TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
September 6, 2020

"If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts."  (Psalm 95)

Today's Readings
First Reading: Ezekiel 38: 7-9  
Second Reading: Romans 13: 8-10  
Gospel: Matthew 18: 15-20
Jesus is present in our midst wherever two or three are gathered in His name.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day
Each of us is our brother's (and sister's) keeper. Today we hear God calling us to be responsible for each other. No one should be left on their own to fall; we are called to pick each other up, to help each other out. This Labor Day weekend, when we honor all those who work to do the things that contribute to society, whether in a factory, on a farm, in an office, at home or wherever it may be, let us resolve to work together in building the kingdom of God.

Saturday
September 5
4:00 PM   Sharon Dow
5:30 PM   John McAuley

Sunday
September 6
8:00 AM   Justine M. Dean
10:00 AM  Isabelle Sickler
11:15 AM  Members of the Clark and Downes Families

Monday
September 7
Labor Day - National Holiday
No Mass

Tuesday
September 8
8:00 AM   Frances & Eleanor Kurtz

Wednesday
September 9
Trudy McInerney

Thursday
September 10
Maria & John Malich

Friday
September 11
For the Victims of 9-11

Saturday
September 12
8:00 AM   Mary K. Williams
4:00 PM   Renee Hobart
5:30 PM   Michael J. Manicone

Feast Days celebrated the Week of September 6, 2020
September 8 - The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
September 12 - The Most Holy Name of Mary

WEEKLY OFFERING
$2,716.00
Energy Collection - $396.00

20 WEEK CLUB
Congratulations to Dan Van Loan
Winner Week #17

We celebrate the Baptism of Edilyn Sophia Grim at Presentation Church on August 30th.
She is the daughter of Dennis & Erica Grim.

Please Remember in Your Prayers
Those Serving in the Military
Michael Greco, Stephanie Drinka, Joy Palmer
Aidan Lancer, Kevin Rose, Henry Loughlin
Dr. Joshua Quick

Sick and Homebound
Dolores Lemister, Angela McColl, Madalene Joy
Louise Ferranti, Charles Daley, Jerry Johnson, Al Kannath
Chase Richardson, Carol Hughes, Brian Barnes,
Brian Barnes, Ronald Banks Jr., Michael Petersen

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY LABOR DAY WEEKEND!!!

FROM FATHER CARL'S DESK:
Happy Labor Day weekend!...the last "hurrah" of Summer. I returned from vacation last week and Daily Masses have resumed at 8:00 AM.
I congratulate the three candidates that received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday evening with Bishop Gerardo Colacicco. And we have added a new member to our Parish Family. The Sacrament of Baptism was administered by Deacon Timothy Dean to Edilyn Sophia Grim. My congratulations to the parents and Godparents of these children.
Just a reminder to please remember those who died on 9-11-01 by gathering at the Port Ewen Firehouse on Friday, September 11th at 7:00 PM. We will pay tribute to the thousands of people who died from a foreign attack on New York City, Washington, D.C. And Pennsylvania. It caused the onset of a war in Afghanistan. Between the military and civilian losses - it was a most tragic cataclysm.

The month of September is traditionally dedicated to the Seven Sorrows (or Dolours) of Mary; the Feast of our Lady of Sorrows is celebrated in September. The Sorrows are the prophecy of Simeon, the flight into Egypt, the loss of the Holy Child in Jerusalem, meeting Jesus on the way to Calvary, standing at the feet of the Cross, Jesus being taken down from the Cross and the burial of Jesus.

MEN'S DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Men and boys, fathers and sons, brothers, grandsons and grandfathers will have a Day of Recollection on Saturday, September 19th at the Church of Saints Mary & Andrew in Ellenville. Plan to spend a few hours at 10 AM – 3 PM with Fathers Sudano and Oliver in prayer and palaver, Mass, conferences, confessions and/or consultation and holy hour. Bring your own lunch. Time for conversation and/or quiet. No reservations necessary. There will be free will offering received, which will be divided between the parish and Father Sudano's order, the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal.

COATS FOR FOLKS
Starting Sunday, September 6th, a donation box will be available for you to drop off clean coats to share with those who are in need in our community. Each new or nearly new coat should be wrapped in a clear or white plastic bag and dropped off at either Presentation or Sacred Heart Church. This annual clothing drive is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. This year, as you have in the past, please be as generous as possible in fulfilling a Corporal Work of Mercy. Thank you for your generosity.

PRO LIE NEWS
From September 23rd through November 1st, you are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way on the sidewalk outside of Newburgh Planned Parenthood, 136 Lake Street, Newburgh and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you would like more information and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact Wendy Wood at 845 620-4365 or visit 40daysforlife.com/Newburgh.

Pro-Life Mass & Rosary Procession on September 19th at 9:00 AM at Sacred Heart Church, 301 Ann Street, Newburgh, N.Y. Call Br. Benjamin for more information at (914) 963-0250. Join us every 3rd Saturday of the month.

We will never forget...  
9-11-01
Growing in Faith™

Make distractions a plus in prayer

There is no better way to build a relationship with Jesus than through prayer. Relying on His strength during difficult times is how we get through them. Yet when we become distracted during prayer, we can become discouraged and give up. Try these ideas for turning distractions into blessings.

Gently return. Start your prayer by placing yourself in the presence of God. When you wander, gently bring yourself back.

Practise recall. St. Frances de Sales said, "When your mind wanders or gives way to distractions, gently recall it and place it once more close to its Divine Master. If you should do nothing else but repeat this during the whole time of prayer, your hour would be very well spent and you would perform a spiritual exercise most acceptable to God."

Turn distractions into prayer. If you start thinking about people and events unrelated to your prayer, pray about them and then return to the original subject of your prayer.

Pray out loud. When distractions overwhelm you, pray out loud.

from Scripture


Saying, "Yes, God, I believe in you," is not enough. If we presume that the Lord will take us into Heaven just because we profess our faith, we will be disappointed. Words are not enough.

True obedience is lived. When we realize we are in a state of sin, we have two options. We can say we're sorry, or we can show we're sorry by going to Confession, doing sincere penance and amending our lives. Living as Jesus taught us is a way of "working in our Father's vineyard."

Also known as Levi, he was a notorious tax collector. St. Matthew left everything behind when Jesus called him to spread the Gospel. He wrote the Gospel according to Matthew.


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Sept. 21 - St. Matthew (1st century).

Feasts & Celebrations

Sept. 8 - The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (1st century). Tradition holds that Mary was born in Jerusalem after her parents had been childless for more than twenty years. Mary's birth brought them - and us - joy.

Sept. 15 - Our Lady of Sorrows. In Luke 2:35, Simeon predicted Mary's sorrows as "a sword piercing her soul." This referred, in part, to a time when Mary would stand at the foot of her Son's Cross. Sull, Mary stood dignified and fearless while others fled.

Presenting of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Sacred Heart Church

Rev. Carl D. Johnson, Pastor

One Minute Meditations

Mysteries of faith

Legend says that St. Augustine was walking on a beach puzzling the mystery of the Holy Trinity when he spotted a boy filling a bucket from the ocean and dumping it in a hole. The boy said he was trying to fit the ocean into the hole. St. Augustine cried, "But you can never do that!" The boy replied, "And neither can you understand the Holy Trinity." and vanished. Some things we just have to take on faith.

"God bless you!" When you sneeze, think of Pope St. Gregory, the Great. In 590AD, the bubonic plague was spreading to Rome. To combat the disease, the pope requested incessant prayer. "God bless you!" In response to a sneeze was part of that effort.

Do you trust God?

"The Lord is my strength and my shield, in whom I trust my heart" (Psalm 28:7). Do you trust God with everything in your life or only some things? Do you give him your problems but take them back when he doesn't do what you want? Is it possible we have complete trust in God that our lives work well.

Is God trustworthy? A person who trusts God is one of good character. We have more than two thousand years of history that prove God means what he says and says what he means. He does what he promises.

Is God capable? God has power over all creation - He even has power over life and death. Through the ages, we have learned that all things are possible with God. More so to the point, God's Son told us that God loves us with unimaginable intensity so he always wants what is best for us. In fact, God is more qualified than we are to take care of what we need.

Are you ready to trust God? Start by thanking him for his love and his care.

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