## Welcome to St. Virgil's Parish Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat., June 2	5:00 pm	Maria Goldovsky	
	over pin	Debbie Stumpf	
		Betty Gaynor	
Sun., June 30	7:30 am	Paul Glanville, Sr.	
	9:00 am	Janet Dittrich	
	10:30 am	Shirley Litty	
	12:00 pm	Leo Hamersky	
Mon., July 1	6:30 am	Phyllis D'Annunzio	
	12:10 pm	David P.Grieco	
Tues., July 2	6:30 am	Cal Benson	
-	12:10 pm	Aveline & Mary D'Souza	
Wed., July 3	6:30 am	Joseph Cwerko	
	12:10pm	Janet Dittrich	
Thurs., July 4	9:00 am	Amelia Biagi Grant Morgan	
		Gemma Nassille	
		Frank Quinn	
Fri., July 5	6:30 am	Mennella, Antionette	
	12:10 pm	Dolores Marcantonio—1st	
		Anniversary	
Sat., July 6	8:00 am	Jerry Kelly—21st Anniversary	
	5:00 pm	Anne Mazzoccoli	
		Betty Gaynor Robin Dunn Renan Rodrigues	
Sun., July 7	7:30 am	Phil Nodoro	
	9:00 am	Angelo Spinola	
		Fances & Louie Froehlich	
		Mary Costello	
	10:30 am	Janet Dittrich	
	12:00 pm	Pam Antonaccio	

### **AMONG OURSELVES**

Please remember in your prayers:

Mary Beth Jenson, Colleen Dillon and Family, Tim O'Shea, Theresa Barry, James Irvin, Marie E. Logan, Margaret Ellis, Mary Eileen Prisinzano, Eileen Langan, Bob Taylor, John & Elizabeth Zisa, Kamasha Redhead, Stephen Burke, Sandra Buck, Mallory Miller, Miah Tully, Domenico & Teresa Procopio, Anne Benson, Baby Emma Scannelli, Barbara Bock, Mary Maffeo, Rose Marie Warrick & Sue Ann Cattano.

Through the waters of Baptism, we welcome to the parish family *Brandon Edward Weagley*, son of *Brian & Nicole*.

### This Week at St. Virgil's

### Sunday, June 30

Appalachia Outreach Krispy Kreme Sale after all Masses

Choir Rehearsal, 9am, CR Play Rehearsal, 1:30-6pm, Gym

#### Monday, July 1

Miraculous Medal Novena following the 12:10pm
Mass

Play Rehearsal, 6:30pm, Gym & Café Turning Point, 7:30pm, TC

### Tuesday, July 2

Return Support Group, 11am, TC Rosary Society Meeting, 7pm, TC

### Wednesday, July 3

Play Rehearsal, 6:30pm, Gym & Café

### Independence Day, Thursday, July 4

Morning Mass at 9am Parish Office Closed

Friday, July 5

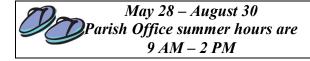
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### Saturday, July 6

Appalachia Team Leaders Retreat Confession, 3:30-4:15pm

### Sunday, July 7

Appalachia Team Picnic at Community Park Play Practice, 1 – 4pm, Gym



Please pray for all those serving in defense of our Country, both at home and abroad, especially:

- Second Lieutenant Ryan Feeney
- Lieutenant Commander Daniel M. Leahey
- Lieutenant Patrick J. Leahey
- Lieutenant Mark C. Leahey
- Lieutenant R. Andrew McGuinness
- Lieutenant Mark Van Orden
- Major Gary Windt
- Petty Officer 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Timothy Butchko
- Master Sergeant. T.J. Hopkins
- Lieutenant Kelsey Bergh
- Lieutenant Kian Federick Stewart
- Lieutenant Keigan Delray Stewart



Through your generous donations, the regular collection for the weekend of June 22/23 was \$9,808. (In-pew donations = \$7,950 + Faith Direct = \$1,858).

Ministry Schedule for June 29 and 30							
	5:00pm Vigil	7:30am	9:00am	10:30am	12:00pm		
Cantor							
Lector	Martha Barilla	Ron Kelly	Judy Spinola	John Logan	Kathy Butchko		
Altar Servers		Anthony Tonini	Jake Gringeri		Michael Szoke		
Extraordinary	Jane Fischer	Nicea D'Annunzio	Dianna DeLorenzo	Viji Alex	Andrew DeBlock		
Ministers	Jane Flynn	Beverly Morgan	Joe DeLorenzo	Maureen Kelly	Helen Ann Pinto		
	Helen Salerno	Rosemary Paulison	Melissa Gringeri	Penny Manser	Tim Scanlon		
	Karen Schwingel	Debbie Richenaker	June Sambrowski	Kathy Sisler			
		Gary Richenaker	Lydia Sesso	Cheryl Zebick			
			Pete Sesso	Bob Zebick			

### PARISH POSTINGS

### PREP / Youth Ministry Registration

PREP registrations for grades K through 8 have gone out in email. If you are new to the program or if you have not received your renewal forms, please contact the PREP team at tonini.svprep@gmail.com or rangel.svprep@gmail.com for Kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> grade or Valerie.tonini@gmail.com for grades 5 – 8, or you can call the parish office @ 973-538-1418. Registration for Youth Ministry will be available later in the summer.

# St. Virgil Rosary Society Meeting Movie Night

Tuesday, July 2, 7 pm in the Tracy Center Featuring *Sabrina* Starring Audrey Hepburn, Humphrey Bogart & William Holden

Please join us for this 1954 film which received one Academy Award for Costume Design and five other Academy Award nominations, including Audrey Hepburn's as Best Actress. The film was selected for preservation in the US National Film Registry by the Library of Congress in 2002. Please remember a \$1 donation for purchase of a Food Pantry items in lieu of a canned good.

### **MINISTRIES & OUTREACHES**

### Appalachia Outreach 2019

Fourteen days till our Mission! Our Go Fund Me page for our mission trip is still accepting donations. If you prefer to donate online, the Go Fund Me page is quick and easy. You can sponsor a team through the site or packets are still available at the doors of the church for individual sponsorship of a team member. Your support, in donations and prayer, are so important to the success of our mission trip. Thank you for all your support. <a href="https://www.gofundme.com/gfp74-appalachia-2019">https://www.gofundme.com/gfp74-appalachia-2019</a>



Please remember the *Interfaith Food Pantry* while you are doing your grocery shopping. Current needs are: canned fruit, spaghetti/pasta sauce, tomato products, cereal-low sugar, high fiber, pasta / whole wheat pasta, white and brown rice, dry milk, dry milk (1 qt. package), evaporated milk, calcium-fortified milk alternatives, canned beans (pork & beans, pinto, red or white kidney), tuna fish, canned meats and meals, Rice-A-Roni, Pasta-Roni, Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper, Macaroni & Cheese, all varieties of soups, Stage 1, Stage 2 and Stage 3 baby food,

baby cereal, baby wipes, reusable grocery shopping bags, Boost or Ensure regular and glucose control.

### Coins for Babies Outreach

Please return your "Coins for Babies" bottles. Collection baskets are located at the church entrances. You may also bring them to the parish office (summer hours: 9:00am - 2:00pm). If you didn't get a baby bottle, any container or bag will do.

Your contributions provide new and expectant mothers with the basic necessities for their babies. During the 2018/2098 campaign, we were able to provide Birthright in Dover with 243 boxes of diapers, 265 bottles of baby wash, 292 packs of baby wipes, 252 jars of petroleum jelly, 123 tubes of diaper cream as well as new seasonal clothing, socks, sleepwear, bibs, towels, wash cloths, blankets and crib sheets. We purchase only those items specifically requested and deliver as needed.

A number of very generous and caring parishioners contribute throughout the year. Additional contributions may be brought to the parish office or you can contact Jane Flynn at <a href="mailto:jflynnmpi@aol.com">jflynnmpi@aol.com</a>. Knit and crocheted baby blankets and clothing are always appreciated.

Please be as generous as possible to this very worthy cause.

World Apostolate of Fatima (Our Lady's Blue Army Shrine). First Saturday, July 6 "You at least try to console me..." Please join us to honor this plea of Our Lady on Dec. 10, 1925, requesting the Five First Saturdays of Reparation for five consecutive months. The five reasons will be explained each month. Schedule: 10:30 a.m. Confessions; 11:30 Rosary w/15minute meditation; 12:15 Holy Mass w/Guest Speaker/Celebrant Rev. Demetrius M. Thomas OSB; 1:15 Brown Scapular Enrollment; 1:30 Shrine Tour; 2:00 Confessions; 3:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Bring your family and friends to answer the call of the Child Jesus: "And have you spread through the world what our heavenly Mother requested of you?" Blue Army Shrine, 674 Mountain View Road East, Asbury, NJ 08802 (908) 689-1700 Ext 224 www.bluearmy.com

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings, and grandparents will be meeting on Thursday, July 11, at St. Christopher's Church, Parsippany, at 7:30PM in room 101. This month's program: "Vacationing Without Your Child". For more information, please call Lily Capriglione at: 973-568-4164.

# OPERATION CHILLOUT SUMMER OUTREACH

Serving homeless veterans since December 21, 2000

Throughout the summer months, volunteers from Operation Chillout deliver lightweight clothing, hats and bottled water to the homeless, many of who are veterans. These items are regularly delivered to places where the homeless congregate for lunch, their one substantial meal per day, and other essential services (e.g., Community Soup Kitchen and Our Promise, both in Morristown). Last summer, approximately 35,000 bottles of water, 2,000 new tee shirts and 1,000 new caps were delivered to 35 separate locations.

As a collection partner, St. Virgil's has been asked to provide the following items:

- bottled water (cases of 24 only, please)
- NEW tee shirts (men and women, sizes M, L and XL)
- **NEW** baseball caps
- cash or checks payable to either Operation Chillout, Inc. or St. Virgil's Church

Hats and tee shirts may be deposited in the carton near the altar; please place bottled water on the pews along the back of the sanctuary. Place monetary donations in an envelope marked "Operation Chillout" and drop into the collection basket. We will purchase additional clothing with the cash and checks payable to St. Virgil's. Operation Chillout, Inc. is a registered 501(c)3 not-for-profit charitable organization. Your donations are tax deductible to the amount permitted by law. The organization does not solicit by either mail or telemarketing.

Please make your donation by the weekend of **July 27/28**. Your kindness and generosity are very much appreciated.

Preschool Director Needed for The Presbyterian Church of Morris Plains. A job search has begun for a Director for Joyful Noise Preschool and Daycare. If you are interested in applying for the position, please contact the church through their email: JNSearchCommittee@mporesby.org. Joyful Noise is located at 400 Speedwell Avenue, Morris Plains. A job description is available in our Parish Office if you are interested.

### Weekly Reflections

### Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Old Testament 19:16b-19-21 New Testament Luke 8:51-62

This week we return to "Ordinary Time" in the Church calendar with the Gospel of Luke. Luke was believed to have been a Doctor and his Gospel is referred to as the Gospel of compassion. Luke's Gospel is the only one that includes the accounts of the Good Samaritan and the Prodigal Son. It also has several themes, including the Holy Spirit, joy, and gentleness to women, in general, for it is known to have more stories of the Blessed Mother than the other gospels.

In today's first reading the prophet Elijah is told to appoint Elisha as his successor. Elisha wants to go home and say goodbye to his parents. Elijah lets him do that.

In contrast, when we move to Luke's story in which there were several people following Christ, He said to one of them: "Follow me." The follower asked to go home to bury his father, but Jesus then said," No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God." This sounds like a rather severe statement by Christ, especially in Luke's Gospel of compassion. Christ knew well the Elijah story, for he was a Rabbi, and wanted his followers to be prepared for tough days ahead. He knew of his impending death and that life would not be easy for them. Christ was telling his followers that Moses gave them one set of laws, but that His laws were stricter because He wanted them to be prepared for the more difficult mission they were to have before them.

What was Christ telling us? First, He said to "follow" Him. Then, since we live in the post-Moses, post-Christ era, it appears that Christ might also have been telling us to be prepared for tough times ahead. He might have wanted us to be able to look around and recognize that we have been warned that life will not be all that easy for us. In prior readings we learned that Christ had promised, again and again, that He will be with us. It might also be reminding us how much we need Him. He wants us to be as prepared as we can be by placing our trust in Him.

Lord, be with us as You were with your first followers, and help us trust in Your presence.

### Read the Bible Know Jesus Better, Love Him More

By 1563 the Council of Trent authorized St Jerome's translation of the Bible, the Latin Vulgate, as the authorized text to be used by the Church.

In 1582 an English translation of it was published, the Douay – Rheims Bible. It is the most accurate literal (word for word) translation of the Vulgate. Literal means it translated the original Latin as closely as possible. There are also many other translations done to make the original 'meaning' as easy to understand to modern people as possible (thought for thought). Both are useful, the literal versions may be harder to read, but may trigger the reader to try and understand the original writer's point of view better. The 'meaning' versions sometimes lose nuances of the original, which we don't even realize.

The Bible is the LIVING WORD of God. It has no equal. Christ is also the Word of God, in the flesh, (John 1:1) "In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God." So, every minute with scripture is a meeting with Jesus.

Most of us learn the scriptures from the Mass. We hear Old Testament, Psalms, New Testament letters and the Gospels at Mass. But, many of the words of the service are also directly from the Bible. In fact, almost 30% of it is; compare that with an Evangelical service which only uses 3%.

But while the Mass is full of scripture, it isn't enough to just attend, because we get distracted and miss parts of it. So, we should arrive a little early and read the days readings; they are selected by the Church to have a common theme - do you see it?

Also read a little section of the Bible every day, it keeps us grounded as children of God even through the rest of the day's busyness and stress.

To enter God's word helps us to understand basic human responses – fear, sorrow, shame, and to understand that God is always with us, He is an eternal love.

We have a world of information at our fingertips, so much so, it would make St. Jerome's head spin. But all of it put together doesn't equal God's word! Don't be ignorant of this word or you will be ignorant of Christ! Eternal life is at stake.

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#### **EVANGELIZATION CORNER**

After asking for God's mercy, the Gloria continues with praising God and challenging us to put the Lord first in all things — to be loyal followers of his commandments; "for you alone are the Lord." And, it concludes with the mention of and reverence to the Holy Spirit; "with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father."

So far we have gathered as a community, blessed ourselves with the sign of the cross (which has connected us with the greater community of all Catholics), acknowledged our mutual sinfulness and our need for mercy and have given praise to God for His goodness and glory.

The priest now invites us to pray the *Collect*. The Collect is an opening prayer which gathers the intentions of all those attending the Mass and focuses them, collects them, into a common purpose for celebrating the Mass. This concludes the **INTRODUCTORY RITES**.

We now enter the first main part of the Mass, THE LITURGY OF THE WORD.

The Liturgy of the Word includes a scripture reading from the Old Testament, a psalm from one of the 150 written by King David, an apostolic reading (e.g., one of the letters of Paul) and a Gospel acclamation. We follow these with a reading from one of the four Gospels written by Matthew, Mark, Luke or John. These are the central truths that are proclaimed by the Church from the very words of Jesus. We then listen to a Homily which will bring clarity to the meaning of the words of the scriptures. After a short pause the entire community proclaims their belief with the reciting of the Creed. The prayers of the faithful are Intercessory prayers that follow the Creed and allow us to ask our Father, through Jesus Christ, to heal and nourish our needs for that particular day.

Through the scripture readings we hear God's own inspired story of His love for us; stories that reinforce what we believe, to whom we belong, and our relationship with others and with God. It is through these stories that our faith is strengthened.

As we know from our own experience, there's a difference between hearing and truly listening. Therefore, just hearing the Word of God is not the same as truly listening to the Word of God. We need an active and engaged mind that is focused on the Word of God and we need time to process what we have heard for meaning.

May the Lord's peace be with you always!

Evangelization Ministry



"Roaming Catholics?" Even though schools are beginning their summer vacation, church is always open! When traveling, to find the nearest church and their Mass times, go to

www.masstimes.org or call 1-858-207-6277. Enter the zip code and you will receive a response with the local churches and their Mass times!

### A Child's Prayer for Parents

Heavenly Father, I thank you for my father and mother, and for our home.

Bless us all and help us to love You; and in love to serve one another as Jesus taught us to do.

Give me strength to do what is right today, and to do unto others as I would want them to do unto me.

Amen.

