

The Church of Saint Theresa

September 3, 2017 :- The Twenty Second Sunday In Ordinary Time



From the Pastor's Desk



As the new school year is about to begin and our children returning to school, The Principal of our outstanding school, Deacon Joseph Caporaso, did something very important for our school staff this past Wednesday. Namely, he brought everyone to retreat, so that as we start over again, we can all focus on what it is really important and at stake in educating our children.

Catholic schools are not about only imparting notions on our youth; in fact public schools can divulge knowledge and culture better than us. The essence of Catholic education is to teach our children to center their lives on Christ, since Christ reveals to us what it is to be "fully human and fully divine" which is the authentic vocation of every human being. We carry—so to speak—the same DNA of God which makes us capable to live in a "divine way" already here on earth. That is to say, without fear (God is our Father), without slaveries (to money, to addictions, to popularity,...) without complexes. But this is a revelation and unless we receive the announcement of this truth, we can not fathom what our true vocation in life is. As a matter of fact, everything else—but the voice of God—tries to convince us that we are worth nothing and that we are just a little wheel in this big machinery that we call life. Only God constantly reaffirms to us that we are uniquely loved by God, with a love that surpasses every human expectation.

I have full confidence in our school, our teachers and in the staff that works here at St. Theresa's . (I am very proud to call this school "ours"), I am sure we will all transmit to our next generation the values and the truth they need to know to be fully equipped to face the future as good individuals, good Christians and well educated people. I wholeheartedly impart my blessing on all at St. Theresa's School, and on all of you.

God bless,
Fr. Giovanni

St. Theresa Reflection...

"Do all in your power to detach your heart from earth cares...then be assured Our Lord will do the rest. "

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Stewardship Reflection...

"We have gifts that differ according to the favor bestowed on each of us."

Romans 12:6-8

As a parish we gave \$6940.00 as a Gift to God the weekend of August 26/27.

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9

In this particularly poetic passage, Jeremiah complains that while teaching the Lord's word, he is subjected to insults and derision. He determines to remain silent, but he cannot because the desire to speak the Lord's name is "like a fire burning in my heart."

Second Reading: Romans 12:1-2

Paul tells the Christians to make sacrifices to avoid the trappings of the times, and to do God's will.

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

Jesus tries to make his disciples realize that by following him, they will endure suffering, degradation, and death. He tells them that they must deny themselves and take up the cross in order to be his disciples.

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

Monday

1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday

1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday

Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday

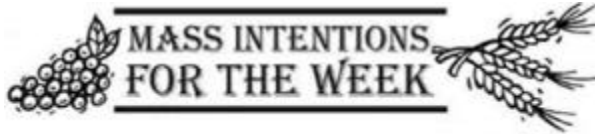
Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11

Friday

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Saturday

Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5



In Memoriam

Host: Parishioner Intentions
Wine: Parishioner Intentions
Sanctuary Lamp: Parishioner Intentions

Saturday, September 2

7:00 AM Aurora Teixeira * Daughter
 9:00 AM Florence & Silvio Pepe * Children
 5:30 PM George Morreale * Loving Wife Joan & Children

Sunday, September 3

7:30 AM Barry Kaverick * Linda Del Gurico
 9:00 AM Rosary Altar Society
 9:30 AM Anne (Nan) O'Connor * The Ollen Family
 12:00 PM Tessie & Frank Tarzia (15th Ann.) * AnnMarie, Bob & Christine Monahan
 3:00 PM Divine Mercy/Ernie Hammer * Calemme Family
 5:00 PM June Zoeller * Linda McMenamin

Monday, September 4

7:00 AM Maureen Mancino * Campanelli Family
 9:00 AM Maria Messina * The Calello Family
 7:30 PM Kay Perkosky * Phillips Family

Tuesday, September 5

7:00 AM Francis A. Driscoll (18th Ann.) * Herb & Mary
 9:00 AM Philomena Salerno (Birthday) * Ron & Jane Salerno
 9:00 AM Elizabeth Shanahan (16th Ann.) * Kevin & Janel Shanahan

Wednesday, September 6

7:00 AM Bernard "Bill" Amadio * The McManus Family
 9:00 AM Saviano & Teresa Cuppari * Francesca & Antonio Cuppari
 7:30 PM Alice & Jim Pepe * Niece, Angela

Thursday, September 7

7:00 AM Marie Penazaline * Frances Sadvary
 9:00 AM Dr. Girolamo Cuppari * Mr. & Mrs. C. Vizzoni

Friday, September 8

7:00 AM Lou Kelly * Kathy Preston
 9:00 AM Julie Barbarise (Birthday) * The Family
 9:00 AM Pasquale Cuppari * Cuppari Family

Saturday, September 9

7:00 AM Maureen Mancino * Flora & John Smith
 9:00 AM Frank Elish * The Jacques Family
 5:30 PM Angela (23rd Ann.) & Karen (21st Ann.) Gonzalez * Family

Sunday, September 10

7:30 AM Maria Rosa Giacobbe * Giuliana & Carlo DiFabrizio
 9:00 AM Giuseppe & Caterina Squillaciotti * Grandchildren, Cathy, Maria, Kevin & Theresa
 9:00 AM Jeanne Rozewski * Gigi & Jim Zoeller
 10:30 AM Carmine & Luisa DiCarlo (17th Ann.) * Domenico DiCarlo & Family
 12:00 PM John Scurzo (Birthday) * Wife Nancy & Family
 5:00 PM Regina Nevin Caufield * Carolyn Caufield & Kristin, Emily & Ryan Douglas

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/>

- September 4 - No Meeting
- September 11- Ezekiel 25—48
- September 25 Daniel

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.



Garwood Knights of Columbus collecting new school supplies

The Garwood Knights of Columbus are collecting brand new school supplies on behalf of the children of St. Joseph's Social Services Center in Elizabeth. The following items are suggested: pencils, pens, pencil cases, filler paper, notebooks: (marble, one, two, and five subject) rulers, crayons, coloring books, folders, binders, highlighters, scissors, staplers, staples, rubber bands, erasers, paper clips, glue sticks, art supplies, backpacks and any other supplies as well.

Donations can be dropped off now from 4:00 to 6:00 PM, weekdays, at the Columbian Club Of Garwood Building, 37 South Avenue, Garwood 07027. (Where the Knights hold their meetings), and starting September 10th, Sundays from 1:00-6:00 PM. Parking available behind the hall off Willow Avenue (Turn at Pet Supplies Plus). Use side door entrance.

For information, call [908-789-9809](tel:908-789-9809) after 4 p.m., or Keith M. Gallagher at [908-789-0931](tel:908-789-0931). Monetary donations make payable to "Garwood Knights School Supplies Collection"

For information on St. Joseph's visit www.sjeliz.org and visit YouTube "Homeless in Elizabeth" parts 1 and 2 for an in depth look at their programs.

FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

To support David Bready 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



Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Newark

The Catholic University of America is unique among universities in the United States even among Catholic universities. Established by Pope Leo XIII and the U.S. bishops in 1887, it is the national university of the Catholic Church. In addition to alumni who hail from this diocese, Catholic University claims one third of the U.S. bishops and 12,000 priests and religious as alumni. In Washington D.C., the University provides an education based in the Catholic intellectual tradition to almost 7,000 students through its 12 schools.

Next weekend, we will be taking up the National Collection for The Catholic University of America. Your support will enable Catholic University to expand its impact in preparing the next generation of leadership for our Church and nation. We appreciate your generosity.

You can learn more at: Collection.cua.edu.



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 dhan825@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. LouAnn. Your kind support is greatly appreciated.

May God Bless You and Keep You!

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.