

Sunday

June 9, 2019



Mass Intentions

Monday, 6/10

7:00 a.m. **Mary Duhamel by
Roger & Jayne Lendach**

Tuesday, 6/11

7:00 a.m. **George & Gertrude Cummings
by granddaughter Nancy**

Wednesday, 6/12

7:00 a.m. **Fred Herzog by Glenda**

Thursday, 6/13

7:00 a.m. **Robert "Duke" Snyder by
the Geigel family**

Friday, 6/14

7:00 a.m. **William Hill by Ann Hill**

Saturday, 6/15

5:00 p.m. **John Carlisle by
Barbara Carlisle & family**

Sunday, 6/16

8:30 a.m. **Parishioners of St. John's &
Fred Kugelman by Lynn &
Gary Guthreau**

10:30 a.m. **Peter & Catherine DeMorat by
daughter Connie**

*This week our Sanctuary lamp is lit in memory of Joan
& Ed Marren by Jeff & Karen Marren.*

Sacrificial Offerings 2019

Sunday, June 2

Regular Collection: \$6,898.00
Communications Campaign: \$816.00

Ascension Thursday: \$762.00

June 9, 2019 - Pentecost Sunday

*"The Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the
Father will send in my name, will teach you
everything and remind you of all that I told
you." (John 14:26)*

The materialism of our society lures us to concentrate more on what we want than on what God wants for us. The relativism of our world tells us that we should be tolerant of all things, that there is no absolute truth. Pray to the Holy Spirit to transform our lives and to guide our thoughts, words and actions.

Rosary Corner

ALL ARE INVITED

The Rosary is prayed every weekday following the
7:00 a.m. Mass and Novena.

BLOCK ROSARY: Monday, 7:00 p.m., 511/515
Lincoln Ave.; Wednesday, 10:00 a.m., 607 Third St.
What is a Block Rosary? Neighbors gathering in
each other's homes for a half hour to pray the Rosary
for peace in the world, for the local community and for
each other's intentions. Please consider having a
Block Rosary in your home. For information, call
Maureen Shea at 968-0136.

BLUE ARMY ROSARY CELL

Where: 511 Lincoln Avenue, Dunellen
When: Every Tuesday – 10: a.m.

All are welcome. Bring your children & grandchildren.
For information, call Maureen Shea at 968-0136.

*This week our Chapel candle is lit in memory of
William & Kathryn Kelly by the Kelly family.*

St. John Food Pantry **Summer Needs**

Our Food Pantry is in need of the following: dry pasta, rice, cereal, canned tuna and chicken, low/no sugar canned fruit, no/low sodium canned vegetables and soups, tomato sauce and fruit juice. Food donations support our parish food pantry, for our neighbors in need as well as FISH Food Pantry on New Market Road in Piscataway. Thank you for your continuous generosity.

Social Concerns

Do you know a needy person or family? Could one of your neighbors benefit from assistance with food and/or other essentials? Please call the Pastoral Center, 732-968-2621, in confidence, and we will do whatever we can to help. Please continue to bring men's toiletries, tooth brushes, and large and medium thongs or slippers for the Ozanam Men's Shelter. Articles may be left in the vestibule. Thanks for not forgetting the "guys".

Time, Talent and Treasure



Fostering stewardship is a way of life. Everyone benefits from the sacrificial gift one makes of his/her time, talent and treasure. We gratefully acknowledge and salute:

The Knights of Columbus

Thank you for your participation!



Prayers for Our Service Members

Please pray for the following parishioners who are currently serving in the Military:

U.S. Navy Reserve Lt. Michael Bartilotti
U.S. Army Pvt. Luke Harshaney
U.S. Army Pvt. Raymond C. Pizzigoni
U.S. Coast Guard Lt. Ed Sella
U.S. Army Staff Sgt. Paul Frabizzio
U.S. Marine Mer. Cpl. Thomas Tyler Lizak
U.S. Army Pfc. Sean Parente
U.S. Marine Pvt. Dante Parente
U.S. Army 2nd Lt. Casey Wenzel
U.S. Army Spec. 4 Timothy Francisco
US Marine LCpl. Stephen Wright
U.S. Marine Pvt. José Citron

If there are any other military members you would like to be included in our prayers, please contact the Parish Office.



Immediate Need for Volunteers

Fish, Inc. Dunellen Area, the local service organization is in immediate need of volunteers for the following:

- **Van Drivers** - Drivers are needed to make pick-ups at local supermarkets. Drivers must be over the age of 21, possess a clean driving record and able to lift 50 lbs.
- **Clothing Room Sorters** - Individuals needed to help sort and hang clothing.
- **Spanish Translator** - Volunteers to assist Spanish speaking clients in the Clothing Room.

Interested individuals should call the **Fish Hotline at 732-356-0081** and leave a message for Lisa.

Mount Saint Mary House of Prayer

UPCOMING PROGRAMS: Registration required;

call 908-753-2091 or e-mail:

msmhope@msmhope.org

ARE YOU LIVING TODAY WELL?

Today's fast-paced and competitive culture does not allow for the time or space to live in a self-reflective way. Now more than ever we need to reflect on our humanity and our relationship with our Creator and all those with whom we come in contact every day. We need a "spirituality of the heart," which is all-embracing and down-to-earth. **Tue, Jun 11, 7-9 p.m.** (\$20-\$30 as you are able). Presenter: G. Edwin Reitter. *Ed, a spiritual director and supervisor of spiritual directors, has given numerous retreats and been involved in many parish-based ministries.*

" I, TOO, DISLIKE IT"

So begins Marianne Moore's delightful commentary on the nature of poetry. In this lively, interactive program, we'll look at the works of Billy Collins, James Wright, Natasha Trethewey, Kay Ryan, and Robert Frost to illustrate what makes this art form so likable. We'll celebrate the joy of language used with such passion and intensity that it may inspire your own writing. Lunch is included. **Sat, Jun 29, 9:30 a.m.–3p.m.** (\$45-\$55 as you are able) Presenter: Dr. Carolyn Martin. *Carolyn is a former teacher at Mount St. Mary Academy and Georgian Court University. Her poems and book reviews have appeared in publications throughout North America and the UK. www.carolynmartinpoet.com*

Holy Hour For Religious Freedom & Persecuted Christians

A Holy Hour for Religious Freedom will be held **every Sunday at 7:00 p.m.** in the Eucharistic Adoration chapel in the Our Lady of Fatima Parish Center at 50 Van Winkle Place in Piscataway. Participants are invited to silently pray the rosary and other special prayers for the intentions of Christians world-wide who are being persecuted for their faith.

Marriage Encounter Weekend

With Father's Day fast approaching, why not give your husband the special gift of a Marriage Encounter Weekend? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held **July 26 - 28**. Early registration is advisable as space is limited. Phone 1-732-904-9636 for registration and information. Visit us at: www.aweekendforyourmarriage.org for more information.

Diocesan Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is held in the **chapel of the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway, Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 11:45 am**. Mass follows at 11:45. Adorers and intercessors are needed. For more information or to volunteer, call Laura Ferreras, 732-529-7932. To submit a prayer request, email Adoration@diometuchen.org or call 732-765-6445.

Are You Being Called To The Diaconate?

The Diocese of Metuchen is looking for men who are interested in becoming Permanent Deacons. A new diaconate formation class will begin in spring 2020. If you are between the ages of 35 and 60, you are invited to attend a General Information Meeting on **Tuesday, 6/25 at 7:30 p.m.** at the **St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway**. Applications for the 2020 class will be accepted near the end of this summer. If you have any questions, or wish to advise that you will attend, please contact the Diocesan Diaconate Office (732) 562-2423.

Quo Vadis Days

Young men ages 14-17!

You're invited to spend three days, **Tuesday, 6/25 - Thursday, 6/27**, living, praying and interacting with priests, seminarians and faith-filled teens your own age. The days will include dynamic talks, a visit from Bishop Checchio, sports and activities, prayer, small group discussion and so much more.

For more information, please email
quovadis@diometuchen.org

Awakening Year – Personal Consecration Opportunity

Looking for a simple way to be spiritually renewed? Looking to develop a deeper relationship with Our Lord? Want to grow in holiness, but are too busy? Set aside just 15 minutes a day for nine days during this Awakening Year to deepen your faith and make a consecration on a personal level to Jesus through Our Lady of Guadalupe. Read, reflect and pray daily with the story of Our Lady and St. Juan Diego. On the ninth day, you are invited to pray the personal consecration prayer, committing yourself to be an active Catholic and sharing your Catholic faith with others. This consecration is easy to fit in your schedule! Just pick the nine days to do this individually or get a small group together!

Personal Consecration Booklets are available for \$3 each plus shipping. To order a booklet, call (732)529-7932.

To find out more about this personal consecration and to access the resource, go to www.lightingheartsonfire.org, click on prayers, select Personal Consecration and begin today!

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

Pentecost Sunday June 9, 2019

“In the same way, the Spirit too comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groaning. And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit, because he intercedes for the holy ones according to God’s will.”

The promised Spirit has come and gives life to the church. Pentecost was not just an event or experience, but the beginning of a movement which continues to this very moment. The visible signs of wind, fire and noise may have subsided but the event becomes our experience.

The movement which began in the upper room, spread to the streets of Jerusalem, and moves us today. Our Church, enlivened and motivated by the same Spirit, summons us to go out and transform a world seemingly distant from the gospel and its values. The Spirit, living in us, yearns to touch the lives of others. Because of the Holy Spirit we too have been changed, let the Spirit move you, or as Paul says, ‘don’t stifle the Spirit.’ We are accountable.

