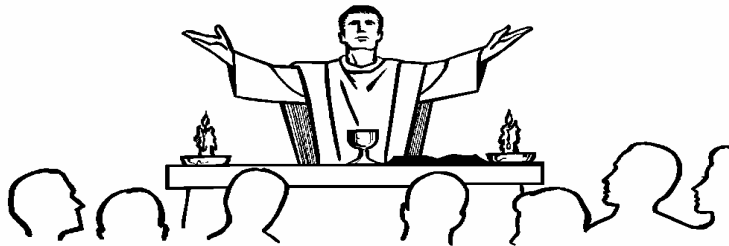


Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 5, 2008



Announced Masses

Sat	10/04/08	4:00 pm	Joseph Russell & Annetta Sadowski/ Miller Family Wayne J. Clark/ Family
Sun	10/05/08	10:30 am	James Byrnes/Steve & Aaron Pipito
		12:00 pm	Open
Mon	10/06/08	8:00 am	Prayer Service
Tue	10/07/08	8:00 am	Prayer Service
Wed	10/08/08	8:00 am	Prayer Service
Thu	10/09/08	8:00 am	Martha Mary Morrell/ Joe Nikituk
Fri	10/10/08	8:00 am	Mary Kavanagh (1st Anniv.) Fr. Ken Hallahan & The SJOA Parish Family
Sat	10/11/08	4:00 pm	Bill Convery (5th Anniv.)/ Olga (wife)
Sun	10/12/08	10:30 am	Emilie Senatore/ Mike Cimino
		12:00 pm	Frances Shopa/ Beverly Alberts

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**Entered Eternal Rest
Margaret Maronski**

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The People's Tithe
Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$
2nd Collection (Hurricane IKE): \$
Thank you for your continued generosity!

Sick List

Please pray for those who are ill and those who care for them:

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ADULT—NEVER BAPTIZED??
ADULT—NEED FIRST COMMUNION
OR CONFIRMATION??
ARE YOU AN ADULT CATHOLIC WHO
HAS NOT RECEIVED ONE OF THE
SACRAMENTS OR ARE YOU
INTERESTED IN
BECOMING CATHOLIC??



If so, we would like to assist you through discussion groups which will be formed in the fall as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). It is never too late...you are never too old! Please contact the rectory at (856) 962-8642.

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What's Happening Around SJOA

Sunday, 10/05/08:

Religious Ed.—English	9:15 am	School
Religious Ed.—Spanish	10:45 am	School

Monday, 10/06/08:

Youth Group Meeting	6-8:00 pm	Rectory
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Religious Education Program

Our Religious Education Classes started on Sunday 9/21/08. There's still time to register your children if you haven't yet done so. Classes are held every Sunday in both English and Spanish. Please contact the rectory at (856) 962-8642.



Registration will close on October 21, 2008



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From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

Once again, I remind anyone who is a homeowner, or who knows a homeowner in the following neighborhoods: Bergen Square; Cooper Point; Pyne Point; Cramer Hill & Pavonia; Marlton and Stockton., there is grant money available for home improvements.

Call the rectory if you are interested.

This has been an exciting week. The Phillies are in the playoffs and even won their first game. The financial system is on the brink of collapse. The vice-presidential candidates spoke to a national audience. The Freedom Academy Charter School was in the papers.

For myself, in addition to thinking about all of these things, I attended the funeral of a woman whose wedding I did about 25 years ago. My mother called me several times for help with her needs: fixing broken things in her home, bringing in her mail, locking her door, confirming her doctor's information, etc.

At times, life can seem so filled up with many things to think about. Many other things we must act on. Occasionally, the week passes so quickly that I can't believe it has gone by already.

I like to take time from a busy week to think about the long-term perspective. The saints help to do this. This week, we celebrated the feast of St. Jerome, who died in 420 A.D. He translated the entire Bible into Latin, the language of the people. He had a difficult personality, but he was helped immensely by St. Paula, who paid for his room and board for 34 years while he lived in Jerusalem.

Saturday is the feast day of the great Francis of Assisi. He lived from 1181-1226 and probably lived in closer imitation of Jesus than anyone in the history of Christianity. Francis loved God in all of creation--in the stars, the planets plants, the animals and the people, even his enemies!! He hated war!

On Wednesday, we celebrated the feast of St. Therese of Lisieux, of the Child Jesus. She lived in the late 1800s and lived a very simple, and short, life in the convent. She attended to the most mundane details of life and found joy there.

Each of these saints was a witness for his/her own century. They are a reminder that the Church outlasts the empires and the nations. No nation on earth today has a history even half as long as that of the Church. Pray that the Church will continue to flourish.

Peace,
Fr. Hallahan

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A Family Perspective

We naturally avoid and "reject" difficult moments. These difficult times can be a "cornerstone" uniting our family and linking us through a difficult experience which becomes a common bond.

Stewardship Reflection Treasure Priorities

"For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be."
(Luke 12:34)

Stewardship challenges us to look into our hearts to understand the priority of the things we treasure. We can then see clearly to give of our treasure through discipleship.

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2nd Annual Gala

St. Anthony of Padua School cordially invites you to attend the 2nd Annual Gala on October 11, 2008 from 7:00pm to 11:00pm at Brigalias in Sicklerville, NJ. Tickets are \$75 per person. There will be a full buffet, open beer and wine bar, silent & live auction. For more information please contact Lori Springer at (856) 541-5026 or Pat Harter at (856) 963-5884.

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Diocese of Camden

Led By

Bishop Joseph A. Galante

Marian Pilgrimage

Saturday, October 11, 2008

The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC

ALL ARE WELCOME!

For more information call Lou & (856) 939-1769

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Social Justice Ministry

Holy Saviour Parish

50 Emerald Avenue, Westmont, NJ 08108

The ministry will be hosting a very special event. It's been said that Catholic Social Teaching is one of the church's best kept secrets. Holy Saviour's own Ken Doran will be taking with us about bringing the Gospel and Catholic Social Teaching to life in our daily lives, in our communities and in our world. The presentation will begin at 7:00pm and will end at about 8:30pm. Light refreshments will be served. Please call (856) 986-2436 with any questions.

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St. Pius X Spiritual Life Center

1840 Peter Cheeseman Road, Blackwood, New Jersey 08012

Offers all guests the opportunity to be renewed in the peace and love of Christ through guided and directed prayer experiences, spirituality programs, evening of refection, day, week-end, and extended retreats.

Thursday, October 16, 2008 (7pm -9pm) \$20. per person

"Living in the Present Moment"

Rev. Francis W. Danella, OSFS

Do you feel rushed, crowded, overburdened by too much multi-tasking? Do you feel, at times, that life is slipping away as you check off the items on your to-do list? Gain a fresh perspective by learning to live in the present moment.