



Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time ✕ September 10, 2017

Scripture Meditation: Ezekiel 33:7-9; Romans 13:8-10; Matthew 18:15-20

Parents know they cannot control every aspect of their children's lives. There are limits to their influence, especially as their children mature and strike out on their own. But there is no limit to the power of prayer. Commit your family to the care of your heavenly Father.

God will never let you down.

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CELEBRATION OF MASSES THIS WEEK

Sat.	Sept 9	4:30 PM	+JOHN PRIHODA III ~ <i>Marge Prihoda</i>
Sun.	Sept 10	7:30 AM	+MARGARET MADAR, <i>Anniversary ~ The Family</i>
		9:00 AM	+JENNIE SEKELSKY ~ <i>The Family</i>
		11:00 AM	+HAROLD F. BURKE, SR. ~ <i>Wife, Eleanor & Family</i>
Mon.	Sept 11	7:30 AM	+ANN ZEFFIRO ~ <i>Lynnette Baroni</i>
Tues.	Sept 12	7:30 AM	+HELENA MARCIN ~ <i>Mrs. Maria Petrus</i>
Wed.	Sept 13	7:30 AM	GINA COGGESHALL, <i>Birthday ~ Sister Joseph Therese</i>
Thurs.	Sept 14	7:30 AM	+FRANK and +MARY BENDER
Fri.	Sept 15	7:30 AM	+BETTY KARCSINSKI ~ <i>Clara Basso</i>
Sat.	Sept 16	8:00 AM	+KATHERINE and +ANDREW KRUSINSKY, <i>Daughter, Agnes</i>
		4:30 PM	+IRENE PILIPAJTIS ~ <i>Sisters, Marge and Dianne</i>
		7:30 AM	+MSGR. PETER P. DORA ~ <i>Marge Prihoda and Sandy Chatlos</i>
Sun.	Sept 17	9:00 AM	+IRENE and +EDWARD KRIZ ~ <i>The Family</i>
		11:00 AM	+ANNA P. DVORSKY BUDA ~ <i>Grandson Hank Burke Jr. & Family</i>

Hear God's Voice

PRAYER CORNER: Your prayers are requested for the sick and the suffering. Please pray for the good health of: **Assunta Palumbo, Pham Loc, John Mako, Joanne Petreycik, Robert Sulik, Mary Frances Tierney** Please call the parish office if you wish to be included in the Prayer Corner. Beginning with September, prayer intentions will be listed in the Prayer Corner for one month.

We extend our sympathy and assurance of prayer to the family of **Ann Andriso** who recently died.

September Feast Days of the Blessed Mother

Sept. 8 – The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sept. 12 – The Most Holy Name of Mary

Sept. 15 – Our Lady of Sorrows

In the ancient world, the color blue was associated with royalty. Around A.D. 500, Mary is displayed in Byzantine art wearing a dark blue mantle, which is a sign of her royal dignity as queen. The association of Mary with the color blue spread to the West and has continued throughout the ages. Mary is also often depicted as sorrowful, because the Church recognizes the special suffering that Our Lady endured because she was the mother of Christ. In the Seven Sorrows devotion we meditate on: the prophesy of St. Simeon, the flight into Egypt, the loss of the child Jesus for three days, witnessing Jesus carrying his Cross, the crucifixion of Jesus, taking Jesus down from the Cross and the burial of Jesus. *Our Sunday Visitor*

Evangelization Corner The greatest demand love makes on us is that we help one another into the Kingdom of God. Sometimes love requires us to speak a painful word of truth to awaken someone blinded by sin, recognizing that we ourselves are also sinners. Let us do for one another what we would have others do for us.

Faith Formation Program

September 10 – Opening Day – Students

September 17 – Students – Catechetical Sunday

~ *Living as Missionary Disciples*

September 24 – “Working Class – Meet the Teachers”

- **Students (Parents join at 11:30 AM on church lawn.)**

Catechetical Sunday 2017 – This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 17. The 2017 theme will be “Living as Missionary Disciples.” Those who the community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and in being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith. We thank Sr. Joseph Therese, DRE; our catechists, Emilie Frattaroli, Carol Kascak, Beth Madar, Armand Majewski, Steve Taccogna; Confirmation coordinator Janet Wrabel; assistants Justin Ickowitz, Donna Marten, Jessica Martinez, Charles Ricco, Gina Ricco, Joseph Ricco; and office coordinator, Debbie Ricco.

May God abundantly bless the HNJ 2017 Faith Formation Program's teachers, children and families.

Our Faith Formation Program is sponsoring a Fall PRAYER INTENTION PROJECT. Please stop by the Church Vestibule for a paper Apple Prayer Intention. There are two types of intentions – one to memorialize a deceased loved one and the other to honor a living person. The requested donation is \$1 per intention. The Apples will be displayed in the Church Vestibule during the month of Sept.

Our Holy Name Quilters are back! Every Wednesday from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM in the Parish Hall, until winter. New volunteers are always welcome – just stop by. Sewing skills are not necessary. **The Quilters are accepting New Washable Blankets for children, which will be sent to a Children's Hospital in Texas affected by Hurricane Harvey.**

The Opening Meeting of the Executive Board of the Guild of the Mother of Jesus will take place Wednesday, September 13 at 7:00 PM in the school meeting room. Plans for the upcoming year will be discussed including the opening Guild Mass and Dinner on October 11.

The Guild of the Mother of Jesus will be starting our 76th year of service to God and Holy Name Parish. We thank our dedicated members for their faithfulness and hard work over the years. We appreciate our loyal parishioners who support our fund-raisers and participate in our activities. **We are looking for new members to help us continue our important mission of serving our Parish.** If interested in joining the Guild, please call the Parish Office for more information.
The Guild Executive Board



Youth Choir News: The Youth Choir will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, September 13, 5:15 PM – 6:15 PM in the Church Choir Loft. **New Members are invited to join and attend this rehearsal.** It is a beautiful and fun way to share your talent and be involved in the parish community. Parishioners often remark how much they look forward to hearing the Youth Choir sing. Please take a flier from one of the church entrances for more information. *"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace."* 1 Peter 4:10
The Youth Choir will be singing at the 9:00 AM Mass on September 24 ~ please join us



Next weekend, Sept. 16 & 17 there will be a Special Second Collection for the victims of Hurricane Harvey. In order to assist the many families who are in dire need of food, water, clothing and shelter, especially in the cities of Houston and Rockport Texas, Bishop Caggiano has authorized a second collection to assist the work of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston and Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Corpus Christi, which are providing aid to those affected.
Thank you for your generosity to those in need.



The next meeting of our HNJ Men's Society will be on Thursday, September 21 at 6:30 PM in the School Meeting Room.

Watch, dear Lord, with those who wake or watch or weep tonight, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend your sick ones, O Lord Jesus Christ, rest your weary ones, bless your dying ones, soothe your suffering ones, shield your joyous ones, and all for your love's sake. Amen.
St. Augustine

The Stratford Knights of Columbus Council #2370 will hold a FAMILY PASTA DINNER Thursday, September 21 6:30 PM at Holy Name of Jesus Parish Hall. Admission is \$9.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children, paid at the door. Open to all. Menu includes Ziti, Meatballs, Salad, Bread & Butter, Soft Drinks, Coffee, Tea and Dessert. Reservation only please, by calling Chip Krafnick at (203) 375-8930 by Monday, September 18. Please do not call after 7:00 PM. Please bring a canned good or other non-perishable food item for K of C Food for Families Drive.

The Holy Name of Jesus Church Annual Appeal
As of September 3, we have received contributions from 156 of our parish families. 1 gift of \$2000, 5 gifts of \$1000, 1 gift of \$750, 1 gift of \$600, 3 gifts of \$500, 50 gifts of \$100-\$400, and 101 gifts of \$1- \$75 for a total of **\$20,589**. Some of the immediate planned repairs include; the upcoming water proofing of the convent basement to address the chronic flooding, mold and mildew, masonry repairs to stairs and sidewalks for all five parish buildings and, water leaks in the church need to be located and repaired before interior painting can be planned. As landlords of the school we are responsible for maintenance of the heating and cooling of the building. This season six older AC units failed and had to be replaced. Three large 25,000 and three 12,000 BTU units were replaced, involving electrical wiring and carpentry work to secure and install at the cost of almost \$8000. And of course, the unexpected; in July a water heater leak in the convent building necessitated the purchase and installation of a new unit at over \$2000. **We couldn't take care of these expenses without the generosity of your sacrificial gifts & we thank all the parishioners who have contributed and encourage those who have not yet made their donation to this year's appeal to please do so now. OUR GOAL is to reach \$35,000 before the end of December 2017.**

Financial Support of our Parish-Week of Sept. 3, 2017

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

Sunday Collection	\$ 4,130
Other Collections: Annual, Monthly, Holy Day	\$ 2,050
Total Weekly Income.....	\$ 6,180
Shortfall	\$ 4,820

Fiscal year to date overview

<u>Operating Costs Year to Date:</u> \$11,000 x 10	\$ 110,000
<u>Actual Weekly Income Year to date:</u>	\$ 104,875
Shortfall	\$ 5,125

Online Giving donations for the month of August



totalled \$690. If you would like to donate to HNJ online, please visit our website **hnojchurch.org** and click on the green *OnLine Giving* icon found on the left hand side of the web page.

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one another