

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 13, 2017

MASSES FOR the WEEK

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13TH

8:30 A.M. Bruno Buccafurni
10:30A.M. People of the Parish
12:00P.M. Richard Concato

MONDAY, AUGUST 14TH

8:00 A.M. Debbie De Prospro

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15TH – Feast of the Assumption

8:00 A.M. Robert & William Rech
10:00 AM Veronica La Franca
7:30 PM Lucia Spagnolo

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16TH

8:00 A.M. Peter Romaine

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17TH

8:00 A.M. Fr. Richard Grasso

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18TH

8:00 A.M. Anna Mae Halupka

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19TH

9:00 A.M. Angela Bessette & Joseph Lynch
5:00 P.M. Mary & Louis Pazzaglia

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20TH

8:30 A.M. John & Celia Yankoski
10:30A.M. People of the Parish
12:00P.M. James Coughlin, Jr.

SCRIPTURES

August 20TH – Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: The Lord wants all people to love and honor His name. He says that those who honor Him by obeying all of His laws will be “made joyful in My house of prayer.”

(ISAIAH 56: 1, 6-7)

SECOND READING: PAUL DESCRIBES HIS HOPES THAT HIS FELLOW JEWS WILL FOLLOW THE EXAMPLE OF THE GENTILES HE HAS BEEN PREACHING TO. HE CLAIMS THAT JUST AS GOD HAS MERCY FOR THEIR DISOBEDIENCE, HE WISHES TO SHOW MERCY TO THE JEWS AS WELL. (ROMANS 11: 13-15, 29-32)

GOSPEL: A CANAANITE WOMAN BEGGED JESUS TO HELP HER DAUGHTER, WHO WAS BEING PLAGUED BY A DEMON. JESUS AT FIRST REFUSED HER AND SAID THAT “MY MISSION IS ONLY TO THE LOST-SHEEP OF THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL.” THE WOMAN WAS SO PERSISTENT THAT JESUS SAID SHE HAD GREAT FAITH AND THEN HE HEALED HER DAUGHTER.

(MATTHEW 15: 21-28)

STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK-August 13, 2017

Elijah recognized the voice of God not in the strong & heavy wind, but in a tiny whispering sound. May we find enough quiet in our clamorous world to hear His voice and discern what He is calling us to do and be.

NOTE: Tuesday, August 15th, the Feast of the Assumption, is a Holy Day of Obligation. *Masses will be celebrated at 8am, 10am, & 7:30pm.* Please mark your calendar.

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. Offering is \$15.



BAPTISMS

Next Baptism prep is Tuesday, August 29th for Baptisms to be held Sunday, September 10th, 1PM.

RCIA is a process where adults can enter the Catholic Church or adult Catholics can be confirmed. The next **RCIA process for 2017-2018 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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CCD Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/olsoslh>

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS/REGISTRATION FORMS

New and renewal registration forms for the 2017-2018 Religious Education Program have been e-mailed out. Forms are also available in the vestibule of the Church.

FEE SCHEDULE

1 child - \$220 2 children- \$240

Family-3 or more- \$250

Pre-K/K \$50 per child if no other siblings in program.

HIGH SCHOOL

\$125 Per student-separate fee from Elementary grades.

CATECHISTS NEEDED FOR THE NEW Religious Education

year beginning September 2017. Please consider sharing your faith with our children. We are in need of Catechists for both A Week and B Week. For grades needed and more information call Mrs. Jaye Hedrick at the Religious Education Office 973-663-0124. Materials and training will be provided. Thank you.



Please remember in prayer those who are sick:

Bishop Frank Rodimer, Deacon John Kirk, Vera Donohue, Katelyn Anzelone Patricia Kautter, Tom Carter, Ray Kelly, Patricia LaMorte, Melanie

Didomizio, Tommy Vacca, Michael Dalessio, Carol Aulbach, Christine Profaca & all who are ill at this time.



OLSOS VACATION BIBLE CAMP –

August 21-25, 2017 9am-3pm OLSOS is

hosting one week of Day Camp for our Kindergarten through 5th grade children. Fees: \$175 per

child. Discounts for families and volunteers. BEFORE CARE, AFTER CARE, & LUNCH available. For forms, more info or to volunteer to help with activities contact OLSOS Religious Ed 973-663-0124. Many volunteers are needed for this special event.

ITEMS NEEDED: 7 OZ. PLASTIC CUPS; SMALL AND MEDIUM PAPER PLATES; KIX CEREAL; APPLE JUICE; PLAIN POPCORN; PRETZEL RODS & REGULAR PRETZELS; SANDWICH BAGS; 8 OZ. BOTTLES OF WATER. Please contact Rel Ed or Sue Sacino 973-601-3028 for help with these items.



ALTAR FLOWERS: If you would like to donate flowers for the church in memory of a loved one, or in honor of an occasion e.g. anniversary; please call 973/663-0211. Cost \$55.00-\$75.00.



NEW TO THE PARISH WELCOME! Please call 973-663-0211 Mon-Fri to become a registered member of our active parish.



Hurdton Methodist, 823 Rte. 15 South (next to Rescue Squad) –**FREE BACK TO SCHOOL GIVE AWAY, Saturday, August 19th. 9AM – 12 Noon.** Free school supplies & “back to school” food. Also “gently used clothing & sneakers. Drop in.

Friends,

For the past 9 months, we have been remembering my sister, Mary Dalessio, at Mass. I would like to take the time to thank you all for your prayers and kindness. Mary's five year battle with cancer came to an end on Sunday, July 29. In the last 10 days of her life, her only "nourishment" was the Blessed Sacrament. A Memorial Mass will be scheduled here at Star of the Sea in the near future. Mary's Funeral Mass was celebrated on August 7th in Bayonne. Blessings, Therese Butler, the Music Director:

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 Friday, April 21st, and then we moved into May with First Communion on May 6th. We had special Masses for the closing of the Religious Education year on May 21st.

On Sunday, June 4th, The Lake Hopatcong Association of Churches held the Annual Hunger Walk Fundraiser.

Last Saturday, August 5th, the 5 o'clock Mass at Star of the Sea was celebrated as a special Mass of Farewell for long time parishioners Annette & Carmine Maratta.

What does this all 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



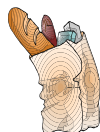
ON VACATION? To locate a church and Mass time go to www.Masstimes.org or call 734-794-2100, or get an iPhone application.



DRESS CODE: During the summer *please remember to dress appropriately for Church. How you dress is a reflection of you. This is the House of the Lord, let us show Him the respect He deserves!* 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: **WATER, TEA, JUICES, powdered drink mixes, mayonnaise, mustard, complete pancake mix & syrup, pasta & pasta sauce, salad dressing**, pop tarts, cereal bars, **crackers, carrots & canned meats, deodorant**, fabric softener, shaving cream, household cleaners, sponges, paper towels, tissues.

Refrigerated Items: yogurt, milk, eggs, bread, frozen foods.

Note: Thank you to the Maratta's and Helenek's for their very generous contributions to our food pantry.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR SATURDAY, August 19TH & SUNDAY, August 20TH

AUGUST 19TH 5:00pm – SATURDAY

Ethan & Aleeza Cabahug - Altar Servers
Allen Bolcar & Earl Kimble- Eucharistic Ministers
Sue Toth- Lector

AUGUST 20TH- 8:30 AM – SUNDAY

Jacob & Patrick Schatteman - Altar Servers
Rose Rech & Rochelle Sullivan - Eucharistic Ministers
Donna Kirby - Lector

10:30 AM – SUNDAY

Riley McGovern & Gianna Favata- Altar Servers
Joan McGrady & Sue Sacino - Eucharistic Ministers
Angela Helenek - Lector

12:00 PM – SUNDAY

Edward & Matthew DelRosarioi - Altar Servers
Carmelo DelRosario- Eucharistic Minister
Kris Dour - Lector

Please remember YOU ARE REQUIRED to replace yourself if you cannot make your assignment. Thank you.

MISSIONARY COOPERATION WEEKEND: The Diocese of Paterson participates in this special plan to help Missionary Congregations especially in Africa, South America, and India. Each parish is asked to help a specific community through the Missionary Cooperation Plan. **Next weekend, August 19-20**, our parish is hosting **Sr. Jacinta Kimaro**, from the Congregation of "The Evangelizing Sisters of Mary." It is a missionary African Congregation located in Tanzania-Zanzibar, Kenya, Uganda, Sudan, Cuba and South America. They work in the arid desert lands, in war torn areas, and in the most remote places. The Evangelizing Sisters of Mary work directly with single parents, desperate drop-out youth, street children, refugees, people living in slums, and those affected with HIV/Aids. The sisters do manual labor to help small generating projects by gardening, selling food, cooking, and doing carpentry work. They also help pay tuition and medical bills for this population, so that the children can at least receive a high school education. Your generous support and prayers will help the work of the Evangelizing Sisters of Mary. **The Second Collection next weekend, August 19-20 will be for this purpose.** Please welcome Sr. Jacinta.

More from the Church Ladies:

Potluck Supper Sunday at 5PM in the Church Hall- prayer and medication will follow.



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