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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 18, 2022



CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday Evening 5:30 PM
Sunday.....8:00 AM, 10:00 AM (Broadcast) & 12:00 PM
Mondays thru Saturdays..... 9:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday 4:30 to 5:00 PM

For the Anointing of the Sick at home
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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

Today's gospel is a series of sayings of Jesus that pull in different directions. So rather than trying to harmonize them, I would like to focus on just one: the one that I think is the most problematic. Jesus says, "I tell you: Make friends for yourself with dishonest wealth so that when it fails, you may be welcomed into eternal dwellings." It sounds like Jesus is asking us to use dishonest wealth for our advantage. Isn't this out of character for Jesus? Wouldn't you expect Jesus to say, "Avoid using dishonest wealth. Only use wealth that is untainted by corruption"? That is what we would expect Jesus to say. But he does not.

So why is Jesus advising us to use dishonest wealth? Because at times that is the only wealth we have. Wealth, of course, here means more than money. **Wealth is resources, opportunities to act. Wealth is the choices that we make in order to live. And sometimes those choices are far from ideal.** Sometimes the opportunities that we have are compromised, flawed, even tainted. But Jesus is telling us that it is better to use those opportunities, those choices, that wealth even if it is far from perfect.

We might have a strained relationship with a son or daughter, a child who has made some poor decisions, perhaps even illegal ones. Jesus tells us that it does us no good to wish we had a different son or daughter, someone who is better. Instead, Jesus asks us to use that flawed relationship, to exercise our role as a parent in those imperfect conditions. Even if we fail, he tells us it is worth the effort.

Your family may be characterized by divorce, perhaps even a divorce that you did not seek. Now whenever there is a family gathering—a wedding, a baptism—you must deal with painful relationships and face people you would rather avoid. Jesus says it does us no good to wish you had a happy and united family. Instead, he asks us to take up the broken family that is ours and use as much patience, understanding, and love that you can make things better rather than worse.

Look at the past presidential race. We had two candidates who were the most unpopular in American history. It did us no good to wish we had other candidates. Jesus asks us to exercise our right to vote and to choose the better candidate (or the lesser undesirable candidate). It is better to make that imperfect choice than to throw up our hands and stay at home on Election Day.

When you don't have the wealth you want, use the wealth you have. This saying of Jesus is difficult. **It is a hard saying, and it makes no promises. It does not say that if we reach out to an estranged son or daughter, we will develop a wonderful relationship. It does not imply that our ex-spouse will be more pleasant. It does not promise that we will elect a great president. It calls us to do what we can.**

Now, of course, from the perspective of faith, we have the consolation of knowing that God appreciates our intentions and honors our choices in flawed situations. We believe that God will find some way to bless us. But that aside, there is not much in Jesus' saying that is satisfying. It simply tells us that in a compromised, flawed, and dishonest world, it is better to do the little that is possible than to do nothing at all.

Peace,
Fr. Monteleone



DIOCESAN OPPORTUNITIES

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

SILVER AND GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS



Couples, were you married in 1972 or 1997? (*Or have you been married for 60+ years?*) The Diocese of Paterson invites you to celebrate your 25th, 50th or 60+ wedding anniversary during a special Mass to be offered at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson, NJ.

Bishop Sweeney will serve as main celebrant on this joyful occasion to be held:

Sunday, November 6th, 2022 at 3 PM

Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office. The deadline to submit your registration is Thursday, October 6th, 2022. You will receive additional information from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed.
Congratulations on this joyous occasion!

MUSIC MINISTRY

Ring Out!

Interested in participating in a music ministry but not a singer? **Handbells** are a great way to put that hand/eye coordination to good use! Rehearsals are held regularly in church on Monday evenings from 6 to 6:45 PM.

The **Handbell Choir** rings at *Lessons and Carols*, and seasonal masses on *Christmas Eve* and *Palm Sunday*. Prior musical experience is appreciated, but not required. We encourage returning and new members to please join us for our organizational meeting and first rehearsal on Monday, October 3rd at 6 PM in church.

All music ministries are open to persons high school age and up. For those preparing for Confirmation, participation in one of our music ministries is a great way to fulfill service hours! Regular attendance at rehearsals is expected.



SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

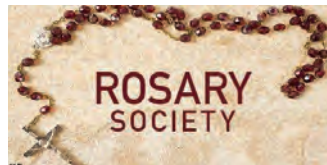
ROSARY SOCIETY

SAVE THE DATES!

Sunday, October 9th is our 78th Annual

Communion Brunch! We

will begin the Rosary at 9:40 AM followed by Mass at 10:00 AM in the Church. The Brunch will begin immediately after Mass in Marian Hall. Tickets are \$30. Call Elaine at (973) 472-9019. More details to follow!



The first meeting of our Rosary Society will be this **Monday, September 19th**. It will begin at 6:30 PM with Mass and the Rosary in Marian Hall. After Mass, we will celebrate the new year with our annual Ice Cream Party! **Please join us – all are welcome!**

PRIME-TIMERS



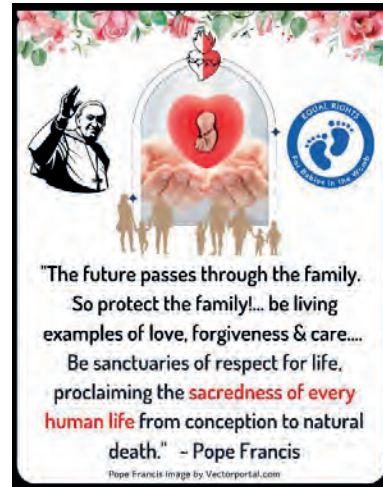
A meeting of the Prime-Timers will be held on October 7th at 1 PM in Marian Hall.

Come enjoy some refreshments!

Enjoy seeing old friends and meeting new ones!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

LIFE MINISTRY



COMMUNITY

MORRIS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Morris Catholic High School is accepting applications for the



Class of 2027 and for transfer students for this upcoming academic year. Learn more about Morris Catholic through our Admissions events!

Our Open House date is:

Wednesday, October 5th from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Sunday, October 23rd from 2 PM to 4 PM

You can sign up for these events at

www.morriscatholic.org/openhouse/

IMMACULATE HEART ACADEMY

IHA Open Houses – Oct. 23 and 27

Will you be a member of IHA's

Class of 2027?



Immaculate Heart Academy's Fall Open Houses are Sunday, October 23 from 11 AM to 2 PM and Thursday, October 27 from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. If you are a young woman searching for a school known for its academic excellence, athletic competition, and creative expression grounded in traditional Catholic values, Immaculate Heart Academy (IHA) is the place for you. Students from eight different counties in New Jersey and New York presently call IHA their second home, and we would love for you to join them. The sisterhood formed at IHA is incomparable, and the memories made last a lifetime—just ask the 10,869 graduates who have graced the IHA halls.

Online registration is requested at www.ihanj.com walk-ins also are welcome. For more information, contact

Ms. Lauren Rhein '09, director of admissions, at (201) 445 6800, ext. 112 or lrhein@ihanj.com.

IHA is located at 500 Van Emburgh Ave
Township of Washington, NJ 07676

MEDICARE INFORMATION COURSE

Mike Cervine, a parishioner and certified volunteer Medicare SHIP Counselor, will be offering a FREE Medicare Information Seminar on Oct. 4, 11 & 18 at the Clifton Senior Center barn C-5 from 2 – 3:30 PM and repeated 7-8:30 PM. The information discussed on each date is different and each session is limited to 39 people. Call the Clifton Senior Center to register (973) 470-2234

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TOTAL	\$18,236.00
Second Collection - Project Faith	\$ 2393.00

Upcoming Second Collections:
September 25 - Project Faith

PRIESTS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2022

5:30 PM Fr. Monteleone

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

8:00 AM Fr. Nico
10:00 AM Fr. Kevin
12:00 PM Fr. Nico

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May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace...
Josephine Mazzara

A Time to be Healed...

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James Jablonowski, Elmer Rodriguez,
Michael Barbetta, John Hughes,
Bernadette Menzaco



MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

- 8:00** All the People of the Parish
10:00 Primitivo Navarro and Alfredo Beltre
Generosa Spatola
Lois Margaret Crotty Cooke
Stephen Hansen
12:00 Al Mayewski-25th Anniversary
Jim and Sylvia Fariello

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2022

- 9:00** Victoria and Harvey Walker

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2022

- 9:00** Frank Sardo

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2022

- 9:00** Betty Welsh
Frank and Michael Sabella

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2022

- 9:00** Ella and Domenic DeBenedetto

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2022

- 9:00** Antoinette Ferreri

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2022

- 9:00** Anthony Volonnino
5:30 Robert Mitchell
Jim and Kitty Murtha
Louise Stolarz

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

- 8:00** Anthony and Mary Venditti
Alice Danleavy
10:00 Louis D'Angelo
John and Jeanne Gallagher
Virginia "Ginny" Kelleher
12:00 All the People of the Parish

CANDLE: WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 18th

In memory of Sean Hughes
-With Love, From Dad



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