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Third Sunday of Ordinary Time January 25, 2015

Thank You for Your Generosity

Each year the generosity of the parishioners of St. Mary's Parish in regards to the Christmas Giving Tree is absolutely tremendous and this year was no different. Because of your care and concern for our neighbors, we donated over 700 gifts and over \$1,500 in gift cards to families and children in need. You helped to make their Christmas day brighter and allowed them to experience the hope, peace, love and joy of Christ.

Here is whom your kindness and generosity helped:

Nutley Adopt-A-Family received over 50 gifts and many of our Shop Rite gift cards.

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark, which distributes food and basic necessities to families in the area, received over 75 gifts and gift cards.

The York Street Project in Jersey City, which is a center for homeless and economically disadvantaged women and children, received 75 of our presents.

Children in Foster Care - this year over 175 children, who are victims of abuse and neglect were in need and we responded by providing over 400 gifts of toys and clothing.

Covenant House, a home for young men and women offering emergency housing for those in need, received over 100 gifts.

The Special Young Adults of Nutley, a facility that provides a place for special needs young adults to participate in a number of programs, received over \$100 in gift cards.

Thank you to everyone who donated to our Christmas Giving Tree. Your love of God and of His children is evident in the way you helped those in need. Let us be reminded that the true blessings that we have are not just those material things, but also the love that we share with one another.



Catholic Charities received \$431 as a result of your clothing donations from August 21st to November 30th. These funds, combined with monies from other participating

parishes throughout the Archdiocese, alleviated the sufferings of the needy who sought relief through the many operations of Catholic Charities. The shelters at St. Lucy's in Jersey City and St. Bridget's in Newark provide food, accommodations and overall care for the homeless during these harsh winter months. Thank you for being our partner and enabling us to bring Christ's love to the most vulnerable in our society.

Weekly Mass Schedule

Unless otherwise noted, all weekday Masses will be held in the Parish Center Chapel

Saturday, January 24

5:30 PM For the Confirmation Candidates

Sunday, January 25

7:30 AM James Molea †

9:00 AM Intentions of Peter Baldino
(Birthday)

10:30 AM Joseph Martino †

12:00 PM Katharyn Duffe †

Monday, January 26

7:30 AM Alyson Finn †

12:10 PM Gladys Henery †

Tuesday, January 27

7:30 AM Christa Eva Demczuk †

12:10 PM Edward Lombardi †

Wednesday, January 28

7:30 AM Mary Higgins †

12:10 PM Mary Rose Furey †

Thursday, January 29

7:30 AM Intentions of Meg Lauber Husar
(Birthday)

12:10 PM Jim Paulson †

Friday, January 30

7:30 AM Lois Massey †

12:10 PM Theodore Kapuscinski † (12th
Anniversary)

Saturday, January 31

8:00 AM Rosemarie Schumack

5:30 PM Mary C. Vecellio †

Sunday, February 1

7:30 AM Sara Molea

9:00 AM Juanita Talarico † (25th Anniversary)

10:30 AM O. Allen Beyer †

12:00 PM Jim and Kay Melead †

Thank You for Coming to German Knight

The Knights of Columbus wish to extend their thanks to those who came to German Knight and those who helped to make it a success!

Danke Schön!

Hosts for each Mass have been donated by the

Rosary Society



Church Lamp in Memory of

Rose Piro †



Chapel Lamp in Memory of

Denise Tassinaro †

St. Mary's Rosary Society Meeting

The next meeting of St. Mary's Rosary Society will be on Monday, February 9th, 2015 at 7:30 PM in the school cafeteria. All ladies of the parish are welcome to attend and light refreshments will be served.

Come be a part of the Children's Choir!

The St. Mary's children's choir is expanding to include children in grades 3, 4 and up.

Our next rehearsal will be

Monday, Jan. 26th at 4 p.m. at the parish center.

We will be singing at mass on Feb. 1 at 10:30.

For more information contact our music director, Bruce Mauro at the parish office or at b.mauro1@yahoo.com.

Fish And Chips Tickets Available After All Masses In Church Vestibule

Anyone Who Would Like To Bake A
Finger Dessert

For Night Of Fish And Chips

Please Sign Up In The Back Of Church

Tickets Available At Parish Center

During Week

♪ Liturgical Notes ♪

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?

If you read these notes regularly, you know that I often show connections between the songs we sing and the scripture we hear proclaimed. I do this to both share my excitement for Sunday liturgy and the benefits of previewing the readings in preparation for liturgy. (BTW you don't have to wait until just before mass to do this.)

Today's readings (which begin on page 64) are similar to those we heard last week in that they tell stories of the call to ministry. This week we hear the calling Jonah, the reluctant prophet and the Apostles James and Andrew.

The first line from our song at the presentation of the gifts puts the essential question before you and me: Will I follow when God calls my name?

The song, "The Summons" (#387) was written by John Bell. He is a member of the Iona Community which describes itself as a Christian ecumenical community working for peace and social justice, rebuilding of community and the renewal of worship. The music comes from a traditional Scottish Melody named after "Kelvingrove" a castle turned into an art museum in the city of Glasgow.

While some of the images of the call may seem daunting (I had a choir member who couldn't sing the words "Will you kiss the leper clean" in the third verse.) Rather than getting stuck on the ones that don't work, see them as ideas to stimulate how we as a community and individuals might respond to God's call here and now.

A comment and question particularly for those confirmation candidates who are here this weekend:

While pictures and statues tend to portray the apostles as adults, it is important to point out that they were probably around the age of 17 or 18 when called by Jesus and only three years older at the time of his crucifixion. What might the church would be like if the youth were treated like and acted as if they were the present of the church and not put off to just being it's future?

Peace,
Bruce

Holy Father's Prayer Intention

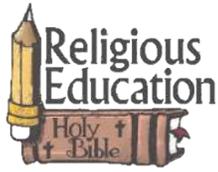
We pray that those from diverse religious traditions and all people of good will may work together for peace. We also pray that in this year dedicated to consecrated life, religious men and women may rediscover the joy of following Christ and strive to serve the poor with zeal.

Dear Parishioners of St. Mary's Church:

On behalf of the Division of Child Protection and Permanency Hudson West Local Office, we would like to express our appreciation for the generosity of your congregation in support of the **Share the Joy Toy Drive**. Your personal commitment and that of Mr. Anthony Armando was incredibly helpful and allowed us to reach our goal. Your assistance means so much to us but even more to the disadvantaged children and their families in our community.

Your gifts demonstrate that you are aware of their situation and that you care about them.

Sincerely,
Miriam Carvajal and Barbara Calafiore



Religious Education

Today, we hear about how the first disciples were introduced to Jesus by John the Baptist. Do you remember who introduced you to Jesus, the Messiah? Maybe it was a parent or grandparent? Perhaps a priest or a nun? Or a teacher in school or CCD? That introduction opened the door to a relationship that would last beyond your lifetime. I know that in my life that simple introduction has led me to a relationship that has changed my life in so many ways. A relationship with Jesus challenges us to show love and kindness, have hope and know joy, and serve one another humbly. The love and joy that we receive from the relationship with our Savior, inspires us to introduce others to Him. So who do you need to introduce to Jesus?

In our Religious Education program, we hope to not only introduce the children and their parents to Jesus, we strive to provide them with the opportunities to build a life giving relationship with Him. Our 7th and 8th Grade classes have begun a new set of programs in their classes this semester. Grade 7 will be learning more Jesus through scripture with the Encounter Bible Study program from Ascension Press. While the 8th Grade will be looking at how they are called to a relationship with the God who created them and loves them and calls them to live out that love using the Chosen series, also from Ascension Press. Both DVD based series will challenge the students to think about who they are, how they are called to live by Christ and how they play a role in God's kingdom. We invite you to take a look at our website to see some samples from both these series: www.stmarysnutleyccd.blogspot.com



January 18, 2015

Dear Parishioners of St. Mary's Parish;

You are invited to come to the Open House at Good Shepherd Academy where refreshments will be provided by the Home School Association, and tours lead by the National Junior Honor Society Students and Student Council Executive Board Members. We also have a whole week of activities planned to demonstrate what the students are accomplishing and to celebrate the community we've built to educate tomorrow's citizens and church leaders. (See schedule)

In addition, the theme, "Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service", focuses on key components of Catholic education: faith development, academic excellence and dedication to service. These elements set Catholic schools apart from other educational options. They are why families make sacrifices to provide a Catholic education for their children.

National Catholic Schools Week also is an opportunity for you to see what I'm talking about. I am so proud of our students, and I can't wait for you to visit our academy to enjoy their displays and activities, and learn about the service projects in which they are participating spearheaded by the Junior Stewardship program. When you come, please bring your friends and neighbors, particularly those who may be thinking about Catholic education for their children.

And, in a special way, I take this opportunity to say publicly what I think every single day: "I am grateful for the dedication and commitment of our priests, teachers, staff, administrators, advisory board members, Home School Executive board, all the parents, and volunteers who make our academy such a success and happy place to in which to learn. May God continue to bless them."

Sincerely in Christ,

Sr. Jane Feltz, MPF
Principal





Catholic Schools Week Activities at Good Shepherd Academy, Nutley

January 25 - January 30, 2015

Sunday, January 25 **Opening Liturgy at respective parishes**
OLMC 9:15am; Holy Family 10:00am; St. Mary's 10:30am.
Open House in Good Shepherd Academy Gym 11:15 - 1:00pm

Monday, January 26 **Classroom Visits 9:30am - 11:00am**

Tuesday, January 27 **Blue & Gold Spirit Day 9:30am in Gym**
Students enjoy competitive games on the blue or gold team.

Wednesday, January 28 **Grandfriends Day in Gym**
Guests enjoy their Grandchildren/friends beginning at 9:00am

Thursday, January 29 **Academic Bowl Day 1:30pm in Gym**

Friday, January 30 **Academic Bee Day 9:30am in Gym**
Division A Grades K - 3 Division B Grades 4 & 5
Division C Grades 6 - 8

12:30 Dismissal Day for students. Appreciation Luncheon hosted by HSA
for faculty, staff, volunteers.



St. Mary's Church is served by:

Rev. Richard J. Berbary, Pastor

Rev. Thomas D. Nicastro, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Trinidad José Cuevas, Parochial Vicar

Anthony G. Armando,

PAC/DRE/Youth Minister, 973-667-8239

armandoa@stmarysnutley.org

Bruce Mauro, Music Director, b.mauro1@yahoo.com

Patrick Perrone, Trustee

Anne Scheidel, Trustee

To Everything there is a season and a time for every purpose...

A Time of War and Peace...

We pray that our troops serving our country may be protected by the Holy Spirit, know the prayers of a grateful nation, and be brought home safely to their families. We pray especially for Collin Keating, Mark Nostro, Douglas Reiman and James Zaremba.

A Time to Heal...

For all those who are sick or suffering especially all those listed on our webpage at <http://stmarysnutley.org/PrayerPage.shtml>.

A Time to Love...

For all those who have entered into the sacrament of Holy Matrimony, especially: Maria Gabriele and Joseph Ferraro, and Joan Ta and Paul Rotunda.

A Time to be Born...

For all those who have entered into Our Catholic Faith through Baptism especially, Elizabeth Mary Corino, Adrianna Lima, Jacob Maximillion Maranon, Eleanor Lualhaiti Millar, Alyssa Rose D'Addezio, Dominic LaProto and Benjamin Rose.

A Time to Seek...

For all seminarians on the road to priesthood, especially: Diego Navarro

Mass Schedule

Sundays

5:30 (Sat. evening)

7:30, 9:00, 10:30, 12:00

Weekdays

Masses in Parish Center Chapel

7:30, 12:10 (Monday - Friday),

8:00 (Saturday)

Holy Days

7:30 AM, 12:10 AM, 7:00 PM

National Holidays

9:00 AM

Parish Business Hours

Mon.-Fri. 9 AM-4 PM, Parish Center

Saturday 3 PM-7 PM, Church Vestibule

Sunday 9 AM-1 PM, Church Vestibule

Parish Collections:

The January 18th collection was \$6,504.00! We thank you for your generous donations! Parish Giving Donation Cards are available in the back of the Church. Those who use Parish Giving may wish to place them in the collection baskets during the collection.

Readings for the Week of January 25, 2015

Monday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25
Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 1:69-75; Mk 4:35-41
Sunday: Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk1:21-28

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Confessions

Saturdays, 4:30 to 5:15 or by appointment

Novenas

- Miraculous Medal: Mon., 12:00 PM before Mass
- Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Weds., 7:00 PM
- Devotion to the Divine Mercy: Thurs., 7:00 PM in chapel

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Adults who wish to receive Baptism, First Communion or Confirmation should call the Religious Education office (973-667-8239).

Baptisms

Baptisms are the third Sunday of each month, at 1:30 PM. Please call at least a month in advance to make arrangements. Baptismal prep classes will now be held on Saturday, the week before Baptisms (the second Sunday of the month), at 1:00 PM in the Parish Center

Parish Membership

Parishioners should register and should inform the Parish Center when moving from the parish.

Good Shepherd Academy (973-667-2049)

Our Catholic grade school sponsored by the Archdiocese of Newark. Sr. Jane Feltz, Principal www.gsanutley.org

Religious Vocations

If you think you may have a vocation, speak to one of our priests, or call the Archdiocesan Vocations Office (973-497-4366).

Care of the Sick

Communion will be brought to any parishioner confined to home, upon request; those who are seriously ill, or weak from the burden of years, should request the Anointing of the Sick. Urgent calls will be attended immediately.

Marriage

Contact a priest to make arrangements. The Bishops have directed that the normal preparation time is a year or more.