

Sunday

July 1, 2018



Mass Intentions

Monday, 7/2

7:00 a.m. **Mila Bermejo by brother-in-law**

Tuesday, 7/3

7:00 a.m. **Robert Rodgers by
Coleen Cucci & family**

Wednesday, 7/4

9:00 a.m. **Alfred Geigel by
Joe & Marion England**

Thursday, 7/5

7:00 a.m. **Virginia & Joseph Kramer by
Audrey Spenard**

Friday, 7/6

7:00 a.m. **Joseph Kramer by
David & Nancy Morgan**

Saturday, 7/7

5:00 p.m. **Eugene Brewer by
Juanita Brewer**

Sunday, 7/8

8:30 a.m. **Parishioners of St. John's &
Wayne Hall by Joe Mondoro**
10:30 a.m. **John Confalone by wife Sue**

This week our Sanctuary lamp is lit in memory of **Catherine Jaworski by the Nowicki family.**

Sacrificial Offerings 2018

Sunday, June 24

Average needed from weekly offerings to cover expenses **\$7,000.00**
Regular Collection: \$5,152.52
Children's: \$ 15.50
Under: \$1,847.48

Poor Box Collection

Monies collected in the poor boxes located in the Church entryway are used for the needy in our parish. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. **Please be as generous as your means allow.**

Holiday Mass/Office Schedule

Mass on Wednesday, July 4th will take place at **9:00 a.m.** in the **Church**. Also, the Parish Office will be closed on 7/4 and reopen on Thursday, 7/5.

Summer Raffle Winners

Congratulations to the winners of our Super Summer Raffle:

First prize of 25% = \$1331.25 – Tricia Nolfi

Second prize of 15% = 798.75 – Henry Janssen

Third prize of 10% = 532.50 – Davidson Family

Also, the Summer Bake Sale proceeds were \$1,240. Many thanks to all of our talented parish bakers who helped make this event so successful!

This week our Chapel candle is lit in memory of **Ray Applegate by Barbara Carlisle.**

St. John Food Pantry

Our Food Pantry for those less fortunate is in need of the following food products: Dry pasta, cereals, tomato sauce, canned soups, canned meats, canned fruit and juice. Please note that all foods that are donated to St. John's will be brought to the FISH Food Pantry located on New Market Rd., Piscataway. Thank you in advance for your continued 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 Bake Sale & Summer Raffle Committees

Thank you for your participation!

Help Wanted

Religious Education Admin Assistant

Seeking energetic and organized individual to join the Religious Ed team.

~Candidate will provide a variety of administrative support functions.

~10 hours per week

~Knowledge of Word / Excel / Google a plus

Forward resume to stjohnpcl@gmail.com

Calendar Raffle



The winner of \$250 for Week Thirteen, ticket #531 is: **Angela Livera.**

A Thank You From

The Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus want to thank St. John's parishioners for their recent support of our fund drives. At our May meeting, checks totaling approximately \$2000 were presented to representatives of the ARC of Middlesex, the ARC of Union and to St Peter's Hospital for their use in supporting the efforts in serving special needs children. These funds were generated from our spring Children Drive. A portion of our collected funds has been sent to support the New Jersey Special Olympics which was held in June at the College of New Jersey. The Rose Drive collection which was last week netted \$1000+ dollars; these funds will be sent to local charities focusing upon supporting newborns and mothers. We want to thank all St. John's parishioners who supported our efforts since we could not have been so successful without YOU. We want to communicate that all funds have been/will be distributed to organizations serving the Diocese of Metuchen community.





Prayers for Our Service Members

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

U.S. Navy 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 Lnc. Cpl. Thomas Tyler Lizak
U.S. Army Pfc Sean Parente
U.S. Marine Pvt. Dante Parente
U.S. Army Off. Candidate Casey Patrick Wenzel
U.S. Army Recruit Timothy Francisco

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

Mount Saint Mary House of Prayer
UPCOMING PROGRAMS: Registration required;
call 908-753-2091 or email: msmhope@msmhope.org.

WHAT'S SO SPECIAL ABOUT SAINT IGNATIUS?

St. Ignatius, soldier, saint, founder of the Jesuits, author of the **Spiritual Exercises** has deeply impacted Christians for centuries. Be inspired by this man and his spirituality and why they touch so many today.

Wed, Jul 18 Either 9:30-11:30 a.m. OR 7-9 p.m.
(\$20-30 As You Are Able)
Presenter: Eileen P. Smith, RSM

Marriage Encounter

Why not take the opportunity this summer to enrich your marriage? 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 20-22**. Early registration is advisable as space is limited. For registration and information call **1-732-904-9636**. Visit us at aweekendforyourmarriage.org for more information.

From the Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities

Save The Date! - Our Christmas party for children and young adults with special needs will take place on **Saturday, 12/15** from **1:30-3:30 p.m.** More information to follow.

24 Hour Prayer Line - Our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities has a 24-hour prayer line for those who desire prayers for any need. If you, a family member or friend would like to be remembered in prayer temporarily or permanently, please call us and leave a detailed message at 732-765-6431 or email: catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com

Become An Apostle of Prayer - Our intercessory prayer ministry is open to anyone interested in joining their prayers to those of other members for the intentions of the thousands of people who request special prayers. Please call 732-765-6432 or e-mail: catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com for more information.

More Resources – We have a Facebook page that provides daily updates with short inspirational reflection as well as other resources for people with disabilities, family members and caregivers. To access our page (even if you are not a member of Facebook), type into your search engine: Diocese of Metuchen Office for Persons with Disabilities. For an extensive list of resources available within our diocese and beyond, call 732-765-6432 or email: catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com.

Welcome to the...

Spirituality
Reading Room



Book 1 Discussion
Tuesdays -- July 24th & 31st -
10-11:30am or 6:30-8pm
7 Keys to Spiritual Wellness -
Joe Paprocki

Book 2 Discussion
Mondays--August 6th & 13th -
10-11:30am or 6:30-8pm
My Life with the Saints -
James Martin, SJ

Come to one or both book discussions

Cost: \$5-11 per book (depending on quantities ordered).

Sign up at stjohnpcl@gmail.com no later than June 30th. Please designate session time and which book (#1, #2, or both) you are interested in.

**Discover the Joy of Being a
Hospice Volunteer**

If you have a warm heart, a listening ear, and the gift of compassion, you can make a difference in the life of a hospice patient or family member. VNA Health Group is offering training for all individuals interested in becoming hospice volunteers in Monmouth and Middlesex Counties.

Training will be provided by members of the VNAHG Hospice team on 3 consecutive Tuesdays: **7/10, 7/17, and 7/24** from **9:30am till 3:00pm** at **VNA Health Group, 23 Main Street, Suite D1 Holmdel, NJ.**

There are many rewards and opportunities available to hospice volunteers though home visitation, phone calls, companionship, administrative support, pet therapy, or any complimentary therapies. Volunteers must attend all 3 sessions. **To register, please call Pauline De Palma, BSW (732) 224-6933.**

For more information about VNAHG volunteer services visit www.vnahg.org.

Stress in Your Marriage!

Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with your spouse? Are you constantly fighting? Or, do you simply shut down? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages. The program consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. **UPCOMING WEEKEND: 8/24-26.** For more information call the Family Life Office at 732-243-4573. **TO REGISTER:** Call Rich & Annette Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or email 3024@retrovaille.org.