

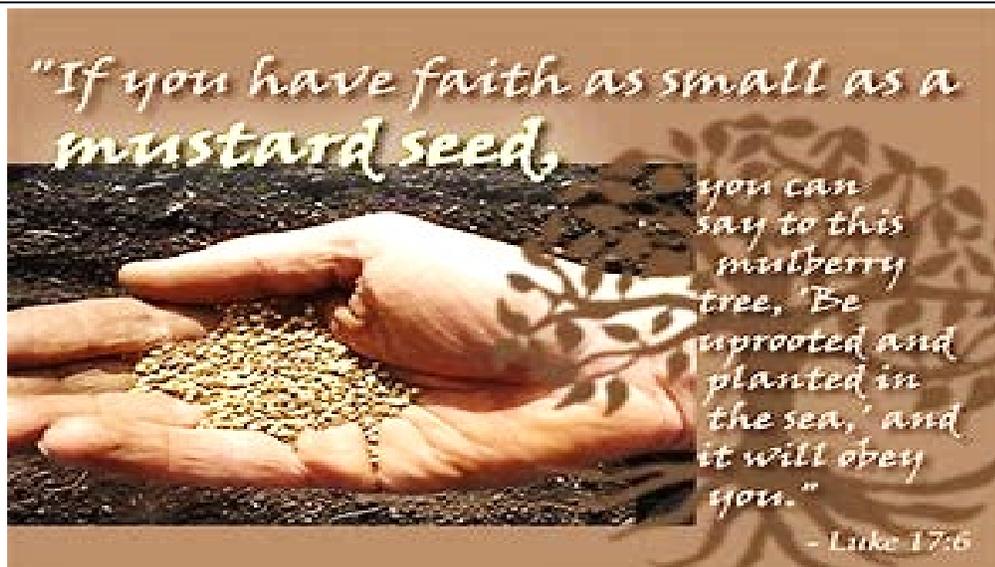
CHURCH OF THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

TO TEACH, TO BUILD, TO SERVE, TO SANCTIFY

246 Dodd St. corner Midland Avenue, East Orange, New Jersey 07017

OCTOBER 6th, 2019

TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Served by:
Rev. Frederick A. Pfeifer

Pastor

Rev. Charles M. Kelly

Priest in Residence

Rev. Vincent Sebastine

Priest in Residence

Rev. Mr. Leo Woodruff

Deacon

George Henderson

Music Director

Marilyn Spesak

Parish Secretary

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

CELEBRATION of the

EUCCHARIST:

Saturday Evening: 5:30 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM

Weekdays: 8:00 AM Monday through Saturday in the Chapel

SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:30 PM – 5:00 PM

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM:

Baptisms are scheduled on Sundays after the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Parents must first register at the Rectory for confirmation of a date. Parents should be registered members of the church prior to making baptism arrangements. A copy of your child's birth certificate must be presented as well as sponsor certificates for the godparents, if they are not members of the parish.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Every First Friday of the month, 7PM-12AM in Church.

SACRAMENT of MATRIMONY:

Couples planning to marry should make arrangements with the priest **1 year** in advance of the wedding date.

MINISTRY to the SICK and HOMEBOUND:

If you are hospitalized and would like to be visited by your parish priest, please notify the parish directly. If you are sick or homebound and would like to be visited by a priest, deacon or a Eucharistic Minister to bring you Holy Communion, please call the Rectory.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:

Saturday after the 8:00 A.M. Mass.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: We invite new parishioners to register at the Rectory. If you are moving, or have an address or phone change, please notify the secretary.

Parish Website:

www.hnjeo.org

(Improvements in Process!)

RECTORY AND PARISH CENTER: 184 MIDLAND AVENUE, EO, NJ 07017

Parish Center Hours - Monday to Friday: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Rectory and Parish Center Phone: 973-675-4444

CCD Emergency Phone: 201- 953-5077

Protecting God's Children Victim Assistance Coordinator: 201-407-3256

E-mail: coholyname@verizon.net

Social Services: 1-800-227-7413

BIG THINGS IN SMALL PACKAGES

Destruction and violence are before me; there is strife, and clamorous discord." These words, uttered by the prophet Habakkuk, are as relevant today as they were the day they were first penned. It almost seems that every day we are exposed to another act of violence or display of discord in our world, nation, and even our Church. We are becoming increasingly polarized and find it more and more challenging to live on common ground. "How long, O Lord? I cry for help but you do not listen!"

As people of faith, we mistakenly believe that if we pound the door of heaven long and hard enough, God will produce some tangible results. Whether this takes the form of using His strong arm to counter violence with peace, bring wisdom to the minds of the perpetrators, mete out some measure of justice, or simply end the world once and for all, it doesn't matter. We want to see results! After all, doesn't it make sense that if I work hard enough to merit some kind of Divine favor that I should get something in return? This may make some sense through human eyes, but not God's.

God tells us to wait. The vision will surely come. Wait. We don't like to hear that. If we are looking for more dramatic results, we can easily find ourselves getting discouraged. We may even find ourselves asking, "If God is not going to do more about this mess we are in, then what's the point?" We lose faith. Waiting is difficult as it requires patient endurance without substantial immediate gratification. We tend to think that we are more profitable in God's eyes if we go above and beyond in our relationship with Him. But, it doesn't work quite like that. Humanity has caused its own mess. Yet, we want God to fix it. This line of thinking misplaces responsibility. Wanting God to be the "cleanup guy" is just a form of cowardice because we are afraid or unwilling to do the job ourselves. So, if God is not the One who is responsible for straightening things out, where does that leave us in terms of faith?

"If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." The request the disciples made of Jesus ought to be on our lips each day. "Increase our faith." While the dynamics of human life are complex and difficult to resolve, the matter of faith is really quite simple. All one really needs to do is ask one very basic question about him or herself. Do I believe that I am intentionally here because of a loving God who carefully fashioned and formed every element of my being into the incredible gifted person I find myself to be? If the answer is no, there is no need to read any further. If the answer is yes, then you possess the faith the size of a mustard seed and incredible things await you!

Regardless of what the future holds and how long we have to wait to achieve God's vision, it all really doesn't matter. We have today, and as each moment unfolds into the next is where we touch the holy and wonderful presence of God. Seek this first and the rest shall follow.

If we keep going back to the fountain of faith and taking up the task of discipleship, then at the end of the day, we will be simply doing what we were obliged to do and find ourselves to be good and faithful servants. Whether we do more or less than our brother or sister in faith doesn't matter. We are being faithful lovers of the Divine Source of love itself.

Don't worry about tomorrow. The agenda for today is sufficient. Remember that you are loved and that the God who loves you is with you. Love as profoundly and deeply as possible. Keep your eyes fixed on the One for whom you long, and do what needs to be done. You may surprise yourself and find that in doing all these things, a mountain or two may actually be moved!

Rev. Mark Suslenko

Prayer

Lord, you have searched me and know me.
You know when I sit and when I stand;
you understand my thoughts from afar.
Even before a word is on my tongue, Lord,
you know it all.

Behind and before you encircle me
and rest your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
far too lofty for me to reach.

Where can I go from your spirit?
From your presence, where can I flee?
If I ascend to the heavens, you are there.
If I lie down in Sheol, there you are.

If I take the wings of dawn
and dwell beyond the sea,
even there your hand guides me,
your right hand holds me fast.

— Ps 139:1-10



**Elizabeth Hegarty, Delano Kimbrough, Ellis Thomas,
Fred Watson, Kevin Watson, Rev. Arthur Jackson,
Dorothy Jackson, Helen Hiner, Adrien Marc Gilles,
Mary Angela Kunst, Paula Del Vento, Julia Daniel, Neil
and Mary Lou Boylan, Bob Simons, Catherine Mazzie,
Jim Landers.**



HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

October 6th, 2019

Saturday, October 5, 2019

5:30 PM – Luke Locarriera
By Mulhearn Family

Sunday, October 6, 2019

9:00 AM – Father Vincent
Ordination Anniversary
By HNJ Parishioners
11:30 AM – People of the Parish

Masses For The Week



Monday, September 30, 2019

8:00 AM – Corazon De Los Reyes
By Cynthia and Family

Tuesday, October 8, 2019

8:00 AM – Rev. James, Stella,
Matthew J. Travers Jr. and Sr.
By Joan Travers

Wednesday, October 9, 2019

8:00 AM – Rev. Francis M.
Gaetano

Thursday, October 10, 2019

8:00 AM – Corazon De Los Reyes
By Samia Family

Friday, October 11, 2019

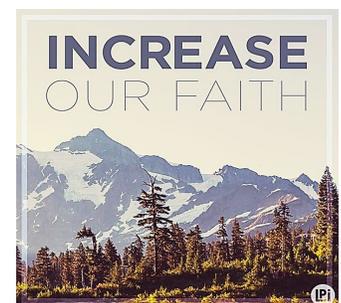
8:00 AM – Fr. Bill Cook
Health Blessings
By Meg Dean

Saturday, October 12, 2019

8:00 AM – John Pescatore
By Meg Dean
5:30 PM – Jenny Santos
By Maria Santos and Family

Sunday, October 13, 2019

9:00 AM – People of the Parish
11:30 AM – Chit Certeza
By Jerry and Rose Galanido





Monday, October 7, 2019

Reading: Jonah 1:1-2:2, 11

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday, October 8, 2019

Reading: Jonah 3:1-10

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

Wednesday, October 9, 2019

Reading: Jonah 4:1-11

Gospel: Luke 11:1-4

Thursday, October 10, 2019

Reading: Malachi 3:13-20b

Gospel: Luke 11:5-13

Friday, October 11, 2019

Reading: Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2

Gospel: Luke 11:15-26

Saturday, October 12, 2019

Reading: Joel 4:12-21

Gospel: Luke 11:27-28

What the Catechism of the Catholic Church Teaches...

What are the characteristics of faith?

Faith is the supernatural virtue which is necessary for salvation. It is a free gift of God and is accessible to all who humbly seek it. The act of faith is a human act, that is, an act of the intellect of a person – prompted by the will moved by God – who freely assents to divine truth. Faith is also certain because it is founded on the Word of God; it works “through charity” (Galatians 5:6); and it continually grows through listening to the Word of God and through prayer. It is, even now, a foretaste of the joys of heaven.

Why is faith a personal act, and at the same time ecclesial?

Faith is a personal act insofar as it is the free response of the human person to God who reveals himself. But at the same time it is an ecclesial act which expresses itself in the proclamation “We believe.” It is in fact the Church that believes and thus by the grace of the Holy Spirit precedes, engenders and nourishes the faith of each Christian. For this reason the Church is Mother and teacher.

“No one can have God as Father who does not have the Church as Mother.”
(Saint Cyprian)

(CCC 1789, 1822-1829, 1844)



COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY

September 29th, 2019

STEWARDSHIP COLLECTION - \$ 1,802.00

ONLINE GIVING - \$1,083.70

Thank You for Your Faithful Giving!

Luke 6:38-39 - Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

“For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control.” (2 Timothy 1:7)

Many of us compartmentalize our faith, we bring it out only when we attend Mass or when we attend a parish event. Being a good steward requires discipline and striving to put God first in everything, all the time. The next time you are at a neighborhood party, at work or out shopping, would your actions signal to others that you are a good and faithful servant of our Lord?

ONLINE GIVING

As more parishioners are using the WeShare online giving website, we will now include a weekly total with the other collections.

NEXT WEEKEND’S COLLECTION

Next weekend there will be a second collection for Our Lady of Fatima Flowers.

2000 HAIL MARYS

There will be a recitation of 2,000 Hail Marys on Saturday, October 12 in the Fatima Center after the 8AM Mass.

HNJ FUNDRAISER

There will be a fundraiser on Friday, November 22nd from 6-11PM the Latin Room of the Bamboo Grill 52 Portland Ave, Bergenfield. The cost is \$50 per person.

Please RSVP or call with questions to Ludy Viray, 973-985-0297.

50/50 UPDATE

The next 50/50 drawing will take place on Tuesday, October 29. Please remember that you do not to take five tickets; also, if you wish to have tickets mailed there are forms at both Church exits. Please sign and return to the office. If you wish to sponsor a month, the stipend is \$100.00.

“FORWARD IN FAITH TOGETHER: OUR ROAD AHEAD”

Forward in Faith Together will ensure that, together, we Thrive as a community of disciples, companions of our Lord, Jesus Christ. All are encouraged to engage in this process. Please speak with your pastor or parish administrator about how to get involved. For more information about **Forward in Faith Together**, visit forward.rcan.org. Here you will find the complete pastoral vision document along with a letter and video message from Cardinal Tobin and other materials. Cardinal Tobin will present **Forward in Faith Together: Our Road Ahead** at **October 23**

at Holy Spirit Church in Union; and **October 29** at Our Lady of Mercy in Jersey City.

All presentations are from 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. Parishioners are invited to a session in their county.

We can do all things in Christ who strengthens us.
Philippians 4:13

DOING AS PROMISED

When looking to hire people for their firms, employers advertise the positions that are available and briefly describe what will be expected of potential employees.

Those who express an interest in a position are interviewed in person or online. In the process, they are asked about their qualifications and work experience and given more details about what they would be doing if hired.

Prospective employees are then given a written job description. Such a job description specifically describes the kind of work an employee will be expected to do, explains responsibilities and requirements, details compensation and benefits, list days and times of employment, and may also indicate to whom the employee will report.

No person would ever accept a position without knowing all that is involved. Without a detailed job description, the chances for misunderstanding and strife between employers and employees greatly increase.

In this Sunday's Gospel (Luke 17:5-10), Jesus speaks about a servant who has spent a full day "plowing or tending sheep in the field." When he returns home after his day's work, his master tells him, "Prepare something for me to eat. Put on your apron and wait on me while I eat and drink. You may eat and drink when I am finished." The servant goes from outdoor work to indoor work, from field work to kitchen work.

Jesus says that such a servant would not deserve extra compensation or thanks from his master. Why, Jesus asked, would the master be "grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded?" Servants were to do what they were told. That was their job description pure and simple.

In telling that parable Jesus reminds us as Christians we too have a job description. One that we accepted when we were baptized and one that we renew each time we make the Sign of the Cross or receive the Body and Blood of Christ.

We promised to love God and our neighbor, to resist temptation and sin, to care for the suffering, to let the words and example of Jesus guide our decisions, to work for justice and peace, to be unafraid to be known as a disciple of Jesus, to give time to prayer and worship, and to pass on our faith to a new generation.

When we do our best to carry out that job description, we do not put God in our debt. We do not become deserving of extra credit or favors from God. We do not become worthy of God's admiration. We are Christians who are simply doing what we are supposed to do.

"When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'"

Today, Jesus tells us, "Fulfill your job description, be faithful Christians!"

2019 Rev. Thomas B. Iwanowski

