

*Reflection*

*On September 14<sup>th</sup>, we celebrate the central symbol of Christianity, the cross, an instrument of torture and cruel death. But for us it is the instrument of salvation. Lifted up on the cross, Christ broke the power of death and sin, showed us the Father's love, and we became adopted sons and daughters of God. The cross is not just a symbol but a way of life. We each have our share in this mystery. Our willingness to embrace the cross, to give of ourselves totally, marks us as true followers of Christ.*

**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 married, adults (over 16 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 the RCIA process, please call the Parish Office at 944-4466. **Registration will be held on Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm at the Scalabrini Dukceovich Center.** A \$40 registration fee and a copy of a Baptism and First Communion certificate are required.

**CCD RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**

Registration for all children in grades 1 through 8, will be held on the following dates from  
**10:00 am - 12:00 pm**  
**in the Rectory Meeting Room:**  
**Saturday, September 14**

A copy of the child's BAPTISM CERTIFICATE MUST BE PROVIDED at this time. A \$40 registration fee is required. Classes will begin soon, however **ALL STUDENTS MUST REGISTER ON THE ABOVE DATE BEFORE BEGINNING CCD CLASSES.** For more information, please call the Parish Office at 944-4466. Thank you for your cooperation.

**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. Next weekend, September 14 and 15, the second collection will benefit the Senior Priest Retirement Fund, which is a significant source of support for senior priests, providing for basic needs and medical care. Please support the effort that benefits those priests who have selflessly served the faithful of our parish for years. Thank you.

On **Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:30 am** a **Mass of the Sacrament of the Sick and Elderly** will be offered in our Church. The Sacrament of the Sick will be administered by the priest and blessed Prayer Shawls will be available following the Mass.

**Grateful for God's Providence Capital Campaign**

All Parishioners have recently received an invitation to one of our campaign receptions that will be held next weekend in the Church Hall.

**Saturday, September 14**  
**after the 6:30 pm Mass (Spanish)**

**Sunday, September 15**  
**after the 9:30 am Mass (Spanish)**  
**after the 11:30 am Mass (English)**

Kindly RSVP by calling the Parish Office or by returning your RSVP card. Please join us! Thank you!

**MASSES FOR SEPTEMBER 9 - 15, 2019**

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

**Monday, September 9**

7:30 am - Intentions of Priest Celebrant  
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

**Tuesday, September 10**

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners  
6:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration  
7:00 pm - Novena Devotions & Benediction

**Wednesday, September 11**

7:30 am - For A Special Intention  
5:15 pm - Eucharistic Adoration – Spanish  
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

**Thursday, September 12 - the Most Holy Name of Mary**

7:30 am - Fr. Peter Gorret

**Friday, September 13**

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners  
3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet  
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

**Saturday, September 14**

8:00 am - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

**+ WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT +**

*What Our Lord Asks Is Not Equal Gifts - But Equal Sacrifice.  
(Increased Giving Campaign)*

**Weekend of August 31 & September 1, 2019**

Envelopes & Loose Collection: \$3,346.00  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: \$829.00  
Youth Ministry

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Monday, September 9**

7:00 pm - Ladies Guild Meeting

**Tuesday, September 10**

6:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration  
7:00 pm - Novena Devotions & Benediction

**Wednesday, September 11**

7:00 pm - Holy Name Society Meeting

**Friday, September 13**

3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet – Chapel

**Saturday, September 14**

10:00 am - 12:00 pm - CCD Registration Grades 1 - 8 – Rectory  
4:15 - 4:45 pm - Confessions – Church

**Sunday, September 15**

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Priests Retirement

**LORD'S DAY MASSES**

**Saturday, September 14**

**5:00 pm**  
Intentions of Parishioners

**6:30 pm** - Mass in Spanish

**Sunday, September 15**  
**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8:00 am**  
Catherine & Vincent Rotella & Cathy Barletta by family

**9:30 am** - Mass in Spanish

**11:30 am**  
Robert Joseph Carnevale by wife  
Michael Megridichian by Grace Carnevale  
Marie Iadimarco  
Maria Annina & Antonio Marinucci by Peter & Lillian  
Michele Verdecchia by family

**Sanctuary Candle:**

Benjamin Lombardi by family

**Altar Bread & Wine:**

Benjamin Lombardi by family

**+ Died in Christ +**

Paul Despres

**Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

This is the highest, all-embracing benefit that Christ has bestowed upon us. This is the revelation of the mystery, this is the emptying out of divine nature; the union of God and Man. This radiant and manifest coming of God to men most certainly needed a joyful prelude to introduce the great gift of salvation to us; the festival of the birth of the Mother of God. Today the Virgin is born, tended and formed, and prepared for her role as Mother of God, who is the universal King of the Ages.