

**MASS INTENTIONS
TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Sunday, September 3

5:00pm (Sat. Eve. Vigil) Edward Schuka
8:00 Valentine & Margaret Bilcik
10:00 Martin Pascale
12:00 Rose Petro

Monday, September 4

9:00 Frances Fleury

Tuesday, September 5

9:00 Francis McDonald

Wednesday, September 6

9:00 People of Holy Spirit Parish

Thursday, September 7

9:00 Evelynne Wickrematunge

Friday, September 8-Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 Evelynne Wickrematunge

Saturday, September 9

9:00 Evelynne Wickrematunge

Sunday, September 10

5:00pm (Sat. Eve. Vigil) Alan Schadow
8:00 Anna & Gennaro Pontillo
10:00 Joseph & Marianina DiRubbo
12:00 Thomas McCarthy

The Sacramental Bread and Wine for the Week of
September 3rd was donated in memory of:
Lucienne Bissainthe & Raymonde Lespinasse



READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY

First Reading	Isaiah 56:1-7
Second Reading	Romans 11:13-32
Gospel	Matthew 15:21-28

RESPONSE

O God, let all the nations praise you!

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For Fair Wages

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Isaiah 22:19-23
Romans 11:33-36
Matthew 16:13-20

CELEBRANT SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday, September 9th

5:00pm Fr. DeBellis

Sunday, September 10th

8:00am Fr. Francis
10:00am Fr. DeBellis
12:00 noon Fr. Vernon

Sunday Offering

\$9,216

Please mark your envelope with the amount of your contribution, your name and address, so that we are able to record it for your year-end statement. If you are not a registered Parishioner we will gladly send you a registration form.

The sick are comforted just knowing that we pray for them. Please remember these members of our Parish Family, who are ill, in your prayers: **Christine Tuite, John Anthony Gambichler, Grace Vlasaty, John Carlucci and Linda Carlucci.** Please also remember the deceased members of our Parish Family in your prayers: **Benjamin Batemarco.**



Please mark your calendar! The Parish Office will be closed Monday, September 4th. Happy Labor Day to all.

CALLING ALL SENIORS



The next Senior Group get-together is this Friday, September 8th from 10am to 12noon. Reserve you spot now for "Pizza and a Movie". The cost is \$5 (paid in advance, please) and you can get your reservation forms at the exits on your way out of Mass. Join us for pizza, beverages, dessert and a movie.





From the Desk of Fr. John

Youth Ministry

One of the activities that I am looking forward to as we begin another school year is the formation of a Youth Ministry for our parish. With the help of the Pastor's Advisory Group, I will gather some of young people for some discussion about ideas and hopefully hire a Youth Minister to lead the program and its various activities. We will also encourage our Confirmation candidates to participate. In the meantime, please keep our youth and their families in your prayers.

New Altar Servers

I would like to encourage families with 4th and 5th graders to become servers for our parish. The practices will begin in September and continue every Tuesday afternoon at 5:30pm for a couple of months. Deacon Larry Candarelli will lead the practices which he has been doing for our parish for many many years.

Forms are available at the church doors and in the Office. Take a moment to fill one out and join us.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)—Classes will soon begin.

I once again would like to invite all adults aged 18 and older who are interested in becoming Catholic or who would like to complete the Sacraments of Holy Communion and/or Confirmation. We have several catechists who teach in the program. Classes meet twice monthly on Sunday afternoons at 1:30pm in the Parish Activity Center. Classes will begin in the Fall.

If you or some family member or friend you know would like to receive the Sacraments, please call the Parish Office to register for the classes. Candidates will receive their Sacraments at the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday.



Pilgrimage to Ireland and London

The parish is planning a pilgrimage to Ireland and London for next Summer. Recently, about 25 people joined me last October for a trip to Central Italy which included the cities of Rome and Florence among others. I was delighted that everyone had a great time. I enjoyed travelling with a wonderful group as we enjoyed the historical sites and delicious meals.

I will have the brochure and all the details for our trip to Ireland and London soon. I hope to host another successful trip and that you will be able to join us.

As the end of summer quickly approaches, I wish all a great start to the new school year and a happy return to our work schedules... God Bless... **Fr. John**



Catechists Meeting and Prayer



We ask all catechists to please join us on Thursday, September 7, for our opening meeting and prayer. It will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Activity Center. Thank you.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Religious Education Program is looking forward to a great new year! Classes begin September 12th, 13th and 14th.

becoming a catechist

Do you think God is calling you to become more active in your faith? Would you be willing to share our Catholic faith with the school-aged children of our parish? Our Religious Ed Program is looking for you! Catechists do not need a degree in education, religion or theology. They do need patience, love and a willingness to help our children fall in love with Jesus. Several classes are still in need of a catechist: sixth grade for Tuesday 4:30 p.m., sixth grade for Wednesday 4:30 p.m., first and third for Thursday 4:30 p.m. Call Elizabeth Kogler in the Religious Ed Office to learn more about the amazing experience you can have by being a catechist.

START WITH GRACE

Starting your day with prayer begins the day with grace. Set your alarm for 15 minutes earlier and get up the first time it goes off. Make a morning offering; ask for a safe commute, a productive day, for patience. It's a small mortification that "strengthens your will and does no harm to your body" (St. Josemaria Escriva).

Even the hairs on your head have all been counted. Do not be afraid". (Luke 12:7). Growing in Faith



First through seventh graders are invited to join the **Children's Choir**, which will begin meeting on Wednesday, September 13th at 5:30 p.m. in the Church. Adults are also invited to join the **Adult Choir**, which will begin meeting on Wednesday, September 13th at 7:30 p.m. Come and get involved! If you have any questions, please call the office and leave a message for Joan, our Music Director. Hope to see you there!

In your 30's through 50's? Check out this great upcoming event!

Annual Friday Night Barbecue: Friday, 9/8/17 at 7:30pm, Holy Spirit's rectory patio. Enjoy food, drink, and good conversation under the stars at CiRL's annual barbecue! Come by after work with food and/or a beverage to share as we give summer a great send-off! RSVP to CatholicinRealLife@gmail.com or [Meetup.com/Catholic-in-Real-Life](https://www.meetup.com/Catholic-in-Real-Life)

Birthright

Join **Birthright of Peekskill** for a day of music, performers, and guest speakers... pack a lunch and bring the family! On **Saturday, September 16**, they will be hosting their first annual **Festival for Life** at Peekskill's beautiful Riverfront Green from 11 am to 3 pm. So let's celebrate **Life** together! **Birthright of Peekskill** is a crisis pregnancy center in downtown Peekskill. They are part of an international organization, inter-denominational, non-political and are devoted to helping mothers, fathers, and their babies. If you know of someone who is pregnant and needs help, please call: **1-800--550-4900.**