



The Church of Saint Theresa

August 20, 2017 :- The Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time



From the Pastor's Desk

Even the dogs...



Dear brothers and sisters,
 For this column, let me share with you a portion of the homily of St. Augustine on the Gospel of this Sunday, which narrates the story of the Canaanite woman—a pagan—asking Jesus to heal her son:
 "See, Brethren, how the value of humility is set before us! The Lord had called her a dog; and she did not say, "I am not," but she said, "I am." And because she acknowledged herself to be a dog, immediately the Lord said, "Woman, great is your faith; be it unto you even as you have asked." "You have acknowledged yourself to be a dog, I now acknowledge you to be of human kind. "O woman, great is your faith;" you have asked, and sought, and knocked; receive, find, be it opened unto you. See, Brethren, how in this woman who was a Canaanite, that is, who came from among the Gentiles, and was a type, that is a figure, of the Church, the grace of humility has been eminently set before us. For the Jewish nation, to the end that it might be deprived of the grace of the Gospel, was puffed up with pride, because to them it had been vouchsafed to receive the Law, because out of this nation the Patriarchs had proceeded, the Prophets had sprung, Moses, the servant of God, had done the great miracles in Egypt which we have heard of in the Psalm, had led the people through the Red Sea, when the waters retired, and had received the Law, which he gave to his people. This was that where upon the Jewish nation was lifted up and through this very pride, it happened that they were not willing to humble themselves to Christ the author of humility, and the restrainer of pride swelling, to God the Physician, who, being God, for this cause became Man, that man might know himself to be but man. O mighty remedy! If this remedy cure not pride, I know not what can cure it. He is God, and is made Man; He lays aside His Divinity, that is, in a manner sequesters, hides, that is, what was His Own, and appears only in that He had taken to Him. Being God He is made man: and man will not acknowledge himself to be man, that is, will not acknowledge himself to be mortal, will not acknowledge himself to be frail, will not acknowledge himself to be a sinner, will not acknowledge himself to be sick, that so at least as sick he may seek the physician; but what is more perilous still, he fancies himself in sound health."
 May the Lord teach us the way of humility and heal our pride, so that we might not be deprived of the encounter with Him who has chosen the last place on earth. Those who make themselves humble enjoy the friendship of the Lord and Jesus does not deny anything to his friends.
 Have a blessed week!

Fr. Giovanni

St. Theresa Reflection...

"Only love can enlarge my heart..

- St. Theresa

Stewardship Reflection...

"...For everything is from you, and we only give you what we have received from you."

-Chronicles 29:14

As a parish we gave \$6,412.00 as a Gift to God the weekend of August 12/13

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7

The Lord wants all people to love and honor his name. He says that those who honor him by obeying all of his laws will be "made joyful in my house of prayer."

Second Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Paul describes his hopes that his fellow Jews will follow the example of the Gentiles he has been preaching to. He claims that just as God has mercy for their disobedience, he wishes to show mercy to the Jews as well.

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

A Canaanite woman begged Jesus to help her daughter, who was being plagued by a demon. Jesus at first refused her and said that "My mission is only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." The woman was so persistent that Jesus said she had great faith and then he healed her daughter.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Is 56:1, 6-7; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

Monday

Jgs 2:11-19; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday

Jgs 6:11-24a; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday

Jgs 9:6-15; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday

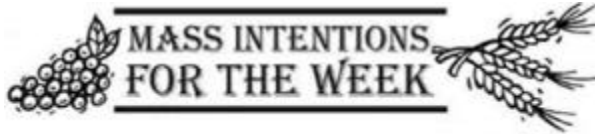
Rv 21:9b-14; Jn 1:45-51

Friday

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17; Mt 23:1-12

**In Memoriam**

Host: Parishioner Intentions
Wine: Laura Graham-Leonard * Lucille & Jim Lucadema
Sanctuary Lamp: Laura Graham-Leonard * Donna (Lucadema) & Bob Masucci

Saturday, August 19

7:00 AM Allen Aguilera * Anna Solano
 9:00 AM Lucille Caruso * Cetrulo Family
 5:30 PM Walter Moran * Wife, Joan Moran

Sunday, August 20

7:30 AM Geraldine M. Young * Matos, Joe & Gina & Family
 9:00 AM Charles Gasper * The Mauro Family
 9:30 AM Louis Hornlein * Wife, Marie
 12:00 PM William B. Dillon (Birthday) * Wife, JoAnn & Sons
 5:00 PM Daniel Triano * The Mauro Family

Monday, August 21

7:00 AM Raffaele Antonuccio * Judy Smith
 9:00 AM Fred Lipfert (24th Ann.) * Daughter, Dianne Faucher & Family
 7:30 PM Giulia Vizzoni (Birthday) * Husband, Domenick Vizzoni

Tuesday, August 22

7:00 AM Barry Kaverick (1st Ann.) * Pat, Diane & Marty Jacques
 9:00 AM Caterina Petracca (22nd Ann.) * Francesco Aiello
 9:00 AM Pasquale Cuppari * Cuppari Family

Wednesday, August 23

7:00 AM Nancy Commerata * Leonard Family
 9:00 AM Maria Filippina Lombardi * Daughter, Angela
 7:30 PM Jack MacKenzie (11th Ann.) * Dolores & Marshall Graham

Thursday, August 24

7:00 AM Donna LaRusso * Carolyn
 9:00 AM Barry Kaverick * Danielle & Danny Berry, Patrick & Allison Jacques

Friday, August 25

7:00 AM Rose Tomasulo (11th Ann.) * Friend, Dee
 9:00 AM Joseph LaFata (Birthday) * Wife, Claire LaFata
 9:00 AM Pasquale Cuppari * Cuppari Family

Saturday, August 26

7:00 AM Reynaldo Guaio, Sr. * Dorothy Leonard
 9:00 AM Rocco Genova * Carmela
 5:30 PM Alexander D'Addio, Jr. (6th Ann.) * Wife, Joanne & Family

Sunday, August 27

7:30 AM Barry Kaverick * Joe Ferry
 9:00 AM Elisa Aiello (16th Ann.) * Francesco Aiello
 10:30 AM June Zoeller * Social Concerns
 12:00 PM Gloria Radzion * Barbara
 5:00 PM Michele Fiamingo * Cathy Kokai

CCD REGISTRATION

New registration and re-registration forms are now available for Fall 2017 Religious Ed Classes. The forms are available at the Religious Ed Office (located above the school gym) and in the vestibule of the Church. Please contact the office at 908-276-4681 ccd@icatholiczone.org
Please note: Students who plan to return for 7th grade after a year or more of not attending CCD classes need to take a placement test to determine their grade level. For further info please contact the Religious Ed Office.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES!

Join us on the dates listed below from 8-9pm for the continuation of our Adult Bible Study. We will meet every other Monday night in the Chapel for an hour of reflection on Holy Scripture. Following is our upcoming schedule. For information, contact John Tintera at (908) 265-6148 or our Bible Study webpage <http://www.st-theresa-bible.com/>

- August 21 - Ezekiel 1-24
- September 4 - No Meeting
- September 11- Ezekiel 25—48

VISIT WITH THE CARDINAL!

As announced in Fr. Giovanni's recent column: **Friday, September 15, 2017** the Archbishop of Newark, Cardinal William J. Tobin, will visit our Deanery (number 23) calling the parishioners who belong to the parishes comprised within this Deanery to a communal celebration of the Mass followed by a light reception and a meeting with "town hall" style questions. The place chosen for this meeting is the **Parish of the Holy Spirit, located at 984 Suburban Road, Union.** The Mass will start at **7:30 pm** and will be followed by "Q&A" assembly. This gathering is a unique opportunity to meet the Shepherd of our local Church, to listen to him and to ask him questions. As the vibrant parish that we are, we have a twofold chance on this occasion: first, to actively participate in the liturgy presided by the Cardinal by offering our ministerial services in any way we are confident and experienced (as lectors, cantors, musicians, ministers of hospitality, extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist...). We will all have the opportunity to ask questions and can be assured that the Cardinal will answer these questions with his usual straightforwardness and warmth. How wonderful would it be to participate in large number, also to manifest to the Head of our local Church that the parishioners of St. Theresa Church love and support him.



WEEKDAY RECITATION OF THE HOLY ROSARY AND THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Please join us Monday through Saturday after the 9:00 AM Mass, (approx. 9:30AM) to recite the Rosary to Our Lady of Fatima and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. As requested by Our Lady, the rosary is said for the reparation of man's sins, for the conversion of the world and for the end of abortion. The Mercy Chaplet is said imploring God's Mercy on all mankind and for individual intentions. In all things we give honor and glory to God our Father through the Sacred Heart of His Son Jesus Christ and the Immaculate Heart of our heavenly Mother Mary. Again, please join us, all are welcome & needed.

ST. AGNES CHURCH

In Clark seeks to hire a part-time Parish Custodian to perform general janitorial work and minor repairs. Position includes Sunday and evening hours. Please send application letter and resume with three references to Parish Custodian Search at: stagneschurch@comcast.net or 332 Madison Hill Road, Clark, NJ 07066.

ST. THERESA CONFESSION SCHEDULE CHANGE

Beginning Saturday, September 16 confession will be offered beginning at 4:00PM and will continue to be offered after all weekday Masses.

**ST. THERESA CHURCH / DUMPSTER DAY
COME JOIN THE FUN!**

St. Theresa Church is looking for volunteers to help load various items into a dumpster on August 29.

FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

To support David Brearly High School Class of 2018 Project Graduation. Saturday, September 9, 2017 from 11:00am to 5:00pm. 10 food trucks, Entertainment, Kid Zone , Various other Vendors and more.
Adult admission \$5.00
Children under 12 - FREE

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Saturday, September 23, 2017 , from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Saint Theresa's Elementary School 540 Washington Avenue, Kenilworth
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(Medicare Part B & eligible insurances accepted)
Fee required for flu shots & PSA Test , Fasting required for blood test. **Cash only.**
Contact Health Dept. for further information
908-276-2740



ST. THERESA LIL' STALLIONS DAYCARE

New Parents, come visit St. Theresa Lil' Stallions Daycare for children aged 6 weeks to 36 months. Affordable, convenient, loving Salesian environment, secure and safe. Call the School Office to arrange a visit or for more information call 908-276-7220 or email www.mysts.org

ST. THERESA LIL' STALLIONS DAYCARE PART TIME DAYCARE WORKERS NEEDED

St. Theresa Lil' Stallions Daycare Program is in need of a **part time toddler room manager**. If you are interested in providing a loving and nurturing environment for children from 6 weeks to 36 weeks please contact us at 908-276-7220.

GET YOUR ST. THERESA STALLIONS GEAR!

"My Locker" has partnered with Jostens to bring us an even bigger selection of items to choose from! Shop for the latest cool styles and show your school spirit. T-shirts, baseball caps, beach towels, visors, string bags, etc.! They have it all! Go to our school store: (Please note the new URL and promotion code.) <https://schoolstore.jostens.com> and enter locker code "CZ236". Receive \$10 off of every order by entering the Promotion Code "JV4SSDGK" Allow about 7-10 days for delivery. HAPPY SHOPPING! Please contact ghan825@gmail.com with any questions.

ST. THERESA SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP

An annual scholarship has been established for our graduating class at St. Theresa School in memory of Joe and Elena Zygnerski who sadly passed away last fall. Both Joe and Elena were huge supporters of our school and parish in so many ways, and have helped to develop what our parish is today.

This scholarship will be used to further our children's education as they take their next step into high school. If you should have any interest in helping please contact Sr. Helene. Your kind support is greatly appreciated.

May God Bless You and Keep You!

VISITORS WITH DISABILITIES

Handicap Accessible Side Entrance located on 23rd Street.
Prior to Mass, please advise Priest or Usher for Holy Communion instructions.