Parish Census: Every family in the parish should be properly registered. You may do so at the rectory office during regular rectory office hours.

Envelopes: The use of parish envelopes enables us to maintain up-to-date records of those who are actively attending & supporting our church.

**July 28, 2019**

**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Mass Intentions for this Week

MONDAY
7:20 Kevin McFeeley .............................................. St. Martha
7:20 Wife, Jeanne
12:00 Priest Intentions

TUESDAY
7:20 Sr. Valerie Paccone ............................................ Taylor & Oiga Hubble
12:00 Priest Intentions

WEDNESDAY
7:20 Kristina Rodriguez ........................................... St. Ignatius of Loyola, pr.
7:20 Ben & Marilen
12:00 Priest Intentions

THURSDAY
7:20 Sr. Valerie Paccone ........................................... St. Alphonsus Liguori, b. & dr.
7:20 Diana & Bob Morris
12:00 Priest Intentions

FRIDAY
7:20 Maryann Hilyard ............................................ St. Alphonsus Liguori, b. & dr.
7:20 Allen & Gerl Ward
12:00 Priest Intentions

SATURDAY
8:00 Jeffrey Huguenin .............................................. Pat & Bill Fosgreen
4:00PM Leo Lamb (Msgr. Joe) ..................................... Lamb Family

SUNDAY
7:30 Patrick Rogers (Fr. Chang) ................................. Pat Mendola
9:00 Russell & Juliann Skrincosky (Fr. Chang) ........... Skrincosky Family
10:30 Domenica Chiricolo (Fr. Chang) ................. Madeira Family
12:00 Daniel Patrick Dalton, Sr (Fr. Bill) ................. Granddaughter
5:00PM For the People of the Parish (Fr. Chang)

Sanctuary Candle – Week of July 28, 2019
Intentions of Sr. Antoinette

Chapel Candles- Week of July 28, 2019
Int. of Daniella Meroni .............................................. De Riso Family

Sacrificial Offering Update
Last Weeks Offering: $13,700.00
A/C Collection: $1958.00
Thank you for your continued support!

Events for this coming Week – See our website www.stveronica.com

Readings for the Week of July 28, 2019
Sunday: Gn 18:20-32; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13
Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Jn 11:19-27
Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11, 34:5b-9, 28; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Mt 13:44-46
Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Mt 13:47-53
Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Mt 13:54-58
Saturday: Lv 25: 1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21
Pastor’s Notes

When I was in the seminary, Fr. Groeschel told us about his encounters with Silanus Casey. He would find him praying before the Blessed Sacrament with his eyes focused on Jesus. Fr. Groeschel was fascinated by his way of praying which extended into the wee hours of the morning. I think the Apostles saw the same kind of phenomena when they saw Jesus praying.

Jesus, knowing that His companions will become adopted children of God, introduces them to the Our Father, to “incorporate” them into the Holy Trinity. In this prayer they directly pray to the Father by calling His Name, “Father,” as part of an intimate family. This was something that the Jews would never do out of reverence. What a contrast to what we have in our first reading where God destroys Sodom and Gomorrah.

Fr. Euk

Scripture Meditation

Psalm 8:4-5 - When I see your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and stars that you set in place—What is man that you are mindful of him, and a son of man that you care for him?

Have you taken a moment today to reflect on the greatness of God’s creation displayed all around us? Look into your backyard and notice the many wonderful things God has created, big and small. Look a little further and look into the night sky at some of the stars you can see and think about the far off planets. You may come to realize how small we are in His universe. But the splendor of God is in the value of His creation of mankind. The God of all this, the universe and everything in it, is the same God who gave His life to know us.

Deacon Gino

Abraham was unsuccessful in “changing” God’s mind. It has to give us pause in recognizing God’s actions. While He is all merciful, there is also a matter of retributive justice. God wants all of us to be saved, but He always respects our free will. Free will is a divine attribute which we share with God. There is the reality of not only Heaven, but also Hell. Jesus even reminded us that those towns that reject apostles will receive a worse punishment than Sodom.

The Gospel teaches us lessons about praying. You might want to ask yourself why does God not answer all our prayers when He says He does? There is a critical understanding behind this passage. God’s will must be done on Earth and in Heaven. We sometimes think that all His teachings seem to take away our free will. A careful analysis of our purpose in this life and in the next has to do with the reason why God made us, to know Him, to serve Him and to love Him. Our inclinations to do good are from God while our inclinations to do evil are from our fallen selves and sometimes even the devil. Once we begin to develop virtues to counteract these human flaws, we find it easier to discern and do God’s will in accord with the way He created us, our purpose in this life and in the next life. We derive a great deal of happiness from being what He “engineered” us to be. We only suffer the consequences of defying His great plan for us, especially in Eternal Life. It is only then that we actually recognize that we are free from the world, the flesh and the Devil. We begin to see what brings us happiness. Yes, we are made for God’s purpose. He loves us and He has a plan for us that we will love once we get our lives in order, His order. God’s love and mercy for the sinner are a powerful force and we pray that all those who resist His purpose will repent so that God will forgive them. In popular vernacular, we need to “get with the program.”
OUR SPIRITUAL LIFE

Please Pray for Our Sick

Tom Lovito          Marjorie Paulmann          MaryAnne Karwowski
Mark Stoughton      Mia Castellon             Baby Dylan Gallego
Erin Haber          Monica Noble              Michelle DeBlois
Paula Baiga         Phillip Pirri Jr.         Joan Avery
Joe Oates           Jane Oates               Ann Donovan
Christine Clements  John Rodrigues           Amara Riccio
Bob Walsh           Ed Kelly                  Dennis Hayward
Thomas Ronke        Christopher Hunt         Greg Mador
Baby George Capron  Robert O’Malley Sr.      Mary Henry
Joanne Oates        Kim Grigoli              Mike Kuris
Milagros Martino    Corinne Kerod            Luka Zno
Amanda Zno          Richard Tancredi          Noel DeBlois
Gary Lindquist      Cyndi Roemer             Ed Skok
Vinnie Gagliardi    Alex Manzaron             Greg Rinaldi
Mary Ann Morelli    Michelle Schultz        Roberta Wingren
Ana & Juan Rivera   John Lenza                Kelly Piercy
Victoria Burke      Jessica Przybylski       Mary Alice Carey
Theresa O’Malley     Ralph DeMaio              Veronica Echezono
Charlotte Rodil     Edward Harvey Davis       Baby Sarah Little
Rachel Lynn Franek  Baby Harper Little       Jackie Sewing
John Ostroski       Barbara Christiana       Ed Torres
Diane Tughy         Jessie Roberts           Randy Siciliano
Baby Charlotte Coyle Nancy Rorke              Talia Nielsen
Chris Ronke         Nicholas DeVito           Patti Suplee
Denise Worster      Raymond Sewing           Maggie Wright
Jacqueline Krutulis  Maggie Wright

Please Pray for Our Parishioners Serving Our Country:

Sgt. Sean T. Curran      Sgt. Brennan Six
PV2 William Wotton       GMSI Sandro Farduchi
Sgt. Krystyne Cechulski  Major Julio Collazo
SR Steven Brennan        Sgt. Gregory Hiller
PFC Zackary Burkay       LCDR Matthew W. Smith
Sgt. Luke Wlodkowski     Sgt. Matt Myers
1Lt. Ash Young           Sgt. Paul Coyle
Lt. Michael Michael Dublon, JAG  SN Matthew Gurrera
STS3 Philip Columbia     SN Brad D’Antuono
PFC Sean Rice            SR Patrick McCloskey
Sgt. Evan Myhren         Capt. Jeremy Dublon, MD

Pilgrimage to Italy, Greece and Turkey
Please join Msgr. Peter Kochery on a 14-day Pilgrimage to the shrines of Italy, Greece & Turkey. The trip includes a 3-Day Cruise to the Greek Isles & Turkey. Date: September 17-30, 2019. Cost: $4,099 pp double occupancy. For more information contact tour coordinator, Deacon Tom at 732-610-5434 or email 3marysway@optonline.net

Bringing Up The Gifts at Mass
Are you interested in bringing up the gifts at Mass? Is the Mass for a loved one or maybe you are celebrating an anniversary or birthday? Contact the parish office to schedule yourself or your family to bring up the gifts at Mass.

Bishop’s 2019 Anniversary Blessings

All couples celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50+ wedding anniversary during the 2019 calendar year are invited to gather with family and friends to share the Eucharist, renew your sacred wedding vows, and receive Bishop O’Connell’s Episcopal Blessing. Mass and blessing will be held on Sunday, October 6th at 3PM at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine in Freehold. Please come to St. Veronica’s Rectory to fill out a form by September 8th.

Religious Education Office Summer Closing Dates

Our Religious Education Office will be closed from Thursday July 4th through Friday August 2nd. The office will reopen on Monday, August 5th at 10AM.

Craft Vendors Needed

Church of Epiphany is looking for Craft Vendors. If you or someone you know is a craft vendor or independent consultant and would like to participate at Church of Epiphany’s Italian Feast from Aug. 15-18, please contact Amy at festival@churchofepiphany.org for information. Please keep in mind we do not do repeat vendors.

Church and Chapel Sanctuary Candles

If you would like to donate a Sanctuary Candle for a loved one, please contact the rectory office (732-363-4200). Candles will be in memory of or intentions of the named individual for one week (Sunday to Saturday) and announced in our bulletin.

Church Candle $15  Chapel Candles $20 (2).
**Walking with Purpose** - Women’s Catholic Bible Study at St. Catherine of Siena, Farmingdale. Walking with Purpose is a weekly women’s bible study that through personal study and small group discussions helps to link our everyday challenges and struggles to the solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Church. **Would you like to know more about how scripture relates to your everyday life?** If so, we invite you to consider joining Walking with Purpose. We will meet on Tuesday mornings beginning in September. For more information, please email wwp@sienachurch.org or call Laura Randazzo at 732-938-5375.

**Vacation Bible School** – St. William the Abbot
Welcome to a wild week at ROAR Vacation Bible School. During this fun-filled week kids will embark on an African Safari themed adventure where they will learn all about their God. The week features songs and music, snacks, games and activities. Camp will run from August 12-16, for 9AM to Noon. We hope you will join us on this adventure. Please register at St. William of the Abbot parish office, Mon. thru Fri. 9:30AM—2:00PM. Any questions contact Emma at emmagrace830@gmail.com

**Golf Outing**
The Sisters of Mercy 25th Annual Golf Classic will take place on Tuesday, September 24th at the beautiful Spring Lake Golf Club. **“Fore”** all the details on this event, which benefits our retired Sisters, please call Linda Cavallo at 908-756-0994 ext. 4006 or email lcavallo@mercymidatlantic.org.

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**Adoration Chapel**

“May the heart of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament be praised, adored and loved with grateful affection at every moment in all the tabernacles of the world even to the end of time. Amen” (Divine Praises)

Adorers urgently needed:
- **Sunday:** 11AM
- **Monday:** 1AM, 8AM
- **Wednesday:** 12 Midnight
- **Thursday:** 7AM
- **Friday:** 8AM
- **Saturday:** 3AM, 5AM, 1PM, 10PM

Also **SUBS** urgently needed. Sign up on the chapel bulletin board for a single hour where someone needs a sub.

To become a registered adorer or for any questions please contact Debbie at drev514@aol.com or leave message at 732-367-7750.

**Summer Series: Four**

**St. Pope John XXIII: Man of Humility, Humor, Holiness**
A reflection on the life and times of John XXIII emphasizing his down-to-earth spirituality and providing insights for our own personal growth.

**Presenter:** Msgr. Joseph Ciampaglio, M.S.W.

Msgr. Ciampaglio is a priest of the Paterson Diocese, whose past ministry includes Diocesan Director of Catholic Charities, Pastor, and Global Fellow with Catholic Relief Services.

**Date:** Tuesday, July 30th
**Time:** 7:00PM—9:30PM

**Place:** Upper Room Spiritual Center
3455 W. Bangs Ave., Bldg 2, Neptune. **Fee:** $25-$50 Call 732-922-0550 or email office@theupper-room.org

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**Air Conditioner Replacement Campaign**

**Goal:** 200,000.00

**Donations (Current):** 162,577.00

**Balance:** 37,423.00

As of May 5, 2018, there will be a second collection on each Sunday that there is no Diocesan collection. This special second collection will be earmarked for our needed air conditioning system in the Church. We will continue this campaign until we reach our goal and we will keep you advised of our project status. Meanwhile, we thank all those who have made donations and for your continued support of our parish.

**OUR NEEDS**

**Volunteers Needed**
We are in need of volunteers to help with mowing the mall, side and front areas of the lawns. If you are interested in volunteering please call the parish office at 732-363-4200.

**Pantry Needs**
- Rice, oatmeal, canned peas, canned carrots, canned corn, dry milk, tuna fish, canned chicken, canned baked beans.

Please check the expiration dates before donating. We cannot accept expired food. Thank you.