

**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME  
September 10, 2017**

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

**Saturday – September 9**

8:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory  
5:00 p.m. Catherine A. Jugan (Anna Elekes)  
Daniel Bell  
Donald Robinson (Anne Robinson)  
Paula Liuzza (Marmara Family)

**Sunday – September 10**

8:30 a.m. John & Elizabeth O'Connell (Dorothy Mathews)  
10:30 a.m. Anna Biase (Felicia Biase)  
Mildred Stupore (M/M D. Richards)  
Grace Marchese (S. Gryszkowiec)

**Monday – September 11**

6:00 p.m. For All Victims of the Attacks on 9/11

**Tuesday – September 12**

8:30 a.m. Unborn Children

**Wednesday – September 13**

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

**Thursday – September 14**

8:30 a.m. Bernard McNey, Jr. (Jensen Family)

**Friday – September 15**

8:30 a.m. Special Intention: Stella Rychlicki

**Saturday – September 16**

8:30 a.m. Parishioners  
5:00 p.m. Catherine A. Jugan (Anna Elekes)  
Daniel Bell  
Paula Liuzza (M/M R. Maguire)  
Rita Pospisil (Georgina Martino)

**Sunday – September 17**

8:30 a.m. James Cicatelli (M/M R. Siccardi)  
10:30 a.m. Krowicki Family (M/M P. Waldek)  
George Sharp (Nadine Sharp)  
Grace Marchese (M/M J. Pennachio)

**MASS SERVERS  
September 16 & 17**

**Saturday**

5:00 p.m. Ray Tomaszeski  
Adam Yeager

**Sunday**

8:30 a.m. Samantha Carroll  
Andrew Gomez  
10:30 a.m. Lauren Delle  
Kiara Lorenzo

**VOLUNTEER BINGO WORKERS  
September 14 – Team 3**

CAPTAIN: Annette Rossi  
TEAM: Liz Bender, Marcie Bender, Karen Grieco, Joe Salmon, Ginny Salmon, Karen Grieco, Allwyn Pereira

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

**Monday**

Religious Education Parent Meeting Gr 1-8 - 7pm (Gym)

**Tuesday**

Religious Education Catechist Mtg-7pm (Rm 2/4)  
Choir – 7:30pm (Church)

**Wednesday**

Boy Scouts – 7:30pm-9:00pm (Room 2/4, 6 & Gym)

**Thursday**

Bingo – 5:30pm-10:00pm (Connery Hall)

**Friday**

Cub Scouts-6:30-8:00pm (Rms 1,2,3,4,6)  
Friday Night Positive Group –8:15pm (Rms 2/4)

**Saturday**

Scrip on Sale – After Mass  
Saturday Night Positive Step Mtg-8:15pm (Rm 2/4)

**Sunday**

Religious Ed. Classes Gr 1-8 begin – 9am-12:45pm (Connery Hall)  
Girl Scout Troop 320 – 4-6pm (Room 2/4)  
Scrip on Sale – After Mass

**PARISH FINANCES**

The collection for last week was \$ 3,507.00  
The collection last year at this time was \$3,410.00

*“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, Kevin Bellini, Gary Bomely, Barbara Ciaffone, Marion DiVincent, Eileen Durborow, Frances Ferrara, Gene Kalyan, Anna Kostyk, Susan Lehner, Eric Lemke, Beth O'Meara Mckie, Walter Maguire, Joseph Martino, Daniel Mulhaul, Joseph Nadeau, Kelly Nigro, Kathy Noble, Joe Patrino, Patricia Pirmor, Marie Ritzer, Robert Schaefer, Mary Shea, Jay Silver, Sarah Theil, Michaela Winnans, George Zeman.*

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

New Parishioners are asked to please call the Parish Office to register as soon as possible; Welcome envelopes are available in the Gathering Area.



## FR. RICK'S CORNER

### WE HONOR ALL WORKERS

It's September now. We have celebrated Labor Day Weekend. School Begins. Everybody is back to work. Our Parish moves into high gear. The busy season is here. Labor Day was a welcome day off. But like our other major American holidays, we have to remind ourselves just what the day is all about. We set aside a day to honor men and women who work hard to earn a living for their families. We recognize that employees have the right to organize themselves and negotiate with their employers. The Labor Day holiday itself is largely the creation of the American labor union movement. It is also related within our Catholic Church to the fact that the Popes of the modern era beginning with Pope Leo XIII in his pioneer encyclical, RERUM NOVARUM, have strongly endorsed the right of employees to organize and negotiate with their employers for good wages, safe working conditions, appropriate benefits, and just treatment of each worker as a person of dignity and worth. Pope Pius XI, Pope John XXIII, Pope John Paul VI, Saint John Paul II, Pope Benedict XVI and now Pope Francis have all taught in great detail a similar message about the dignity of human labor and primacy of each person's dignity in the workplace. The Second Vatican Council addressed many of these themes as well. We remember that Saint Joseph, the Carpenter, is the patron of all workers.

Some labor unions have not always lived up to the noble goals envisioned in their own philosophy. The same, of course, is true of some employers who fail to act with integrity. But we don't scrap our economic system because some business people are unethical.

The labor movement has its ups and downs, but its true purpose and the vision which our Church embraces in the workplace is a noble one. Saint John Paul II taught extensively on the dignity of every working person and the positive place our personal work has in building a better world in God's sight. We recognize that just relationships between employers and employees are an embodiment of the Church's universal call for a just and compassionate world. We celebrate every honest job whether it be blue collar or white collar, mostly hard physical labor or largely intellectual effort.

We pray especially for our brothers and sisters, both in our country and in other lands who through no fault of their own cannot find a job because there aren't always enough jobs in the economy to accommodate everyone who wants and needs work.

Be proud that our Church has developed a comprehensive and challenging vision of the economic order and the value of human work and each working person. And please thank God for the work which He enables you and I to do in our own lives for the good of our families and society.

God Bless,  
Father Rick

### ST. CLEMENT CASINO BUS TRIP

St. Clement is running a bus trip to the **Sands Casino in Bethlehem, PA on Sunday October 22**. The bus leaves at 1pm. The cost of the trip is \$25. You will receive \$20 in slot play, a \$5 food coupon and discount coupons for the outlet stores. Two lucky people will receive double slot play. **Please call Craig Barkhausen 973-627-1350 for tickets or more information.**

### SAVE THE DATE PIZZA NIGHT FOR WOMEN

Save the date - **Monday, September 25th from 7-9pm at Pope John Paul XXIII High School - the first "Pizza Night for Women" with Bishop Serratelli**. This event will be open to high school and college aged women discerning their vocation. For details, please contact the office of the Delegate for Religious at 973-777-8818 ext. 207, or [kerry@patersondiocese.org](mailto:kerry@patersondiocese.org).



### SILVER AND GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Couples, were you married in 1967 or 1992? You are warmly invited to celebrate your 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Paterson. Bishop Serratelli will be the main celebrant at Mass at The Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson.

**Sunday, November 5, 2017 at 4:00pm.**

Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office. Registrations will be accepted through **Tuesday, October 17, 2017**. Information will be sent from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed. Congratulations on this joyous occasion!

Love   
one another

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Please consider spending some time with Our Lord. **St. Clement has Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9am to 1pm on the First Friday of every month.**

Please come spend an hour or just come for a short visit. There is a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Area.

## 2017 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

*In Giving, We Receive*

The 2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal is currently underway. This year, the theme of the Appeal is "In Giving, We Receive." By being generous with our God-given gifts, we not only help people in need, but we also help ourselves. Jesus reminds us of the blessings that come from being good stewards.

The Bishop's Annual Appeal supports four causes: our Catholic Charities agencies; seminarian education, Nazareth Village, our diocesan priests' retirement residence and our inner-city area elementary schools. You can help make this year's Appeal an even greater success by making a generous pledge today. Every single gift is important, valued and changes lives. Whatever you do to help is a profound blessing!

### BAPTISM

Parents are urged to begin preparation for the celebration of the Sacrament during the time of pregnancy. If this is your first child being baptized, you must attend a **Baptismal Prep Class**. Please call or email the Parish Office to set-up an appointment.

**Baptism** is celebrated on the second Sunday of the month. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

## 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.*

**Mr. & Mrs. Chris Bernotas & Family**



## FLOWER OFFERING

Do you want to remember a loved one's passing? Do you want to mark a birthday or anniversary in a special way?



There are envelopes marked *flower offering* on the tables as you enter Church that enable you to make a donation for flowers for the main altar. **The florist charges a minimum of \$50.00 for a floral arrangement. For a donation of less than \$50 cut flowers or a plant from the nursery will be purchased.** Your offering can be placed in the basket with the regular collection on Sunday. Please be sure to write your intention on the envelope.

## SPECIAL INTENTIONS

There is a special intention book located in the Gathering Area. Your intentions can be written in it and prayed for during the weekend masses. Please remember our dearly departed who have recently passed and those serving in our military.



## SACRED HEART IN DOVER TRIP TO SIGHT AND SOUND "Miracle of Christmas"

Mrs. Lydia Regelski, Bereavement Ministry Committee Chairman from **Sacred Heart in Dover, is hosting a trip to the Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster PA on Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>**. (Departing 7:15am from the Rockaway Mass lot #38.) The show begins at 11am. After the show, the bus will transport you to a wonderful dinner in PA at 2:15 pm. The cost of the trip is \$125 per person (non-refundable). This includes: the bus; the show; meal and a tip for the bus driver. **Money is due ASAP, but no later than October 1<sup>st</sup>. (due to seating arrangements). Seats are limited...first come, first served.** Interested? Call Lydia at 973-328-7058. Please come and see another great show with us!

## SCRIP GIFT CARDS ON SALE NEXT WEEKEND

\$25 and \$100 Shop Rite Gift Cards will be on sale next weekend in the Gathering Area after all masses.



## GARAGE SALES

The Saint Francis Residential Community, an Independent Senior Living Facility, located in Denville, NJ, is having their next Garage Sale series on Fridays, September 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, 2017 from 1:00 – 4:30 PM and on Saturdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2017 from 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM, at 18 Pocono Road (near the barn).

Our Garage Sale series will end on October 28. We will be holding weekly sales until then with times as above. We want to sell off present inventory. **“Fill a brown grocery bag for \$ 10”**. Bags will be provided. Donated items no longer accepted. Proceeds benefit all resident activities.

Questions? Contact Sister Johnice at 973-627-5000, or Ann Marie Lupia at 973-625-5382. Directions? Visit our website [www.saintfrancis.res](http://www.saintfrancis.res).

## ST. CECILIA'S SENIORS

St. Cecilia's Seniors Group is sponsoring the following upcoming trips:

Tuesday, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> – **Mohegan Sun Casino** – cost \$25.00 – slot play \$25.00 – food coupon \$5.00

Tuesday, Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> – **Octoberfest at the Mansion** in Mountain Lakes – cost \$50.00

Call **Lorraine at 973-366-6871** for more info on these trips.

Wednesday, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> – **Day Trip to Lancaster, PA** to see “The Miracle of Christmas” at the Sight & Sound Theater includes bus transportation, show and buffet at the Shady Maple. Price \$125.00.

Call **Carol at 973-537-5529** for more info on this trip.

## ROCKAWAY TOWNSHIP SENIORS

Rockaway Township Seniors South Club is planning a cruise to Russia and the Baltic from June 24 to July 4, 2018. Price includes transportation from Rockaway Township, air fare and cruise. **For more information call Carol at 973-537-5529**



## 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.

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Phone# (daytime phone #) \_\_\_\_\_

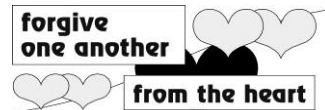
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## NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS:

### TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**First Reading: Sirach 27:30—28:7**

Sirach advises all to forgive the faults of their neighbor. Only by forgiving the sins of others, can a person expect to be forgiven his sins.

**Second Reading: Romans 14:7-9**

Paul stresses that no one is his own master; we are responsible to the Lord, and we belong to him in both life and death.

**Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35**

This narrative points out the difference between mercy and justice. When Peter asks how often he should forgive someone who wrongs him, Jesus answers, "...not seven times: I say seventy times seven times." Jesus then narrates the story of the king who was merciful to his official by forgiving him all his debts, but this same official showed no mercy to his own servant.