh and to make holy the seventh day of the week. The Jewish people have retained this sense of the Sabbath. Millions of Christians do not treat the Sabbath-Sunday for us-as different from the other days of the week. Malls are open, sports events take place, household chores are done and little time is given to the Lord. For the Jewish people the entire day is meant to be observed, meaning no manual work is done that day. Yet millions of Christians fail to give God even one hour to worship the creator and redeemer.

The Sabbath is important to the human spirit. Do not neglect it. It reminds us that we are Children of God. He is Our Father. He deserves our allegiance.

*Sincerely in Christ,  
Father Chris*



**Mets vs. Twins Friday, September 16th, 7pm. (T-shirt night). \$70 per ticket. Sec 134- Field level left side. Call rectory 973-663-0211 to reserve tickets. Bus leaves Our Lady Star of the Sea parking lot 4pm (1 BUS.) Payments due by August 25th .Come join us at Citi Field for a fun family night out. Let's Go Mets!**



**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR SATURDAY, August 20th thru SUNDAY, August 28th**

**AUGUST 20th- 5:00pm – SATURDAY**

Katelynn Peterson & Kylie Silva - Altar Servers  
Anne Nichols & Allen Bolcar– Eucharistic Ministers  
Steve Rush– Lector

**AUGUST 21st - 8:30 AM – SUNDAY**

Jacob & Nicholas Shatteman - Altar Servers  
Rose Rech & Linda Grlica- Eucharistic Ministers  
Donna Kirby– Lector

**10:30 AM – SUNDAY**

Leah & Olivia Demko - Altar Servers  
Kathy Grealy & Joan McGrady - Eucharistic Ministers  
Tim Grealy - Lector

**12:00 PM – SUNDAY**

Edward & Matthew Del Rosarios – Altar Servers  
Carmelo Del Rosario– Eucharistic Minister  
Kris Dour – Lector

**AUGUST 27th - 5:00pm – SATURDAY**

Prajith Stephen & Francis Short - Altar Servers  
Earl Kimble & Rose Rech– Eucharistic Ministers  
Jim Beyel– Lector

**AUGUST 28th - 8:30 AM – SUNDAY**

Schattemans- Altar Servers  
Cheryl Kaelblein & Linda Grlica- Eucharistic Ministers  
Debbie DeFeo – Lector

**10:30 AM – SUNDAY**

Kyle & Sara Thomas- Altar Servers  
Rochelle Sullivan & Roit Leek - Eucharistic Ministers  
Donna Kirby– Lector

**12:00 PM – SUNDAY**

Rebekkah Merolle & Aleeza Cabahug – Altar Servers  
Dora Sharpe– Eucharistic Minister  
Kris Dour – Lector

***Please remember YOU are to replace yourself if you cannot fulfill your ministry assignment. Thank you.***

**FOOD PANTRY**

**TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 11-11:45AM, 1:30-3:15PM call 973-663-0211 for appointment.**



Co-ordinator is Toni Tarighi. Items needed: **CANNED PASTA, spaghetti/pasta, JELLY, JUICE, CANNED FRUITS, SOUP, potato sides, REFRIGERATED: milk, eggs, yogurt, frozen foods, & bread.** NOTE: Shoprite cards accepted.

**MISSIONARY COOPERATION PLAN:** The Diocese of Paterson participates in this special plan to help Missionary Congregations especially in Africa and India. Each parish is asked to help a specific community through the Missionary Cooperation Plan. **The weekend of Aug. 20-21**, our parish will host **Fr. Isaac Honsan**, from the **Archdiocese of Imphal**, which is located in the extreme corner of Northeast **India**, an area that has villages lacking the basic needs like electricity, phones, schools and hospitals. Many villages are not connected to all season roads. The 1st Catholic Baptism occurred here in 1952, and the current Catholic population is 100,000. The diocese has 48 parishes, & 160 priests including 67 indigenous tribal priests. Growth has presented challenges and persecution. Between 1990-2001, six young and dynamic missionaries were killed for witnessing the Gospel. In spite of these challenges, missionary efforts are yielding an increase in vocations to the priesthood and Religious life. The proceeds of the 2016 Mission appeal will be used to build 30 Low Cost Houses for the widows and the elderly in 30 parishes of the archdiocese as part of the Year of Mercy. Your generous support and prayers will help the evangelization work in the diocese of Imphal that began 66 years ago. **The Second Collection on August 20-21 will be for this purpose.** Please welcome Fr. Honsan.



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