

Saturday July 2

5:30 pm John McNichol and Jeffrey Sweeney **Sunday**7:30 am Jim Sierk and our Parishioners
9:30 am Joseph Selvaratnam and Thomas

Scozzafava

11:30 am Rodolfo Narag, Sandy Hart James, and

Mother of Rustica Doria

Monday July 4 (note time change)8:00 am Men and women in armed forces

Tuesday July 5

6:45 am Mary A. O'Cone

Wednesday July 6

6:45 am Thomas Mulligan

Thursday July 7
6:45 am Stella Carlin
Friday July 8

6:45 am Joseph Murphy

**Saturday** July 9 8:00 am Mary Brady

5:30 pm Anthony Falduto, Samuel Bowman, and

Puring Oriondo

**Sunday July 10** 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 am Rosemary Haas and our Parishioners

9:30 am Marie Cardone and

Joseph and Suzanne McEvoy

11:30 am Joan Kakareka and Joan Truppi

### **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, Agnes DeLalla, Martha Jones, Ramona Colao, John Mitros, Louise Risely, Sharon Burkhardt, and Karen Lang.

### **STEWARDSHIP**

Collection for June 28, 2015 \$4,627

MASS ATTENDANCE 531

Sunday, June 26, 2016

 Envelopes/Cash
 \$ 6,432

 ParishPay
 305

 Total
 \$ 6,737

MASS ATTENDANCE 542

Collection for South American and
Latin American Missions Catholic Relief \$2,135.
God bless you for your generosity.

# Scripture Readings July 10, 2016 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Moses petitions the people to follow the commandments God has set before them. He reminds them that the laws are not in the sky or far away at sea, but are accessible to them and meant to be followed if they wish to prosper.

#### Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-20

Paul discusses the divine nature of Jesus, and explains that Jesus was created before anything else. Everything else was "created through him, and for him."

### Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

While discussing everlasting life, a lawyer mentions loving one's neighbor as oneself. The lawyer then asks Jesus, "Who is my neighbor?" Jesus tells him about a man beaten by robbers, who was ignored by both a priest and a Levite before a Samaritan stopped and offered him aid. Jesus asks the lawyer who was neighbor to the injured man. The lawyer says "the one who treated him with compassion." Jesus encourages him to go and do the same.

### There will be a second collection next weekend for the Diocesan Assessment

### July 4th: There will be one Mass at 8:00 am

| JULY 9/10 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE |                         |  |  |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| 5:30 pm                      | Fr. Edward Seton Fittin |  |  |
| 7:30 am                      | Fr. Jared Brogan        |  |  |
| 9:30 am                      | Fr. Jared Brogan        |  |  |
| 11:30 am                     | Fr. Jim Termyna         |  |  |

### WORDS OF MERCY AND HOPE BY POPE FRANCIS

We also know in faith that Jesus seeks us out. He wants to heal our wounds, to soothe our feet which hurt from travelling alone, to wash each of us clean of the dust from our journey. He doesn't ask us where we have been, he doesn't question us what about we have done. Rather, he tells us: "Unless I wash your feet, you have no share with me" (Jn 13:8). Unless I wash your feet, I will not be able to give you the life which the Father always dreamed of, the life for which he created you. Jesus comes to meet us, so that he can restore our dignity as children of God. He wants to help us to set out again, to resume our journey, to recover our hope, to restore our faith and trust. He wants us to keep walking along the paths of life, to realize that we have a mission, and that confinement is never the same thing as exclusion. (Visit Detainees at Curran-Fromhold Correctional Facility, Philadelphia)



### From the Desk of Fr. Jared

On this Independence Day Weekend, we are mindful of and grateful for the freedoms we have been blessed with on this 240<sup>th</sup> birthday of our nation. We are also mindful of the challenges that we face in understanding and using our freedoms appropriately. From Orlando to the recent Supreme Court Decision in Texas, our faith reminds us of the proper understanding of freedom. Freedom is recognizing our God given dignity as human beings created in the image and likeness of God from conception to natural death. Freedom is using all we have for the common good, enabling every human being to flourish and become the best possible person that God created them to be.

#### O God our Creator,

from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God,

and your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world,

to every corner of society.

We ask you to bless us

in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty.
Give us the strength of mind and heart
to readily defend our freedoms when they are
threatened;

give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith. Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father, a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters

gathered in your Church
in this decisive hour in the history of our nation,
so that, with every trial withstood
and every danger overcome—
for the sake of our children, our grandchildren,
and all who come after us—
this great land will always be "one nation, under

God,
indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Peace, Fr. Jared



## NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

Religious Education registration has been emailed home. If you did not receive the email, please contact the Religious Education office at 973-334-5257, or religiouseducation@stcatherine-ml.org. Forms can also be downloaded from our website <a href="www.stcatherine-ml.org">www.stcatherine-ml.org</a>

Our Religious Education program exists because of dedicated volunteers. At this time, we need Catechists for the following classes:

Monday: 7:30pm - 9:00pm

7<sup>th</sup> grade – 1 teacher 8<sup>th</sup> grade – 1 teacher

Tuesday: 7:00pm - 8:15pm

6<sup>th</sup> grade – 3 teachers

Wednesday: 4:00pm - 5:15pm

4<sup>th</sup> grade – 2 teachers

Thursday: 4:00pm - 5:15pm

1<sup>st</sup> grade – 1 teacher 5<sup>th</sup> grade – 3 teachers

Looking ahead, we are planning a fall and spring Family Fun night. Please consider being part of the planning committee which will be formed over the summer for these events.

If you are interested in becoming a catechist or planning the Family Fun Night, please contact the Religious Education office for more information.

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### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Cave Quest – Following Jesus the Light of the World

Thank you to all the volunteers that made VBS a great success this year.

May we continue to pray for the volunteers and the children that they will find God in all the things that they do over the summer. May God bless you.

There will be a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat
July 15-17 and a
Healing after Abortion for Men on July 9
in the Allentown area.
A Day of Healing and Forgiveness.
For information or to register, contact
Sr. Meg Cole at 866-3 Rachel or 610-332-0442 xt19