

The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 1, 2017

LITURGY SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Sunday, October 1-Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. – Zigmund J. Peplowski req. by Father Zig

8:30 a.m. – For the good health of Rt. Rev. Thaddeus Peplowski

10:00 a.m. –Helen Banta req. by Dorothy Connington

Monday, October 2 - The Holy Guardian Angels

12:00 p.m. – Janet Sautter req. by John Sautter

Tuesday, October 3 -Weekday

12:00 p.m. – Kevin McGuire req. by his wife, Kelly

Wednesday, October 4- Saint Francis of Assisi

12:00 p.m. – Mary Jane Heller req. by Ward, Dachisen, & Shaffer families

Thursday, October 5- Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest

12:00 p.m. – Mary Wahal req. by Stella Rusin

Friday, October 6- Saint Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose

Durocher

NO NOON MASS

6:30 p.m. – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Confession

7:00 p.m. – Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus & Holy Mass

Sunday, October 8- Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary

Time

5:00 p.m. – Martin Hrivnak req. by the Gorman family

8:30 a.m. – James & Grace Cesario req. by Anne Reilly

10:00 a.m. –Edward R. Polinak req. by Ralph J. & Laura M.

Andreotta

11:30 a.m. – Polish Mass



Teofilo Valerio

Collection for September 23 & 24: \$2573.00

Parish Pay Electronic Giving: \$2399.05 (August)

Collection from last year: \$3038.00

PARISH PAY: Have you thought about automating your giving? No more writing checks! You decide the amount and the frequency. Sign up today for automatic contributions to Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish. Go to the Parish Pay link at www.sacredheartrockaway.org or call 866-727-4741.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE MILITARY:

Major Mike Cherry, LCpl. Aleksandr Killeen, Airman 1st Cl. Andrew Mistkowski, 1st Lt. Nicholas DelCore, Air Force, Captain Jessica L. Rotile Rudo, Kenneth Rudo, Warrant Officer,1

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Irene Schreiber, Doug Bansch, Maria Acevedo, TJ Schoudel, Capt. Adam Cowan, USA, Julio Soto, Ben Marvilla, Michelle Monslave, Amelia Marie Cayea, Mary Therese Loftus, Sharon Bauer, Mary Davenport, Jose Prado, Arlene Berlin, Robert Nielsen, Marge Vogel, Efrain Gonzalez, Amanda Villarubia, Mary Skelly, John Skutka, William McBurney, Anne Riordan, D.M. Lynch, Linda Hoffman,, Mike Izzo, Edward Frame, Adam Hayward, Carol Centonze, James Boyle, Carol Ann Boyle, Jessica Gorman, Theodora Maulbeck. John Krause, Ethan Chandra, Jim McNamara, Dorothy Murray, Louise Kelly, Tom Gorman, Carlos Carbajal, Danielle Cicchetti.

CERTIFICATE OF ELEGIBILITY – All Catholic Churches in the United States require from Catholics serving as a Godparent for Baptism or a sponsor for Confirmation a certificate of eligibility. This document certifies that the Godparent/sponsor is a registered member of the parish, attends

Holy Mass, approaches the sacraments regularly and contributes to the support of the Church via the offering envelope system or Parish Pay.

2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal: In Giving, We Receive:

The services provided by our Catholic Charities agencies are too long to list in our bulletin – but here are just a few: emergency housing for people in extreme poverty, outpatient and residential substance abuse treatment, group homes for disabled adults, outreach to veterans who are homeless, family counseling, etc. Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal helps bring this important work to life. In fact, Catholic Charities receives the largest percentage of Appeal funding. Your help is needed to continue providing this urgent care. Please be as generous as you are able to the 2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal. For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at www.2017appeal.org. Thank you!

Save the Date for DMA's 1st Annual Tricky Tray, on **Saturday, November 18th at Morris Catholic High School. More details to follow.**

HELP WANTED – Every Thursday evening at 5:30 a small group of volunteers come to our church to do some light cleaning. We are in need of some help with this task of cleaning the Lord's House. If you can help, just join us and the Lord will bless you!

THANK YOU – Many thanks to Andy Chop who labored to install the new lighting in the church. May the Lord richly bless him!

CONFIRMATION – His Excellency, Bishop Arthur Serratelli will administer the sacrament of confirmation to four teenagers of our parish during the celebration of the 10 o'clock morning Mass on Sunday, October 29th. Please join us for this happy celebration.

WHAT ABOUT YOU? – We are looking for people to represent our parish at the monthly Rockaway Right to Life meetings which are held at Saint Cecilia's on the first Wednesday of the month. For details please see Lyle Ryder, John Sautter or Father Zig.

SACRED HEART WOMEN'S SOCIETY – The women's society will conduct its next meeting on Monday evening, October 9th beginning at 7 o'clock in the rectory basement meeting room. All women of the parish are cordially invited to attend.

Pet Blessing: Animal blessing of pets in honor of St. Francis of Assisi will take place on Saturday, October 7th, at 12:00 noon in St. Cecilia Church parking lot!

My Dear Parishioners,

In our gathering to celebrate the Lord's Day we observe the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time. In this Sunday's Gospel we find the Lord Jesus confronting the "religious elite" who say that they are believers and yet conduct themselves in an unreligious manner. The Lord exalts the tax collectors and prostitutes, formally notorious sinners, who are now counted among the righteous because of their conversion. The call made by God to holiness was dismissed by some who latter answered it. This same call was put forth to the religious who pretended to answer it but instead ignored it.

The call to holiness is too important to ignore. Our response to this call will determine our eternal future. I am looking forward to a meeting I have called with all parents whose children are enrolled in our CCD program, both Saint Cecilia Parish and Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish. The meeting will take place on Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock in Hayes Hall. I know that this will be a wonderful opportunity for me to share my concerns with our young parents regarding the faith formation of their children. I never get tired of reminding parents that they are the first teachers of religion to their children. The clergy and the religious education staff are the resources which parents use to assist them in seeing that the faith, which comes to us from the Apostles, is handed down to their children. Parents are responsible for strengthening their children's spiritual life and must guide them on their way to heaven.

Saying that we are Christians but ignoring the call to holiness is the subject of today's Gospel. We must answer the call forthrightly and be determined not to allow anything to deter us from "entering the Kingdom of God." Above all parents must model a good Christian life; they must not say one thing and do another. An authentic virtuous life is one which we must all live.

Like their children, parents need religious education – WE ALL DO!! I remind our parents and all adults, please participate in the faith formation (religious education) opportunities we have in Rockaway. We have weekly faith formation sessions both during the day and in the evening, there's something for everyone. Please don't ignore this call to holiness. Let our young people see that we are doing what we are saying!

We begin this month of October by being reminded of the SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE FROM CONCEPTION TO NATURAL DEATH. This cause will be especially brought to our attention during the days which will follow.

God bless you!

Father Zig

FATIMA CELEBRATION – This year marks the 100th anniversary of the apparitions of our Blessed Virgin Mary to the three shepherd children at Fatima, Portugal. Our Lady appeared every month on the 13th day beginning in May and concluding in October. We will commemorate the 100th anniversary of the final apparition on the vigil, Thursday, October 12th. The ceremony will begin at 7 o'clock in the evening in Saint Cecilia Church with the praying of the Rosary and the Rosary Society presentation of roses to the image of the Mother of God followed by an outdoor candle-light procession to the Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary located in front of the church. At the conclusion of the service a short program will be presented in Hayes Hall with refreshments being served. All are welcome to join us in celebrating the 100th anniversary Fatima!

LATIN MASS IN THE EXTRAORDINARY RITE – A Pontifical High Mass celebrated in Latin and the Extraordinary Rite by Bishop Serratelli will take place in Saint John the Baptist Cathedral on Saturday morning, October 14 at 9:30. If interested in car-pooling to Paterson, please call the rectory no later than Wednesday, October 11th.

SILVER AND GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS Couples, were you married in 1967 or 1992? You are warmly invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th 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 rectory 973-627-0422. 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!

TRIP TO IRELAND – You are invited to join Father Zig in traveling to Ireland and Northern Ireland, April 9-21, 2018. A Colette travel brochure with all the information regarding cost, itinerary and much more can be found in the church vestibule or in the rectory.

FUND RAISING DINNER FOR SEMINARIANS – A dinner dance to support seminarian education in our diocese will take place on Sunday, November 12th at the Brownstone in Paterson. The event begins at 5:30 and the ticket cost is \$70. A cash bar will be available and wine as well as beer will be served at each table. Music will be provided by a DJ. All profits will benefit the

formation of our seminarians. Please contact Janet at the St. Cecilia Parish Office for tickets and information prior to October 27th. YOUR SUPPORT IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.

Save the Date! The Rockaway Catholic Right to Life Ministry will be hosting a Pro-Life Community Evening on Friday, October 13th in Hayes Hall from 7:00PM to 9:00PM. Guest speakers are Christine Flaherty, Executive Director of LIFENET, which promotes Respect for Life and the virtue of chastity; and Christopher Bell, Co-Founder of Good Council Homes, dedicated to the care of single mothers. Admission is free and light refreshments will be served.

Do 'Something Beautiful for God': From Sept. 27 through Nov. 5, there will be "40 Days for Life" daily prayer vigils around the world outside of Planned Parenthood and other abortion providers. Please join us as we pray at 196 Speedwell Ave. - Planned Parenthood of Morristown - where every day, three babies die from chemical abortions; i.e. over a thousand each year. Your gift of an hour or more of peaceful witness and prayer any time between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday through Sunday, will help to save God's children in danger of abortion. Do something beautiful for Him, and sign up for any hour(s) you can give at <https://40daysforlife.com/browse-campaigns>, or contact the local campaign coordinator, Frances Spilman, at 44lifeus@gmail.com or 973-627-1654 to sign up. Signs will be provided, or you can bring your own; but nothing graphic. Please come pray with us to save a child's life and help his or her parents. We hope you will join us.

FAITH FORMATION – As pastor of both Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish and Saint Cecilia Parish I take this opportunity to remind our parishioners about the various faith formation opportunities which are taking place at Saint Cecilia's. A Bible study meets on Monday evenings at 7:30 in the parish office which is a DVD presentation on the Book of Revelation. Father Pawel conducts a Bible Study on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 in Hayes Hall; Father Cerilo leads the Mommy's Bible Study at 9:30 on Thursday mornings in the parish office. On Thursday evenings at 7 o'clock in Hayes Hall there is a weekly faith formation class which differs each week offering a variety of topics for religious education for adults. CCD classes for Sacred Heart children are incorporated with the program at Saint Cecilia's. Sacred Heart does maintain its own Confirmation program, as well as program for First Holy Communion. Should you require any information please contact me – Father Zig

SHARE THE JOURNEY: LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR" Week of Prayer and Action - October 7 - 13 "The Church is Mother, and her motherly attention is expressed with special tenderness and closeness to those who are obliged to flee their own country and exist between rootlessness and integration. This tension destroys people. Christian compassion - this 'suffering with' compassion - is expressed first of all in the commitment to obtain knowledge of the events that force people to leave their homeland, and where necessary, to give voice to those who cannot manage to make their cry of distress and oppression heard. They are all elements that dehumanize and must push every Christian and the whole community to concrete attention."
Pope Francis

Address to the Participants in the Plenary of the Pontifical Council for the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Itinerant People, May 24, 2013.



Divine Mercy Academy 3rd graders partnered with St. Monica's Guild to sort and pack all of the school supplies donated by our DMA families for Hurricane Harvey victims. The items were later loaded on a truck to be delivered to Texas.