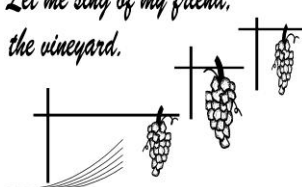


Let me sing of my friend,
the vineyard.



Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠ October 8, 2017

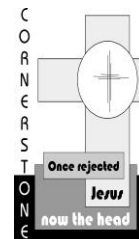
Scripture Meditation: Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43

When we are at peace, ordinary problems of life don't infect us with anxiety. The peace of God eliminates stress and calms us. Let us recall God's goodness and ask Him to be with us at all times and fill us with His peace.

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CELEBRATION OF MASSES THIS WEEK

Sat.	Oct 7	4:30 PM	+MARY and +JOHN KUDRAVY ~ <i>The Family</i>
Sun.	Oct 8	7:30 AM	+ANNA LASHINSKY, Anniversary ~ <i>Daughter, Mary Ann Salvaggio</i>
		9:00 AM	+GEORGE R. MARGONIS ~ <i>Cynthia Pistey</i>
		11:00 AM	INTENTIONS of the TED BEDNARCZYK FAMILY ~ <i>Anna Marticek</i>
Mon.	Oct 9	7:30 AM	BLESSINGS on ROSARIO CASTANEDA ~ <i>The Family</i>
Tues.	Oct 10	7:30 AM	+JAN and +ANNA DUDIK ~ <i>Maria Petrus & Family</i>
Wed.	Oct 11	7:30 AM	+MSGR. PETER P. DORA ~ <i>John & Ann Velky</i>
	<u>Ladies Guild Mass</u>	6:30 PM	LIVING and DECEASED MEMBERS of the GUILD OF THE MOTHER OF JESUS
Thurs.	Oct 12	7:30 AM	GOD'S BLESSINGS and GRACE FOR PHAM LOC
Fri.	Oct 13	7:30 AM	+ANNA DURKAY ~ <i>Mr. & Mrs. John Ivak</i>
Sat.	Oct 14	8:00 AM	+COMMUNITY MASS
		4:30 PM	+EMILIO and +DORIS CATANI ~ <i>Maria Mucciacciaro & Family</i>
Sun.	Oct 15	7:30 AM	LIVING and DECEASED of the CANTAFIO FAMILY ~ <i>Connie Sandor & Family</i>
		9:00 AM	+FRANK TWISS ~ <i>The Family</i>
		11:00 AM	+JOHN GRAND ~ <i>Tom, JoAnn & Joelle Marticek</i>



PRAYER CORNER: Your prayers are requested for the sick and the suffering. Please pray for the good health of:
Fr. Andy, Dolores Zimmerman, Bernard McCoy

Please call the parish office 203-375-5815 if you wish to be included on either the Prayer Corner or the Prayer Board. Prayer Corner intentions are listed in the bulletin for immediate concerns, such as hospitalizations. These names will be included in the bulletin for one month. The Prayer Board placed at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Shrine, will be a listing of parishioners who wish to be remembered in their fellow parishioner's prayers and these names will remain on the Prayer Board in Church until the parishioner calls the office to remove their name.



Faith Formation Program

Oct. 8 ~ Students Oct. 15 ~ Students
October 15 – Confirmation Students & Parents Workshop – held in the Convent.



Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Anna Lashinsky from Daughter, Mary Ann Salvaggio



We congratulate and ask God's continued blessings on Vicenza and Alberto Parravano ~ 60 years married and

Rose and Sandro Parravano ~ 25 years married whose wedding anniversaries were blessed last weekend.

Youth Choir News: Our Youth Choir rehearses 5:15 PM to 6:15 PM, Wednesdays. in the Church Choir Loft.

New Members are invited to join.

OUR ADULT CHOIR is seeking New Members

Please stop by the choir loft after a weekend Mass and speak with our organist, Michael Petreycik. Rehearsals are held on Sundays at 10:00 AM in the Church Choir loft.
"He who sings, prays twice." attributed to St. Augustine

Our Parish Nurses are available this weekend, Oct 7 & 8,

to take blood pressure readings and answer any medical concerns. The nurses will be in the Church Vestibule - Confessional Room following all the weekend Masses.

Our Community Mass will be celebrated Saturday, Oct 14

at 8:00 AM. If you would like to have your loved ones remembered at this Mass, please call the parish office at 203-375-5815 by Thursday morning.

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, October 9, Columbus Day

Evangelization Corner To cultivate the vineyard of our hearts in a healthy way, we must build suitable protective walls around it, like the vineyard owner. **One strong wall is the habit of choosing to dwell on what is good.**

CT Food Bank in partnership with the Stratford Dept of Health will be distributing a variety of Free fresh and nutritious food to individuals and families the second Tuesday of the months of **Oct. 10, Nov. 14, Dec. 12** from 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM at Holy Name of Jesus school parking lot. No ID or paperwork is required.

The Guild of the Mother of Jesus will open their 2017-2018 season on Wednesday, October 11 with Mass at 6:30 PM followed by a buffet dinner meeting in the parish hall. Cost is \$12.00 per person. **Reservations should be called into Nancy Vietri at 203-685-8147 BY THE CUT-OFF DATE OF SUNDAY OCT. 8** Payment may be dropped off at the parish office.

Dear Friends in Christ, on Oct. 11th we will be hosting our final Lord's Kitchen obligation for 2017. Please help by contributing your time or money for this worthy cause. Contact Armand Majewski 203-521-5915 or Toni Majewski 203-520-5117

America Needs Fatima – On Saturday, October 14 at 12:00 Noon the rosary will be prayed at the gazebo in Paradise Green. Celebrating the 100th anniversary of our Blessed Mother's message to pray for world peace *America Needs Fatima* is planning 20,000 public rosaries around the United States. Bring your rosary and a chair. Rain or shine. For more info please call Maureen Kuhar 203-378-7516.

Bishop Caggiano is asking for prayers as he and all the priests throughout the diocese of Bridgeport prepare to gather at the Fifth Convocation of Priests from Sunday, October 15 through Wednesday, October 18.
The convocation, which takes place every three years, will be held this year in Newport, Rhode Island. The theme of the convocation is "Of One Heart and Mind: Brothers United in Christ." The purpose of the three-day meeting is to strengthen the fraternal bonds among the priests and to provide a time of spiritual renewal for them so that they may return with an even greater commitment to service. Thank you for your prayers and support toward this very important event in the lives of our priests and the Diocese.

The Courage to Speak Foundation Presentation:
Ginger and Larry Katz, Co-Founders of the **Courage to Speak®** Foundation will be speaking at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, 545 Stratfield Road, Fairfield on **Thursday, Oct. 19 at 6:30 PM in the Parish Hall.** Ginger has been inspired to speak out by the untimely death of her son Ian from a drug overdose will address many important issues. With the number of drug overdose deaths and substance abuse cases on the rise in Connecticut, many families are affected. If you or someone you know is facing a crisis or wants to be educated, please join us! The presentation is open to parents, students, and community members. For additional info visit www.couragetospeak.org. If you have questions, please contact the parish office at (203) 333-9065 or by email at info@olaffld.org.

Holy Name of Jesus Men's Society presents a PASTA DINNER on Saturday, October 21 - 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Menu includes Pasta, Meatballs, Salad, Bread, Butter, Dessert, Coffee and Soda. No charge but free will donations are gladly accepted. For more info call Larry Wells 203-375-2836 lawman56@optonline.net

The Slovak Alliance of Greater Bridgeport will hold their next General membership Meeting on Thursday, October 26, 7:00 PM in the parish School Meeting Room. Any one of Slovak/Slavic decent or is married to a Slovak/Slavic is invited to attend and become a member. For more info contact: Marta Suychak 203-377-1874 or Monique Antonelli 203-878-2214

October is Respect Life Month: Prayer is the foundation of all that we do in defense of human life. Say a short prayer or blessing. Meditate or ask God's intercession. Devote some time to pray a Holy Hour, or commit to a novena or Stations of the Cross. Special prayers are called for those who have lost a child due to miscarriage, abortion or other cause. *"Only with prayer - prayer that storms the heavens for justice and mercy, prayer that cleanses our hearts and souls - will the culture of death that surrounds us today be replaced with a culture of life."* Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities USCCB

Petition to St. Joseph

**Blessed St. Joseph, you welcomed the Christ Child into your home, provided for his daily needs, and helped him to grow in wisdom, age and grace. Hear the prayers of all children who are awaiting a loving home, and intercede for them before your adopted Son and Savior, Jesus Christ our Lord.
St. Joseph, Guardian and Protector, pray for us.**

The Holy Name of Jesus Church Annual Appeal - As of October 1, we have received contributions from 173 of our parish families. 1 gift of \$2000, 5 gifts of \$1000, 1 gift of \$750, 1 gift of \$600, 4 gifts of \$500, 56 gifts of \$100-\$400, and 105 gifts of \$1- \$75 for a total of \$21,771. OUR GOAL is to reach \$35,000 before the end of December 2017. *IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ENVELOPES – PLEASE USE THE WHITE ENVELOPES AT THE CHURCH ENTRANCES LABELED "HNJ ANNUAL APPEAL 2017"*****

Financial Support of our Parish-Week of Oct. 1, 2017

Operating Costs – Weekly amount needed to meet expenses of all five buildings ...\$11,000

Sunday Collection	\$ 4,608
Other Collections: Annual, Monthly, Holy Day\$	2,318
Total Weekly Income.....	\$ 6,926
Shortfall	\$ 4,074

Fiscal year to date overview

Operating Costs Year to Date: \$11,000 x 14	\$ 154,000
Actual Weekly Income Year to date:	\$ 144,663
Shortfall	\$ 9,337

Some of our parish couples are currently using two envelopes for their offertory. If you would like to combine your names to one envelope please call the parish office.

Bullard-Havens Technical High School, 500 Palisade Ave. Bridgeport, welcomes you to an Open House on Wed., Oct 25 from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM. Parking is in the student parking lot on Palisade Ave where you can take the shuttle bus to the entrance. 203-579-6333

✠✠ ✠ No one stands as tall as a Christian on his knees. ✠✠