

JULY 7, 2019

Sunday

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Mass Intentions

Monday, 7/8

7:00 a.m. Bob "Duke" Snyder by
Bill, Pat & Will Hughes

Tuesday, 7/9

7:00 a.m. Jonah Kreiss-Papalski by
John Kreiss

Wednesday, 7/10

7:00 a.m. Mary Duhamel by
Jeff Marren & family

Thursday, 7/11

7:00 a.m. Annie Thomas by
Vincent Babu

Friday, 7/12

7:00 a.m. Thomas Kodan Kandath by
Vincent Babu

Saturday, 7/13

5:00 p.m. Ruth Yambor by
husband, son & daughter

Sunday, 7/14

8:30 a.m. Rosemary Saverino by
husband John & family
10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. John's &
Ray Applegate by
Dianne Applegate

14TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

FOR MATURE ADULTS ONLY

Catholic Christians are called and empowered by our baptism to be disciples of Jesus. Jesus calls us to take our spiritual development seriously and embark on our spiritual journey from an adult perspective. This usually entails forsaking many sentimental ideas about religion we may have picked up in our training as children. Many of us may look upon God, for example, as a "sugar daddy" in the sky, and become angry and disillusioned with religion when God doesn't give us everything we want. If you, or anyone you know, would like to hear more about the Catholic Faith Family from a mature, adult perspective, we invite you to join us at an Inquiry Session. Inquiry sessions DO NOT assume a commitment to join the Catholic Faith family. Inquiry sessions are opportunities to ask questions about God, Jesus, the Catholic Faith. All who are unbaptized, baptized into another faith denomination, or baptized Catholic but have not received Eucharist or Confirmation, are invited. Inquiry sessions are for those who wish to inquire, explore, and search for ways to grow in relationship with God.

*This week our Sanctuary lamp is lit in memory of
Ruth Yambor by husband, son & daughter.*

*This week our Chapel candle is lit in memory of
Lillian Angiro by the Ben Younes-Millot family.*



A Prayer for Independence Day



God, source of all freedom,
this day is bright with the memory
of those who declared that life and
liberty
are your gift to every human
being.
Help us to continue a good work
begun long ago.
Make our vision clear and our will
strong:
that only in human solidarity will
we find liberty,
and justice only in the honor that
belongs
to every life on earth.
Turn our hearts toward the family
of nations:
to understand the ways of others,
to offer friendship,
and to find safety only in the
common good of all.
We ask this through Christ our
Lord.
R/. Amen.

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:

Our Ushers

Thank you for your participation!



**Pray
for the
Military**

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.

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.

Mount Saint Mary House of Prayer

UPCOMING PROGRAMS: Registration required;

call 908-753-2091 or e-mail:

msmhope@msmhope.org

GROWING IN HOLINESS THROUGH THE FIVE UNIVERSAL SHAPES

Do you know that shapes have meanings? Have fun as you discover what they are and what they reveal about your personality.

Wed, Jul 10, 7-9 p.m. (\$20-\$30 as you are able)

Presenter: Mary Jo Kearns, RSM

N.J. Independent Victim

Compensation Program

The Roman Catholic dioceses in New Jersey have established the Independent Victim Compensation Program (IVCP) to compensate those who, as children or young adults, were sexually abused by a priest or deacon of their diocese. The IVCP is open to claims through **December 31, 2019**. The IVCP will be independently administered by two noted compensation experts who have administered varying compensation programs, including the Penn State sexual abuse claims, and the 9/11 and the Boston Marathon bombing compensation funds. The IVCP will handle the submission, evaluation, and resolution of individual claims, and will operate independently of dioceses and church-affiliated institutions. The program's administrators will have complete autonomy to determine the eligibility of a claim within the guidelines of an established protocol. They alone will determine the amount of any compensation.

Victims of clergy sexual abuse of a minor can begin the process of utilizing the program by going to www.njdiocesesivcp.com and reviewing the protocol for submitting a claim. The implementation of the IVCP is an important step in aiding victims in seeking justice and healing as we journey together as a Church toward a new day. Anyone who has been a victim of sexual abuse by a priest or deacon of the Diocese of Metuchen is encouraged to participate in the IVCP.

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.

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 7, 2019**

“At that time the Lord appointed seventy-two others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them ‘the harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way; behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves.’”

Imagine being one of those sent. Who is your companion, as you go to bring the message of Jesus to someone else? Is your partner the talkative type, allowing you to remain present, but quiet? To whom will you go, either knocking on a door, stopping by a hospital bed, saying hello to someone in the laundromat? Isn't it interesting to wrestle with the answers?

Well, you are one of the lucky ones, not among the seventy-two, but among all the baptized to work in bringing in the harvest. If someone doesn't do his or her part, the harvest fails, dies, or simply rots. It is out there and the Lord needs people to follow His call as priests and deacons, as religious and committed lay workers, as missionary disciples. The good thing is, we do not do it alone but the Lord accompanies you.

There is work to be done and I heard that He is asking you to do it. Talk to someone about it today and fulfill your potential.

