

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
January 29, 2017

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday – January 28

8:30 a.m. Parishioners
 5:00 p.m. Ann Pinckney (Susan VonDollen)
 Frank Ferguson (M/M V. Palumbo)
 Catherine A. Jugan (Anna Elekes)
 Daniel Bell

Sunday – January 29

8:30 a.m. Unborn Children
 10:30 a.m. Zbigniew Salabaj (Salabaj Family)
 Antoni Lipec (Salabaj Family)

Monday – January 30

6:00 p.m. Leonora LaRocca and Anna Jacko
 (M/M A. Jacko)

Tuesday – January 31

8:30 a.m. Deceased Parishioners

Wednesday – February 1

8:30 a.m. **No Liturgy**

Thursday – February 2

8:30 a.m. Nelly Miyares-Anniv of Death (Hirma &
 Irela Ros)

Friday – February 3

8:30 a.m. Special Intention: Jennifer (Stella
 Rychlicki)

Saturday – February 4

8:30 a.m. Unborn Children
 5:00 p.m. Russell Flanagan-9th Anniv of Death
 (Mom & Dad)
 Roseann Rodriguez (M/M Olex)
 Catherine A. Jugan (Anna Elekes)
 Daniel Bell

Sunday – February 5

8:30 a.m. Nicholas Manna (Mary Stein)
 10:30 a.m. Grant Kramer (Dorothy Mathews)

MASS SERVERS
February 4 & 5

Saturday

5:00 p.m. Elle Hebbelinc
 Ashley Yeager

Sunday

8:30 a.m. Gabriella Perna
 Nicholas Sullivan
 10:30 a.m. Mario DiSanza
 Kiara Lorenzo



VOLUNTEER BINGO WORKERS

February 2 – Team #4

CAPTAIN: Craig Barkhausen
TEAM: Gina Bosco, Karen Grieco, Cheryl
 Johansson, Peter King, Jennifer
 McDonald, Gary McNeill, Allwyn
 Pereira, Muriel Stites, Kathy Tarr,
 Tara Toohey, Tracey Ysordia

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Monday

Religious Ed Classes Gr. 1-8-4:00-5:15pm (Connery
 Hall)

Tuesday

Choir – 7:30pm (Church)
 RCIA – 7pm (Meeting Room)
 Cub Scouts – 6:30-8:00pm (Gym)

Wednesday

CYO Basketball Practice – 6:00pm (Gym)
 Boy Scouts – 7:30-9:00pm (Connery Hall, Rm 2/4 &
 Gym)

Thursday

Bingo – 7:30 – 11:00pm (Connery Hall)

Friday

Cub Scouts – 6:30-8:00pm (Connery Hall, Rooms
 1,2,3,4,6)
 CYO Basketball – 6:00pm (Gym)
 Friday Night Positive Group –8:15pm (Connery
 Hall, Rooms 2 & 4)

Saturday

CYO Basketball Practice – Gym
 Souper Bowl of Caring Collection
 Saturday Night Positive Step meeting – 8:15pm
 (Connery Hall, Rooms 2 & 4)

Sunday

Religious Ed Classes Gr 1-8-9:00am-12:45pm
 (Connery Hall)
 Confirmation Mass & Class – 10:30am-12:45pm
 (Connery Hall)
 Souper Bowl of Caring Collection
 Girl Scout Troop 420 – 4:00-6:00pm (Connery Hall,
 Room 2/4)

PARISH FINANCES

The collection for last week was \$4,288.00.
 Last year at this time there was only one mass
 (10:30am on 1/24/16) due to a snowstorm. That
 collection was combined with the following weekend's
 collection.

*“Amen, I say to you, there is no one who has given up . . .
 for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not
 receive 100 times more now in this present age . . . and
 eternal life in the age to come.”*

Mark 10:29,30

**PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK & SUFFERING
 IN YOUR PRAYERS**

*Especially, Jose Baez, John Bedell, Gary Bomely,
 Barbara Ciaffone, Deborah Radler, Marion DiVincent,
 Eileen Durborow, Frances Ferrara, Charlie Fleming,
 Gene Kalyan, Anna Kostyk, Susan Lehner, Eric
 Lemke, Paula Liuzza, Albert Lusardi, Beth O'Meara
 Mckie, Walter Maguire, Joseph Martino, Daniel
 Mulhaul, Kelly Nigro, Kathy Noble, Joe Patruno,
 Patricia Pirmor, Marie Ritzer, Mary Shea, Jay Silver,
 Michaela Winnans, George Zeman.*

FR. RICK'S CORNER

THE BEATITUDES: A WAY TO SANCTITY AND HAPPINESS

In our gospel today, a huge crowd from many different places had gathered around Our Lord as he started to preach. They were hoping to hear his saving doctrine which would give meaning to their lives.

Seeing the crowds, He went up on the mountain and His disciples came to Him. When He sat down, He began to speak and tell them about the beatitudes.

It was an opportunity for Our Lord to give them an in-depth picture of how a true disciple should act.

Jesus proceeded to talk about the "new spirit" He had come to bring upon the earth. This spirit was "revolutionary" to many in that it involved a complete change from the usual and general accepted human values, such as those of the Pharisees who saw earthly happiness as God's blessing and reward and who looked on unhappiness and misfortune as God's punishment. Jesus exalts and blesses poverty, humility, mercy and purity while the Pharisees and many others valued wealth, pleasure, power and being held in high regard by others.

Even today, many people tend to be disconcerted by this startling contract. They see on the one hand, the tribulation that the way of the Beatitudes must necessarily bring with it and on the other hand the genuine happiness that Jesus promises. The essential idea that Jesus wanted to inspire upon all of His listeners was that only by serving God can true happiness be found. In the midst of poverty, pain and a sense of having been forsaken, the true servant of God can say (as with St. Paul) my joy overflows in the midst of all of my tribulations and remember that on the other hand, we can be desperately unhappy even though our lives are surrounded by opulence, recognition and possession of many earthly goods.

Remember the words given to Indiana Jones in *The Last Crusade*, "Choose wisely my friend."

*God Bless,
Father Rick*



BLESSING OF THROATS

February 3 is the Feast of St. Blasé. It is a long-standing tradition of the Church to bless throats because of the belief that he was instrumental in saving the life of a young boy who was choking.

You are invited to share in the calling down of God's blessing upon you for continued health through the **Blessing of Throats next weekend February 4 & 5 after all masses.**

END OF THE YEAR STATEMENT

If you would like your total contribution statement for the end of the year 2016 for tax purposes, please call the Parish Office, 973-366-7095 and we will send it out.

EVA'S KITCHEN

Some strong arms are needed to serve stew at Eva's Kitchen on February 12. In addition, we need people to brown the meat, peel and cut up the potatoes and vegetables. If you are interested in volunteering, **please call Deacon Harry at 973-668-5001. Sign-up sheets will also be in the Gathering Area.** Thank you for your help with this important ministry.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

On Saturday & Sunday February 4 & 5, 2017 160 million Americans will tune in to the Super Bowl football game.



There will be parties with abundant food, friendship and fellowship. At the same time, there will be people worrying about staying warm, finding shelter and a warm meal. Please join people around the country as they demonstrate God's love by loving their neighbors through the Souper Bowl of Caring. It's a simple, yet significant act of caring for others. **Drop \$1 (or more) in the soup pot as you leave church on February 4 or 5.** Please support our efforts. All monies collected will be donated to Eva's Kitchen in Paterson and Hope House in Dover.

HELP NEEDED WITH CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Want to enhance your understanding of the Word of God and give of your talents to the church at the same time? Do you like working with children? Why not volunteer with the Children's Liturgy at the 10:30 Sunday Mass.

We need volunteers to present the Children's Liturgy during the Mass one or two times a month. There are two groups: one class for children in Grades 2-4 which meets in the Chapel and one class for children in Grade 1 and younger held in the Library. Children leave Mass for about 15 minutes to hear a child appropriate lesson based on the readings for that week. About 10 children at most attend the classes. Materials are provided to help you develop the lesson and prep time is minimal. Experienced volunteers are also available to provide guidance and support. Scheduling is flexible and no long-term commitment is required. If you are interested, you are most welcomed to observe any Sunday. **Please contact Sue Von Dollen 973-366-7547 for any other information.**



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

2017 SPRINGTIME SWEETS FUNDRAISER

St. Clement's Religious Education program is sponsoring its' annual Gertrude Hawk Candy Fundraiser. **The sale begins on Sunday, February 5th & Monday, February 6th.**



All orders need to be turned in to the Religious Education Office by Monday, February 26th. Candy Orders will be ready for pick up before Easter.

With your support we hope to maintain the current tuition cost, even with the increased expenses we incur to run the program. **Thank you in advance for your continued support!**

WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS

With joy we welcome the following new parishioners to our Parish Family. In the months and years ahead we look forward to sharing life and worship with them as we continue our journey of faith.



**Greg and Stephanie Rossi & Family
Michael and Jodi Stacey & Family**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LAFAYETTE COUNCIL #514 DOVER, NJ IS HOLDING THEIR ANNUAL "FREE THROW COMPETITION"

Basketball Foul Shooting
for boys and girls ages 9 - 14 as of
January 1, 2017

Birth Certificate or other proof of age required

Date: Sunday, January 29, 2017 -1:00 PM

Sign In Time: 1:00 - 1:20 PM

Location: St. Mary's School Gym, Main Street
Wharton, NJ

Contact Info: Robert Strelec (973)229-7194

ST. CLEMENT CYO BASKETBALL HOME GAME SCHEDULE

1/29	2:00PM	JV Girls (A) OLL
	3:15PM	JV Girls (B) St. Luke
	4:30PM	Varsity Girls (A) St. Therese
	6:00PM	JV Boys (A) St. Peter

For information on Religious Education, mass times, events, ministry info, pictures and lots more...

Check out our website at

www.stclement-rtwp.org



WOMEN'S CORNERSTONE RETREAT

March 10-11, 2017

St. Matthew the Apostle Parish
Randolph, NJ

"We are all different, but as sisters of Christ, we are all the same."

Come join us for an overnight retreat to reflect, experience a spiritual renewal and grow your faith. We are women like yourself, meeting every-day trials. Our team will share stories of challenges and miracles in a casual environment. We will laugh, cry, share meals and make special new friends. This is our 12th Women's Cornerstone Retreat and we look forward to making you part of the memory.

If you have any questions please contact Pat Manno at vitopatmanno@gmail.com, or call 973-953-0645.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

JANUARY 29 - FEBRUARY 4

DIVINE MERCY ACADEMY ROCKAWAY

Come to our Open House on **Sunday, January 29th, from 10:15 AM to 12:30 PM.** Divine Mercy Academy in Rockaway is a Catholic elementary school offering a comprehensive Pre-K through 8th grade faith-based education. Our mission is to provide an academically excellent Catholic education, and to instill within our students the virtues of mercy and compassion, forming them as true disciples of Jesus Christ. Registration for the 2017-2018 school year begins during Catholic Schools Week, January 29-February 4th.

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL-BOONTON

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School in Boonton, NJ, is holding an Open House on **Sunday, January 29th, from 12pm-2pm.** Join us for refreshments and a special presentation by Fr. Peter Stravinskis, founder of the Priestly Society of John Henry Newman and executive director of the Catholic Education Foundation: "Authentically Catholic and Deeply Classical: The Formula for a Successful Catholic School." The Open House will feature presentations from students, parent and faculty panels, and a tour the school. For more information, please contact Daniela DeVries at 973-334-2777 or ddevries@olmcboonton.org.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome all visitors to our parish. If you attend Mass on a regular basis and have not registered, please complete the form below and drop it in the collection basket. We will call to set up an appointment for you to meet with Fr. Rick. If you have a change of address or plan on moving, please complete the form as well.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone# (daytime phone #) _____

e-mail _____

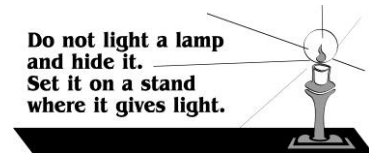
Change of Address _____

Moving _____

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Do not light a lamp
and hide it.
Set it on a stand
where it gives light.



First Reading: Isaiah 58:7-10

This reading is a vigorous exhortation from the prophet Isaiah to lead lives of active charity and generosity. He promises that the Lord will be our "dawn," our "rear guard," our "light" if we share our bread, shelter the homeless, and clothe the naked.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Paul tells the Corinthians that he and they must not rely on the so-called "wisdom" of secular teaching and philosophy but on the power of the Spirit.

Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus reminds the disciples and all Christians that they carry special responsibilities to be "the salt of the earth." They must not hide their light but show their goodness to all.