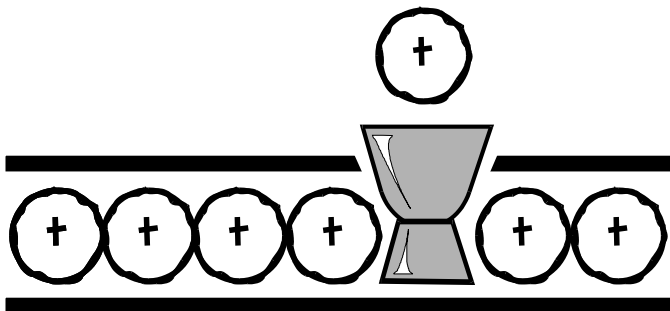


18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 2, 2009



I am the living bread from heaven

Intentions for the Week of August 2nd

Sanctuary Lamp & Altar Candles	---
Altar Bread	---
Altar Wine	---

Masses for the Week

Monday, August 3	7:00AM	Retтино, McKnight & Cordileone Families
Tuesday, August 4	7:00AM	Edward Socha Helen Garvin
Wed., August 5	7:00AM	William McDonald Storm Critelli
Thursday, August 6	7:00AM	Eleanor Grant
Friday, August 7	7:00AM	Barbara Canfield (Intention)
Saturday, August 8	7:00AM	Lillian & Anthony Cordileone Eleanore Cullen
Sunday, August 9	5:00PM	Dominic Fiorello
	7:45AM	Msr. Leo Lambert
	9:00AM	Antonino Dattolo Jane Pallotta Joseph J. Doyle
	10:30AM 12:00PM	Jessie & Rocco Caggiano Jean Dumenko Ann Silcox Debbie Campbell

Intentions for the Week of August 9th

Sanctuary Lamp & Altar Candles	---
Altar Bread	---
Altar Wine	---

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

Tithing Income Last Week:	\$12,145.75
Income Same Week Last Year:	\$12,477.25

From Father Davis: "According to an old saying "The world is divided into givers and takers; the takers eat well and the givers sleep well." Jesus tells us that the Lord gives to the givers and takes from the takers. To all the generous givers, our deepest thanks."

From the Pews: "Each individual needs to return a tenth to God as much as the church needs the tithing. Actually the individual needs to do it more than the church needs to receive it."

Visit our New Parish Website:
www.stthereserobury.org

From the Pastor's Desk

VACATION

As most of you know, I usually am away for most of August for my vacation. So, I will be leaving August 1st, spending the first portion in Florida with my family, then visiting friends in California, and the last week of the month I should be on LBI, again with my family. Please be assured that I will keep you in my prayers while I'm away and I ask you to pray for me. I am always in touch with our parish secretary, so if anything of importance arises and you need to communicate with me please call the rectory.



MARIAN WALL

I would like everyone to know that they have until August 15th to make a pledge for one of our new Marian Tapestries, please use the form on the opposite page. For the security and safety of the two images, I am going to have them mounted on the wall shortly after August 1st. The dedication is planned for the 5:00pm mass on October 3rd, as close as we can get to the Feast of St. Therese, which is October 1st.

MISSION SPEAKER: - August 1st - 2nd

The Diocese of Paterson asks for our assistance each year in the Mission Cooperative Plan sponsored by our Diocesan Office of the Propagation of the Faith. This year, we have been assigned Father Brennan Joseph Farleo as our speaker, from the Conventual Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate Conception Province. The Franciscans are requesting your financial assistance to aid their missionary service in Costa Rica and Brazil where the friars continue to respond to the message of Jesus Christ in their commitment of service to the Gospel through a life shared with the poor and needy of God. Please be assured that 100% of all monies received by the friars are sent directly to their missions. Thank you in advance for your prayers and support.

As is our custom here at St. Therese, there will be no second collection for this appeal. Please use the MISSION CO-OP Envelope in your regular envelope packet this month to support this mission.

Fr. Davis

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR THE HOUSE OF MERCY MISSION



Once again, the House of Mercy Mission is asking for our help to bless and prepare underprivileged children for the upcoming school year. We will be collecting NEW book bags, notebooks, lunch boxes, paper, pens, etc.

Please deposit your donations of school supplies in the bins in the atrium after all masses August 8/9th through August 15/16th. Thank you for your help! For more information, call Debbie at 973-919-2793.

BAKE SALE --AUGUST 16

St. Therese Prayer Group is sponsoring a bake sale at all the Masses on Sunday, August 16th. Please come and check out all the freshly made cakes, pies, cookies, breads, etc. in the church atrium after all the Masses. You will not be disappointed!!

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Feastday: December 12th Patron of the Americas

When we reflect on the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe we learn two important lessons, one of faith and one of understanding.

Missionaries who first came to Mexico with the conquistadors had little success in the beginning. After nearly a generation, only a few hundred Native Mexicans had converted to the Christian faith. Whether they simply did not understand what the missionaries had to offer or whether they resented these people who made them slaves, Christianity was not popular among the native people.

Then in 1531 miracles began to happen. Jesus' own mother appeared to humble Juan Diego. The signs -- of the roses, of the uncle miraculously cured of a deadly illness, and especially of her beautiful image on Juan's mantle -- convinced the people there was something to be considered in Christianity. Within a short time, six million Native Mexicans had themselves baptized as Christians.

The first lesson is that God has chosen Mary to lead us to Jesus. No matter what critics may say of the devotion of Mexicans (and Mexican descendants) to Our Lady of Guadalupe, they owe their Christianity to her influence. If it were not for her, they would not know her son, and so they are eternally grateful. The second lesson we take from Mary herself. Mary appeared to Juan Diego not as a European Madonna but as a beautiful Aztec princess speaking to him in his own Aztec language. If we want to help someone appreciate the gospel we bring, we must appreciate the culture and the mentality in which they live their lives. By understanding them, we can help them to understand and know Christ.

Our Lady of Knock

Feastday: August 21st

On the wet Thursday evening of the 21st August, 1879, at about 8 o'clock, Our Lady, St. Joseph, and St. John the Evangelist appeared in a blaze of Heavenly light at the south gable of Knock Parish Church in County Mayo, Ireland. Behind them and a little to the left of St. John was a plain altar. On the altar was a cross and a lamb with adoring angels. The Apparition was seen by fifteen people whose ages ranged from six years to seventy-five and included men, women and children.

The witnesses described the Blessed Virgin Mary as being clothed in white robes with a brilliant crown on her head. Over the forehead where the crown fitted the brow, she wore a beautiful full-bloom golden rose. She was in an attitude of prayer with her eyes and hands raised towards Heaven. St. Joseph stood on Our Lady's right. He was turned towards her in an attitude of respect. His robes were also white. St. John was on Our Lady's left. He was dressed in white vestments and resembled a bishop, with a small mitre. He appeared to be preaching and he held an open book in his left hand.

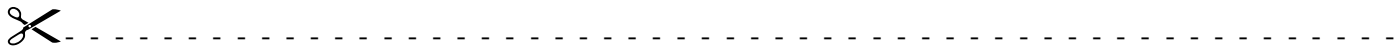
The witnesses watched the Apparition in pouring rain for two hours, reciting the Rosary. Although they themselves were saturated not a single drop of rain fell on the gable or vision.

TAPESTRIES: I have commissioned Bramante Studios in Toronto Canada to create the new images of Our Lady of Guadalupe and Our Lady of Knock into tapestries similar to the Tapestry of the Sacred Heart (just inside the doors to the sanctuary). Sample photo's can be viewed in our atrium.

MARIAN WALL - Memorializing

Our Blessed Mother holds many magnificent titles in the church, but of course her first and primary role was to be the mother of our Savior. I plan to create a Marian Wall in our church using the brick beveled wall where the images of Mary and Joseph and our Lady of Perpetual Help are presently. First, the present image of the Lord in honor of Divine Mercy will be moved to the wall by the Reconciliation Room and the image of the Holy Family will be appropriately placed in the Children's Prayer Room. The image of Our Lady of Perpetual Help will stay on the wall and I will move to the wall the framed image of our Lady of Czestochowa (signed by John Paul II which is now hung in the Atrium). Then I will add newly created Tapestries of Our Lady of Knock and Our Lady of Guadalupe.

I would like to offer to anyone who would be interested in memorializing your family or loved one, on a plaque on the wall, to fill out and send the form below to the rectory **by August 15th** so that we can dedicate them on the Feast of St. Therese on October 1st.



I would like to have my family / loved ones memorialized with a Tapestry on the Marian Wall of St. Therese.

Please choose one: Our Lady of Knock Our Lady of Guadalupe

Engraving for Plaque: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

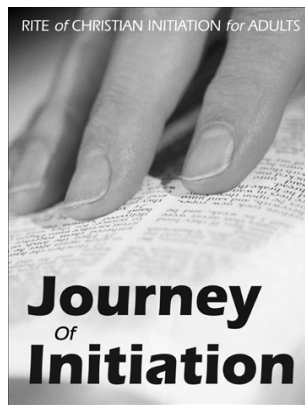
Gift Level: \$500 \$750 \$1,000 Other: \$ _____

Check enclosed. I would like to establish a payment plan, please call me.

Please mail or drop off to: St. Therese Rectory, 7 Hunter Street, Succasunna, NJ 07876

**WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?
KNOW SOMEONE WHO DOES?**

- Been THINKING ABOUT BECOMING A CATHOLIC for some time but never got around to doing anything about it?
- MARRIED TO A CATHOLIC, but not yet made a religious commitment of your own?
- INVOLVED IN THE PARISH here at St. Therese's but never taken the step towards becoming a member in full communion with the Church?
- BAPTISED, but not active in a church, or find yourself WANTING MORE?



PERHAPS YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN THE RCIA

OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, September 17th
7:30 PM in St. Therese's All Purpose Room

*No pressure, no commitment, simply
AN OPPORTUNITY to find out more about
THE JOURNEY IN FAITH at St. Therese.*

Religious Education Program

3 REL. Ed/ CCD Teachers NEEDED -

- 1 teacher for Grade 3, Tuesday "A" 4:15pm schedule
- 2 teachers needed for Mixed-age small classes for sacrament prep for older students (could be Tuesday or Wednesday)

Experience the joy of working with our parish children. You will sow seeds of faith for God to nurture! Please contact the religious education office: 973-584-9444 or RelEdOffice@verizon.net. Any amount of time you can give will be greatly appreciated!

SHIP TOUR AND LUNCH

We are able again to schedule some dates for ship tours and lunch aboard the Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines' Explorer of the Seas in Bayonne. The dates are Saturdays 9/26 or 11/7. The cost is \$10 per person and includes a ship tour of the cabins and the public areas of the ship and topped off with a wonderful 3 course lunch with wine. Great chance to see what one of the "big" ships are really like! Space is limited. Contact Pat Howlett @ (973)895-9150 to make your reservation and further details.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

It is with a great sense of joy that we as a Catholic community welcome the newest members of St. Therese Family.

Welcome to those who were baptized in July:

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| Samuel Gabriel Agront | Nicholas Peter Ludwig |
| Samantha Jean Amaty | Shaelyn Brielle Peterson |
| Zachary Edward Amaty | Cecilia Alexa Sosa |
| Noah Ryan Dileo | |

Confirmation Program

3 SPONSOR CATECHISTS NEEDED - The success of our Confirmation program depends on the dedication of caring individuals willing to share their faith with our young teenagers. We are looking for adults to become Sponsor Catechists. In this role, you will teach our candidates about the Sacrament of Confirmation as well as share your faith with them and witness to Jesus. The program covers a 2-year period beginning in Sept. 2009 and ending in May 2011. There are approximately 2 events per month, 9 months per year. It is a very rewarding experience and one you will always remember. If you can help in our program or have any questions, please contact Michael Harding 252-2365

1. Confirmation classes are currently being put together. If you have a student going into the 9th grade and have not registered him/her for the Confirmation Program, please stop by the rectory and fill out the registration form so that we can get your child placed into a class.
2. Sponsor Catechists (teachers) will be meeting to go over the upcoming year of Confirmation events. This is a very important meeting as it is our first gathering of the year. Schedules will be given out and a review of the entire year's events will be explained. If you cannot attend your scheduled meeting, please call Michael Harding ASAP. The meeting dates are as follows:
 - ✠ Sophomore Class of 2010 - Wednesday, August 26th from 7 to 8:30 pm
 - ✠ Freshman Class of 2011 - Thursday, August 27th from 7 to 8:30 pm
3. The first gathering of the Freshman Class of 2011, the Night of Beginning, takes place on Wednesday, September 9th from 7 - 9:30 pm. This very important first meeting is mandatory for our incoming candidates. The candidates will meet in the School auditorium at 7 pm. At 8:30 pm, parents are asked and encouraged to join us in the Church for mass and the Rite of Initiation.

Support Saint Clare's, Our Catholic Hospital

One in every 35 women diagnosed with breast cancer will die from this disease, second only to lung cancer. But with increased awareness, early detection, more intensive research, and new methods of treatment, about two and a half million Americans are breast cancer survivors. How can we help our catholic hospital?



The Saint Clare's Walk for Breast Cancer Awareness is on Sunday, September 20th to raise awareness of breast cancer and promote early diagnosis, while raising vital funds to support the treatment of breast cancer through Cancer Care at St. Clare's.

The Saint Clare's Walk Committee will be here at St. Therese on August 8th & 9th selling \$1.00 50-50 Raffle Tickets. The drawing will be held on September 20th. Winner need not be present.

For information regarding the Walk, call Eileen Nicholl at 973-584-5054 or visit www.saintclaresfoundation.org/walk



"Thank You from the Sclafani Family"

Dear St. Therese Family,

Several months have passed since we've left home due to Joe's illness. And since that time we know he has been in your thoughts and prayers, as well as our own. We want you to know that it was these very special prayers and sacrifices that helped Joe, myself and our children cope with and get through a very traumatic time in our lives.

Joe still faces some issues since he has a very low immune system and the slightest bug has sent him back to the hospital again. We will need to continue to protect him as best as possible now and in the future. However we feel that the worst part is behind us and a miracle which we've all prayed for has most definitely occurred; his return to us!

It is our hope to be back in a few short weeks and try to return to a "normal" life at home, which we both miss dearly.

We are forever indebted to you for holding us undeserving in your hearts all this time! We just want you to know that it was because of all of you and many others that Joe can face many happy days ahead! You all are a huge blessing to our family and will always remain in our hearts. We will continue to ask Jesus to abundantly bless His (and our) St. Therese family.

Joe & Vivian Sclafani

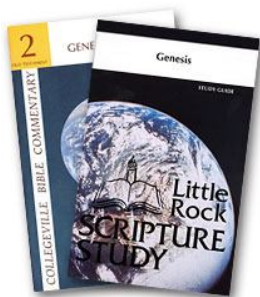
TAKE A LOOK: There are a few pictures of Joe & Viv Sclafani on the bulletin board in the atrium taken at the Rehabilitation Center and their Celebration of their 30th Wedding Anniversary.

Evening Bible Study

Topic: *Genesis* **Begins on September 15, 2009**

This topic will be covered in 11 consecutive sessions. Sessions begin at 7:30 and end at 9:15pm.

Content: A study of the book of Genesis is an invitation not only to contemplate the creation story, but to remember with the Israelites their descendants in faith. In Noah, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, you will encounter portraits of great faith.



A fee of \$12 is charged to cover the cost of a commentary and a study guide. **You may register for this exciting study by calling the Rectory beginning August 10th.**

SUMMER READING:

It is suggested that participants read *The Language of God* written by Francis S. Collins. This is an excellent book written by a world class scientist and a faithful Christian.

The Travel Club Meeting

Wednesday, August 19 at 7:30PM. Our journey will be with Princess Cruises. Why not take the opportunity to learn all about what Princess Cruises are all about. I am sure that there are many destinations out there that stir your spirit of adventure, so you owe it to yourself to see exactly what opportunities await you so you can build your extraordinary journey. Contact Pat Howlett (973)895-9150 or email me at phboomerang@optonline.net to let me know that you want to see what it's all about.

SILVER AND GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Couples, were you married in 1959 or 1984? You are warmly invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Paterson. Bishop Arthur Serratelli will be the main celebrant at Mass in the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Paterson on **Sunday, October 11, 2009 at 3:30pm**. Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office. Application forms are available through Monday, September 14, 2009. A confirmation letter will be sent from the Diocesan Center once your application has been processed. Bring family and friends to attend this joyous event with you.

Golf Anyone? Don't miss the St. Therese School's 27th Annual John Rackowski Memorial Golf Outing

Wednesday, September 16th at Farmstead Golf & Country Club in Lafayette, NJ. The cost is \$125 per golfer. All funds raised go directly to St. Therese School. Come for a fun and relaxing day on the green. For more information, please call Julie Matthews at (973) 387-0317.

Hope to see you on the green!



Pray for those in need of the Lord's healing - especially for: Miriam Gossman, Brian Piper, Joseph Sclafani, Eileen Redfern, Janet Hastings, Patricia Muccione, Chris Rozyla

REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: First and third Thursday of each month at 8:00PM at the VFW Hall in Kenvil. Call Grand Knight Al Consoli at 973- 584-0033 or by email to ajc89@optonline.net.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY: Second Monday of each month Sept.-May. Mass at 7pm, Rosary after Communion, meeting follows in the All Purpose Room. Call Eileen Redfern at 201-317-8691.

ST. THERESE ADULT SINGLES: Third Monday of each month, 7:30pm in the All Purpose Room. Open to all singles, widowed, divorced, separated, male & female. Call Pat Bilancia 584-2209.

PRO LIFE COMMITTEE: Second Thursday of each month Sept. – May. 7pm recitation of the Rosary at the Tabernacle followed by meeting at 7:30pm. Call Liz Smith at 973-584-5531 or by email to lsmith555@optonline.net

ST. THERESE PRAYER GROUP: Every Wednesday evening, Mass at 7:00pm in the Church. Open to everyone. Call Lucy Balko at 862-219-5793.



Smoke Free games start on Sunday at 7:00PM and on Monday at 7:30PM in the school auditorium. Join us!

Children's Liturgy Program

The Children's Liturgical Ministry provides an early opportunity for stewardship to parish children in grades 3 through 8. They are able to participate as greeters, lectors, collections ushers, and bulletin ushers during the liturgy. The children are grouped by grade and each group rotates approximately 3-4 times throughout the program year. An adult volunteer, called the Faith Friend, organizes each group, rehearses with them mid-week and sits with them during the liturgy for guidance. Although the program is voluntary, all parish children in grades 3 through 8 are encouraged to participate. It is our hope that through their active involvement, these children will develop a deeper understanding of the liturgy, a greater ownership of the church, and a stronger responsibility to their faith.

If you wish to register your child(ren) for the program, please email Catherine Radler at radlerfamily5@verizon.net. While participants can register any time during the year, in order to prepare schedules I ask that you contact me by August 2, 2009.

Religious Education / CCD Grades 1-8

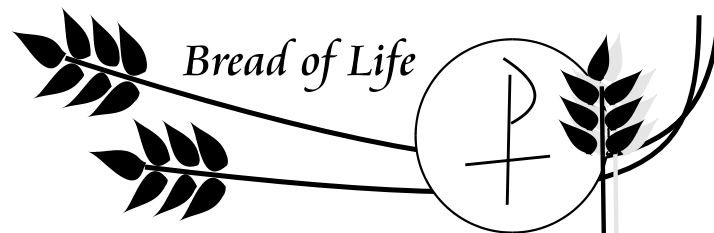
Office hours 9AM-3PM, Monday-Thursday (closed on Fridays) The office may close for lunch for a short time during the summer months. Other hours by appointment; please call. Office is located in the back of the church building. Call 973-584-9444 or send us an e-mail: RelEdOffice@verizon.net

- CCD REGISTRATION** was due by July 1st all for all parish public school children in grades 1-8. Limited space is still available for all grade levels and late registrations will continue to be accepted for a limited time only. Please contact the Rel. Ed. office as soon as possible.
- VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED** Teachers, hallway monitors and classroom aides still needed for classes beginning in September! No experience necessary. Please call Lori if you can help.

St. Therese School Openings GRADE OPENINGS St. Therese School

There are a number of openings in **Grades 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8** for the upcoming school year. If anyone is interested in Catholic education for their child, please contact the school office.

PRE-K-3 Openings We still have some openings in our PreKindergarten 3 year-old program (sorry our PreK 4 program is full). We offer 2 ½ hour sessions - two times a week - Tuesdays and Thursdays - either morning or afternoon. Your child must be 3 years old by October 1st and potty-trained. Please contact the school office at 973-584-0812 to schedule a visit.



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

August 8/9	5:00PM	7:35AM	9:00AM	10:30AM	12:00PM
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	S. Haggerty P. Kmetz V. LoVasco M. Magi D. Monico K. Orlando	F. Calabrese M. Caruso L. Coakley S. Crowley K. Downey W. Lovas	F. Litts E. Marconi E. McCarthy P. McDonnell T. O'Connell M. Podlaski	A. Penney D. Riegler R. Russomanno J. Silva S. Silva L. Tumminello	M. Meneses J. Osborne H. Puzio E. Redfern G. Sandelli E. Scapyak
Lectors	D. Kendzior	G. Birrer	A. Galan	D. Rasmussen	E. Redfern
Altar Servers	M. Bogdan S. Bogdan A. Briscoe	M. Birrer N. Birrer S. Birrer	J. Fay J. Lawrence H. Martinez	E. Scerra R. Silva A. Tumminello	A. Medina E. Medina G. Turiansky
Liturgy of the WORD for Young Children	For Young Children in grades K, 1 & 2 - No registration is required. During the 10:30am mass, the children process out of the sanctuary into the Church Atrium and Sacristy. The readings and a homily are presented at their level of understanding.			President:	Fr. Bob
				Atrium:	C. Christel
Nursing Home	J. Dowd & A. Berlangieri				
Soup Kitchen	Attention Cookers: aluminum pans are available for use in the closet in the All Purpose Room Kitchen.		<u>Servers:</u> J. & C. Whelan , C. Stoltz, J. Butler, L. McMahon , R. Bolognese		
	<u>Cookers:</u> J. Johnsen , H. & S. Bayard, P. Klein, L. Petrucelli				