

OCTOBER 16, 2011 - TWENTYNINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SUNDAY - October 16, 2011

The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Mary Ann Spanko r/o Florine & Michael Kaplan
 10:30 AM Donna Hope DiGanci r/o Parents, Maddie & Al Melillo
 12 Noon Josephine Julian r/o Gail & Judy
 5:00 PM Maryann Riccardi r/o Fran & Carl Perlin

MONDAY - October 17, 2011

8:30 AM William Huber r/o Irene & Harry Huber

TUESDAY - October 18, 2011

8:30 AM Anna Covino r/o Family

WEDNESDAY - October 19, 2011

8:30 AM Frank Dunaj r/o Wife

THURSDAY - October 20, 2011

8:30 AM Mildred Spadoro r/o Michael White

FRIDAY - October 21, 2011

8:30 AM Joann Miller r/o Peter & Elena Bentley

SATURDAY - October 22, 2011

**8:30 AM FOR THE MEMBERS OF ST. HELENA PURGATORIAL SOCIETY
 October 2011-October 2012**
**Frank Imbriacco, Jr. r/o Fr. Anthony & Staff
 Jean Zanatta r/o Gloria DeVito & Anne Calace
 Amado R. Salang r/o Cecilia Lynes
 Remedios Guevarra r/o Pat Diamond
 Peggy Shea r/o Gloria Kowalski
 Robert Dorwin r/o Aniello & Judy Malinconico
 Matthew Wang r/o The Maldony Family
 Alphonse Salerno r/o Rita & emery Fisher
 Thomas Finnigan r/o Robert & Catherine McKinnon
 Lillian Holm r/o Rudy Brandl & Family
 Frank Dunaj r/o Family
 Camille Klinga r/o Family**

5:00 PM George Heindel r/o The Sheckler Family

SUNDAY - October 23, 2011

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Maryann Riccardi r/o Russell & Rosemarie Rudolph
 10:30 AM Ann & Frank Giordano r/o Adele, Dave & Ryan Franklin
 12 Noon In Thanksgiving r/o Nancy Yu
 5:00 PM Michael Lacko r/o St. Helena Altar Rosary Society

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Oct. 22 5:00 PM A. Walsh, T. Gerkens
 Oct. 23 8:00 AM P. Dario, M. Mercer, R. Mercer
 10:30 AM F. Rodrigo, C. Miller, R. George
 12 Noon A. Wu, M. Hobler, K. Joseph
 5:00 PM M. Lacko, K. Casem, M. Mendonca, J. Manuel

READER SCHEDULE

Oct. 22 5:00 PM J&M Maldony
 Oct. 23 8:00 AM M. Salerno
 10:30 AM B. Thomas
 12 Noon G. Monteleone, Jr.
 5:00 PM M. White

EM's - EUCHARIST

Oct. 22 - 5:00 PM *F. Milek, M. Maldony
 Oct. 23 - 8:00 AM *I. Quevedo, C. Bustria
 10:30 AM *M. Capelluupo, C. White, B. Thomas
 12 Noon *N. Yu, G. Monteleone, Jr., D. Samonte
 5:00 PM *J. DiBella, E. Schmidt, M. Mistretta

EM's - PRECIOUS BLOOD

Oct 22 5:00 PM *T. Clark, K. Healey, L. Radler, R. Milton
 Oct. 23 8:00 AM *F. Klinga, A. D'Amico
 10:30 AM *M. Ojeda, F. McGrath
 12 Noon *A. Garone, R. Samonte
 5:00 PM *P. Fan, C.Y. Fan

TO EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON AND A TIME FOR EVERY PURPOSE UNDER HEAVEN"...A TIME TO BE HEALED"

PRAY FOR THE SICK DAILY Edith Dellapietro, Cheryl Pandolfo, Anita Mitchell, Michael Giovanniello, Guy Gebler, Sal Medina, George Cote, Jack Ford, Brenna Logue, Jeremy Osma, Kathleen Grasso, Eddie & Erica Breitenfelder, Dorothy Purzynski, Rose Pepe, Terry Shanahan, Baby Peyton, Michael Pugliese, Jean Hillyer, Alan Patrusевич, Siobhan McGovern, Shannon McGovern, Pauline Gillick, Karen Staggard, Barbara Menge, Catherine Yascur, Kathleen Grasso, Laurie Battison, Hubert Scheuers, Trevor Calise, Matthew McGrath, Peter Lukawski, Lenora Klopchin, Bill Hillyer, Joanna O'Connor, Raymond Lynch, Cathy Gaynor, Pauline Lechner, Virginia Comito, Star Adams, Frank Vigilanti

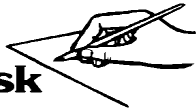
All powerful and ever living God, the lasting health of all who believe in you, hear us as we ask your loving help for the sick; restore their health that they may again offer joyful thanks in your church. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son who lives and reigns in you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

The fervent prayer of a righteous person is very powerful.

- James 5:16

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From the Pastor's Desk



Dear Parishioners,

The gospel speaks to us about paying taxes. In Jesus' time people were overtaxed. Believe it or not, it was worse than it is today (I can't believe I'm writing this as an NJ resident!) Jesus' response was "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." How do we do that in a society where it's easy to exclude God from our busy lives and weekend schedule? But God never forgets us. He is always there with such graces for us, our families, and, our parish family. When we give back to God, He gives us the grace to do his will.

One of my Mom's favorite family stories is about how when my oldest brother, Fr. Sam was born, my father's trucking business was not doing well and he was outside fixing the trucks on Sunday morning. My mother and brother were ready to go to church and she gently told my father that they were both raising my brother catholic and it was time to get changed and go to church. For fifty-three years my father was a daily communicant and served as an altar server at his church. My mother attends mass on weekends. They truly taught me to give to God what belongs to God and God graced them with two priest sons and two sons with children. Do we remember that God must come first in all that we do?

ORDER OF THE HOLY SEPULCHE

I have been asked about the history of the order to which I was inducted on October 1. The order dates back to the first Knights established by Godfrey de Bouillon immediately after the conquest of Jerusalem in 1099 as a guard of honor around the Sepulche of Our Lord in Jerusalem. The order received Papal approval in 1113. For nearly 400 years the order was forced to remain in Italy, but in 1847 the order was restored to Jerusalem by Pope Pius IX who set up four classes of Knighthood: Knight Grand Cross, Grand Officer (Knight Commander with Star), Knight Commander and Knight. I am a Knight. Pope Pius X decreed that the order's decoration would be the red Cross of Jerusalem (or, Cross of the Five Wounds) and granted the use of the white cape. In 1949, Pope Pius XII approved a new Constitution which included the following commission, "Crusaders of our day (will proffer) to us and to the universal Church all those services and aids, whether spiritual or temporal, which appear most opportune and necessary to protect the Holy Places of Palestine, and to liberate them from the power and attacks of both heretics and infidels." The government of the order is entrusted by the Holy See to a Cardinal; on August 29, 2011 the Most Reverend Edwin O'Brien (Diocese of Baltimore) was appointed Grand Master. The Order of the Holy Sepulche includes both Knights and Ladies.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Father Anthony

NOVENA TO ST. JUDE

Our 9 day Novena to St. Jude will begin after the 8:30 AM Mass on October 20th and end on October 28th with private novenas on October 22 & 23. If you are interested in obtaining a Novena Booklet, please call Carrie at the Rectory Office at Ext. 10.



*Eucharistic Adoration -
Tuesday - 9 AM- 5 PM*

Rosary of Our Blessed Mother at 4:00 PM
for the Intention of Respect for Life
JESUS is waiting for YOU! Come Tuesday to
visit Him. He longs to see you and embrace you
with His love.

TITHING

| | 10/9/11 | 10/10/10 |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Regular | \$12,194 | \$ 11,000 |
| R&R | \$ 4,144 | \$ 4,175 |
| Campaign | \$ 1,059 | \$ 1,700 |
| St. Vincent de Paul | \$ 1,333. | \$ 1,399 |

I AM TRULY HUMBLED BY YOUR GENEROSITY

I want to thank all the parishioners who have decided to make tithing a part of their lives. Being someone who tithes myself, I understand the sacrifices you are making. I am truly blessed to be a part of St. Helena Parish and to be a part of your lives. God Bless you and your families.

Father Anthony

ONE SUNDAY FOR THE WHOLE WORLD

Next Sunday, Pope Benedict XVI calls every Catholic in the world to celebrate our vocation to be missionaries. It's World Mission Sunday! As Catholics around the world, here at home and in the Missions, gather at the Eucharist around the table of the Lord, we are to pray for the Church's worldwide missionary work. We pray for those awaiting the "Good News" of our Lord's great love for us and for the missionaries who offer the poor and suffering the light of Christ. And we are to offer financial help through the Society for the Propagation for the faith for more than 1,150 diocese in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Pacific Islands.

2011 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

In Faith, With Hope

Many companies have Matching Gift programs for charity or educational purposes. If your company participates, the Diocese of Metuchen or one of the designated entities may be the recipient of these funds. The company match will increase the dollar amount received at no extra cost to you. For information, contact the Department of Stewardship & Development by phone at 732-562-2429 or e-mail MatchingGift@diometuchen.org. A list of Matching Gift companies can also be found on our website www.diometuchen.org.



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle will be lit this week **In Memory of Ann & Frank Giordano** r/o Adele, Dave & Ryan Franklin

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A LETTER FROM OUR BISHOP

October 16, 2011

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Before returning to the Father, Our Lord promised us the gift of the Holy Spirit and charged His followers to be His witnesses "...to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

Each Easter season, we renew our Baptismal call to be witnesses of Christ. And each October, we have the opportunity to join the entire Church on World Mission Sunday to act on that call—to share our faith with others through personal prayer and sacrifice. We are called to strengthen our bonds with Catholic Missionaries by helping them represent us in bringing our Lord's Gospel to faraway and remote places. So often this means bringing hope to those who must eke out an existence day by day.

Thankfully, many organizations—some Catholic—extend the treasure and talent of us Americans to parts of the world where people struggle to survive. The Church's missionary outreach, however, begins with our faith-filled proclamation: Jesus is Lord. On October 23, I encourage you to celebrate Christ our Hope by participating in the Eucharist and by praying and sacrificing, personally, in this year's World Mission Sunday collection.

Our Sisters and Brothers around the globe also pray and sacrifice. They count on us, too, to make that day a day of our oneness in Christ, so that the Church's Missionaries may stay 'on the scene' long after emergency personnel have left. May you and I join with every parish, chapel and mission station in begging Him to renew us and His entire Church—He who is the Hope of the World.

Sincerely in the Lord,



Most Rev. Paul G. Bootkoski
Bishop of Metuchen

YLF PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Please join us this Sunday, September 16th, when YLF will be hosting a **Pancake Breakfast** fundraiser in the Parish Hall. Please come and enjoy delicious pancakes and mingle with your fellow parishioners. Check the breezeway and listen to the announcements for more information.

After the Pancake Breakfast on **September 16th**, we will have a YLF meeting in **St. Helena's School GYM at 1 PM**. We hope to see all YLF members or any high school students wishing to join, there! If you have any questions regarding YLF or the meetings contact us at SHPYOUTHGROUP@hotmail.com.

VENDORS WANTED!

The St. Helena HSA will be running a Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, December 3, 2011 from 9 AM to 3 PM in the school hall. Last year's event was a big success. There were crafts, toys, gifts, jewelry and fun stuff! The HSA will be selling food. If you would like to sell your merchandise at the bazaar, please contact Kathy Penevolpe at [201-390-5053](tel:201-390-5053) or jakpen@gmail.com.

BUS TRIP FOR DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE

The Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC is scheduled for Saturday, November 19th. Charter bus transportation from our parish/immediate area is being investigated and knowing how many would participate will help us in the planning process. While details are not final, the cost (without meals) should not exceed \$40 per person. If you are interested, please call Carrie Viglianti at ext. 10 in the parish office and leave your name, phone number, and the number of persons in your party.

BOOK SALE

The Sisters from the Daughters of St. Paul will present a book sale with Catholic books, music, DVDs, and Christmas items after the Masses here on Saturday/Sunday October 22 & 23. The Sisters' mission is evangelization through communications. Share your Faith with those your love through a gift of beautiful and inspiring books for children and adults.

ROMAN MISSAL, THIRD TYPICAL EDITION

Beginning in Advent this year most of the prayers we say at Mass, both people and priest parts, are changing. What? Why? Where did this come from? How does this new Missal affect me? Is there something wrong with the way we have been praying the Mass these past forty years? Come and find out what it is all about. All are invited and encouraged to attend. All Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Music Ministry should make it a priority to attend.

Tuesday, October 18, 7:30 p.m.:

**From English to Latin to a 'New' English
Where Are We Going?**

Presenter: Rev. Peter VB. Wells

Pastor, Saint Clare Church, Clifton, NJ

Priest of the Diocese of Paterson

Member of the Standing Committee for the Clergy
of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians

HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULES

BISHOP GEORGE AHR HS, 1 Tingley Lane, Edison 08820,
Oct. 16, 2011, 1 PM - 4 PM, 732-549-1108, X641

MOUNT ST. MARY ACADEMY, 1645 Hwy. 22 @ Terrill Rd.,
Watchung, NJ, Oct. 23, 2011, 1-4:30 PM,
908-757-0108, x4506.

HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TESTS

The HS placement test for Bishop Ahr, Cardinal McCarrick & Immaculata High Schools is scheduled for Saturday, November 5, 2011, 8 AM. It is a 4 hour assessment. The fee is \$45. If your child does not already attend a Catholic school, call the high school of your choice for an application. Mail the completed form to your first choice school. Be sure that your first quarter marks are on the form.

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FILM/SPEAKER SERIES:

The St. Helena Respect For Life Ministry will be hosting a Film & Speaker Series to address key topics to support parents and parishioners concerning our children **COST:** Free will offering, **RSVP:** One week before Series (2) 10/19, (3) 10/26) to Pat at 908-279-7807. **Thank you for all those who joined us and benefited from the first Film: "Parents Matter" with Pam Stenzel and special thanks to a wonderful Q&A session with Liz Loftus, School counselor from Bishop Ahr High School. We look forward to you joining us for the next one in the series.**

WHEN/WHAT: 2) Wed., Oct. 26., 7:00 PM, Meeting Room, FILM: "The Biology of Prenatal Development", SPEAKER: Dr. Kyle Beiter from the Gianna Center for Women, St. Peter's Hospital, "The Biology of Prenatal Development" follows the stages of fetal development, from conception to birth. Q &A Session to follow with Dr. Kyle Beiter, OBGYN from Gianna Center for Women - The Catholic Healthcare Center for Women, a pro-life OB/GYN practice, specializing in infertility.

3) Wed., Nov. 2, 7:00 PM, Meeting Room, FILM: "Silent Scream", SPEAKER: Representatives from Life Choices Resource Center, Metuchen, NJ "Silent Scream" is narrated by Dr. Nathanson, pioneer of many of today's modern abortive procedures, including the extremely controversial "late term" abortion. Dr. Nathanson walks you through the steps of an ultrasound-guided abortion at 11 weeks. Representatives from Life Choices Resource Center will be available to discuss what abortions and birth control are legally available to our youth, and how they are obtained by young girls.

BIBLE STUDY

A Biblical Walk Through the Mass will be offered at St. Helen's November 15th through in December 17th , Tuesday's 7:00 – 8:45 pm, December 17th 8:15 am. The cost is \$25. Registration will be held after Mass next weekend, October 15th & 16th. Space is limited. To learn more, call Pat Diamond at 908-279-7807 after 5:00 pm.

JOIN FATHER ANTHONY AS ST. HELENA'S PRESENTS THE SHRINES OF ITALY

April 9 - 19, 2012, Per Person Rates: 11 Days - 15 Meals: 9 Breakfasts - 6 Dinners; **Double \$2,999**; Single \$3,399; Triple \$2,969. Includes: Land/Air/Taxes/Fuel Surcharges (Subject to Increase until Paid in Full) **DOES NOT INCLUDE \$200.00 Insurance.** **HIGHLIGHTS:** Rome, Vatican City, Papal Audience (dependent upon Pope's Travel Schedule), St. Peter's Basilica, St. Paul Outside the Walls, Christian Rome City Tour, Saint Mary Major, St. John in Lateran, Madonna del Rosario Abbey of Santissima Trinita, San Giovanni Rotondo, Tomb of Padre Pio.