



Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 17, 2016

Holy Mass  Intentions

Saturday 5:00 pm	July 16 Steve and Ralph Sirianni and Filomena Cangemi
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am	July 17 Charles Howe and Joan Howe Vincent Marino and Patricia Flynn For the Protection of Unborn Babies and their Families and Maria Luisa Ocampo
Monday 8:00 am	July 18 Rosemary Zimmerman and Peter Henderson
Tuesday 8:00 am	July 19 Maryon Maher and Frank Stolfi
Wednesday 8:00 am	July 20 Eleanor Tracey and Steven Johe
Thursday 8:00 am	July 21 Dorothy Schmidt and Roberta Vespasiano
Friday 8:00 am	July 22 Irene H. Drumm and Dorothy Berdel
Saturday 8:00 am 5:00 pm	July 23 Paul J. Burke and Sejudian Sotello Peter Coviello, Sr. and Eileen Horan
Sunday 7:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am	July 24 Florence Fitzsimmons and Joseph Rogers Carey LeCamp and Lucy Bellidora Mark Samolewicz and Msgr. Carl Hinrichsen

Mass Schedule July 23rd & 24th

Fr. Bob	Sunday 9 am and 11 am
Fr. Chris	Saturday 5 pm and Sunday 7:30 am

Reconciliation (Confession) July 23rd

Fr. Chris	Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm
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Summer Mass Schedule

Please be advised that we will not celebrate the **Sunday 5:00 pm** Mass during the summer months. We will resume the Sunday 5:00 pm mass on **Sunday, September 11, 2016**



We will continue to celebrate all other masses at their regularly scheduled times during the summer: **Saturday 5 pm, Sunday 7:30 am, 9:00 am and 11:00 am and daily weekday and Saturday morning masses at 8:00 am.**

During the summer months, **daily 8 am mass** will be celebrated in the Chapel in the Parish Office Building. Please use the Washington Avenue entrance.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 24, 2016

First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

Abraham pleads with the Lord, who planned to destroy Sodom and Gomorrah because of the evil and sin in those cities. Abraham asks him if he would spare the city if fifty, forty, thirty, twenty or even only ten innocent people were found there. God says that he would spare the cities even for the sake of only ten.

Second Reading: Colossians 2:12-14

Paul explains to the Colossians that through baptism, they are raised to life with Christ because they believed in the power of the God who raised him from the dead. Even though they once lived in sin, their sins have been pardoned through Jesus.

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

Jesus' disciples asked him how they should pray. He gave them some phrases similar to those now used in the Lord's prayer. Jesus also reminds the disciples how even men with sins are able to give good things to their children, and explains how much more the heavenly Father wants to give to us.



Weekly Memorials

The Lamp burning before the Blessed Sacrament the week of July 17 is in memory of deceased family members given by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Nevin.

The Candles on the altar the week of July 17 are in memory of Fr. Ed Hinds.

The Flowers on the altar the week of July 17 are in memory of deceased members of Parcels Council given by Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Migliozi.

Hear our Prayers for those who are ill especially Robert Astorino, Anthony LaFerrara, Anthony Cagno, Carmela Cecere, Will Cody, Leonard Cagno, Jane Cunningham, Joan Stecher and **for all our deceased.**

If you would like to include yourself or a family member on the St. Patrick Parish prayer list for those who are ill, please contact the parish office. Your prayer intention will remain on the parish prayer list for three weeks unless otherwise requested.

Parish Support-Fiscal Year

July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016.....	\$798,914
Previous Fiscal Year.....	\$797,163

Parish Support-July 3rd

THIS WEEK'S OFFERING.....	\$ 13,173
LAST YEAR'S OFFERING.....	\$ 17,965

Parish Support-July 10th

THIS WEEK'S OFFERING.....	\$ 14,980
LAST YEAR'S OFFERING.....	\$ 12,618



From the Desk of Our Pastor

Shattered Love (Part II of II)

Last week's article brought to light the need for support during the breakup of a marriage and the importance for a divorced person to remain attached to a faith community. I also related the way a divorced person must experience God's love and compassion which is unconditional and unending. This week I'd like to shed light on Pope Francis's invitation of the church to provide mercy toward anyone whose marriage has failed within the church teaching that a consummated, sacramental bond is a lifelong commitment. Marriage is such a demanding vocation that even the strongest of marriages are tested.

In the papal document, "Amoris Laetitia" (The Joy of Love) Pope Francis states, "It is important that the divorced who have entered a new union should be made to feel part of the Church. They are not excommunicated, and they should not be treated as such since they remain part of the ecclesial community." Presently the church is midway through the Jubilee Year of Mercy, on a local or parish level it is essential for a Catholic community to reach out to those in relationships that have ended in divorce. It is both the ethical and Christian thing to do as it is the bridge that connects the human with the divine. The church must also support children of divorced parents. One key for children is whether parents are civil to each other in the presence of their children in the aftermath of divorce. Most children believe that their parents will always be there providing security and love. After a separation, adults are often so immersed in their own pain that they may be blind to their children's need for love and guidance.

Much credibility is at stake for the Church to live out a message of mercy which must be filtered into the life of a couple who have divorced. Many good, value centered people get locked into a spiritual prison of their own making due to a divorce since they feel neglected by the church if they are divested of any kind of participation. Some parishes raise a red flag upon an individual's registration by asking, "Is your marriage recognized by the church?" Did a Catholic priest or deacon celebrate your wedding?" Questions like these lead some to stray from church life, and search for a Catholic community or tradition that is more accepting of their marital history.

One solution that comes into play after a divorce is an annulment. The word startles many; some equate it to a "Catholic divorce." There are countless myths about annulments; yet in explaining the annulment process to many, I have discovered that approximately 1/3 of Catholics who inquire about annulments actually follow up on the process due to the length of time it takes, uncomfortable questions that pertain to their dating and marital history; and, no guarantee that an annulment will be granted. Declarations of annulments are granted whenever it can be shown that some essential or judicial defect made a particular marriage invalid from the beginning despite outward appearance, the good faith of the partners, or the establishment of a family. It should be understood that an annulment does not affect the legitimacy of children of such a marriage, which is a question that many entertain. Statements such as a divorced person is automatically excommunicated, annulments make children illegitimate, only the rich can get an annulment, and your former spouse has to agree before you can get an annulment, are also myths that lead to dissatisfaction about the life of a divorced person in the Catholic church.

The ideals established by Jesus in marital commitments exhibit the fact that human beings are made in God's image; and must be treated with respect, dignity, and love. I believe that most people enter into marriage with this intention; however, sometimes the ideals of a marriage shift in direction whereby the goals of one or both parties get abandoned. This creates barriers that sidetrack people from their marital covenant and the ability to express their love to each other. Like most other issues that face the church, education on divorce/remarriage is a primary task. If you carry a weight in coming to church due to a divorce and/or remarriage outside the church, I offer you my time to clarify your situation. Please feel free to call, email, etc. to review your state of affairs aware that everyone who enters the church has something that weighs them down. It becomes a freeing experience whenever those burdens are taken away so that the love that Christ calls forth in relationships is enjoyed and cherished.

*In Christ's Love,
Fr. Bob*

BAPTISM: Arrangements should be made one month in advance by calling Deacon Joe Wisneski at 973-635-4976. Parents are expected to attend an instructional session with a Baptism Team. Baptisms are celebrated at 12:30 pm Sundays.

RCIA-RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS: The R.C.I.A. invites non-baptized persons and those baptized into another faith to participate in a faith journey in preparation for becoming a Catholic. If you are interested in any aspect of R.C.I.A., please email Deb at Dkuzma@st-pats.org or call her at the parish office at ext. 23.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Congratulations! In order that we can together plan for your big day, couples should notify the Church and begin to prepare at least one year in advance of the date. Please email Fr. Bob at Fr.Bob@st-pats.org or call Fr. Bob at the parish office ext. 22.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOME BOUND: If a family member or someone you know is recuperating from a hospital stay or is homebound for any length of time and would like to receive Holy Communion, please let us know. It is a priority for the parish community to support and be present to those who cannot be with us for the celebration of the Eucharist. If you would like a priest or deacon to visit a family member who is hospitalized, contact Peggy at Pgentile@st-pats.org or call her at the parish office ext. 25.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the parish office at 973-635-0625 to arrange for a priest.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST EUCHARIST: Children preparing to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist begin preparation in first grade. To register, visit our website at www.st-pats.org or contact Ginny, vsalvatore@st-pats.org.



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AROUND THE PARISH

Baptisms

Liam Everson Angel
Son of Everson and Mawusi

Ryan James Casson
Son of Edward and Jessica

Landon James Lee
Son of Evan and Kim

Katherine Joan Manley
Daughter of Brian and Caitlin

Ava Marie Miller
Daughter of Michael and Alexandra

Marriage

Congratulations to the couples united in the Sacrament of Matrimony at St. Patrick Church.



Ronald Chaban, Jr. and Marie Orapello
June 4, 2016

Brian Tofel and Jacqueline Marut
July 1, 2016

May the Lord richly bless their union.

Parish Partnership~Our Lady of Victories

For almost 20 years, we have journeyed together with our sister parish-Our Lady of Victories. This month saw the departure of OLV Pastor, Fr. Ben Williams after 4 years in Paterson. The parish came together to celebrate his years of service and leadership. Fr. Ben will move to Sparta and teach math at Pope John XXIII Regional High School. He is looking forward to the journey ahead which should be very familiar. With a background in teaching prior to taking his vows, he is excited to be returning to the classroom.

We join OLV in welcoming their new administrator, Fr. Raimundo Rivera and look forward to continuing our close relationship with our sister parish.



Eva's Village ~ Drop Off This Weekend

Those who signed up to make chili, please bring your **frozen** chili to the priest's garage this Sunday by 10 am—Our volunteers will transport your donations to Paterson. Many Thanks!!

Prom Dress Drive ~ As prom season comes to a close, be sure to save your dresses! St. Pats will be hosting a Prom Drive THIS weekend, July 16th and 17th, to help girls who cannot afford to purchase a prom dress. Dresses will be donated to the Father English Center in Paterson, New Jersey. Drop off any new or gently worn dresses and accessories at the Fr. Ed Center before and after all masses this weekend, July 16th and 17th. Thank you for your generosity!



MUSIC MINISTRY

Listening to God

How can we listen to God? How do we hear him? Does he speak? Some people believe they hear God speaking to them. Others aren't so sure. What we can do is listen to each other. We can listen to scripture, and listen to spoken prayer. And we can listen to sacred music. Sacred music, inspired by faith, is a medium through which our own faith can be stirred. Listening is our guide for how we can serve. The prayer that follows, by Meyer Chambers, was inspired by this weekend's scripture for the National Pastoral Musicians weekly reflection.

*Blessings to all,
Maggie Hanson, Music Minister
maggiehansonmusic@gmail.com*

Prayer

God of infinite blessings
Teach us to serve, teach us to listen, teach us to know you
In the faces of those with whom we journey.

*Meyer J. Chambers
Boston College, Boston, Massachusetts*

Welcome New Parishioners! Are you seeking a parish community in which to pray, to learn and to be of service to others? Our doors and hearts are open to you-Welcome! Contact Peggy Gentile at the parish offices at 973-635-0625 ext. 25 for additional information.



GOT SHOES? After all masses on July 30th and July 31st, SPYM teens will be collecting gently used shoes for the needy in our area.

Women's, children's and especially men's sneakers are desperately needed. Please take a moment to look through your closets and place any donation in the box at the entrance of the church that weekend. If you would like us to pick up your donation, please email Julia Campbell at icampbell2548@gmail.com with your address and we will come by and pick them up. Thank you!



YOUTH MINISTRY

Registration is now open for all high school youth including those entering into 9th grade. Please go to our parish website at www.st-pats.org and click on the Faith Formation tab at the top of the webpage and then click on grades 9-12. The Youth Ministry webpage can also be accessed under *Quicklinks, Youth Ministry* on the left hand side of the page. If you have any questions, please call the St. Pat's Youth Ministry office at 973-635-0625 ext. 28.

The Youth Ministry office will be closed on Fridays during the summer months. We will maintain regular office hours Monday through Thursday.

Maggie Grady, Youth Minister



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Like us at St. Patrick Parish: Chatham, NJ



FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation classes for the 2016-2017 school year are filling quickly and several grades in certain sessions are already filled. If you have not registered yet, please do so soon to ensure you are able to get the session and time you need. To register, log onto the parish website at www.st-pats.org, click on Faith Formation and follow the prompts to register.

Teen buddies are needed to assist children with special needs. High school age teens or teens enrolled in a Catholic School grade 6 or higher that are receiving religious education in school, are invited to volunteer. Safety Monitors are needed, especially on Mondays during Session IV. There are still a few Catechist openings. Please contact Ginny Salvatore at the parish office at vsalvatore@st-pats.org or 973-635-0625 ext. 27 for more information or to volunteer.

PARISH NURSES

Save the Date

End of Life Issues ~ Starting the Conversation

This 2-part series will be presented Saturdays, September 24 and October 1 from 10:30 am-12:00 pm. Join us as we begin the conversation we all must consider regarding preparations for End of Life Issues. We will discuss preparing spiritually, medically, practically and liturgically. All are invited to this series especially the elderly, people with chronic illnesses/disabilities, family & caregivers, clergy and healthcare providers.

Caring Ministry-Drivers Needed!

So you need a ride? Our Caring Ministry coordinates rides to doctor appointments for parishioners during the week as well as to church functions. If you need a ride, please call the parish offices and leave a message several days in advance. Our coordinator, Jerry Medina, will put out the word to our volunteer drivers and get back to you. **We Need Drivers!** This ministry is a much-needed resource for our parishioners and a wonderful opportunity to connect with others from the parish. Please consider adding your name to the list of drivers. When a request comes in for a ride, an email will go to ALL volunteers. The more volunteer drivers we have, the more people we can help. Thank you!

In Need of Care and/or Prayers?

Please remember that in accordance with HIPPA laws, hospitals cannot contact the parish with the names of our parishioners who have been admitted. If you know of someone in a hospital or nursing home who would like to be contacted or prayed for, please call the parish office. This information is confidential and can be passed on, if requested, to our Nurses, Caring Ministry, Eucharistic Ministers to the sick and included in our prayer intentions.



RCIA is for anyone who wants to learn more about their faith, those who want to become Catholic, those who want to try to understand the teachings of the Catholic Church or those who simply want to deepen their faith if they are already Catholic.

Please contact Deb at dkuzma@st-pats.org for more information.

Why do we say "Amen" at the end of our prayers?

liturgy corner

In Hebrew, the word "Amen" shares the same root as the word "believe." The root also expresses trustworthiness and faithfulness. When the gospel is proclaimed, we often hear Jesus use the word "Amen" twice in succession to emphasize the trustworthiness of His teaching and alerting people to pay special attention to His next words. So, when we say "Amen" at the end of a prayer, we reinforce our faith in what we just said. We also are expressing confidence that God has heard our prayers.

The Catholic Schools Office of the Diocese of Paterson is seeking applicants for an elementary school principal at Saint Pius X School, Montville. Saint Pius X School is a co-educational elementary school, preschool through eighth grade.

For more information and the application materials, please visit <http://www.patdioschools.org/administrative--openings>.

The closing date for applications is July 25, 2016.

The Morris Habitat for Humanity ReStore is looking for donations. If you have furniture, décor items, working appliances, or tools you might be able to donate, please call 973-366-3358. Free pick up is available and items are tax deductible. Also, consider shopping at their ReStore for furniture, building materials and appliances. Visit the website for store hours: www.morrisrestore.org.



Traveling this summer? Not sure how to find the nearest Roman Catholic Church from your vacation destination? Visit masstimes.org for listings of locations and mass times for Roman Catholic Churches.



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Reflection

"Martha, who was busy with all the details of hospitality, came to him and said..."Tell her to help me.' The Lord said in reply to her: 'Martha, Martha, you are anxious and upset about many things: one thing only is required. Mary has chosen the better portion and she shall not be deprived of it.'"

Luke 10:40-42

Few stories in Scripture better portray the fact that stewardship is an attitude, not an activity. Martha was busy, but Mary had the right attitude. Prayer and time spent with Christ is essential.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Monday, July 18

Rosary: 6:30 pm; South Room, Parish Office Building
Meditation Group: 7 pm; South Room,
Parish Office Building