

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 9 & 10, 2017

Mass Intentions

Saturday

5:00 PM For Pasquale and Josephine Corsinetti
– by their family

Sunday

8:00 AM For the Parishioners of St. Brigid's

10:00 AM For Anna Vendetti-Saliola by Ernest
"Rocco" Capobianco, Niece, Louisa
and nephews Ernie & Angelo

Next Saturday

5:00 PM For George Brady by Peter and Pegg
LaTorre – Birthday Remembrance

Next Sunday

8:00 AM For Douglas D'Aguanno by his
mother, Ursula

Scheduling Masses

The *2018 Mass Scheduler is in*. Anyone wishing to schedule memorial masses on a particular date is asked to call the rectory to assure that you are able to schedule on the dates that you prefer. There are also many open dates to schedule masses for the rest of 2017 on weekends and weekdays. Please call the rectory if you wish to schedule a mass in someone's memory.

Parish Stewardship

Weekend of September 2 & 3, 2017

Budget Collection	\$2,316.00
September Monthly to Date	\$585.00
# of Budget Envelopes Used	89

Thank you to those of you who make up your weekly offertory donations when you are not able to attend Mass on a previous weekend.

Special Second Collection

Next weekend we will join all the parishes in our diocese by taking up a *special second collection* for the Senior Priest Retirement Fund. This Fund helps support the senior priests in our diocese with their health care and living stipend. Please be a generous as you can.

Religious Education News

Religious Education classes begin this Tuesday, September 12th. Grades 1 through 5 will meet from 3:30-5:15 PM and Grades 6 through 9 will meet from 6:30-7:30 PM. If you have not yet registered, please call Mrs. Cedor @ 401-946-3399.

Donations of water and nutritious light snacks for the children would be much appreciated. Please drop them off in the church hall and place them on the table in front of Mrs. Cedor's office.

Annual Parish Bazaar

Save the date - our Annual Parish Bazaar will take place this year on **November 18th** from 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM & **19th** from 8:30 - 11:30 AM.

Bazaar Committee Meeting

A Bazaar Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, September 14th at 7:00 PM in the church hall. All committee members are encouraged to attend this first and only meeting this year before the bazaar. We would love to have some new members so anyone interested is welcome!

Help Wanted 2018 20-Week Club

The 20-Week Club committee is beginning to plan next year's club. However, the committee needs new members. The more committee members the less work for each person. It does *not* entail many meetings, but a willingness to collect dues after masses on weekends. If interested, please let Fr. Bob (944-2232) or Richard Boehm (641-3048) know.

2017 Italian Festival

SAVE THE DATE: Our Annual Italian Festival will be held on *Sunday, September 24th* at **12:00 noon** in the church hall. The Festival is now in the fall to coincide with our Parish Anniversary. Tickets are now on sale in the foyer of the church before and after all masses. Tickets are \$25.00 per person, children 6-10 are \$10.00, and children 5 and under are free. For more information, please call Millie @ 401-949-0617.

Father Bob's Ramblings

On Monday of the coming week we remember that terrible Monday morning of September 11, 2001 when our country was attacked by terrorist with the planes that crashed into the twin towers in New York, the Pentagon in Washington, DC, and into a field in Pennsylvania. I'm sure that each of us can remember where we were on that awful day.

Sixteen years later, we continue to fight the resulting war on Iraq, which was begun by President George W. Bush in retaliation for the attacks. I think over and over again what our world would be liked if we had not retaliated with bombs rather than negotiations. However, we need not keep re- thinking about the past, but must move on praying and working in whatever way we can to push our government to end that war as quickly as possible.

The past two weeks have also been remarkable as we watch the pictures of the stricken people of Texas. I can hardly begin to imagine what it must be like to lose all one's possessions, including a home to the ravages of those floods. As I am writing these *Ramblings* Hurricane Irma is descending on Puerto Rico and aiming at Key West. We, here in Rhode Island, don't realize how lucky we are when the worst we get are the remnants of hurricanes or heavy snowstorms. Still we complain!

We will be having a *special second collection* on the weekend of September 23/24 to offer our aid to these entire hurricane and flood victims. Our offerings will go through the offices of the National Catholic Charities.

Thank You Message

The Rejoice in Hope Youth Center has sent the parishioners of Saint Brigid Church the following: "All those who benefit from the services of Diocesan Youth Ministry wish to thank you for your generous contributions during your recent parish collection. Your support enables the staff and volunteers to continue providing quality programming for youth. Retreats, athletics, leadership training events, social, and service opportunities will continue thanks to your donation. Thank you and God Bless You!"

2018 20-Week Club

Memberships go on sale the weekend of September 30/October 1. Prices are \$3.00 per week or \$60.00 for 20 weeks. This year's club is the same ticket price and same number of winners as last year. Two winners will be chosen every other week for 30 weeks. Weekly raffles begin on November 12th with the last drawing on March 25th. A luncheon will be held at a time and place to be announced. Paid-in-full members will receive dinner for an additional cost of \$10.00 and additional guest tickets are \$35.00.

Please consider taking out a membership and selling some to your relatives and friends. This is the main fundraiser for Saint Brigid Parish.

Flu Clinic

Once again, Saint Brigid Church is sponsoring a flu clinic on Sunday, 10/1/2017 at 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Ages invited are age 3 and up. Please be sure to have your insurance information with you. For more information, please contact Delores DiOrio at 401-943-0132.

Farm Market for Seniors

\$15.00 worth of food vouchers toward Farmers' Market fresh farm produce are available for seniors in the foyer of the church. Please see Fr. Bob to receive one.

Bakers Needed

Bakers are needed for our Annual Italian Festival. A signup sheet is on the table in the foyer of the church. One of the most noteworthy aspects of this Festival is the remarkable pastry table. Please help us once again to offer these fine deserts.

Pastry deliveries can be made on Saturday, September 23rd, prior and after the 5:00 mass as well as Sunday, September 24th, prior and after the 8:00 and 10:00 mass.

The Social Ministry would like to thank the bakers for their time and generosity that are enjoyed by all.

Meetings this Week

Monday - **Finance Council** – 7:00 PM – Hall
Wednesday – **K of C** – 7:30 PM - Hall