

**Mass Intentions
for the Week**

Saturday 4:00 PM	October 16 Costanzo Family
Sunday 9:00 AM 11:30 AM 5:00PM	October 17 Marcella Stone—Good Health Father Gerard Barry—Month's Mind Parishioners
Monday 12:10 PM	October 18 St. Luke Mass
Tuesday 12:10 PM	October 19 Nancy Donovan—Open Hearts
Wednesday 12:10 PM	October 20 Liliana Ciciotti
Thursday 12:10 PM	October 21 In memory of the Marron Family
Friday 12:10 PM	October 22 Josephine Manfra
Saturday 4:00 PM	October 23 Benny Pereira
Sunday 9:00 AM 11:30 AM 5:00PM	October 24 The Deminico Family Yolanda Coppola Parishioners

Parish Support

October 10

Offertory

\$2,764



CATHOLIC WORLD MISSIONS

Second Collection October 24

By Baptism all Catholics are called to participate in the mission of the Church and share their faith as missionaries. World Mission Sunday gathers support for the pastoral and evangelizing programs and needs of more than 1,150 mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and remote regions of Latin America. The funds gathered on Mission Sunday are distributed in the Pope's name by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, a Pontifical Mission Society. For more information please visit www.worldmissions-catholicchurch.org



"Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" - Lk 18:7-8
Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In his later life my father was a great pray-er. Though his eyesight was poor from macular degeneration, he used a variety of prayer cards and little prayer booklets on a regular basis. He found comfort in those simple expressions of faith, and he didn't hesitate to tell people he was praying for this or that or for them. (I know that he prayed that he would win the lottery, but since he couldn't go out and buy a ticket, that wasn't a frequent prayer of his.) Most of dad's prayers were for health or for the well-being of family members. And while he didn't pray unceasingly—in Wisconsin, Packers games take precedence over almost everything—he did pray often.

The Gospel talks about praying always "without becoming weary." Jesus goes on to use the example of a woman who is seeking justice from a judge who "neither feared God nor respected any human being." This dishonest judge gives in because of the woman's persistence. (I always thought it was a bit odd in a parable about prayer to place God in the position of a dishonest judge, but that's the story Jesus told!)

In our age, we like quick fulfillment. Credit helps us buy things right away. Overnight shipping ensures we get it the next day. Instant messaging keeps us in touch at the moment. And Twitter lets us know what's happening even on the go. All of this spontaneity can spill over into our spiritual lives, where we suddenly expect an instantaneous answer to our prayers. It is as though, if the prayer isn't answered tomorrow, then there is no use in bothering with it. Relationships don't really work that way. Since prayer is more about our relationship with God than about ordering from some heavenly Amazon.com, our prayer will need time to mature and grow. We keep praying without becoming weary to deepen our union with God.



**REFLECTIONS FROM
FATHER CHARLES SHEEHY**

“The grace and peace of God the Father and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.”

.The above words become our prayer for appreciation of one another and above all our prayer to seek for, share with, and be open to God’s love for ourselves.

The word “source” refers to anything from which something comes. Our desire and prayer is that for us the most blessed source is the love of God for us and our desire to share this love with others in the hope that they respond.

There may be times when we will receive little or no response save only the nearness and love of Mary and Joseph. Two others on Calvary offer their own misery, nothing more. Then there is a change.

One criminal turns to Jesus, first he defends Him as one totally innocent. Then he makes his own plea, “Remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

We may have heard the words so often. Please God some day will come when we hear them for ourselves, “Today you will be with me in Paradise.”



FAMILY LITURGY

Our first Family Liturgy of the season will be held this month. Thanks to our volunteers for planning and helping with this project to enhance our Sunday worship.



ST. LUKE MASS, OCTOBER 18, 12:10 PM

Once again we invite all Health Care workers in our area to our annual Mass in honor of St. Luke, evangelist and physician. We will celebrate our St. Luke Mass on **Monday, October 18 at 12:10 PM**. In thanksgiving for the fine work offered through these dedicated workers we ask God’s blessings on all that they do as they bring comfort to God’s people. Please know that we appreciate the wonderful work you accomplish each day right here in our own back yard!

It bears repeating

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Save the date. A Marriage Prep workshop be held here at St. Joseph’s in the Parish Hall. on

Friday, March 4, 2011, 6:00pm - 7:30pm

Saturday, March 5, 2011, 9:30am - 3:30pm

Please call the Rectory (617-523-4342), Monday - Friday 9:00am - 3:00pm to register.



**RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION NEWS**

Register your family for Religious Education!

During our last session “In the Name of . . .” everyone learned about the Sign of the Cross. The Upper Class looked at the various names of Jesus from Biblical passages. One part of the session was to name ourselves. Some suggestions were Best Church Program, Church Jr., and Henry. The group has decided that the St. Joseph Parish Religious Education Program will be now known as CKC, Cool Kids Church! Look for our special CKC Notes in the Bulletin.

If you would still like to be part of our program, please contact Pat Harris at repatharis@verizon.net or 781-535-8655.

**OUR PARISH COUNCIL PRESENTS
MINISTRY SUNDAY October 23-24**

Goal:

To increase levels of ministry and involvement which will result from more people completing time/talent commitment forms and from parishioners learning more about programs, ministries and services they can join or utilize. This will also help people deepen their relationship with God and with each other – thus furthering God’s kingdom.

Purpose:

- To celebrate the life of the parish – its mission, ministries, diversity and character.
- To inform parishioners of the different liturgical ministries available.
- To spur interest in making a commitment.
- To organize the ministries/programs in order to help develop a greater sense of their mission and increase their effectiveness.

On October 23-24 we will have tables at the back of the church to invite you to answer the Lord’s call to minister in our church. Please think about volunteering for one of our ministries: Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Server, or Usher. We would love to have you join us. Please do keep Ministry Sunday in mind.