

Holy Family

CHURCH OF THE
*We are a
Titling Parish*

The Parable of the Two Sons MATTHEW 21:28-32



**TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 1, 2017**

Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:30 pm
Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am,
12:00 pm, 7:30 pm

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday 8:15 am,
Saturday 8:15 am

Holy Day Schedule

Vigil Mass, 7:30 pm
8:15, 12:10, 7:30 pm

Sacrament or Reconciliation

Saturdays, 4:30 to 5:15pm

PARISH DIRECTORY

Rev. Thomas Rekiel, Pastor
Rev. Krzysztof Liwarski, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Frederick Walters, Pastor Emeritus
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Deacon William Ward, Retired
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Mary Smith, Director Holy Family School
School Secretary, Toni Fiore
School Bookkeeper Tammy Zebick
Director of Faith Formation,
Dr. Suzanne Herold
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OFFICE HOURS

**The office is open Monday-Thursday,
8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

MASSES AROUND THE COUNTRY - To find
the closest church in the U.S., go to
www.masstimes.org

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER
those serving in the military:**



**LTC Timothy Renahan USA
Sgt. Jared K. Nucci, USA
Matthew Manzione, USA
AS1 Brian Schramm, USN
LCpl. Stephen Hanily, USMC
PFC Patrick Montuore USMC
Lt. Stephen Scirocco USMC
Sgt. Chad Jennings, USA**

2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal *In Giving, We Receive*

The services provided by our Catholic Charities agencies are too long to list in our bulletin - but here are just a few: emergency housing for people in extreme poverty, out-patient and residential substance abuse treatment, group homes for disabled adults, outreach to veterans who are homeless, family counseling, etc. Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal helps bring this important work to life. In fact, Catholic Charities receives the largest percentage of appeal funding. Your help is needed to continue providing this urgent care. Please be as generous as you are able to the 2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal. For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at www.2017appeal.org. Thank you.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - Sundays of each month at 1:15pm. Baptism preparation for parents first Tuesday of the month. Phone rectory for details and information.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE—Please call the rectory at least one year in advance to make arrangements for a wedding.

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL - An environment for growth in faith, values and knowledge. Tiny Tots (2 1/2 yrs. old), Pre K 3 &4, & K. For further information, please call the school office, **973-377-4181, www.holy-family-school.org.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - A program of religious instruction for grades 1 through 8. Confirmation preparation for high school students. For further information, call the Religious Education Office, **973-377-3101, hfreducation@gmail.com**

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

Ministry to the Homebound: Mary Scirocco, **973-377-1387**

Ministry to the Hungry: Anne Platoff, **973-822-0430**

Sharon Carr, **973-568-5932**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Dr. McDowell Council - For information, call Joe Guerin **973-615-1635**. For Hall rentals, call Ralph Aurilia at **973-301-0297**.

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY - Frank and Barbara Tinari, **973-822-0084**. Important Contact Information: New Jersey Right to Life (njrtl.org) 732-562-0562.

CENTERING PRAYER meets at 7:30 p.m. in the K of C Hall on Monday nights.

ROSARY is prayed each day at 7:50 a.m. (before the 8:15 Mass).

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA is prayed on Mondays after the 8:15 a.m. Mass.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for veneration on the First Friday, after the 8:15 mass until 9:45 a.m., (including confessions) and every Thursday after the 8:15 mass.



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

In 1972, the Vatican under the direction of Pope Paul VI promulgated a process developed for prospective converts to Catholicism

above the age of infant baptism. Candidates are gradually introduced to aspects of Catholic beliefs and practices. The basic process applies to adults and older children. For those who join an RCIA process it is a period of reflection, prayer, instruction, discernment, and formation. There is no set timetable and those who join the process are encouraged to go at their own pace, taking as much time as they need. Although the average process generally takes between eight and twelve months, it can take up to two or more years for some individuals. Those who enter the process are expected to begin attending **Mass** on a Sunday, attend a weekly RCIA session, and to become increasingly involved in the activities of our parish.

So, if you or someone you know hear God's voice in your hearts calling you to learn more about Him and His church, don't ignore the call. Reach out to me (917-880-9601) or the Rectory (973-377-1817) and we can discern together how you can best answer God's invitation. I am starting sessions in late September with no strings attached. I would love to talk to you even if you feel the tiniest calling!

God Bless,

Deacon Pete, Director of RCIA, Director of Evangelization

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

- MONDAY, October 2, 2017** Holy Guardian Angels
8:15 - Beretekap & Foley Families
- TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2017** Weekday
8:15 -
- WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2017** St. Francis of Assisi
8:15 - John & Eleanor Kozak
- THURSDAY, October 5, 2017** Weekday
8:15 - Joseph Pilla
- Anna Prokop
- FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2017** Weekday
8:15 - John Chiarolanizio, *1st Anniversary*
- Special Intention
- SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2017** Our Lady of the Rosary
8:15 -
5:30 - Margaret Drake
- Sis Badcock
- Helene Searle
- SUNDAY, October 8, 2017** Twenty Seventh Sunday Ordinary Time
7:30 - People of Holy Family Parish
- Special Intention
9:00 - Stephen Wilder
- Anna Cirelli
- Joseph McCaffrey
10:30 - Protection of Babies in the Womb and their Families
- Patrick Doyle
- Trudy Burns
12:00 - Margaret Drake
- Jim Northridge, *9th Anniversary*
7:30 -

PRAY FOR THE SICK Please pray for our parishioners, relatives and friends who are ill: Alison Walters Soderburg, James Connolly Sr., Fr. Fred, Alyssa Blatt, Peggy Schneyer, John Mahoney, Kate Monteforte, John Schneyer, Stephen Matuszek, Theresa Veverka, Steven Reich, John Veverka, Dave Kreutzer, Curt Price, Ted Gleichmann, Bedley Byers, Mary O'Connor, George Padkowsky, Marilyn Reilly, Peter and Antonette Sena, Martin Chiarolanizio, Sr., Sloane Dyer, Anne D'Innocenzio, Tina McCaffrey, Ken Eberle, Mary Seeburger, Betty O'Connor, Angel Prado, Joseph Leader, Jonathan Tagorda, Orié McMorrow, Francesca Champion, Gene Taylo.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome the following families who recently joined our parish: **Denise Behrens, Thomas and Courtney Ciasullo, Douglas and Stephanie Heusel, Jerry and Laura Lakusta, Parks and Megan Strobridge.**



TITHING

Last week's collection was \$8,663.00, (last year was \$9,836.00). Thank you for your continued generosity to Holy Family.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: today at 1:15 we will be celebrating the feast day of the Patron Saint of Animals, Saint Francis of Assisi. Please join us on the front lawn of the church for this blessing.

Ginny Akhoury will do a presentation on Tuesday, October 3rd at 7:00 pm in the Church Hall on the life, work and canonization of **Saint Mother Teresa and the life of Saint Pope-John Paul II and Saint Mary Faustina Kowalska.**

THE 44TH ANNUAL ROSARY SOCIETY CRAFT FAIR will be held on Saturday, December 2nd from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. To reserve a table please contact Joelyn Hoferer at 973-377-3898.

MASS OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK This Saturday morning, October 7th our parish will celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick at 10:00 am in the church. The sacrament is meant for the healing of all those suffering from illness or long term infirmity of mind or body. Please contact Ginny Akhoury at 973-377-2315 if you have any questions



HOLY FAMILY PARISH DINNER OCTOBER 14TH AT 6:30 PM

This is a wonderful opportunity for adults and children to share together an evening of fun, fellowship and great food!

Adults: \$25.00

Children (under 12 years) \$10.00

Name of guest (s)

- 1.....
- 2.....
- 3.....
- 4.....

Please fill out and return to the rectory with payment (check payable to Holy Family) **no later than Monday, October 8th.**

We will be taking 125 reservations



- Oct. 1** Photo Sign Up (*all masses*)
Coffee & Cake Sunday CH
After 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am masses
Food Pantry Open House CH
After 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 am masses
Blessing of Animals
Church Lawn 1:15pm
10th Grade Confirmation CH 6:00 pm
Meeting with Students/Parents
- Oct. 2** Centering Prayer K/C Hall 7:30pm
- Oct. 3** Prayer Shawl Ministry 9:30am
Presentation Ginny Akhoury CH 7:00 pm
K of C Meeting Knights Hall 8:00 pm
- Oct. 5** Choir Practice
- Oct. 6** Holy Hour/Confessions C 8:45-9:45 am
- Oct. 7** Healing Mass C 10:00 am
Light Refreshments G 11:00 am
- Oct. 9** Columbus Day Offices Closed
Centering Prayer K/C Hall 7:30pm
- Oct. 10** Prayer Shawl Ministry 9:30am
Saints Presentation Fr. Krzys CH 7:00pm
- Oct. 12** Choir Practice
- Oct. 13** Bible Study Fr. Krzys Ch 9:30am
Grade 5 Religious Ed. CH 6-8:30pm
- Oct. 14** Parish Dinner CH 6:30pm
- Oct. 16** Centering Prayer K/C Hall 7:30pm
- Oct. 17** Photo Shoot G
Prayer Shawl Ministry 9:30am
Saints Presentation Fr. Krzys CH 7:00pm
- Oct. 18** Photo Shoot G
Bible Study Fr. Thomas CH 7:00pm
- Oct. 19** Photo Shoot
- Oct. 20** Photo Shoot G
Bible Study Fr. Krzys Ch 9:30am
Grade 3 Religious Ed. CH 6:00-8:30pm
- Oct. 21** Photo Shoot
- Oct. 22** 9th Grade Confirmation CH 6:00pm
Meeting with Parents & Students
- Oct. 23** Centering Prayer K/C Hall 7:30pm
- Oct. 24** Prayer Shawl Ministry 9:30am
Twilight Done Right CH 6:00pm
- Oct. 25** Grade 7 Religious Ed. CH 6-8:30pm
CYO Basketball Practice G
- Oct. 26** CYO Basketball Practice G
- Oct. 27** Bible Study Fr. Krzys Ch 9:30am
Grade 4 Religious Ed. CH 6-8:30pm
- Oct. 28** CYO Basketball Practice G
- Oct. 29** Grade 2 Religious Ed. G 5:30-8:15pm
- Oct. 30** Centering Prayer K/C Hall 7:30pm
- Oct. 31** Prayer Shawl Ministry 9:30am
Saints Presentation Fr. Krzys CH 7:00pm
All Saints Day Vigil Mass 7:00pm

BIBLE STUDY

Dear Parishioners,

Throughout the ages people talked to God and He answered them. For thousands of years people have experienced His help and blessing. Those conversations and special moments in people's lives are written down in the Bible. For Catholics it is very important to know the Bible, and what is in there, who the main characters are, and what happened in the different Books of Holy Scripture.

As we are starting October, the month devoted to the Blessed Mother, the topic of our Friday Bible Study will be: "Mary, A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother." We will talk and follow seven main scenes from the Blessed Mother's life in the New Testament:

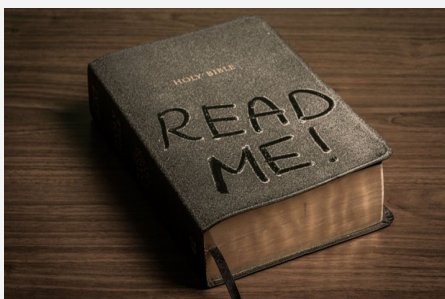
*The Annunciation,
The Visitation,
The Nativity,
The Presentation and The Finding of Jesus in the Temple,
The Wedding at Cana,
Mary at the Cross,
Mary Crowned with Glory*

Because every first Friday of the month we will have a Holy Hour in Church, our Bible Study meetings will be held on the other Fridays of the month at 9:30 am in the Church Hall. We will start with light refreshments at 9:30 a.m., begin our study at 10:00 and finish up at 11:00 am.

Looking forward to seeing you for our first meeting on October 13th.

God bless you,

Fr. Chris



SAINTS STUDY

Dear Parishioners,

People who followed Jesus and perfectly fulfilled His will in their lives are called saints. In the Church we have thousands of people who are acknowledged as holy. We believe that they received an eternal life and now rejoice being with God in heaven. If we are named after a saint, we believe that he or she is our patron and can help us during our lives.

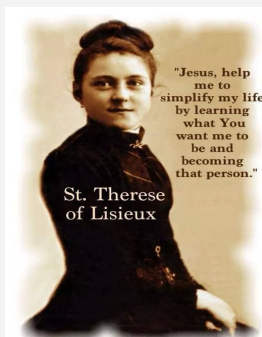
Saints are perfect examples for us to follow, to learn how we can be better and what we can improve in ourselves so that one day we will also be able to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Like the saints we are all called to holiness, a task that we work towards during this life: "Be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect." (Mt. 5:48).

Often during the masses we hear that we have a memorial or a feast of some saint but many times we don't know who he or she is. During our Saints Study we will have the opportunity to get to know the saints better. Each week I will write an article about one saint from the week and during "Saints Studies" on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in Church basement, we will talk more about that saint and others from the current week. We will try to learn more about their lives, when they lived, what they did, and how they were transformed into holy people of God. Throughout the year we will try to get them know better and, hopefully, we will become their successors. The Church of 21st century needs it!

Please mark your calendars and see you on October 10th!

God bless you,

Fr. Chris



FOOD PANTRY Today the Food Pantry will be hosting an Open House after the 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 am Masses for all parishioners. This event will give you a chance to see the Food Pantry and get a better understanding of how it works. Please stop in and see for yourself how your generosity works for those less fortunate. Sharon Carr @973-568-5932, Anne Platoff @ 973-822- 0430.



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY will begin again on October 3rd at 9:30 am at the house of Barbara Tinari, 17 Cathedral Ave. We will continue to meet every Tuesday for the month of October.

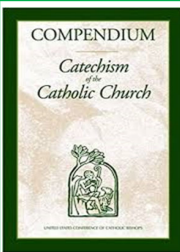


PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN CLASS will be offered on Thursday, October 19th at 9:30 am and Tuesday, October 24th at 7:00 pm. Please call Anne at 973-377-3101 to sign up or for more information.

NJ RIGHT TO LIFE RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

On the weekend of October 14/15, NJ Right to Life raffle tickets will be sold after every mass.

The prizes this year are: 1st prize: 2018 Volvo XC60 AWD SUV (valued at \$43,500) 2nd prize: \$1,000 ShopRite gift card 3rd and 4th prizes: \$750 and \$500 ShopRite gift cards. Raffle tickets cost \$10 each.



26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MAN'S CAPACITY FOR GOD

"You are great, O Lord, and greatly to be praised [...] You have made us for yourself and our heart is restless until it rests in you." (Saint Augustine)

1. What is the plan of God for man?

God, infinitely perfect and blessed in himself, in a plan of sheer goodness freely created man to make him share in his own blessed life. In the fullness of time, God the Father sent his Son as the Redeemer and Savior of mankind, fallen into sin, thus calling all into his Church and, through the work of the Holy Spirit, making them adopted children and heirs of his eternal happiness.

2. Why does man have a desire for God?

God himself, in creating man in his own image, has written upon his heart the desire to see him. Even if this desire is often ignored, God never ceases to draw man to himself because only in God will he find and live the fullness of truth and happiness for which he never stops searching. By nature and by vocation, therefore, man is a religious being, capable of entering into communion with God. This intimate and vital bond with God confers on man his fundamental dignity.

3. How is it possible to know God with only the light of human reason?

Starting from creation, that is from the world and from the human person, through reason alone one can know God with certainty as the origin and end of the universe, as the highest good and as infinite truth and beauty.

4. Is the light of reason alone sufficient to know the mystery of God?

In coming to a knowledge of God by the light of reason alone man experiences many difficulties. Indeed, on his own he is unable to enter into the intimacy of the divine mystery. This is why he stands in need of being enlightened by God's revelation, not only about those things that exceed his understanding, but also about those religious and moral truths which of themselves are not beyond the grasp of human reason, so that even in the present condition of the human race, they can be known by all with ease, with firm certainty and with no admixture of error.

5. How can we speak about God?

By taking as our starting point the perfections of man and of the other creatures which are a reflection, albeit a limited one, of the infinite perfection of God, we are able to speak about God with all people. We must, however, continually purify our language insofar as it is image-bound and imperfect, realizing that we can never fully express the infinite mystery of God.

NEXT SUNDAY (OCTOBER 7/8)

THE REVELATION OF GOD

6. What does God reveal to man?

God in his goodness and wisdom reveals himself. With deeds and words, he reveals himself and his plan of loving goodness which he decreed from all eternity in Christ. According to this plan, all people by the grace of the Holy Spirit are to share in the divine life as adopted "sons" in the only begotten Son of God.

7. What are the first stages of God's Revelation?

From the very beginning, God manifested himself to our first parents, Adam and Eve, and invited them to intimate communion with himself. After their fall, he did not cease his revelation to them but promised salvation for all their descendants. After the flood, he made a covenant with Noah, a covenant between himself and all living beings.

8. What are the next stages of God's Revelation?

God chose Abram, calling him out of his country, making him "the father of a multitude of nations" (*Genesis* 17:5), and promising to bless in him "all the nations of the earth" (*Genesis* 12:3). The people descended from Abraham would be the trustee of the divine promise made to the patriarchs. God formed Israel as his chosen people, freeing them from slavery in Egypt, establishing with them the covenant of Mount Sinai, and, through Moses, giving them his law. The prophets proclaimed a radical redemption of the people and a salvation which would include all nations in a new and everlasting covenant. From the people of Israel and from the house of King David, would be born the Messiah, Jesus.

9. What is the full and definitive stage of God's Revelation?

The full and definitive stage of God's revelation is accomplished in his Word made flesh, Jesus Christ, the mediator and fullness of Revelation. He, being the only-begotten Son of God made man, is the perfect and definitive Word of the Father. In the sending of the Son and the gift of the Spirit, Revelation is now fully complete, although the faith of the Church must gradually grasp its full significance over the course of centuries.

"In giving us his Son, his only and definitive Word, God spoke everything to us at once in this sole Word, and he has no more to say." (Saint John of the Cross)

10. What is the value of private revelations?

While not belonging to the deposit of faith, private revelations may help a person to live the faith as long as they lead us to Christ. The Magisterium of the Church, which has the duty of evaluating such private revelations, cannot accept those which claim to surpass or correct that definitive Revelation which is Christ.

We are doing a pictorial directory of the members and families of our church.

We're doing a pictorial directory to draw our church family closer together, to create a tool for telling people about our ministries, and to celebrate our church.

A pictorial directory helps us all to put names and faces together, to grow in fellowship and to learn more about each other and our church. We want our relationships to grow so our ministries flourish and the first step is to know each other.

Let's put names with faces. When we put names with faces then relationships develop and people get more involved. Then ministries get stronger which ultimately leads to a stronger church.

This program will also provide ministry tools to help our church reach out to others. The directory company will be giving us promotional tools in print and online versions to help us tell our story to the community.

When was the last time you and your family had a professional portrait taken?

A professional portrait is not only a way for us to have an attractive directory, it is also an opportunity for you to capture a moment in the life of your family. Portraits are valued family keepsakes that preserve a moment in your lifetime.

There is no cost to the church and no sitting fee for your family. You will receive a free 8x10 portrait and a free copy of the directory for participation. You will be professionally photographed, choose your pose for the directory and have the chance to make additional purchases all in one trip to the church.

Please sign up! If you don't have your picture taken and want the directory the cost will be \$25.00. Our directory won't be complete without you! (No addresses or phone numbers will be published in the book).

Please sign up in the back of the church on your way out.

**Our NEW Church Directory
Won't Be Complete Without
You!**

**FREE 8x10
PORTRAIT**
for participating families.

- **FREE Directory** for participating families
- **Specially priced portraits and frames**
- **Portraits available in Full Color, Black & White, and Sepia**
- **Immediate viewing of digital proofs**

Credit Cards Accepted

Re:MEMBER Church Directories

Life Chain on Respect Life Sunday, today from 2:00-3:00 in Morristown on Speedwell Ave. This is a national prayerful vigil against abortion providers, especially Planned Parenthood. For information contact Barbara or Frank @973-822-0084.

SILVER & GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS
Couples, married in 1967 or 1992 are invited to celebrate their 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with Bishop Serratelli at Mass at The Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson on **Sunday, November 5 at 4:00 pm**. Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office at 973-377-1817 x 0, (**must respond by October 17th**).

Florham Park Fire Department will hold it's semi-annual Pancake breakfast on Sunday, October 15 from 8:00 am-12:00 non at the headquarters on Brooklake Rd.

HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

Villa Walsh Academy-Sunday, October 1 from 2:00-4:00pm; **Union Catholic**-Wednesday, October 4, 7:00pm; **Seton Hall Prep**-Sunday, October 29, from 12:00-3:00pm; **Oratory Prep**-Sunday, October 1 from 1:00-3:00pm and Thursday, October 19 from 6:45-8:15pm. **Mt. Saint Dominic**-Sunday, October 1 at 12:00 and Wednesday, October 25 at 6:30pm. **Lacordaire Academy**-October 12 from 7:00-8:00pm; Freshman for a Day, October 18 from 8:00-12:00pm.



Bayley Ellard Alumni Day! Saturday, October 14th, 10:00 am-3:00 pm at St. Paul Inside the Walls at Bayley-Ellard. Come tour the restored mansion and Alumni Hall, walk around the beautiful grounds, bring a picnic lunch, meet with friends. This is a free event.