
The Twenty-first Sunday In Ordinary Time

**Rock
of Faith**



Blessed are you, Peter.

August 27, 2017

Sat. August 26, 2017 Backpack Blessing

5:00 pm – Patricia Cavanaugh, Jean Harrison,
Casatano & Ebro Families

6:00 pm – Family Social

Sun. August 27, 2017 Backpack Blessing

9:00 am – Carlos Sanabria, Dustin James,
Monsignor James Coy

10:00 am & 12:00 pm – Family Social

11:00 am – Phyllis S. Ryan, Domingo Rodriguez

Mon. August 28, 2017

Tues. August 29, 2017

Wed. August 30, 2017

Thurs. August 31, 2017

7:00 pm – AA

7:15 pm Choir Practice

Fri. September 1, 2017

Sat. September 2, 2017

5:00 pm – Fr. Patrick McGuigan, Jean Harrison,
John Townley

Sun. September 3, 2017

9:00 am – Davide & Anna Ferrari, Leo Joseph Marino,
Margaret & Charles Hartell

11:00 am – James “Teddy” Pine, Guckian Fay Families

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

ATTENTION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Parents and guardians please note, Religious Education evening classes start **Monday, September 11th, Tuesday, September 12th and Wednesday, September 13th.**

WELCOME

We welcome McKenna Toland who was recently baptized into our parish and Christian community.

May God continue to bless her and her family.

SAVE THE DATE!



St. Paul's **Olde Tyme Chicken Bar-B-Que** will be a day worth saving. And savoring! On **Sunday, September 17th**, starting at **1:00 pm**, spend some "Tyme" enjoying the company of "Olde" friends (that's longevity, not their ages) as you dine alfresco at the **Town of Crawford Park on Lybolt Road**. Bid hazy summer days adieu and usher in autumn's crisp air in an atmosphere punctuated by fun, games for all ages and the aroma of Chicken Bar-B-Que, hamburgers, hot dogs, potato and macaroni salads, corn and other assorted goodies that Rick and his crew will be cooking! Make "Tyme" to purchase your tickets this weekend **August 26th & 27th in Deacon John Hall after all the Masses** and save **Sunday, September 17th** on your calendars before our Bar-B-Que becomes "Olde" news. Prices are; **\$10.00 per person, \$8.00 for seniors and children under 12 and \$30.00 for immediate families.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

August 19th & 20th –

Totaled will be posted in next week's bulletin.

BACKPACK BLESSING SOCIAL

this weekend

**KID FRIENDLY REFRESHMENTS
IN THE HALL AFTER ALL THE MASSES!**



HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

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“He asked his disciples, ‘Who do people say that the Son of Man is?’ They replied ‘Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.’ He said to them, ‘But who do you say that I am?’ Simon Peter said in reply: ‘You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.’”

How curious that Jesus should ask this question. Did He want to be sure that the disciples had a clear understanding? Was Peter’s response partly his own and partly from the Father? The conversation led to the promise of responsibility to be conferred on Peter after the resurrection.

May we restate Jesus’ question as He presents it to us. ‘Who is Jesus Christ for me today?’ ‘Where do I expect to find Him?’ There is a great difference between knowing about someone and really knowing them. Jesus wants us to know Him better, love Him more deeply, and serve Him, especially in the most vulnerable and the needy.

Our reflection should lead us to want to have a greater knowledge of Jesus as our personal Savior, not just a figure written up in the gospels. My response to the question requires a new and ongoing commitment to the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus makes a promise to me, as He did to Peter. I’m glad He asked this question.

R.C.I.A.

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.) classes will begin in **September 2016** and are held on **Thursday evening from 7:00 - 8:30 PM** through **Easter of 2017**.

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**.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL

"TERESA & THERESE IN ART AND STORY"

Award-winning Artist and Author Bro. Mickey McGrath will share his paintings and the stories behind them on **Saturday, October 14, 2017 from 9:30 - 3:30pm** at The National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, 70 Carmelite Drive, Middletown, NY 10940. Brother Mickey's work celebrates the deep connections between art, beauty and religious faith. **Cost is \$3.00 pp and includes morning refreshments and lunch.** Please make your **reservation by October 2nd** by calling **Carol Bezak, Shrine Director** at **845-343-1879**.

ONGOING SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Are you interested in growing your relationship with God? Spiritual Direction sessions are offered by certified Spiritual Directors at The National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel on the third Wednesday and the last Thursday of each month. **Contact Fran Fay at franfay2@gmail.com** or **Joanne Atlas at atlasarmsd@yahoo.com** for further information or to schedule an appointment.

HEALING MASS

A monthly Healing mass is held at The National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, 70 Carmelite Drive, Middletown, NY 10940 on the last Thursday of each month at 7:00pm. The next Healing Mass will be **Thursday, August 31st at 7:00 pm**. Please call Carol Bezak, Shrine Director at 845-343-1879 for further information.

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