



Saturday September 3
 5:30 pm Fr. Patrick Rice
Sunday September 4 *23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 7:30 am John A. McManus and
 Our Parishioners
 9:30 am Agnes DeLalla
 11:30 am Joan Kakareka, Rodolfo Narag
 and the mother of Rustica Doria

Monday September 5 **NOTE TIME CHANGE**
8:00 am Marion H. and George J. Haerer

Tuesday September 6
 6:45 am Mary Ann Van Dyke

Wednesday September 7
 6:45 am All Souls in Purgatory

Thursday September 8 *Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
 6:45 am James McElroy

Friday September 9 *St Peter Claver, Priest*
 6:45 am Patricia Quirk

Saturday September 10
 8:00 am Theresa Westerman
 5:30 pm Paul Schmidt

NOTE: REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE RESUMES

Sunday September 11 *24th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 7:30 am John Carrico, Sr. and
 Our Parishioners
 9:00 am Percy, Amy and Marshall Arul
 10:30 am Coleen McLaughlin Butchko and
 Ann Becker
 12:00 pm Rodolfo Narag and the Santino Family

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, especially Kristin Petrasek, Connie Ingrassia, Christopher Fraclose, Kevin Cunniff, Arline Forte, Nancy Huber, Gene Caulfield, Jeanine Niehoff, Saskia Kane, Joy Skubic, Edward Sotelo, Sr. Bernadette Weller, Joan MacDonald, Robert Walsh, Fran Wolf, Jack Boyland, Christa Fairclough, Bob Noonan, Martha Jones, Ramona Colao, John Mitros, Louise Risely, Karen Lang, Benjamin LeFebvre, Carmella Brookes, Frank Razzano and Lisa Gallagher.

STEWARDSHIP

Collection for August 30, 2015	\$ 6,333	
MASS ATTENDANCE		770
Sunday, August 28, 2016		
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 9,371	
ParishPay	590	
Total	\$ 9,961	
MASS ATTENDANCE		760
Missionary Coop Collection	\$ 3,562	
God bless you for your generosity.		

**There will be one Mass at 8:00 am
 on Labor Day, Monday, September 5**

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**Regular Mass schedule will resume next weekend,  
 September 10/11.  
 Sat. 5:30; Sun. 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 and 12:00**

**Scripture Readings**

**September 11, 2016**

**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading: Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14**

God became very angry with the Israelites for worshipping a molten calf and making sacrifices to it. The people had so quickly violated his commandments that he planned to destroy them. But Moses pleaded with God for mercy and God relented.

**Second Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17**

Paul considered himself a former blasphemer and persecutor, and expressed his gratitude for the mercy Jesus showed him. Paul felt that he was a perfect example of Jesus' patience toward sinners and his desire to reconcile them with God.

**Gospel: Luke 15:1-32**

The Pharisees grew angry because of the Jesus' compassion toward sinners. In response, Jesus tells of a son who squandered his inheritance, then returned to his father and asked to be treated as a hired hand. The father rejoiced, angering his older and more obedient son. The father explained that everything he owned belonged to his older son; but he had to rejoice for the son who was lost and had been found.

**A special thank you to Dangler Lewis and Carey Funeral Home for generously providing our parish with the Mother Teresa prayer cards!**

**SEPTEMBER 10/11 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE**

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| 5:30 pm  | Fr. Jared Brogan        |
| 7:30 am  | Fr. Edward Seton Fittin |
| 9:00 am  | Fr. Jared Brogan        |
| 10:30 am | Fr. Jim Termyna         |
| 12:00 am | Fr. Jared Brogan        |

**Looking for a good book or DVD?  
 The parish library will be open next weekend,  
 September 10/11, after all Masses.**

**CHOIR PRACTICE WILL RESUME  
 THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8  
 Children's choir will begin at 7, and adult at 7:30.  
 Both choirs will sing at the 12:00 Mass  
 September 11 prior to the parish picnic.**

## From the Desk of Fr. Jared

On this day, September 4<sup>th</sup>, Pope Francis will canonize Mother Teresa of Calcutta. The life and accomplishments of Mother Teresa are well known. I cannot imagine anyone not knowing of her. *She* was spiritual, strong, and simple. Her *message* was spiritual, strong, and simple. Whether, it was about serving the poor, spreading peace, or standing up for the unborn, it was all based on a simple message of love, the love of God and neighbor as embodied in the corporal works of mercy.

*There is so much suffering, so much hatred, so much misery, and we with our prayer, with our sacrifice are beginning at home. Love begins at home, and it is not how much we do, but how much love we put in the action that we do. It is to God Almighty — how much we do it does not matter, because He is infinite, but how much love we put in that action. How much we do to Him in the person that we are serving.*

Mother Teresa spoke these words at her acceptance of the Nobel Peace Prize. She reminds us that peace is not some lofty, unachievable ideal. Rather, peace is a reality that we can strive for each day in our lives. Striving for peace does not necessarily involve living amongst the poor in Calcutta or becoming a missionary in some distant land. Peace is our mission right where we are, no matter who we are or where we are. In our zeal to take on the “problems of the world”, we often are blinded and ignore the root of those problems which exist in our own families and amongst our friends.

Through the intercession of St. Teresa of Calcutta, may we all become missionaries of peace in our own homes and communities.

Peace,  
Fr. Jared

### WORDS OF MERCY AND HOPE BY POPE FRANCIS

“Whenever a hand reaches out to do good or to show the love of Christ, to dry a tear or bring comfort to the lonely, to show the way to one who is lost or to console a broken heart, to help the fallen or to teach those thirsting for truth, to forgive or to offer a new start in God... know that the Pope is at your side and supports you. He puts his hand on your own, a hand wrinkled with age, but by God’s grace still able to support and encourage.” (*Meeting with the Bishops of the USA*)



## NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

### UPCOMING DATES:

**September 7, 10:00 am or 7:30 pm**

Catechists gathering for grades 1-6 with Anita Foley, representative from RCL Benziger, publisher of *Be My Disciple*.

**September 7, 7:30 pm**

9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade catechists gathering

**September 8, 7:30 pm**

7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade catechists gathering

**September 11, 12:00 Mass**

Catechists and Religious Education students blessing.

**September 14, 6:30 pm and 7:00 pm**

1<sup>st</sup> grade parent gathering in the gym, joined by Grades 3-6 new parents at 7:00 pm.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES BEGIN:

**Monday, Sept 12**

2<sup>nd</sup> grade – 4:00-5:15

7<sup>th</sup> grade – 7:30 – 9:00

**Tuesday, Sept 13**

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> grades – 4:00-5:15

6<sup>th</sup> grade – 7:00-8:15

**Wednesday, Sept 14**

1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade – 4:00-5:15

10<sup>th</sup> grade – 7:30-9:00

**Thursday, Sept 15**

5<sup>th</sup> grade – 4:00-5:15

We are looking for someone to catechize/teach two 10<sup>th</sup> grade girls on Wednesday evenings, 7:30-9:00 pm beginning November 2. Please contact the Religious Education office if you can help.

**Lisa Gervasio**

**Religious Education office (973) 334-5257**

**DRE@stcatherine-ml.org**



*Lord our God,*

*In your wisdom and love*

*You surround us with the mysteries  
of the universe.*

*Send your Spirit upon my child  
as he/she gets ready to go back to school.*

*And fill them with your wisdom and blessings.*

*Grant that they may devote themselves to  
their studies and draw ever closer to you,  
the source of all knowledge.*

*We ask this through Christ our Lord.*

*Amen.*

### MOMS & TOTS

The Moms & Tots playgroup will resume meeting every **TUESDAY** from **9:30 - 11:00 BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 13**. On the 13<sup>th</sup>, we will meet at the **Gardner Field playground, weather permitting**. Subsequent playgroup dates will be held in the gym. All are welcome to join us for free play, a snack and craft each week. All we ask is that you bring a small monetary (\$1) or canned good donation for the Fr. English Food Pantry.

Please contact Kerrie Boland 973-335-5673 or [caulfika@hotmail.com](mailto:caulfika@hotmail.com) with any questions. We look forward to seeing all of our friends!

### ST. CATHERINE'S PRAYER GROUP

Prayer group will resume our weekly meetings on **Wednesday, Sept. 7th at 1 pm** in the parish center.

On **Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>**, **Sr. Bernadette** will introduce us to another form of prayer, meditation/contemplation. All are welcome. Please consider joining our group of men and women who would like to draw nearer to Our Lord by praying together based on the gospel reading each week. For further information please call Lee Maute at 973-299-7016.

### **IMPORTANT: PAYMENT IS NOW DUE**

#### **FOR RESERVED TICKETS TO THE "DEAR EVAN HANSEN" BROADWAY TRIP**

Checks should be made payable to *St. Catherine of Siena*, and mailed to:

Whitney DuBose  
c/o St. Catherine of Siena  
10 N Pocono Rd  
Mountain Lakes, NJ 07046

Contact Whitney 973-586-2777 or [queendubose@aol.com](mailto:queendubose@aol.com) with any questions.

### THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a ministry for adults who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. There are several groups of people who are able to participate in this ministry:

- \* Adults who have never been baptized (members of other religions or no religion at all)
- \* Adults who have been baptized in another Christian tradition
- \* Adults who were baptized Catholic but have had no instruction in the faith or have not received the Sacraments of First Eucharist and/or Confirmation.
- \* Catholic adults who have a desire to learn more about the faith and a desire to accompany others on their journey towards initiation

RCIA is about growth in faith and growth in a relationship with God. Please contact Fr. Jared if you or someone you know would be interested or would like to have more information. The RCIA will begin in the fall.

***Adorers and substitutes are needed for St. Peter the Apostle's adoration ministry in Parsippany. Please consider spending time before Jesus truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. The graces you will receive now and in eternity cannot in anyway compare to the sacrifice you make with your visit. Call Kim 973-886-6334***

### COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents, will meet on **Thursday, Sept 8** at St. Christopher Church, 1050 Littleton Rd. (Rt. 202), Parsippany at 7:30 pm in room 101. Program speaker will be Lisa Athens, Grief Specialist. For more information, please call Lily Capriglione at 973-568-4164

### WOMEN'S COMMUNION BREAKFAST

The women of the parish are invited to attend the Women's Communion Breakfast on **Saturday, September 24**. Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 am at St. Catherine's followed by breakfast in the St. Francis Residential Community banquet room. The morning includes a guest speaker, door prizes, raffles, and entertainment.

**Tickets are \$20 and will be sold after all Masses September 10/11 and 17/18.**

**Tickets will also be sold at the parish picnic.**  
Questions? Call Cretia 201-919-1060

### PARISH PICNIC – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Our parish picnic will be held **NEXT WEEKEND, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th** on the grounds of St. Catherine's from 1pm-5pm following the noon Mass. If you missed out on the fun last year, make sure you save the date for this year!! It will be a great afternoon of fun along with traditional picnic fare: hamburgers, hot dogs, salads, water, soda, beer, wine, and desserts. Entertainment for all ages will include games, face painting and a bouncy house. If you or anyone you know enjoys face painting, why not share the talent at the picnic? We appreciate all of your help.

**Sign-up sheets are in the back of the church. Tickets are \$5 each/ \$30 max per family and will be sold at the picnic.** Looking forward to seeing everyone! Any questions, please contact Picnic Coordinator Whitney DuBose at 973-586-2777 or [queendubose@aol.com](mailto:queendubose@aol.com).

### 2017 TRIP TO SICILY AND THE AMALFI COAST

Father Zig of St. Cecilia Parish in Rockaway will lead a trip next spring to Sicily and the beautiful Amalfi Coast, April 20 to May 3, 2017. Enjoy breathtaking scenery, historic cities, centuries-old hilltop villages and wonderful cuisine. An information meeting for all interested travelers will take place on **Tuesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>** at 6:00 pm in Hayes Hall. If you have any questions or would like to receive a brochure, please call Tanya at 973-627-0313 Ext. 10.