

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 9/10, 2017

SAT – Sept 9 (St. Peter Claver)

5:00p +Edward Wojcik req Adella Kowalski

SUN – Sept 10

7:30a +Paul Brizek req Decker Family

10:00a -Thank you to Lotis Markowitz for the many years of service to our Rel Ed Pgm

11:15a +Neil Nelson req Barton Family

12:30p Pol -God's blessings on the 25th Wedding Anniv. of Irena & Miloslav Dait

MON – Sept 11

8:30a +Alfred Koval req Sobon Family

TUES – Sept 12 (Most Holy Name of Mary)

8:30a -God's blessings for the family of infant baby +Julius Joseph Moor req Francis Family

WED – Sept 13 (St. John Chrysostom)

8:30a +Agnes Kowalski req daughter Adella

THUR – Sept 14 (Exaltation of the Cross)

8:30a +Mae & Mike Piasecki req Alberta Piasecki

FRI – Sept 15 (Our Lady of Sorrows)

8:30a +Jackson Reamer req Wyss/Baldwin Fam

SAT – Sept 16 (Ss. Cornelius & Cyprian)

8:30a +Carol Killian req Ida Bolzan

5:00p +Anna & Alexander Misich req family

6:30p -For workers of the Walking Pilgrimage

SUN – Sept 17

7:30a +Stanley Lubas req B. Moskal

10:00a -All teachers, subs, and helpers of our Religious Ed Program

11:15a +Mathew J. Wingle, III req daughter Beth

12:30p Pol +Ks. Marian Załęcki od rodziny Szmieielski

****If you scheduled a Mass and would like to bring up the gifts during that Mass, please see the usher before Mass starts.**

Sanctuary Lamp is lit in honor of the 25th Wedding Anniv. of Irena & Miloslav Dait.

Flowers are donated by the Dait family.

Bread & Wine is offered this week in celebration of the 25th Wedding Anniv of Irena & Miloslav Dait.

Divine Mercy Candle is lit for God's blessing on the 25th Wedding Anniv. of Irena & Miloslav Dait.

IMPORTANT DATES

Sept 17, Sun. Rel Ed classes start-8:30am

Sept 16/17. Mum Sale, after all Masses

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR HURRICANE HARVEY

It was nearly five years ago, in October 2012, that Superstorm Sandy hit parts of our diocese and many of our people went through something of what is now being experienced by the residents of eastern and southern Texas. In scope and level of devastation, Hurricane Harvey is being described as a natural disaster beyond anything our nation has ever experienced. In the aftermath of Sandy, our people were able to begin to rebuild their homes and their very lives through the support of parishes and dioceses throughout the United States. Hurricane Harvey presents us with the opportunity to show to the grieving and displaced persons in Texas the same compassion that was so generously shown to us. We encourage our faithful to continue to pray for those who are suffering from this storm. We also invite you to participate in a special second collection, which we will take up in our parish NEXT weekend, September 16-17. Please be generous as your means allow.

LIFE CHAIN

Mark your calendars! Our Pro-Life Chain will take place on Sunday, October 1st starting at 2pm. Please join us as we pray for all the unborn of the world.

LOOKING FOR HELP

RELIGIOUS ED REGISTRATION

CLASSES START NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH. Registration for the 2017-2018 Religious Education School year is now overdue! Email Diane Francis if you need a registration form (dfrancis280@comcast.net) or call the Religious Ed office at 908-637-4269. There will be only one session this year. Classes will begin at 8:30am followed immediately by the Family Mass at 10am.

MUM SALE

As Fall approaches so does our church **MUM SALE!**

We will be selling mums to raise money for our Rosary Making Group. This group of ladies makes Rosaries that are mailed around the world. The cost of beads, string, crosses, and postage need to be covered. This sale will happen NEXT weekend, September 16/17 after all Masses. Please support this worthy cause and brighten up your porch or garden!

WEEKLY OFFERINGS-September

1st week - \$2646 2nd week - \$
3rd week - \$ 4th week - \$

We are looking for someone to take over the gardening around the church and rectory. Our gardener is retiring after 10 years of wonderful beauty. If you are interested in helping please call the church office. Also, we are looking for someone who plays the piano or organ for the 5pm Mass. We are looking to pay that person to play at this Mass. Call Eileen at the church office if you are interested or know of someone we can approach.

Invitation to a Journey Called RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process of formation for full initiation into the Catholic Church. It is open to those never baptized, those baptized in another faith and wish to enter full communion with the Catholic Church and Catholics who have not received Eucharist or Confirmation. Classes starting in the fall. For more information please contact the parish office, 908-637-4269.

Sacred Doorways

On Sat., Oct, 21, *Sacred Doorways* welcomes nationally acclaimed storyteller, author & theologian *John Shea*, along with teachers & authors Drs. Catherine & Michael Carotta for a retreat experience *Finding New Eyes: Awakening to the Call of the Spirit*. This retreat invites all to *learn* how to open our spiritual eyes & awaken with new breath: God's breath. *Shea* will offer thru story certain practices which invite us to *cooperate with the Spirit* & direct our spiritual development, no matter our age. The Carottas will invite us to consider that calls from God in life expand *far beyond work* to encompass the direction of each individual life. They will offer concrete ways to sustain the Spirit & fulfill our commitment to become who God has created us to be. By learning to see with the *eye of the Spirit*, we can awaken to who we are & begin to live a new life more in tune with our true calling - regardless of age - *individually & communally*. Registration now open -Join us October 21, 9a-4p at St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, Piscataway, NJ. For info/register, contact us! 609-702-7858 or sacreddoorwaysnj.org

Wednesday, September 13th

Join the Blue Army Shrine, 674 Mountain View Road East, Asbury, NJ 08802, as they celebrate the **100th** Anniversary of the Fifth Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima. Come pray the Rosary in the beautiful Outdoor Rosary Garden. Visit the Holy House USA, containing crushed stone from the Holy House of Loreto; the actual baldacchino and altar over which the last great apparition of Fatima took place; and the largest extant piece of the tree upon which Our Lady stood at Fatima. Confessions start 10:30 AM.; Noon Rosary Procession; 12:30 pm. **Speaker David Carollo**; Holy Mass 1:00 pm. Main Celebrant - **Most Rev. Nicholas DiMarzio**, Diocese of Brooklyn. Celebration ends with the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Info: www.bluearmy.com 908-679-1700. A Jubilee Year Plenary Indulgence has been granted to this Shrine.

NOVENA OF THE MONTH

This month, September, we are featuring St. Padre Pio as the Novena the of Month. Please see (in our Novena Corner) all the novenas for September and also a Chaplet to Our Lady of Mercy, a novena to the 24 Glory Be's and the novena to St. Peregrine, Patron saint of cancer.

You're Invited

2017 Champions for Catholic Charities Dinner, Monday, October 16 - The Palace at Somerset Park, 6:30 p.m. Cocktails - 7:30 p.m. Dinner. Please mark your calendar and plan on joining us for the **2017 Champions for Catholic Charities Dinner** where you will hear how American Standard, the well-known plumbing supply company that is part of LIXIL, joined forces with Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen to renovate Naomi's Way giving 12 low-income families a safe and attractive place to call their own. The dinner is an opportunity for us to publicly recognize our corporate partners while raising much-needed funds for our less-fortunate neighbors. For dinner reservations and sponsorship opportunities, call 732-562-2438 or visit www.diometuchen.org/champions.

CURSILLO

The Metuchen Cursillo Movement will be holding their next Cursillo Weekends in the fall at the BLUE ARMY SHRINE in Asbury, NJ. THE WOMEN'S WEEKEND is scheduled for October 26-29, 2017. THE MEN'S WEEKEND is TBA. Weekends start on Thursday evening and end on Sunday afternoon. Cursillo, (pronounced "kur-see-yo,"), is a Spanish word meaning "short course," --a short course in Christianity. A Cursillo Weekend is an "Encounter with Christ". It is something which will strengthen your faith and bring you closer to Jesus. If you are interested in making a Cursillo Weekend, you may obtain an application from our website at www.metcursillo.org or you may contact the Pre-Cursillo Chairperson, Lorri DeNoyelles at ldenoyelles@yahoo.com or (732) 738-1796. You may also contact Lucille Hess, Lay Director, at lhess@metcursillo.org.

"You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel."
- EZEKIEL 33:7

Many of us are generous with our gifts. However, how often is our generosity at the minimum level required? We do just enough or give just enough. Remember, the Lord calls us to be generous with all the gifts He has given us, to grow them, and return them with **increase**.

PRAY FOR:

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