

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

July 31, 2011

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sat., July 30

5:30 pm For the hungry of the world

Sun., July 31

8:00 am For Socrates Bagiackas by Morley Family

9:30 am For Joseph Leshko, Sr. by McLoughlin Family

11:00 am For deceased members of St. Mark's Parish

Mon., August 1

8:45 am For Jenny Scerbo by Eufrasia Conca

Tues., August 2

8:45 am For Peace

Wed., August 3

8:45 am For Sick

Sat., August 6

10:30 am Mass at Heath Village

5:30 pm For Jack Mc Nerney

Sun. August 7

8:00 am For Ellen Zeliff by Parker Family

9:30 am For Parishioners of St. Mark's Parish

11:00 am For Robert Shurts by Barron Family

Ministry Schedule

Ministers for August 6, 7, 2011

Saturday 5:30 PM

Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph J. Goode

Greeter: Kadri Family

Lector: Kevin Nedd, Dave Woeste

Eucharistic Ministers: Jill Wanner, Helen Belen

Altar Servers: Rianna Smith, Jessica Timog

Sunday, 8:00 AM

Celebrant: Fr. Abuchi Nwosu

Greeter: Colette McPhail

Lector: Susan Vetterl, Mark Rehm

Eucharistic Ministers: Ed & Aurie Parker

Altar Servers: Michael Zeliff

9:30 AM

Celebrant: Fr. Abuchi Nwosu

Greeter: Anne Ronceray

Lector: Chris Henwood, Katie Henwood

Eucharistic Ministers: Steve Beggin, Terry Baffuto, Bob Baffuto

Altar Servers: Owen McLoughlin, Liam McLoughlin

11:00 AM

Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

Greeter: Cresci Family

Lector: Sharon Donovan, Tom Hanifin

Eucharistic Ministers: Joan Dondero, Patrick Kenney, Bill Betz

Altar Servers: Garret Izzo, Michael Schleppey

OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAIN PARISH

Saturday, August 6, 2011

5:00 pm Celebrant: Fr. Abuchi Nwosu

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Sunday, August 7, 2011

7:45 am Celebrant: Msgr. Joseph Goode

9:15 am Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky

10:45 am Celebrant: Msgr. Ray Lopatesky

12:15 pm Celebrant: Msgr. Peter McHugh

FOR THE MONTH OF JULY

Altar Breads & Wine – In loving memory of Patsy Marchese by Marchese family

Sanctuary Lamp – In loving memory of William R. De Agro by Mitchell Family

Mass Candles –

WHEN SOMEONE WE LOVE BECOMES ILL

All- powerful and ever-living God the lasting health of all who believe in you, hear us as we ask your loving help for the sick; restore their health, that they may again offer joyful thanks in your church.

Randi Alloway, John Andaloro, Wilma Anselmo, Lorraine Armando, Tony Atkins, Anthony Bonanno, Paul Buckley, John Callaghan, Christina's baby, Hannah Clark, Emily Condit, Kaitlin Cross, Lisa Czynewski, Naialia Danilczuk, Krish Dharia, James Joseph DiGiovine, Fr. Edward Donohue, Connie Elliott, Tim Fallon, Elaina Grace Gaffin, Ann Geary, Allison Good, Barbara Gotterdam, Helen Greenly, Regina Hague, Rick Haskins, Janet Hauser, Heather, William Heimsly, Donna Jennings, Kevin Kay, Caroline Kling, Mary Koenig, Karl Koschier, Mara Lak, Christina Lanaris, Lenore, Maryann Litori, Ann Loughney, Helene Mackie, Irene Maruggi, Jonothon McClelland, Harold & Mary McKay, Maryanne & Jack Newell, John Parker, Nicky Piloni, Betty Pryor, Clifford Reynolds, Ryan, Anthony Santoli, Margaret Stokes, Debbie Trepkau, Theresa, Joanne Mary Walsh, Jaxson Weber, Cathy Webster, Phyllis Weis, Robert Whiteside

Every now and then we try to update our prayer list of names of the sick and special intentions. We have alphabetized the names in the hopes of making them easier to read. There are some names that we in the parish office cannot associate with a person who made the request to pray for them. Please look over the list and if you requested prayers for a person please either call the office or e mail Fr. Joe to let us know if you wish to continue to be on this prayer list.

ST. MARK'S NEEDS \$5,280 PER WEEK TO MEET OUR FINANCIAL OBLIGATION

Current Year	Last Year 2010
July 24, 2011 - \$4,103.10 Envelopes used: 71	July 25, 2010 - \$3,744 Envelopes used: 66
On-Line donations for July: \$4,820	
Supermarket Gift Cards Week of July 24, 2011 Sold - \$4,980 Profit - \$249 Total YTD 2011 - \$6,517 # of families who purchased: 21	

OFFERING ENVELOPE POLICY...It is not unusual for parishioners in the three churches of Long Valley to once and awhile attend mass in another parish due to your personal family schedules. If you do attend church in St. Luke's or Our Lady of the Mountain you can drop your St. Mark's envelope in the collection basket and they will be credited as your donation to St. Mark's. Father Mike and I have agreed upon this arrangement and we think it will work out without any complications...Fr. Joe



THE PARABLES IN ST. MATTHEW...

St. Matthew's Gospel presents a very easy to read presentation of the works and teachings of Jesus. In fact St. Matthew is often referred to as "A Teacher" because he presents teachings like the parables and lets us look deeper into them and find the valuable life lessons that Jesus taught us. Jesus used simply analogies to teach. His message was simple but powerful. He taught us to learn God and extend ourselves in love to others, especially those in need. This message becomes for the Catholic person a life vocation. We continually are called to resist the temptation to always think of ourselves. We have to be careful not to let the lure of material things cloud our vision of what is really important in our lives. Sometimes we think things will make us happy and that unfortunately is never the case. Yard sales are full of things that were once considered prize possessions only to be supplanted by something else that was a guarantee that our life would be easier and stress free. Perhaps this week we might take the bible in hand and read some of St. Matthew for ourselves and learn some important lessons on what is really valuable and leads us to life with the Lord. His teaching on the parable of the Kingdom of God ended last week...now it is time to put them into practice...
Fr. Joe

ABOUT THE CATECHUMENATE/THE RCIA

The Catechumenate, also commonly called the RCIA, is designed to bring into full communion with the Church three groups of people: the unbaptized, baptized Catholics who have not received all of the sacraments, and people from other Christian Traditions.

The unbaptized go through four periods of formation and three ceremonies or rites to prepare for Baptism. The preparation period for the unbaptized can take a year or more. In fact, the rule for them is that "it takes as long as it takes."

Baptized Catholics who are completing their Christian initiation and those baptized in other Christian traditions can often receive one or more sacraments within a year, depending on the level of readiness they bring to the process.

If you or a friend has questions about the RCIA process or if you know someone who might be interested, ask them to contact Fr. Joe or me Deacon Ray (cell) 973 224-0153 to learn more.

PICNIC UP DATE....

Plans for our parish picnic on Sunday, September 18th are shaping up. Please sign up early and let us know how many are coming from your family and also their ages. We have games for children and we want to be able to plan for the correct numbers.

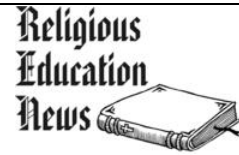
We are looking for **HELP** with the children's games...if you are an adult or a teenager and would like to volunteer some time please call Mary at the parish office or e-mail frjoe.stm@comcast.net
Thanks...

SILVER AND GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Couples, were you married in 1961 or 1986? 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 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Morristown on Sunday, October 30, 2011 at 2:30 pm. Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office. Application forms are available through Wednesday, October 5, 2011. A confirmation letter will be sent from the Diocesan Center once your application has been processed. Bring family and friends to attend this joyous event with you.

HELPING CATHOLIC CHARITIES...

Catholic Charities Clothing Bin in the parking lot on the side of the church as you exit. Your donations of clothing will be sold in thrift stores and the profits go to the Catholic Charities of our diocese. So please use it and help others...Thanks.



Christian Education classes for September are now being formed. If you have not registered please do so as soon as possible.

*A \$50 late fee is now in effect for late registrations for any previously registered families.

*If you are new to the parish or new to our CEC program the late fee does not apply.

HELP NEEDED AT 9:30 AM MASS

Due to popular demand, we will extend our Separate Liturgy of the Word for Children throughout the summer months. In order to do so, we are looking for helpers. Maybe you are home from college for the summer and would be willing to take one or two of the morning sessions with the preschool children! Maybe summer is not as hectic for you as the school year is, and you would be willing to help out on an occasional Sunday morning. We promise this is a very rewarding experience. If you wish to help, just let us know by calling the office. Thank you!

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 55:1-3

With great enthusiasm and fervor, God urges his people to come to him and to accept the gifts he extends to them.

Second Reading: Romans 8:35, 37-39

In words that are both stirring and courageous, Paul exclaims that nothing will separate him and his followers from the love of Christ--neither trial--nor persecution--nor death.

Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

Matthew gives us a straightforward and convincing account of the miracle of the loaves and fishes. Because the crowds following Jesus were hungry, he took five loaves and two fish, blessed them, and gave them to the crowds. Although the people numbered about five thousand, there was still food remaining.



“SHOP FOR A CAUSE”

\$5 goes a lot farther than you may think when you take advantage of the annual “Macy’s Shop For A Cause” to be held on **Saturday, August 27th BEFORE school begins.**

Valid: At any Macy’s store or on-line **all day August 27th.**

Cost: \$5 for each savings booklet

Savings: 25% off most clothing items and in the Home Dept.
10% off electrics/electronics, furniture, mattresses and rugs/floor coverings.

***Includes entry form for a chance to win a \$500 Macy’s Gift card.

Special Bonus: Every dollar of the cost of this savings booklet stays here at St. Mark’s. If 100 booklets are sold; \$500 profit for St. Mark’s. Please consider purchasing a booklet for yourself, family, and neighbors or just to make a donation.

Thank you!! Happy Shopping!!

50+ CLUB NEWS

Meetings - First Wed. of every month at 12:30 P.M. in the Gathering Space at St. Mark's.

Luncheon – Third Wed. of the month at 12:30 P.M Call 908-852-9089 if you are interested in attending.

Community News

PART TIME POSITION

Someone to cook 3 meals a week at home and drop off to a Long Valley home... If interested please contact Fr. Joe

GOING TO RUTGERS IN NEW BRUNSWICK?

The Catholic Center at Rutgers, located at 84 Somerset St. on the College Ave. Campus, is looking forward to welcoming you to the New Brunswick/Piscataway campuses. We at the Catholic Center seek to provide a home away from home, a place where a new student can experience a welcoming environment with an opportunity to make new acquaintances. Visit us on-line at www.catholic-center.rutgers.edu for complete list of our activities and mass schedule.

HELP NEEDED

Parishioner and resident of Heath Village is in need of some household help. Three times a week approximately 2 hours each day. If interested please call Mary in the parish office.

HELP WITH RETIREMENT PLAN DISTRIBUTIONS

For fellow parishioners seeking guidance with respect to their employer-sponsored retirement plan decisions when changing jobs or retiring, call Tom Cross at Edward Jones Investments in Long Valley, (908) 876-9760.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP RECREATION

SENIOR PICNIC... come one, come all to our fun event.

W.T.Recreation is offering their annual Senior Picnic on Monday, August 15, at 11 am. At the WT. Senior Center Pavilion in Rock Spring Park. In case of inclement weather, the picnic will be held indoors. The cost of this event is a non-refundable fee of \$8 for residents and \$9 for non-residents. Send your check payable to W.T. Recreation to 50 Rock Road, LV. 07853 before August 8th. Questions, call (908) 876-5941.

On Thursday, Sept. 29th a bus trip is planned to see the comedy **The Odd Couple at the Hunterdon Hills** playhouse. Prices is \$52/resident and \$56 non-resident. Send completed form and check to W.T. Recreation . Deadline is August 1st.

TUTORING AVAILABLE

WMC High School graduate and parishioner available to tutor students grades 8-12 in the areas of English, Physics, French, and most levels of Mathematics, as well as preparation for the Writing and Reading sections of the SAT. Qualifications include receiving High Honors every marking period in AP & IB classes and scoring a 2260 on the SAT. Flexible hours and reasonable rates. Call Shannon Eskola (908) 684-1736

