

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, October 5, 2014



Sunday, October 5, Twenty-Seventh
Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 + Anne and Michael Lyons
8:30 Parishioners of St. John
10:00 (Sp) +Angela, Jose & Martin Delgado
11:30 + Juan Manuel Martin
1:00 (Sp) +William Rosario

Monday, October 6, Weekday

9:00 + Thomas Hickey
12:15 + Leonard Rocci

Tuesday, October 7, Our Lady of the Rosary

9:00 + Eunice Medina Chowdhry
12:15 + Fr. Edward Fagan, OAR, Brother
Peter Stewart, FSC & Brother
Joseph Murphy, FSC

7:00 (Sp.) +Rafael Francisco

Wednesday, October 8, Weekday

9:00 Intention of Joseph Stanton
12:15 + Joan Normile

Thursday, October 9, Weekday

9:00 + Brother Peter Stewart, FSC
12:15 + Betty Ravella

Friday, October 10, Weekday

9:00 + Irnande Alexis
12:15 + Mary and Patrick Heslin
7:00(Sp) + Jaime Irizarry

Saturday, October 11, Weekday

12:15 + Neil Crowley
5:00 + Terry and Margo Molloy

Sunday, October 12, Twenty-Eighth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

8:30 Parishioners of St. John
10:00 (Sp.) + Lilia Maria Soler
11:30 + John, Jean & Bobby Tramontozzi
1:00(Sp.) + Augustina Morel vda. Medina

**WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THIS WEEK'S
DONATIONS**

The Altar Candles burning in the Upper Church
for the week of October 5-11 in memory of:

**FR. MICHAEL J. KENNY, OAR and
KEVIN G. KENNY**

The Altar Candles burning in the Lower Church
for the week of October 5-11 for:

SPECIAL INTENTION

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Upper
Church for the week of October 5-11 in
memory of:

**MIROPA & JULIANA AMADO and
FIDELINA BADIA**

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Lower
Church for the week of October 5-11 for:

SPECIAL INTENTION

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK.....

Christina Zingone, Fr. Peter J. McCrann,
SMM , Maria Rivera Malucci, Lindsey
Guzman, Alice Ann O'Donohue Mason,
Noreen Liddane, Jose Garcia, Timothy
Mahoney, Stephen Eric Goldstein.

*We ask that you please notify the rectory
when to remove a name from the list.*



*We ask your prayers for all loved ones serving
our country in the Military:*

Michael Mastrangelo, U.S. Army
SFC Kenneth Medina
USAF Armando Irizarry
Capt. Dennis Andrew Fitzgerald
PFC Marc Kuboy, U.S. Army
CPL Brian E. Brosnan, USMC
Sgt. Miguel Angel Cruz
S. Sgt. Marco Rodriguez, USMC
Andrew Konstantinidis, National Guard
PFC Steven Canela, USMC

Please advise the rectory if you wish a name to
be removed from this list or to be added.

State of the Parish Report:

Some Important Numbers to Consider

In last weekend's presentation at the Masses, the following areas were highlighted:

- 1) Our parish bulletin lists the weekly parish collections for the previous month. **\$7500** is the amount needed each week for ordinary parish operating expenses.
 - 2) The average parish weekly collection for January through June is **\$5314**, almost \$2200 less than the \$7500 amount needed. When one considers that our weekend Mass attendance is 1500-1600, that amount averages to **\$3.40 per person**.
 - 3) The average weekly collection for July and August was **\$4722**, a decrease of almost \$600 a week from January-June and \$2800 less of the \$7500 needed. Furthermore there is the additional utility expense of air-conditioning during the summer months.
 - 4) Two major building repairs totaling **\$80,000** were undertaken this year:
 1. The steps leading to the lower church needed to be replaced at a cost of \$10,000.
 2. The washrooms in the lower church were renovated along with the meeting room at a cost of \$70,000.
 - 5) We all recall the harsh winter weather with its snowfalls and ice accumulations. This impacted our Mass attendance and adversely affected the collection, not to mention the major expenses incurred for snow and ice removal on our parish property along with heating the church.
 - 6) Our church and parish buildings are older structures, needing ongoing maintenance and repairs. God's house is like our own homes. Operating bills for utilities, heating, air-conditioning, maintenance, insurance, safety concerns are always increasing, just like yours.
 - 7) Consider the weekly amount that you are presently giving to support St. John's Church in light of what the amount represents (e.g. \$1.00 a day for a cup of coffee; \$2.50 for MTA fare, etc.)
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Coming This Fall

Parish Website

The development work for a new parish website is ongoing and hopefully will be launched on-line soon. We could use digital photos from any parish events and activities. If you have them and would like to send them for possible use, please send them to our parish e-mail address:

stjohnkingsbridge@yahoo.com

Parish Altar Servers

Mr. Anthony Giacona, our parish pastoral year seminarian, will begin to offer training sessions for those who wish to become parish altar servers. An important liturgical ministry that is open to younger parish members (boys, girls, adolescents who have already received First Holy Communion). Please contact Anthony if you are interested

Remember to Check the Church Bulletin Boards

Notices and flyers of local area upcoming events and activities, that are often not included in our parish bulletin due to space limitation, are posted on the church bulletin boards. You may wish to take the time to read them and perhaps something may interest you.

Parish Youth Group

Youth (Grade 8/13 years of age and older) are invited to join our parish youth that meets on Friday evenings at 7:30 pm in the meeting room of the lower church. Our weekly meetings offer fun activities along with ways to meet people, make new friends, growing in the ways of the Catholic faith as teenagers.

Blessing of Pets & Animals

Sunday October 5th @ 3:00 pm

Outside the front steps of St. John's Church's

An opportunity to recall our Biblical calling to be stewards of God's creation as we recall the life and example of St. Francis of Assisi by bringing your pets and animals to be blessed. Please secure your pets to be blessed with leashes, cages, travel cases, etc.

HIS WORD TODAY
by Rev. William J. Reilly

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“Dismiss all anxiety from your minds. Present your needs to God in every form of prayer and in petitions full of gratitude. Then God’s own peace, which is beyond all understanding, will stand guard over your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus....Live according to what you have learned and accepted, what you have heard me say and seen me do. Then will the God of peace be with you.”

Can you remember the best teacher from your school experience? What was it about him or her, that allows you to bring that person to mind? Was it their knowledge? Was it the manner of teaching? Was it the amount of work you were forced to do or the support that was offered you? Maybe it was all these things, but above all, it was teaching by example.

It was not the knowledge or information, but the power of transformation, leading you from lack of knowledge to new-found ideas and experiences. This is certainly the case with St. Paul and the Philippians. He encouraged, led by example and even wrote these words while in prison. The teacher continues to encourage his pupils to be steadfast and faithful. His words today reveal the many expressions of prayer, that is praise, gratitude and petition, as well as asking pardon.

As I seek the peace of God in my heart today I realize the need to grow in my faith, encourage others, and find support in my community, especially through prayer.

SU PALABRA HOY
por el Reverendo William J. Reilly
Vigésimo Séptimo Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario
5 de octubre de 2014

“No se angustien por nada, y en cualquier circunstancia, recurran a la oración y a la súplica, acompañadas de acción de gracias, para presentar sus peticiones a Dios. Entonces la paz de Dios, que supera todo lo que podemos pensar, tomará bajo su cuidado los corazones y los pensamientos de ustedes en Cristo Jesús... Pongan en práctica lo que han aprendido y recibido, lo que han oído y visto en mí, y el Dios de la paz estará con ustedes.”

¿Puede usted recordar al mejor maestro de su experiencia escolar? ¿Qué cualidades de esa persona lo hacen pensar en él o ella? ¿Era su conocimiento? ¿Era la manera en que enseñaba? ¿Era la cantidad de trabajo que se le forzaba a hacer o la ayuda que se le ofrecía? Quizá eran todas esas cosas, pero sobre todo, era porque se le enseñaba con el ejemplo.

No fue el conocimiento ni la información, sino el poder de transformación, guiándolo desde la falta de conocimiento a las nuevas ideas y experiencias. Este es ciertamente el caso de San Pablo y los Filipenses. Los alentó, los guió con su ejemplo y hasta les escribió estas palabras mientras estaba en prisión. El maestro continúa alentando a sus pupilos a seguir firmes y tener fe. Sus palabras hoy revelan las muchas expresiones de la oración, que son la alabanza, gratitud y petición, así como el pedir perdón.

A medida que busco la paz de Dios en mi corazón hoy, me doy cuenta de que necesito acrecentar mi fe, alentar a otros, y encontrar apoyo en mi comunidad, especialmente a través de la oración.