

Sunday

August 6, 2017



Mass Intentions

Monday, 8/7

7:00 a.m. **Joan McLoughlin by
Ann Marie Hill**

Tuesday, 8/8

7:00 a.m. **Special Intention**

Wednesday, 8/9

7:00 a.m. **Joseph Maier, Jr. by Michael &
Edward Reidy**

Thursday, 8/10

7:00 a.m. **Mary Maloy by Bill, Pat &
Will Hughes**

Friday, 8/11

7:00 a.m. **Giuseppina Pennisi by
John & Jeanne Fitzgerald**

Saturday, 8/12

5:00 p.m. **Vincenzo DiMaggio by
Maria Amata**

Sunday, 8/13

8:30 a.m. **Gerard E. Cunningham by
his children & family**

10:30 a.m. **Parishioners of St. John's &
Rossella Assante by
Escolda Scudiero**

Sacrificial Offerings 2017

Sunday, July 23

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

Regular Collection: \$5,460.55

Children's: \$ 24.00

Under: \$1,539.45

Sunday, July 30

Regular Collection: \$4,744.04

Children's: \$ 7.02

Under: \$2,255.96

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.

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 Sanctuary lamp is lit in
memory of **Butch Spagnola** as requested by
St. John's staff.

This week our Chapel Candle is lit in
memory of **Marijean K. & Gerard E.
Cunningham** as requested by **their
children & family.**

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:

Sue Kelly, Our Bulletin Editor

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.

Retrouvaille Weekend

- 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 sponsored by the Family Life Office, Diocese of Metuchen, New Jersey.

Retrouvaille consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is **September 15-17, 2017**. All inquiries are confidential. For further information, please contact the Family Life Office 732-243-4573, Rich Colasuonno 732-236-0671 or Tom & Pat McTague 732-583-4468 (evenings).

St. Joseph Retreat

Join us this year at Mount Alvernia Retreat Center Wappinger Falls, NY for the annual St. Joseph Retreat from **Friday, 9/1 - Sunday, 9/3, 2017**. *Come away and spend some time with Jesus.* The weekend is filled with activity as well as reflective time; talks by the Franciscan Friars, group reflection, Eucharistic adoration/celebration, faith sharing, to name a few. **\$180 per person includes bus transportation, meals, private room/bath and activities.** Facility is air-conditioned and handicap accessible. Please register by August 11, 2017. Any questions, please call us at (732) 356-0027 or Edith Brizzi (908) 581-3545

Blessed Sacrament School's 100th Anniversary

All alumni (ae) 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.



Silver & Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen. Renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service in the **Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen** on **Sunday, 9/17 at 4:00 PM**. Application forms may be secured by contacting the parish office or by logging on to the diocesan website: <http://diometuchen.org/marriage-enrichment/>. Kindly note that this form can be typed on and printed out but cannot be forwarded. If you wish to keep the information it must be **SAVED AS** a word document in your computer. Forms must be signed by your priest, pastoral minister or deacon and returned to the Family Life Office by the parish office. Application forms will be accepted by the Family Life Office until the deadline for registration Friday, September 1st. A confirmation letter with further details will be sent once your application has been processed. For further information, please call the Family Life Office at 732-562-1990 x 1705 or 4573 / mfonseca@diometuchen.org

Whole Community Catechesis

Readings for Sunday, 8/6:

First: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14;

Second: 2 Peter 1:16-19;

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Registration: *Registration for 2017-2018 is in progress.* Our early registration discount period is now past. Please register by June 1 to avoid late fees.

We offer a monthly Family Catechesis program 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.**

All Classes have concluded for this school year.
Happy Summer!

For more information, please contact Coleen Cucci at 732-968-0233; Coleen.Cucci@verizon.net

Board/Committee Members Needed

Do you believe that Catholic education is important?

Do you have financial skills, property management skills, fund raising abilities, the desire to see Catholic education make a difference in our world?

Then Holy Savior Academy board of trustees needs you! We're looking for new board members and/or committee members. If you are interested or would like more info please contact Father George Farrell at Fathergeorgef@aol.com or at 908-756-3383 x15

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

The Transfiguration of the Lord August 6, 2017

"Beloved: We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of Our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty... We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven while we were with him on the holy mountain."

Jesus selected the three apostles, allowing them to catch a glimpse of His divinity. The scene – a mountain, where God met Moses, where Jesus gave the beatitudes in His sermon, provides the backdrop for this special revelation.

The voice, echoing the words spoken at the Jordan at His baptism, reveals the special relationship of Jesus with the Father. Peter is witness to it all.

'This is my Son, my beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' May the words spoken on this occasion be a mantra for us, reflecting God's care and love for us. We are His beloved and He is pleased as we strive to live our Christian lives. And like the three, may we open our eyes and see no one but Jesus.

