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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 13, 2024



CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday4:30 PM

HOLY HOUR

Every Friday9:30 to 10:30 AM

For a Communion visit and/or
Anointing of the Sick,
please contact the Parish office.



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus continues to make radical demands of those who want to be His disciples. Last Sunday it was about marriage, today it is about money. We meet a man who has a sense of his mortality and a hope for eternal life. He comes eagerly and respectfully to Jesus. The eternal life that the man is seeking is a gift of God. Then Jesus places the man within his own faith traditions, quoting to him some of the Ten Commandments. The man replies that he has kept all these commandments.

Jesus gazes at the man & loves him so much that he gives him the radical answer that his radical question deserved. Jesus asks him to discard everything, to extend his love of God to the poor by selling all he has and giving the money from this transaction to them, leaving himself dependent on nothing but treasure in heaven, and then to follow Jesus. The man is shocked by Jesus' reply, and instead of following he goes away "sad, for he had many possessions." There is a longing within this young man to leave behind the material things that hold him hostage and to find a deeper purpose, but he is not yet ready to break the ties that bind him to his former life. Although he leaves Jesus feeling sad, this sadness may be the very thing that will eventually lead him back again in the ongoing process of conversion that we all engage in every day.

In our own lives of discipleship, we know our relationship with Jesus cannot be reduced to checking off good deeds or avoiding bad ones. Instead, the life of faith often requires finding, losing, and finding again our heart's greatest desire—to join the one who calls us by name in building the kingdom of God. At times on this journey of faith, we might find ourselves walking away sad, unable to give a full and resounding "yes" to Jesus. When this happens, may these emotions be the key to discernment of where, and in whom, our true happiness resides. St. Augustine wrote: "You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it rests in you." How true that is.

Let me end with this thought: Today's gospel provides a good example of a man whose

possessions "own him" rather than him owning his possessions. How might God be calling us to give up certain material things in order to gain greater freedom in the spiritual life?

Peace,
Fr. Monteleone

PLEASE NOTE

In observance of Columbus Day on
Monday, October 14th,
Mass will be celebrated at 9 AM.
The Church will be closed immediately
following Mass.
The Parish Office will be closed.

DEACON SUNDAY

Today, October 13th, is Deacon Sunday

"What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Pray for those men who serve us as deacons.

By answering a call to the diaconate, a man seeks to follow Jesus' path by serving and enriching the lives of others. If you are called to serve as a deacon, speak with your pastor or contact the Office of the Diaconate."



ST. PHILIP PREPARATORY SCHOOL

We have hit the ground running at St. Philip! Our intermediate students are celebrating their love for science this month by diving into the world of cells!



They've recently conducted an experiment to learn more about osmosis and diffusion—let's just say things got a bit "moving" In math, we're placing our value on understanding decimals and discovering how numbers can really add up when written in different forms. Students were treated to an uplifting lesson on rounding using a helium balloon. Meanwhile, in social studies, we're mapping out new territory by sharpening our map skills and learning to draw to scale - it is also helping to reinforce our goal of improving our measurement skills!

HIGH SCHOOL NIGHT

Saint Philip Preparatory
Catholic High School
Information Night

WHO: All 6th, 7th and 8th Grade Students and
Parents

WHEN: 6:30-8:00 PM Thursday, October, 17, 2024

WHERE: St. Philip Preparatory School Auditorium
797 Valley Road Clifton 973-779-4700

WHY: To have an opportunity to speak with various
High School Admissions Directors and ask questions
regarding tuition, scholarships, academics, AP
courses, sports, etc., in order to make a more
informed decision choosing a Catholic High
School.

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SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

There's still time to donate to the Knights Coats for Kids Drive. We will be collecting through the weekend of Oct. 26/27. Coats cost us approximately \$275 per box of 12 but all contributions, great or small, help out tremendously. Please make checks out to K of C Council 11671, note in the memo area: Coats 4 Kids and mail them to the address below or drop the envelope into the collection basket.

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COLUMBIETTE FOOD DRIVE

Saturday, October 19th

10am to 2pm

Location:

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Broad Street, Clifton



Every donation of food helps someone.

We accept donations of non-perishable food.

We recommend sauces, soups, beans, rice,
canned vegetables, canned meats & tuna,

cereal, peanut butter, boxed juices.

Please support the Columbiettes.

Donations will benefit a local food
bank



COLUMBIETTE BLANKET MINISTRY

The next meeting will be Thursday, October 24, 2024 at 9:45am in the Molloy Center. All crafters are welcome. Thank you to Micki for a generous yarn donation. We have just donated blankets and shawls to St. Catherine of Siena Healthcare Center in Caldwell. For questions or donations of fabric or yarn, call Cathie Murtha. (973-471-1265)

LIFE MINISTRY

1000 Strong Rosary for Life

Live via conference call

Sunday, October 13, 2024*
at 4:00 pm Eastern Time

* October 13 is the 107th anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima

Our goal is 1,000+ people praying in Reparation for the Sin of Abortion
and for Equal Rights for Babies in the Womb.

**Rosary will be led by priests
from all over New Jersey**

Please register at:



lifeneteducation.org/1000strong

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Access Code: 759297#

Alternate Call-in Number: 1-425-436-6277

Access Code: 652492#



info@lifeneteducation.org | 973-497-4500

WITH THANKS

Many thanks to all who donated so generously last weekend for the Food Collection. The Fr. English Center was so grateful that we delivered two car loads of food especially for our Veterans which are in great need of help in many ways.

SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

CUB SCOUTS

Cub Scout Pack 21 of St. Philip's will be selling packaged elbow macaroni as their fundraiser this year. It will be held before/after all masses the weekend of October 19th & 20th. Cash, Check, Venmo, and Zelle will be accepted forms of payment. Please support Pack 21!

WIDOW AND WIDOWERS

The next meeting of the St. Philip Widow and Widowers group will be on Monday, October 21st at 2 PM in the Molloy Center. All are welcome

ROSARY SOCIETY

All are welcome to join us on Monday, October 28 to celebrate the Feasts of St. Simon and Jude. Mass begins at 6:30 in the Molloy Center with the Rosary after. Come for camaraderie and refreshments too as we close this Month of Mary filled with grace.

PRIMETIMERS

~ ATLANTIC CITY TRIP

The Primetimers are going to Resorts Casino in Atlantic City on Tuesday, October 22nd.

The Price is \$50.

Bus leaves at 9:30 AM from
St. Philip's Drive.

For tickets, call Sylvia at 973-742-9286.



GOD BLESS THE NEWLYWED



Megan and Evan

WEDDING BANNS

The following couple will be exchanging wedding vows:



Casey Thelian and Christina Hozon Ramos

DIOCESAN NEWS

RESPECT LIFE CONVOCATION

Saturday, October 26th, from 9 am to 12:30 pm – St. Mary's Church

(15 Myers Ave., Denville, New Jersey)

Join Bishop Kevin Sweeney and the faithful around the diocese in prayer for life, family, and country. Deepen your faith with us through the family rosary, reflections on the gift of life, and Mass. Families are welcome! To register please visit

<https://insidethewalls.org/respect-life-convocation>

GOLD AND SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Couples, were you married in 1999 or 1974? The Diocese of Paterson invites you to celebrate your 50th or 25th 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 17, 2024 at 3:00pm.

Arrangements can be made by contacting your parish office. **The deadline to register is October 16, 2024.** You will receive additional information from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed.

Congratulations on this joyous occasion!



CATHOLICISM FROM SCRATCH

Saturday, October 26th, from 10 am to 12 pm – St Paul Inside the Walls

(205 Madison Ave., Madison, New Jersey)

A series of self-contained sessions on basic Catholic topics and themes for those who forgot the basics, missed them the first time around, or never learned them.

For more information, visit

<https://insidethewalls.org/catholicism-from-scratch>

DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL

2024 Diocesan Ministries Appeal “United In Faith, Hope, Love” The Diocesan Ministries Appeal serves thousands of people who rely on our support. Your gift plays a vital role in the work of dozens of Catholic Charities’ programs. It also supports seminarian education, Catholic urban education, Nazareth Village and retired priests’ healthcare needs. In addition, each parish receives half of all funds received over their parish goals, with over \$1,000,000 returned last year to parishes – and over \$4.7 million in five years! Please join us by helping those in need throughout our diocese and supporting our own parish. May God bless you for your participation in this worthwhile cause! Please consider a donation to the 2024 Diocesan Ministries Appeal. Scan the QR code below or visit www.2024appeal.org to make a gift today.



MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

Fall for Fashion
Handbag Bingo

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2024
Mary Help of Christians Academy
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Doors open at 5:30pm & Bingo starts at 6:30pm

Entry Tickets include 10 games of Bingo:
Early Bird - \$50 by October 5, \$60 after
Table of 8 - \$375 by October 5, \$480 after
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PARISH GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION: OCTOBER 1, 2023	\$18,278.00
SUNDAY COLLECTION: OCTOBER 6, 2024	
WEEKLY COLLECTION	\$ 11,249.00
ONLINE GIVING DONATION	\$ 7,676.00
TOTAL	\$ 18,925.00

Upcoming Second Collections:
October 20- Mission Sunday
October 27- Project Faith

WE PRAY FOR...

The Recently Deceased...

Michael Robinson



A Time to be Healed...

Tom Mullin, Peyton Yagins, Daniel Kozell,
Nicole Hale, Mildred Giusti,
Kathleen Teresa Fitzpatrick Brown

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2024

- 8:00 Mass for Life
Frank Lechleiter
10:00 Deceased members of the Makowski
Family
Frank Pomposelli
Michael Costabile
Joseph Hourihan
12:00 All the People of the Parish

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2024

- 9:00 Dorothy and Richard Piechocki

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2024

- 9:00 Robert and Catherine Frank

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2024

- 9:00 Joe Staples

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2024

- 9:00 Robert J. Shalhoub
Deceased members of the McNamara
Family
Thomas Trommelen- 5th Anniversary

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2024

- 9:00 Allyn Calvis for Thanksgiving
Frank Lechleiter

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2024

- 9:00 Matthew Monahan
5:30 All the People of the Parish

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024

- 8:00 John and Mary Matteo
10:00 Luigi Gioia
John Strangeway- 8th Anniversary
Ed Kovacs
MaryEllen Pepek
12:00 Victor Shami
Stanislawa Sudol- 9th Anniversary

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mark 10:17-30

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