

Reflection

There are so many signs of unsolved anger in our world. We live in an age characterized by road rage, monetary competition, abusive language, and physical exploitation. This anger stems from our inability to forgive, to reverence the sacredness of life, and to find peace within the reign of God. If we want a more peaceful, merciful and reconciled world we must invite God to transform our everyday experiences of hurt and loss into moments of grace and redemption so that we will be ready, along with our brothers and sisters, to offer our gift at the altar.

SENIOR PRIEST RETIREMENT FUND—

Catholics throughout the Diocese of Providence have a special opportunity to make a difference in the lives of our senior priests. This weekend, September 16 and 17, our second collection will benefit the Senior Priest Retirement Fund, which is a significant source of support for priests, that provides for basic needs and medical care. Please consider your generous support of the effort that benefits those priests who have selflessly served the faithful of our parish and Diocese for years. Thank you.

+CATECHETICAL SUNDAY+

“Living As Missionary Disciples”

2017 Bishops’ Theme

Today, **Sunday, September 17th**, the parishes of our Diocese will join with the Church throughout the United States in observing Catechetical Sunday. Our deep appreciation goes out to all who are involved in parish CCD Religious Education: to those men and women who “teach as Jesus did” by sharing and spreading our Catholic faith with God’s children, teenagers and adults, with love and by Christian example following the light of Christ. All are encouraged to share in this religious ministry through prayer.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION
OF ADULTS**

What is the RCIA Process?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults dates back to the early days of Christianity in the life of the Church. It is a process of education and formation in the way of the Catholic faith.

Who is the RCIA Process for?

1. Those persons who are un-churched or un-baptized, single or in a Church marriage, adults (over 18 years of age), who wish to become part of the Roman Catholic Church.
2. Baptized non-Catholics who have shown an interest in becoming a Roman Catholic.
3. Un-churched Catholics baptized but never raised in a Catholic way of life so they have never received the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion, or Confirmation.
4. Those adults who have not practiced their faith for years and would like to begin again by being updated in the ways of the Church.

Anyone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and the RCIA process, call the Parish Office at 944-4466. **Registration will be held on Wednesday, October 25th at 6:30 pm in the Rectory Meeting Room.**

Special Collection for Victims of Hurricane Harvey:

At the request of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Bishop Tobin has requested that parishes take an emergency special collection to assist the victims of Hurricane Harvey. Our prayers and material support are urgently needed to help rebuild lives. Our parish will support this endeavor and take up a special collection in lieu of the Parish Extraordinary Expenses Collection during the **weekend of September 23 & 24**. You may use your Extraordinary Expenses Envelope for this special collection. Thank you for your support in helping those in desperate need.

GRATEFUL THANKS! To the Sponsors and the Group of the Spanish Feast of **Our Lady of Urkupina** which was held on August 19th & 20th. Their generous donation of \$2,134.00 to our church is greatly appreciated. Thank you and may God bless you!

MASSES FOR SEPTEMBER 11-17

(Every Mass is offered for the faithful, living or dead. However, the following are specifically remembered this week.)

Monday, September 18

7:30 am – Donald Baynes by wife Mary Virginia
7:00 pm – Mass in Spanish

Tuesday, September 19

7:30 am – In Thanksgiving to St. Anne
6:00 pm – Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 pm – Novena Services & Benediction

Wednesday, September 20

7:30 am – Intentions of Parishioners

Thursday, September 21—Saint Matthew

7:30 am – August & Enrica Franch

Friday, September 22

7:30 am – Mary Funaro by son

Saturday, September 23

8:00 am – Intentions of Priest Celebrant

WEEKEND MASSES

5:00 pm – Henry Pasquazzi by family

6:30 pm – Mass in Spanish

Sunday, September 24—25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am – Collective Mass

Frank & Marion Cuiccio by daughters
Frank Spadarella by mother

9:30 am – Mass in Spanish

11:30 am – Collective Mass

Salvatore Canzonieri by wife & family
Joseph Iafrate—Second Anniversary
by wife & family

Dino LoPresti by Nancy

Joseph Menna by Mr. & Mrs. Orlando
Giansanti, Jr.

Carlo Ragosta by Class of 1977

Maria Sabetta by Class of 1977

A. Peter Sperdutti

In Honor of Madonna Consolazione—

IMO of Josephine Masso—Margaret
DelSesto & Jean Lanzi

For the Sick & Homebound by Prayer
Shawl Ministry

MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF—SEPTEMBER 18-24:

Sanctuary Candle: Henry Pasquazzi by family
Joseph Scungio by wife
& family

Altar Bread & Wine: Henry Pasquazzi by family
Joseph Scungio by wife
& family

DIED IN CHRIST: Evelyn Danella

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, September 22

3:00 pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet, Chapel

Saturday September 23

10:00 am – CCD First Communion Class Only

Sunday, September 24

Second Collection: For Victims of Hurricane
Harvey

+WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT+

What Our Lord Asks is

Not Equal Gifts—But Equal Sacrifice

(logo from Increase Giving Campaign)

Weekend of September 2 & 3

Envelopes & Loose Collection: **\$3,151.00**

Second Collection: Diocesan Youth

Ministry **884.00**

Total Income **\$4,035.00**

Our sincere thanks to all those making our
Increase Giving Campaign possible.

LOOKING AHEAD!

Please participate & attend!

October 14 —Festival of Nations

October 14 —Blessing of Animals

October 25 —RCIA Registration

November 4 & 5—Annual Holiday Bazaar

November 14 —Annual Turkey Trot

November 23 —Thanksgiving Day

December 8 —Immaculate Conception—
Holy Day

December 15 —Choir Christmas Concert

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS—Everyone is
welcome to participate in the excitement on
Saturday morning, October 14th at 11:30 am in front
of the church. Animals of all sizes are invited to be
blessed in honor of St. Francis of Assisi whose
feast day is celebrated each year on October 4th.
Bring your pet or stuffed animal and join us!

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