

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

5:00 JOSEPHINE & JOSEPH DEMEO & MARY ANN DEMEO

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

7:00 RAYMOND H. DANNEMANN  
8:30 HELEN SEUBE  
10:00 MARGARET P. MASTERSON  
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
1:00 MARGARET SIX  
5:00 NICHOLAS & ROSEMARIE GUASTELLA

MONDAY, AUGUST 10

7:00 CHARLES, MARY & CHARLES DONOHUE  
9:00 JOHN A. KUBASEK & FRANK SOVA

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

7:00 PATRICIA BUTTLE  
9:00 LYDIA LIVOLSI

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

7:00 NANCY MCVEY  
9:00 MARGARET & ELAINE MASTERSON

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

7:00 JOHN MOLLUZZO  
9:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE DOLAN & LYONS FAMILIES & SOULS IN PURGATORY

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

7:00 MATHEW & KATHLEEN DOWD  
9:00 ED KISTO

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

9:00 JOAN M. PRENTY  
5:00 JOSEPHINE MACALUSO

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

7:00 CORINNE A. O'BRIEN  
8:30 SUE AMORE  
10:00 EDMUND CRESCI  
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
1:00 ANNA HELEWA & BENEDICT MORSTATT  
5:00 HELEN SEUBE

In the charity of your prayers please pray for the soul of  
Lillian Kenna  
Edward Conroy

The Bread and Wine are in loving memory of Thomas J.,  
Virginia and Gerard Crane requested by the Crane family.

LECTORS

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, August 15

5:00 Frank Ponterio Anne Siemer

Sunday, August 16

7:00 Theresa Zulch  
8:30 Kennedy Apoe Elizabeth D'Antuonno  
10:00 Roy Hansen Dorothy Tarafa  
11:30 Maria Montuori Ken Wisniewski  
1:00 Charles Sullivan Shirley Fennell  
5:00 Wanda Ortiz

Sick Relatives & Friends

Susan Pellecchia, Lois Mazzitelli, Rosanne Mezzacappa, Christopher Luciano, Patricia Repoli, Tim Campagna, Meghan Clark, Alberto Meranda, Jerry Russo, Anna Parente, James Parente, Ruth Manieri, Mary Kenny, John C. Marino, Michael Rucci, Cpl Justin Campbell, Barbara Brennan, Sam Pezzano, Sheila Jones, Edward B. Hanson, Robert Gaylord, Emily Baron, Frank Silvestri, Carol Van Manen, Frank Juliano, Richard Nagrowski, Theresa Mirante, Barbara Walsh, Christian Pepo, Joe Arrigo, Thomas Coppola II, Terrence Gibbons, James Bauer, Sondra Cronin, Jean Forte, Julie Scarcella, Ambre Witte, Baby Michael John DiCostanzo, Bill Kiesewetter, JoAnn DiPietro, Sebastian Lattuga, Linda Browne

Collection August 2

Regular . . . . . \$6,706.50  
Latin America and Home Missions . . . . . \$1,519.00



Next Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is not a Holyday of Obligation this year. The Mass times are: 9:00AM and 5:00PM.

## A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

As you read this letter I will be vacationing in Arizona. The timing of this vacation is awkward since I just moved into the rectory. If I would have known in January, when I booked this getaway with several of my fellow priests, that I would be starting a pastorate in Staten Island on August 1<sup>st</sup>, I would certainly have selected a different departure date. I apologize to you if my absence is causing any inconvenience. Other newly appointed pastors, including Fr. Jerome, are experiencing the same clumsy vacation situation. Speaking of Fr. Jerome, let's keep him in our prayers so that his ministry at St. Charles is very fruitful, as it was here at Sacred Heart.

Fulton Sheen called Blessed (Mother) Teresa of Calcutta the most remarkable woman of the twentieth century. She embodied the teachings of Christ who said: *What you did for one of the least of my brethren you did it to Me.* (Mt 25:40). Her famous work with the poorest of the poor earned her great esteem even among non-believers. Mother Teresa sometimes held up the five fingers of one hand to explain that the whole Gospel could be counted on five fingers: "You-did-it-to-me!"

In the second reading of today's Mass the Apostle says: *So be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love.* (Eph 5:1). A great mystic once said that "On the evening of life we will be judged on love alone." How can we live more *in love* as the Scripture commands? By seeing every circumstance that we encounter each day as an opportunity to express our love and gratitude for Jesus. A minister from the Indian government once said to Mother Teresa, "You and I, we both do social work, but there is a big difference between you and us. We do it for something, and you do it for someone." An American journalist who observed Mother Teresa attending to a sick man with foul-smelling ulcers said in disgust that he would never do that for a million dollars. And she replied, "Yes, for a million dollars I wouldn't do it either." She did it *for Jesus*.

What can we do for Jesus? First, we can take

away the sting of loneliness that so many people feel on life's journey. Mother Teresa believed that the worst disease in the world is not leprosy or tuberculosis, but the feeling of being unwanted. She said, "The most terrible poverty is loneliness and the feeling of being unloved. There is more hunger in the world for love and appreciation than for bread." Each week we cross the paths of so many people. May we make them feel wanted. May we make them feel as if we care. We can start with the people closest to us because charity begins at home.

Another thing we can do for Jesus is to make Him known. To know Jesus is to love Jesus. To love Jesus is to truly live - to be truly alive. How can we make Him known? By the example of how we treat others. Our kindness in word and deed can certainly lead others to Jesus. A drunken beggar tottered to the door at the Missionaries of Charity convent in Rome and leaned for a long time on the doorbell. When a Sister hurried to answer, he furiously griped at her, "Sister, I'm hungry! When are you going to give me something to eat? I've been waiting here forever. What do you do all day that I have to wait here so long? Get going and bring me something!" The Sister humbly turned around and went to the kitchen to prepare something and then as she finished preparing his lunch an idea occurred to her. She searched for something sweet to give the man and found a bar of chocolate for his lunch bag and then brought the bag to him. He took it, murmured ungratefully about having to wait so long and staggered toward a nearby tree. Then he opened the bag and stared at it for a long time. Right on top was the chocolate. Suddenly he was very sober. He stood up and went back to the Sisters' house. He gave a short ring on the bell. Another Sister opened the door. The beggar, who had been so rude, now asked politely whether he might talk for a moment with the Sister who had prepared the lunch bag for him. Someone fetched her and when she appeared at the door, the beggar looked at her with weary eyes and said, "Sister, now tell me something about your Jesus."

Father Eric



## SACRED HEART SCHOOL The

Summer hours are Mon - Thurs 8AM to 12PM. Registration for 2015-2016 is taking place. Grades: Pre-K3, Free UPK, Kindergarten and 1-8. Please call the school office for an application and information.

### CCD REGISTRATION

**New Student Registration** If you are interested in registering your child (entering 1st-7th grade in Sept. 2015) for Religious Education classes for the 2015-2016 school year please email Mrs. Rizzuto at [shreliouged@yahoo.com](mailto:shreliouged@yahoo.com) or call and leave a message 718-442-1536. Your child's Baptismal Certificate and transcript if he/she has attended another Religious Education Program is needed.

**Re-registration** Reminder all re-registration forms are now due. Please drop them off at the rectory.

**THE ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY** needs to restock its food pantry. Please donate one or more of these non-perishable food items: canned soups, canned vegetables, canned or jar fruit, tuna fish, pasta, rice, canned broth, peanut butter and jelly, cereal, canned or bottled juices. Donations can be dropped off in the church vestibule. Please check expiration dates on all donated food. We cannot distribute expired food. Thank you.

### FAREWELL DINNER FOR FR. JEROME

At the farewell dinner there will be a memory book available for you to write a special message to Father Jerome. You may also bring a photo with a caption to be placed in the book. Blank cards will be provided for you to record your thoughts and memories for Father Jerome.

### ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE AUGUST 15 & 16

#### Saturday, August 15

5:00 Vicky Bruno, Thomas Laub

#### Sunday, August 16

7:00 Ryan Virga, Noelle Ehresman

8:30 Patrick & Keifer Regan

10:00 Sean Hartnett, James Esco

11:30 Marc Artuz, Samantha Baniswal

1:00 Sarah & Megan Laureno

5:00 Luisa Montuori, Laura Laureano

## Choir News

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France Voyager Choir sings August 16<sup>th</sup> 11:30AM Mass! Don't miss it!

Summer is the time for France Voyager Choir to put the finishing touches on their mystical music lenten liturgies (including Latin, French) they have been preparing for their upcoming Choirtour/ Pilgrimage to France Feb 16-23, 2016! Thanks so much for your support and good wishes! Come with us! (Details! Pamela VM 24)

Mark Your Calendars!! Uncle Bill, Aunt Mae, Cousin Vinnie, Baby Rose - please come up to the choir loft to sing a rousing Sept. 6 11:30AM Mass! Bring your visiting families! Grand Prize for the family with the most members in the loft! Treats! Prizes! Coffee!! See you in the loft!!

Kids Praise Choir!! Come up to the loft Sept. 6th, to sing with Family Choir - trade in your medals for prizes! See you in the loft! See you there!

September Brides Every bride must come to a consultation in the choir loft after any Sunday 1PM Mass, to discuss your music selections for your wedding. You must do so at least 6 weeks prior to your wedding or traditional selections will be made for you. See you in the loft! Questions? Pamela VM 24  
Hymnbooks Have you seen your hymnbook lately?! After Easter, Confirmations, 1<sup>st</sup> Communions, special Feast Days Masses - oh the sheep have scattered! Besides their priceless sentimental value, our hymnbooks have saved us over \$105,000 to date! Please take a moment after Mass and put the book you used in its correct rack/pew number. Is it badly worn? Small donations greatly appreciated to repair/replace your book at your request-See Pamela! VM24  
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