

July 26, 2009 *Seventeenth Sunday in* *Peace on Earth!* Time



Saturday, July 25

5 p.m. Doris Ayres
r/o The Haines Family

Sunday, July 26

8 a.m. **Robert Burger**
r/o daughter Margaret Bitecola

10:30 a.m. **Frances Tramaglino**
r/o The Maguire Family

Monday, July 27

8:45 a.m. **Souls in Purgatory**
r/o Cathleen & Don DeLorenzo

Tuesday, July 28

8:45 a.m. **Margaret Degnan**
r/o Karl & Rose Strohmaier

Wednesday, July 29

8:45 a.m. **In Thanksgiving of Carmelite Nuns**
r/o Parishioners of St. Theodore

Thursday, July 30

8:45 a.m. **Souls in Purgatory**
r/o Cathleen & Don DeLorenzo

Friday, July 31—No Mass

Saturday, August 1*First Saturday*

8:45 a.m. **Anna Kane, Rose Kane, Francis Kane,
Jeanette Urbano, Salvatore Urbano & Patrick Kane**
r/o Susan Reynolds

5 p.m. **Francis McCormick**
r/o Ron & Mary Lou Kovacs

Sunday, August 2

8 a.m. **Josephine Martin**
r/o Jim & Eileen Mattison

10:30 a.m. **Josephine Martin**
r/o Paul & Elizabeth Boccolini

2010 MASS INTENTIONS BOOK

The Mass book for the year 2010 is now open. Masses can be offered for Healing, Special Intentions, in Thanksgiving (i.e. wedding anniversaries, etc.), as well as for the repose of a soul.

**Masses still available for 2009: Nov. 30;
Dec. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 (First Friday), 9, 10,
15, 22, 23.**

Parish Pro-Life Society: If you are committed to the protection of the unborn and want to join others devoted to this cause, there is a place for you to channel your energy and show your support. The Pro-Life Society promotes profound

respect for the sanctity of all human life through consciousness-raising, prayer and participation in Pro-Life events, such as *Life Chain* and the annual march in Washington, D.C. to protest the legalization of abortion. St. Theodore's contact person is Rose Strohmaier. Rose is now preparing for the *Respect Life Chain* event on October 4. Reach her at strohmaierr@yahoo.com or 908-689-5173 or 908-303-9692.

"I, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility, gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all."

The letters of St. Paul often include a list or litany, expressions which might be examined and applied to one's spiritual life. Today's list in Ephesians mentions some of the virtues included in his letter to the Colossians. They are worth looking at again, allowing us to be sure they are part of our own Christian lives.

Are they not similar to the words from the Sermon on the Mount? Are they not the virtues we hope to see reflected in our family and our homes? If one or another is lacking, make an extra effort this week to work on one, bringing it into your spiritual life. Next week take another.

If every family, if all in the parish, would make a serious attempt to respond to Paul's teaching, we would have greater unity and peace at home and among our friends. How interesting that he refers to our 'call' to be disciples, to be missionaries, to be a reflection of unity and peace for all.

First Reading: II Kings 4:42-44

A man brought twenty loaves of bread to Elisha the prophet, who told his servant to distribute it to the people. The servant asked how he could offer twenty loaves to one hundred people. Elisha replied that God had said, "They shall eat and there shall be some left over." After all the people had eaten, there was bread left over as God had said.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6

Paul implores the Ephesians to live a life worthy of their calling by preserving unity among all of Christ's followers. He reminds them that there is one body, one Spirit, and one God who works through all people.

Gospel: John 6:1-15

Jesus fed a crowd of five thousand people with five loaves of bread and a couple of dried fish. After everyone present had enough to eat, twelve baskets of leftover bread were collected.

Jesus then realized the people would want to make him king so he fled alone.



For many weeks now Dutch Valley Florist on Rt. 31 in Hampton, NJ has been donating gorgeous flowers to our

church. Beautiful roses in an array of spectacular colors, daisies, carnations and numerous other varieties of flowers have beautified our sanctuary and the statues of Mary and Joseph, because of the kindness of the Anema Family. Please keep them in mind when you want to send someone a special bouquet—just as they have been keeping us in mind and, by the way, doing so in a dazzling manner.

Interested in Becoming a Catholic?

Have you ever thought about becoming a Catholic? Or, having been baptized Catholic, have you considered completing the Sacraments of the Eucharist and Confirmation (Sacraments of Initiation)? If you have answered “Yes”, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) will help with your journey. This program will bring you together with others who desire to know the Lord



Jesus Christ in the truth of the Catholic faith. As you undergo catechesis, reflect on the scriptures and contemplate the call to faith in Christ, you will be preparing for Baptism

and/or reception and completion of the Sacraments of Initiation. Also invited to attend are adults who are interested in broadening their knowledge of and intensifying their commitment to the Catholic faith. Meetings will begin in October. Contact Rose Strohmaier: 908-689-5173 or 908-303-9692 or Father Zenek at 908-689-8318. When leaving a message, please give your name and telephone number).

Margaret Glackin, Chris, Bree, Anna & John Saksa, Heather,

Stephen, Ray & Alice O’Donnell, Vickie Li Puma, Theresa, Mary, Veronica Gender, Robert Gross, Lillian Shaffer, Bridget,



Beatrice Gillis

To add Name: Call Parish Office 908-689-8318 email Rose Strohmaier at:

strohmaierr@yahoo.com to add name to the Prayer Chain.

Correction:
Katelyn
Nayarko Ocran
Daughter of
Kwadwo & Darlene Ocran
Baptized
on July 12, 2009

<u>Our Weekly Offering</u>	
Last Week \$2,649.50	Last Year \$3,933.85

Saturday, August 1: First Saturday Mass at 8:45 am. Followed by Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Confirmation Certificates: Parents can pick up their child’s Confirmation certificate at the Parish Office, Monday-Thursday 9:15 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.

R	<u>Going to Rutgers in New Brunswick?</u> The Catholic Ctr. at Rutgers, 17 Mine St. College Ave. Campus is looking forward to welcoming you to the New Brunswick/Piscataway campuses.
	<p><u>Daily Mass:</u> 12:15 pm St. Philip Neri Chapel 29 Mine St.</p> <p><u>Sunday Masses:</u> 12 pm-Brusch Student Ctr. Rm 120ABC; 8 pm St. Peter’s 94 Somerst St. CAC; 9 pm Cook Campus Ctr. G.H. Cook Room</p> <p><u>Opening Activities:</u> Thur. 9/3, 6 pm Welcoming BBQ; Mon. 9/7, 2 pm Tailgate BBQ- RU vs Cincinnati (game time 4 pm); Tue 9/8, 8pm First Spirit Nite—tent on CC grounds; Topic “I will Survive!”—learn how to make it at Rutgers. Visit Rutgers at www.catholic-center.rutgers.edu</p>

ALTAR SERVERS

Aug 1 Auston Viotto

Aug 2 Juliette and Robert Capaldo-8;

Kaitlyn Gagliano, Gianna Orrechio, Meghan VanAlstyne-10:30

Aug 8 Evan & Ryan Moran

Aug 9 Mackenzie & Robert Mason-8; Walter & William

Gonsiewski, Angelica Jackson -10:30

LECTORS

Aug 1 John Haines

Aug 2 Joan Capaldo-8; Bob Gagliano-10:30

Aug 8 Fran Licciardiello

Aug 9 Mary Rupell-8; Phil Koskoff-10:30

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Aug 1 Charles Shipley C, Monica Merkel E, Ray Vonderheide C

Aug 2 Nadie Hill C, Bill Supple C, Emily Cirone E-8; Karl & Rose Strohmaier C, Helene Picht E-10:30

Aug 8 Ginny & Tim Moran C, Charles Shipley E

Aug 9 Diane Keggan C, Rose Strohmaier E, Karl Strohmaier C-8; Jane Labato C, Mary Koskoff C, Tina Jackson E-10:30