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# *The Seventeenth Sunday In Ordinary Time*

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**Ask...**



**you shall  
RECEIVE.**

**July 23, 2017**

**Sat. July 29, 2017**

5:00 pm – Carmela LaTuso, Walter Ivanoff  
Hank Sudol, Anthony Cavaliere

**Sun. July 30, 2017**

9:00 am – Aida Seda, John Guidice, Sharon Smith,  
James T. Pine

11:00 am – Robert Carpino, Demetrio Bido, Jeff Calme

**Mon. July 31, 2017**

**7:00 pm – Pine Bush Community Band Concert**

**Tues. Aug. 1, 2017**

**Wed. Aug. 2, 2017**

**12:00 pm – Senior Luncheon**

**Thurs. Aug. 3, 2017**

7:00 pm – AA  
7:15 pm Choir Practice

**Fri. Aug. 4, 2017**

**Sat. Aug. 5, 2017**

5:00 pm – Jean Harrison, Elaine Hammer, Raymond Foos

**Sun. Aug. 6, 2017**

9:00 am – Alice Byrnes, John Townley, Jean Harrison  
11:00 am – Jessie Destefano, Phyllis Schmick,  
Resurreccion Coral Conde

## **MASS INTENTION BOOK**

Our Church Mass Book for the year 2018 is now open for anyone who would like to schedule an announced Mass next  
The usual donation is **\$10.00 per name.**

**Please turn off all CELL PHONES  
before Mass!**

I WAS GOING TO COMPLAIN ABOUT HOW HOT IT IS... THEN I REALIZED THAT:

1. IT ISN'T 125 DEGREES;
2. I'M NOT 5,700 MILES FROM HOME;
3. I'M NOT DRESSED IN A FULL BDU UNIFORM AND HELMET AND CARRYING 70+ LBS.; AND
4. THERE IS VERY LITTLE CHANCE THAT ANYONE WILL SHOOT AT ME OR THAT I MIGHT DRIVE OVER A BOMB IN THE ROAD TODAY!

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SERVE IN OUR FINE MILITARY! GOD BLESS Y'ALL.

## **WELCOME**

We welcome Cole and Clayton Pine and Nathan Eric Boyd who were recently baptized into our Christian community. Please pray for them and their families.

## **CALLING ALL KIDS!**

It's your Time to Shine! Get ready to pack those sparkling, new school supplies just waiting for your special touch! The promise of discovery and intrigue is about to greet you in new classrooms with new teachers! Fr. Sean and all your St. Paul's family want you to know we share your excitement in bold new adventures!

We'll be with you in prayer and spirit all year long as you grow in knowledge and confidence. Bring your ready for action backpacks to mass **August 26-27, 2017**, when Fr. Sean will invite all kids, pre-k through teens, to come to the altar with their backpacks for a special blessing. St. Paul's Religious Ed. program invites you to bring your families, along with all the parishioners into DJH after mass to share our excitement and a special treat before you begin your latest, greatest, freshest, brightest, new school year adventures!



## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

**July 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> – Totals  
will be posted next week.**

*Thank you*

## TO ALL THE PARISHONERS OF ST. PAULS

We would like to extend our deep appreciation for all of the beautiful gestures and your presence with us through the illness and passing of our beloved wife, mother, and grandmother. We were uplifted by your immense kindness to us through the challenges, as we trusted in the hope of Christ's love and the support of our amazing St. Paul's church community of almost 35 years. She cherished St. Paul's, was strengthened by the support, and know she is smiling upon this community. With love,  
The Harrison Family

### OH, WHAT A NIGHT!

Cooled by the summer breezes of air-conditioning, St. Paul's will host the Pine Bush Community Band

**Monday, July 31, 2017, at 7:00**

**PM**, in our parish gazebo of sorts, eliminating the need for either bug spray or sunscreen. Seating will be provided, but you may wish to bring your own soft cushions, floppy sunhats and kazoos. Smooth tunes from Ol' Blue Eyes and the boys whose Eyes Adored You up and down the Jersey Shore will carry you away.



Immediately following the concert stroll, slide, or stomp your way into DJH for ice-cold lemonade and sugar cookies as Hospitality says, Let's Hang Out to a slower pace as we relish the simple joys of summer.

### R.C.I.A.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.) classes will begin in **September 2017** and are held on **Thursday evening from 7:00 - 8:30 PM** through **Easter of 2018**.

R.C.I.A. is open to any:

- ◆ Un-Baptized adults wishing to become Catholic.
- ◆ Persons Baptized in other Christian Churches.
- ◆ Baptized Catholics who never received Reconciliation, First Eucharist or Confirmation and seek full membership in the community.

For registration or more information, please call the church office at **361-3107**.

### SENIOR CITIZEN LUNCHEON

All Senior Citizens (Age 55+) are invited to our monthly Senior Citizen Luncheon, held on the first Wednesday of each month at **12 Noon**. The next luncheon will be on **Wednesday, August 2, 2017**. A free-will offering is taken. If you have any questions or would like to help in any way, please call **Helen Schwarting at 744-3026**.

## BACKPACKS FOR CHILDREN

Girl Scout Troop 711 is completing the *Backpacks for All Children* project again this summer. This project provides needy children in the Pine Bush School District with backpacks and supplies for the 2017-2018 school year. If you prefer to send a gift card please mail to: Girl Scout Troop 711, C/O troop leader Janice Barth, 299 Long Lane, Bloomingburg, NY 12721 and contact her at 845-800-5669 with any questions. Anything listed below would be accepted. **Supplies will be collected in the church hall between July 28th and August 20th.**

Thank you, Girl Scout Troop 711

### Supplies suggestions:

Backpacks	3 Ring Binders
Marble Notebooks	Rulers, Glue Sticks
Pocket Folders	Loose Leaf Paper
Box of 24 Crayons	Highlighters
Pencils Blue/Black Pens	Expo dry erase markers

### HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

**“Jesus said to his disciples ‘The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price he goes and sells all that he has and buys it.’”**

Jesus, the teacher, offers three parables today for our reflection. The two the treasure and the pearl, followed by the net, ask us to consider what the kingdom is really like. Do I find it in my church?

What is the treasure I am looking for, His kingdom? It is His grace, the Sacraments, the life of the church. The pearl is the Christian life which I sometimes fail to appreciate.

I am the one searching for a treasure, the pearl and I live in a community where the net has been thrown and collects all, bad and good. I am asked to sit down and sort out what is good for me and what is not. I resolve to continue my search, discover the treasure offered to me, and work hard to preserve and persevere in my quest. The kingdom is now.

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