

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Sunday	June 25th	
8:00 AM	Cobivan Litsenburd requested by Dennis and Jean	
9:00 AM	Janina Plewa requested by Danny, Doreen and Rose	POLISH
10:30 AM	Paul Nowakowski requested by Lucy Nowakowski	CHILDREN'S CHOIR
12:00 PM	Barbara Tedesco requested by Kristin Tedesco	ADULT CHOIR
Monday	June 26th	
8:30 AM	For the Souls in Purgatory requested by OLQP	
Tuesday	June 27th	
8:30 AM	Jack Lenihan requested by Faith Lenihan	
Wednesday	June 28th	
8:30 AM	Grady Hopkins requested by Ken and Jenelle Hopkins	
Thursday	June 29th	
8:30 AM	Mary Moon Requested by Sr. Barbara Kowalik	
Friday	June 30th	
8:30 AM	People of the Parish	
Saturday	July 1st	
8:30 AM	Joseph Spaccavento Requested by Marge and Diana	
5:00 PM	Paul Nowakowski requested by Lucy Nowakowski	
Sunday	July 2nd	
8:00 AM	The Kachler Family (L) requested by Ann Marie Kachler	
9:00 AM	Helena and Bogdan Ostros (L) 45 th Wedding Anniversary requested by The Family	POLISH
10:30 AM	Donald Simmons requested by The Carroll Family	CHILDREN'S CHOIR
12:00 PM	Edward Kitchell requested by The Reilly Family	ADULT CHOIR

READINGS FOR



Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: 2 Kings 4:8-11

Second Reading: Romans 6:3-4

Gospel: Matthew 10:37-42

ALTAR CLEANING



Week of June 25, 2017

Team 9 – Carmen Ortega and Blanca Lynn

FROM THE DESK OF FR. MICHAEL A FINAL FAREWELL

Last week I wrote about some of the issues that we had to deal with over the last two years. I would like to continue this week. There are a number of issues that the parish, Catholic Church as a whole, and we as a nation must face. This is partial opine, but it is factual.

1. **Church Participation.** There is no doubt that the participation at Mass continues to decline here, and at other parishes. This decline is attributed to a number of factors, but most importantly in my opinion is the relevance of faith in people's lives, especially those under age 45. Parents don't support a foundation of teaching their children that Mass attendance is a priority. Making a commitment to God is not as important as other activities such as sports, trips, shopping, and taking Sunday mornings off. To be a faithful servant, one needs to engage God and accept His welcome. It takes commitment, obedience to God's law, and a willing heart. Commitment and obedience are not good words in the modern day. We often wish to do something else that involves something else. It amazes me for a number of years that parents will bring children to Religious Education, but don't take them to Church. Yes, CCD and Catholic education are vital, but it must continue at Mass as we celebrate the Lord's prayer, and prayers for others as a community, but most importantly receive our Lord at Communion. Missing Mass is a mortal sin, and should never be replaced by personal desire or other pleasures. We are given 168 hours in a week, we should give one hour to God willingly.

2. **Sports on Sunday Mornings.** Let's face reality, over 99% of our kids will not play pro sports as a career. Most young people will not get a full, or significant scholarship for college because of sports. So, why are we placing sports above God, who can give us peace, and heaven, if we willingly follow Him? It's time to make God a priority again

3. **Culture and Society.** It is amazing that we have seen the destruction of norms, and mores, and moral responsibility to God. Our culture and society promoted by the media is very much supporting an agenda that is counter to our beliefs, and faith. We are considered to be intolerable if we speak up for our faith and beliefs. Ironically, the same people who preach tolerance are often the most intolerant. No, it's not acceptable to change ourselves because we want to be something that we want, instead of what God has created. No, it's not acceptable to support organizations who say that they are for women's health, like planned parenthood, but are the largest provider of abortion. Remember, God created us, and it's not our right to change, alter, or destroy what God has made.

4. **Willingness to Accept the Cross.** I have spoken and written often that we need to embrace our challenges, and crosses. Indeed some of these challenges are long, and difficult, but find yourself united to our Lord's passion. Embrace God, ask and seek courage, and fortitude.

5. **Accept a White Martyrdom.** Unlike a red martyrdom, which means we are killed for our faith, a white martyrdom means we accept disdain, or verbal assault for believing in the Catholic Church, and living it in our daily lives. As the growth of apathy continues, there will be some who reject us, but stand firm, be peaceful in following God's will.

6. **Government.** Locally, we have mixed results. As you know, I spent a number of years working in government prior to entering the seminary. During that time, I was fortunate to meet many elected officials. Many communities and officials were very open to the role of

Church and parishes in the community. Unfortunately, I have not witnessed that here in West Milford. It has been a continuous struggle with the elected leaders. I cannot understand even till this day that the leadership at the top is opposed to faith in this community. It is remarkable that we have to get a permit to display the Christmas crèche and our Knights, despite the weather, are outside for 10 hours on the municipal green on Christmas eve to man the display, even though legally it can be displayed, as demonstrated by case law. We are fortunate that three of our parishioners are on the council (Tim Wagner, Pete McGuinness, and Lou Signorino) and have supported our cause for the free expression of religion. God willing we will get better results through future elected officials. On the county level, I thank once again Freeholder Terry Duffy for his good work to end the bus stop in front of the parish. This was necessary after many times picking up trash, including liquor bottles, that were thrown by people waiting for the bus. On the Federal level, I wish that they would stop the yacking, and partisan bickering and get the job done. I think that the 2016 election proved one thing, and that was that people are tired of politics as normal, and things must change. We have so many issues to address in our country, and we have a world that faces almost weekly, if not daily terrorist attacks, rogue regimes in North Korea, and governments that are hostile to freedom and democracy. These issues must be addressed and it requires people elected in our federal government to work together.

7. Religious Freedom. It is both sad and sickening to see the attacks on people because of their faith. Until last Sunday night, all of the attacks have been aimed at Christians by Muslims. Last Sunday night, it was a clear attack on people leaving a mosque in London. The attack and hatred by those who wish to do terrorist attacks is not only shameful but wicked and evil. We must pray that this stops soon, and pray that the President, and world leaders, can destroy the hate. I may add that the hate against authority, especially the police, must also stop. The latest act is when a Muslim Canadian crossed over into the United States, drove to Michigan, and stabbed a police officer at the airport in Flint because he hated the United States, and he did it in the name of God. Really? God does not support hate, and a society without order is an anarchy.

8. Desire for the Lord. Desire to serve! Realize that God loves YOU! I beg you, the faithful, to get Jesus in your Life, and always remember that God calls us to Know, Love, and Serve Him. Be confident that the Lord of Mercy seeks you to embrace Him, and have a relationship with Him. God would like us to be part of the journey in life. In Him, we will find our joy.

In conclusion, some more thanks to offer:

I personally wish to thank the staff once again. We are blessed to be served by each of them for their good work.

I thank our Sisters who continue to be active in the parish. Their relationship through the years has been significant, and I thank them for that, as well as their kindness to me. We are blessed for their willingness to serve God as a religious sister.

For your future, you will be served by Fr. Hubert as your new Administrator. Fr. Hubert is ready to serve you and looks forward to it. Fr. Hubert has led the vocations office the last 6 years, and has had the responsibility for leading the largest amount of seminarians in recent history in the diocese. I wish him the very best, as well as my prayers, for his tenure at Queen of Peace.

So, as I say good-bye in my last article from the Pastor's Desk, I say thank you. You have kindly touched my heart, and were a part of my life. You know that I have said that the Church is not just the building but Church means its people. Your kindness extended to my Mom

when she visited was gratifying, and yes, even to Cupcake, my companion here at Queen of Peace. As I depart for my new assignment, I ask for your prayers for my success, and for being welcomed like you opened your hearts here. I face a challenge of following the diocese's longest serving Pastor, one for 29 years. As he retires, I, with God's help, will try to lead St. Jude's Parish in this new transition, and era. As I move about 32 minutes South and West, my new address will be:

St. Jude the Apostle Parish
4-24 Beaver Run Road
PO Box 1
Hamburg, NJ 07419

Meanwhile, Please be assured of my prayers for you and for the future of Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish.

May God bless you always!
You will always be in my hearts, and prayers.

Love,

Father Michael



OTHER NOTES



Pilgrimage

Our Parish coordinator will be Doris Buske. I ask that you really consider attending this spiritual day to Washington on Saturday October 21st.

Attention Eucharistic Ministers!

If you have not yet done so, please pick up your certificate in the Gathering Space after Mass today.

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Please remember in your prayers the following:

Lexi Baron, Julie Baron-Kidder, Gail Burr, Wilma Caldwell, Al Colgate, Mary Lou Canino, Peter Carrion, Doris Colborn, John DePietri, Anthony DiGirolamo Sr., Joan Dundorf, Nancy Ann Gallo, Vivian Gunther, Ann Fitzpatrick, Frank Floystad, Nick Franco, Suzanne Kahaly, Infant Gabriella Mann, Leonard Masucci, Evelyn McCabe, Dave McClellan, Mac McCormick, Joseph Miller, Mike Mooradian, Pat New, Sissy Aho, Babies Ryne Onarato and Mia Onarato, Frank Pellegrino, Gemma Felice Podwol, Genevieve Puso, Cynthia Reinauer, Nicholas Salleroli Sr., Joann Somma, John Tenhula, Ursula Torella, Eileen Trahan, Ruth Wiedemann, Joe Verboys, Ann Weinschenk, Barbara Zaccaro.

Please also pray for those who have gone before us and are now at rest: Patricia Hajek, Patricia Lore.

WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO ANNOUNCE

Need Ride to Church

Eric looking for ride to church for Mass on Sunday. Lives near Jessie's Deli. Wheel Chair needs to be transported as well. If you can help please call Eric at 973-506-4485.

Part-Time Care Giver Needed

Care Giver needed from August 13 to September 3.

The position includes caring for an 86 year old woman with Parkinson's. looking for 24/7, or day shift, or night shift. Please call 973-809-1238 if interested or know of anyone who can assist.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, June 25th

Al-Anon – 7:30 PM - Gathering Space

Alateen – 7:30 PM - Annex

Monday, June 26th

Tuesday, June 27th

Children's Choir – 5:45 PM – Church

Adult Choir – 7:00 PM - Church

Wednesday, June 28th

Thursday June 29th

Bible Study – 6:30 PM – Library

Friday, June 30th

Saturday, July 1st

AA – 2:00 PM - Cafe

Sunday, July 2nd

Al-Anon – 7:30 PM - Gathering Space

Alateen – 7:30 PM - Annex

FATHER'S DAY MEMORIALS

<u>In Honor of</u>	<u>Requested by:</u>
Christopher Baczewski (L)	Mark Baczewski
Peter Baczewski (L)	Mark Baczewski
Jan Baczewski (L)	Mark Baczewski
David Baczewski (L)	Mark Baczewski
Edward Baczewski	Mark Baczewski
Augustus Baron	Annette Novakowski
Tony Beades	Maureen Finkelsten
Vito Benevenga	Roseann Traupman
Erik Berg	Paul J. & Helena Nowakowski
John Bolger	Thomas & Barbara Murphy
Nick Borsetti (L)	Ann Marie Kachler
William Cimino	Sister Marie Cimino
Dom Cimino	Sister Marie Cimino
Coppola Family Members (L)	Ralph & Mary Coppola
Coppola Family Members	Ralph & Mary Coppola
James R. Davis	Dave & Lucille Hardin
Dominick De Simone	Millie Brooks
Dennis Dalelio (L)	Dave & Lucille Hardin
Louis Delfino	Martha Shirlaw
Anthony Delfino	Martha Shirlaw
Nicholas Di Dio	John & Lucille Schinkel
Michael Domski	Victoria Nealis
Dick Drason	Dorothy Drason
All Drason Family Members	Dorothy Drason
Kenneth Eder	Ann Marie Kachler
Ernest Eder	Ann Marie Kachler
Louis E. Evangelista	Louis T. Evangelista
Marco Evangelista	Louis T. Evangelista
Frank	Louis T. Evangelista
Biagio Gugliuzzo	Martha Shirlaw
Joseph Gugliuzzo	Martha Shirlaw
James F. Hagan	Barbara M. Ryan (Hagan)
Corey Hardin (L)	Dave & Lucille Hardin
David Hardin	Dave & Lucille Hardin
David Hardin (L)	Lucille Hardin
Donald Hartman	Lori Kruse
Ken Hopkins (L)	Ken & Jenelle Hopkins
Ian Hopkins (L)	Ken & Jenelle Hopkins
Michael Howard	Catherine B. Bender
Lt. Col. Michael J. Howard	Catherine B. Bender

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Sunday Donations

Sunday, June 18, 2017

\$8,519

Seminarians

\$1,070

SHOP-RITE GIFT CARDS

Week Ending June 18, 2017

Sold – \$2,000

Profit – \$100

Total Profit since July 1 – \$7,182.75

<u>In Honor of</u>	<u>Requested by:</u>
John Barry Howard	Catherine B. Bender
Michael Josipowich	Saundra Josipowich
Joseph Kachler(L)	Ann Marie Kachler
John W. Kachler(L)	Ann Marie Kachler
John M. Kachler(L)	Ann Marie Kachler
Jerome Kachler(L)	Ann Marie Kachler
Gardiner Kenyon (L)	Caryl Romeo
John Klingler	Mary Ann Mayo
Members od Krug Family (L&D)	Dorothy Oppel
Anton Krupp	Justina Horton
Paul Lucyk (L)	Mark Boczewski
Luis Luna (L)	Ann Marie Kachler
Louise Marone, Sr.	Patricia Golczewski
Lawrence B. Mayo	Mary Ann Mayo
Lawrence F. Mayo	Mary Ann Mayo
Ryan Mayo (L)	Mary Ann Mayo
Lawrence K Mayo (L)	Mary Ann Mayo
Brian Murphy (L)	Thomas & Barbara Murphy
Thomas Murphy, Sr. (L)	Barbara Murphy
James Murphy	Thomas & Barbara Murphy
William Nealis	Victoria Nealis
Peter Nolan	Catherine B. Bender
All the Normandeau Family Members	Dorothy Drason
Daniel Novak (L)	Bill & Dorothy Novak
Bob Novakowski (L)	Annette Novakowski
Frank Novakowski (L)	Annette Novakowski
Frank Novakowski	Annette Novakowski
Paul Nowakowski	Paul J. & Helena Nowakowski
Members of Oppel Family (L&D)	Dorothy Oppel
Sal Paratore (L)	Sister Mary Rita Paratore
Vito Paratore	Sister Mary Rita Paratore
John Pojedinec (L)	Janine Pojedinec
Courtney Renegar (L)	Thomas & Barbara Murphy
Rudy Rodak	Lorry Rodak
Rodak Sons (L)	Lorry Rodak
Bartolo Russo, Sr.	Grace Russo
Bart Russo (L)	Grace Russo
Bartolo Russo, Jr.	Grace Russo
Thomas P. Ryan	Barbara M. Ryan
Thomas Ryan	Patricia Ryan
Ernest Schinkel	John & Lucille Schinkel
Peter J. Sedlarcik(L)	Ann Marie Kachler
Peter J, Sedlarcik I	Ann Marie Kachler
Peter J. Sedlarcik II (L)	Ann Marie Kachler
Frank Sedlarcik (L)	Ann Marie Kachler
John Shirlaw	Martha Shirlaw
Gaetano Tesoriero	Grace Russo
John Ulrich	Catherine B. Bender
Joseph Ulrich	Catherine B. Bender
Anthony Valentine	Thomas & Barbara Murphy
Wegman Family Members (L)	Ralph & Mary Coppola
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PRAYER FOR THE REDEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL

To you, O Good and Gracious God, who built your holy Church
Upon the apostles with Jesus Christ its cornerstone,
We come with thanksgiving for allowing us
To rebuild our Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist.
Listen graciously to our prayers
That what we have made beautiful on earth
May truly be your dwelling place where the faith is proclaimed,
The sacraments celebrated and charity increased.
As we rededicate our mother church, help us
To grow into the temple of your glory,
So that, constantly renewed by your grace,
We may be gathered by your hand
Into the heavenly city, the New Jerusalem
Through Christ our Lord
AMEN



DIOCESE OF PATERSON

Marian Pilgrimage

**The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

OCTOBER 2017 ~ TWO OPTIONS

October 20-21, 2017

**Enjoy a Two-Day Spiritual Journey
in the heart of our Nation's Capital**

✦
**The Baltimore Basilica
(America's First Cathedral)**

✦
**St. Jude Shrine
(Nationwide Center of St. Jude Devotions)**

✦
Deluxe Accommodations

✦
Dinner & Breakfast Included

✦
Round-Trip Bus Transportation

For more Information & to Register:

Diocesan Pilgrimage Office

Fr. Michael Rodak, Director

PO Box 1

Hamburg, NJ 07419

973 827-8030 / rcdop.pilgrimage@gmail.com



October 21, 2017

The Spiritual Journey includes:

Holy Mass—Bishop Serratelli

✦
Confessions in Crypt Church

✦
Rosary (multi-lingual) ~ Divine Mercy

✦
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

✦
Devotional Time

✦
Catechetical Presentations

✦
Round-Trip Bus Transportation

For more Information Contact your Parish Coordinator

Parking is very limited at the Basilica. For your convenience, please use the chartered buses leaving from the diocese.