

Sunday

August 27, 2017



Mass Intentions

Monday, 8/28

7:00 a.m. **Joan & Ed Marren** by
Loving family

Tuesday, 8/29

7:00 a.m. **Butch Spagnola** by **Nancy & Rick Chesler** and family

Wednesday, 8/30

7:00 a.m. **Barbara Zionkowski** by
husband **Ed**

Thursday, 8/31

7:00 a.m. **Clem Santy** by **Nancy & Rick Chesler** and family

Friday, 9/1

7:00 a.m. In honor of **Ron & Maureen Shea** by **Terri & Edwin Albano**

Saturday, 9/2

5:00 p.m. **Howard Hartfelder** by
Barbara Carlisle

Sunday, 9/3

8:30 a.m. **Barbara Zionkowski** by
husband **Ed**

10:30 a.m. **Parishioners of St. John's & Ed Marren** by **Pat & Joe Vargo** and family

This week our Sanctuary lamp is lit in memory of **the deceased members of the Reuter family** as requested by **Nancy Reuter**.

Sacrificial Offerings 2017

Sunday, August 20

Average needed from weekly offerings to cover expenses **\$7,000.00**

Regular Collection: \$4,921.15

Children's: \$ 8.50

Under: \$2,078.85

Feast of the Assumption \$1,273.00

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.

Parish Office Closed

Please note...The Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, 9/4**, to recognize Labor Day. The office will reopen on Tuesday, 9/5.

Save the Date!

St. John's Annual Fall Golf Classic will be held on **Sunday, 10/1** at Rutgers



University Golf Course in Piscataway.

Sponsors and golfers are needed.

Registration including lunch is \$130 per golfer. More details to follow or contact John Nicholson at 732-563-1473, stjdunellengolf@gmail.com. Mark your calendars now for this exciting event!

This week our Chapel Candle is lit in memory of **Clem Santy** as requested by **Nicole & Shawn Guthreau**.

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:

Our Altar Servers

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. Army Staff Sergeant Paul Frabizzio
U.S. Navy Lt. Michael Bartilotti
U.S. Army Pvt. Luke Harshaney
U.S. Army Pvt. Raymond C. Pizzigoni

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

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, 8:00 p.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.

Adopt-A-Priest Program

Have you prayed for your priest today? To adopt a priest or for more information, please call Maureen Shea at 968-0136.

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.



Classic/Custom Cruise Night

Our Lady of Peace Church located on **Amboy Avenue in Fords** is sponsoring a "Classic/Custom Cruise Night" on **Saturday, 9/16** at our **Parish Center** from **5:00 p.m. till 9:00 p.m.** Admission is free and there will be great food, a live Disc Jockey, vendors and some beautiful classic and vintage automobiles. Please join us!

Blessed Sacrament School's
100th Anniversary

All alumni (are) are invited to attend our Centennial Celebration on **Thursday, 9/21** at the **Excelsior Grand, 2380 Hylan Blvd.** Tickets are \$100 and checks should be made payable to Blessed Sacrament Centennial Fund and mailed to 30 Manor Road, Staten Island, NY 10314. Journal ads and raffle tickets are available. Raffle tickets are \$100 for a chance at a grand prize of \$10,000; first prize \$5,000; second prize \$2,500. Please contact the Parish House Office at 718-442-1581 for more information or to make a reservation.

Somerset County Disability
Services Fair

The 2017 Somerset County Disability Services Fair will take place on **Saturday, 9/17**, from **10 a.m.-1 p.m.** at the **Thomas J. Kavanaugh VFW Hall, 600 Washington Avenue, Manville.** Registration and Admission are free. Tables and refreshments provided. For more information, contact Paulann Pierson, Disability Services Coordinator, Office on Aging & Disability Services, (908) 704-6334.



Bishop Ahr HS
Spaghetti Dinner
Fund Raiser

Bishop Ahr High School, 1 Tingley Lane, Edison will be holding a Spaghetti Dinner Fund Raiser on **Thursday, 10/5** from **4:30 – 7:00 pm.** in the **High School cafeteria.** Cost is \$10.00 for Adults, \$7.00 for Students and \$4.00 for Children under 12. All funds will go to help two needy children, David Santos, a baby born with congenital heart problems and Sadie Ally, a 4 year old with a Wilms tumor. For tickets or info, please call: (732) 549-1108, ext. 648.

Pre-Teen Substance Use
Prevention Group

Catholic Charities for the Diocese of Metuchen has formed a Pre-Teen Substance Use Prevention Group to discuss education, prevention and treatment of substance use in children 11-13. The group will meet on **Tuesday Nights beginning 9/26** from **5-6 pm** at **288 Rues Lane, East Brunswick.** For more information about enrollment please call Carol Quick at (732) 257-6100.

Whole Community Catechesis

Readings for Sunday, 8/27:

First: Isaiah 22:19-23;

Second: Romans 11:33-36;

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

Registration: No registration will be accepted after September 1. Registration for the next school year will begin in the spring.

We offer a monthly Family Catechesis program from 6-8 pm for children in grades 1-7; both children and at least one parent are required to attend each session. However, the adult portion of our program begins at 6:30 pm and is open to all adults in our parish. Each adult session is a stand-alone presentation and does not require homework. Adults without children in our program need only call our office to pre-register to reserve a seat. Confirmation (8th Grade) meets 2-3 times per month on Sunday Mornings; children only.

Upcoming Family Catechesis:

Session Placement and calendars for the school year were emailed to all parents in July. If you did not receive your information, please contact the office.

Family Catechesis 2017-2018 dates*:

Mondays: 9/18, 10/2, 11/13, 12/4, 1/8, 2/5, 3/19, 4/9, 4/30.

Tuesdays: 9/19, 10/3, 11/14, 12/5, 1/9, 2/6, 3/20, 4/10, 5/1.

**Please review your calendar for inclement weather make up dates, as well as all Grade 2 additionally required sacrament prep dates.*

Confirmation Class schedule on Sundays from

11:30-1PM: 9/10, 9/24, 10/8, 10/22, 10/29, 11/5, 11/19, 12/3, 12/10. For all requirements, and also all 2018 dates, please refer to your calendar.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office at 732-968-2621; Stjev@verizon.net.



THE DEACON BEACON

"Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and I will not reject anyone that comes to me" - John 6:37 NAB

Wow, isn't this a beautiful scripture verse? **Everything** that the Father gives to Jesus will come to him...hmmm, this includes **everyone**. Sometimes we get a little distorted and judgmental when it comes to people. We also tend to forget that it's not up to us but the Father. In the scriptures it was the outcasts of society and those who were actually seeking the Father in their hearts that came to Jesus; and He rejected no one, not even the ones who turned against and deserted Him. And He won't reject us either. Jesus is all about love. No, not the touchy feely kind of love...the enduring, unconditional and everlasting kind of love that only He can give and reminds us of every time we receive Him at Mass. Alleluia! Praise God! This is what the Lord is all about! Sure, He died for us...but He also **ROSE** for us! Not just for us but for those that died before He came...all the way back to Adam. Just remember, those who belong to Christ will follow Him.

Until next time...come to the Lord, He won't turn you away...luv ya!
Deacon Phil

