

August 27, 2017

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

From the Desk of Rev. Msgr. Hugh J. Corrigan:

We don't think Paul ever met Jesus. In his writings he rarely spoke about the actual life of Jesus except for two pivotal events: the meal at the last supper and his death and resurrection. He had at least three mystical visions of the risen Christ who revealed certain truths to him. In trying to describe the meaning of the life of Jesus to the Gentiles, he elevates Jesus to the Christ, the anointed one of God. This Christ now has cosmic religious significance. We have all died with Christ so that we might live with Christ. We will live with Christ in the next life because death and sin no longer have any power over us. We can live in grace in the present world by being baptized into his death so that we might live in the Spirit. Paul certainly can soar to the heights and plunge us into the depths. Some maintain that he is best read as a poet. He tried to answer the great questions about the seeming contradiction of a loving God and the presence of evil in the world. He admitted he felt short. Read today's excerpt from Romans: "Oh, the depths of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God. How inscrutable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways. For who has known the mind of God? Or who has been his counsellor? For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen".

Using the imagery and experiences of his age he won over the Gentiles. Today we live in a much different world. Who will be our Paul?

Collection : the collection for last Sunday, August 20, 2017 was \$3,904.00.

The second collection today will be our monthly Church Property Insurance collection.

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time: We are called Christian because we choose to follow Jesus Christ. As we gather for worship today, it might be good to reflect on who Christ is for us, just as he asks the question in today's Gospel: " Who do you say that I am?" The answer that we give tell us much about who we need to be in this world. Let us pray today for the grace to live up to the name of Christ with which we identify ourselves.

Food Collection: Next Sunday, September 3rd will be our monthly food collection ~please remember those in our community that are in need when you do your grocery shopping this week. Thank you.

Registration for 2017-2018:

Registration is now closed; yet if you are a returning parent and were away on vacation you may still register your child on Monday, August 28, 2017 from 9:00 am to 1:00pm

Likewise if you are a new parent and still need to register please stop by the office on Monday, August 28, 2017 from 10:00am to 12:30. Please remember to bring your child's birth certificate and baptismal certificate and a photo of your child; if you are a new parent to the program

To register you must submit \$25.00 deposit per child this will be deducted from your registration fee. If you are new to the program you need to submit a Birth Certificate along with a Baptismal Certificate and a photo of your child.

Registration for one is \$95.00

Registration for two is \$160.00

Registration for three is \$195.00

Registration for four is \$185.00

If your child will be receiving Communion this year the fee for Holy Communion is \$75.00 per child.

If your child will be receiving Confirmation this year the fee for Confirmation is \$95.00 per child.

Classes will be held on Saturdays from 9:30 am to 11:00 am. Classes will start on September 9, 2017

Parish Membership: All adult Catholics should be registered. We want to know and serve you and hope that you will become an active member of our parish community. Please notify the rectory of any changes in address, or if you are leaving the Parish. It is necessary to be a registered member of our parish for a minimum of 3 months in order for us to testify to your ability to be a sponsor for Baptism/Confirmation, witness to a Catholic marriage, or provide recommendation for a position at work or character reference.

Sisters of Charity of New York are having Free English Classes located at Mount Saint Vincent: 6301 Riverdale Ave Bronx, NY in Le Gras Hall. Registration will be on Wednesday, September 13th from 4:30-7:30pm. Classes will be held on Mondays & Wednesdays from 6:15- 8:15pm.

Mass Schedule for the week of

August 27, 2017 to September 3, 2017

Mass are daily at 8:15 and 12:05 in English and in Spanish on Thursdays at 7:30pm

Below are the Special Intentions for this week

Sunday August 27, 2017

7:30 for the Parishioners

9:00 Sofia Liriano

11:00 Ester Dias Duarte

The Liriano Family

Esther & Eduardo Rodrigues

Tuesday August 29, 2017:

12:05 In Thanksgiving

Francisco & Claudia Dougan

Friday September 1, 2017:

12:05 Manorah Reyes (L)

Norah Estevez

Saturday September 2, 2017:

5:00 John "Jack" Kutka

7:30 Legion of Mary

The Kunny Family

Sunday September 3, 2017

7:30 for the Parishioners

9:00 Jose Roberto Perez Gonzales

11:00 Beatrice Zamborsky

Blanca Mercedes Perez Gonzales

William Zamborsky