

July 15, 2018 The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 14

5:00 p.m. **Birthday Blessings for Keira Hedges**
By Grammy Rupell

Sunday, July 15

8:00 a.m. **+Louise and George Wyker**
By The Wyker Family

10:30 a.m. **Birthday Blessings for Andy Ryan, II**

Monday, July 16

8:45 a.m. **In Honor of the Madonna of Health**
By Angela Gross

Tuesday, July 17

8:45 a.m. **+Mary Leonardis**
By The Saam Family

Wednesday, July 18

8:45 a.m. **+Charles Mallon**
By Barbara Mallon

Thursday, July 19 NO MASS

Friday, July 20

8:45 a.m. **+Charles Mallon**
By Barbara Mallon

Saturday, July 21

8:45 a.m. **+Joseph C. Tran**
By Nancy and Charlie Guerriere

5:00 p.m. **Parishioners of Saint Theodore Church**

Sunday, July 22

8:00 a.m. **+Henryk Kuruc**
By Anna Kuruc

10:30 a.m. **+Dolores Baruka**
By Joanne and Ray Malejko

(December 14) credited Mary with saving him from drowning as a child, leading him to Carmel and helping him escape from prison. St. Theresa of the Child Jesus (October 1) believed that Mary cured her from illness. On her First Communion, she dedicated her life to Mary. During the last days of her life she frequently spoke of Mary.

There is a tradition (which may not be historical) that Mary appeared to St. Simon Stock, a leader of the Carmelites, and gave him a scapular, telling him to promote devotion to it. The scapular is a modified version of Mary's own garment. It symbolizes her special protection and calls the wearers to consecrate themselves to her in a special way. The scapular reminds us of the gospel call to prayer and penance—a call that Mary models in a splendid way.

The Carmelites were known from early on as "Brothers of Our Lady of Mount Carmel." The title suggests that they saw Mary not only as "mother," but also as "sister." The word "sister" is a reminder that Mary is very close to us. She is the daughter of God and therefore can help us be authentic daughters and sons of God. She also can help us grow in appreciation of being sisters and brothers to one another. She leads us to a new realization that all human beings belong to the family of God. When such a conviction grows, there is hope that the human race can find its way to peace.

Quote: "The various forms of piety toward the Mother of God, which the Church has approved within the limits of sound and orthodox doctrine, according to the dispositions and understanding of the faithful, ensure that while the mother is honored, the Son through whom all things have their being (cf. Colossians 1:15–16) and in whom it has pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell (cf. Colossians 1:19) is rightly known, loved and glorified and his commandments are observed" (Vatican II, *Dogmatic Constitution on the Church*, 66).

July 16 Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel



Hermits lived on Mount Carmel near the Fountain of Elijah (northern Israel) in the 12th century. They had a chapel dedicated to Our Lady. By the 13th century they became known as "Brothers of Our Lady of Mount Carmel." They soon celebrated a

special Mass and Office in honor of Mary. In 1726 it became a celebration of the universal Church under the title of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. For centuries the Carmelites have seen themselves as specially related to Mary. Their great saints and theologians have promoted devotion to her and often championed the mystery of her Immaculate Conception. St. Teresa of Avila (October 15) called Carmel "the Order of the Virgin." St. John of the Cross

WALKING PILGRIMAGE

Sts. Peter & Paul Church, Great Meadows, NJ will host a spiritual 4-day Walking Pilgrimage on August 9th – 12th, starting at their church to Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine in Doylestown, PA. Walkers range from infants to people well into



their 70's. You may join their spiritual trip any day of the journey and for as many days as you wish.

More information can be found on www.walkingpilgrimage.us, or call 908-637-4269. Register on-line before July 31 for a discount.

St. Theodore Parishioners: The pilgrim priests, brothers, and nuns will be stopping by our church again this year for lunch. Again, we are counting on your generous donations of water, fruit, cookies, cakes, snacks, etc.

They will be here on August 9 before 12 noon. Supplies can be dropped off at the Narthex or Parish Office.



“What You Wear to Mass”

God always is looking at the heart, rather than the exterior. However, what we wear to worship our holy, pure God may be an indication of where our hearts are. If you have never considered it before, ask

yourself, "Does it matter how I look when I am going to worship the King of Kings, the Lord of Lords and receive the Body and Blood of Christ? Keep in mind that having a proper attitude towards God Himself is important preparation for worship at church. Although we need less clothing during the summer months, the type of clothing should be respectful and modest.

Women and teen girls *should never wear shorts, halter tops, strapless tops* to church. These are not acceptable clothing for church.

Our Sunday Offering

July 1: \$2,269 July 8: \$2,371.

REIGIOUS EDUCATION

It is time to register your child!

What is needed for Registration?

- Registration form completed for each child (one form per child)
- Your check is to be made out to St. Theodore Church.
- Payment -Anyone experiencing financial difficulties should still register & contact Fr. Damian.

What is the tuition cost?

\$120 for one child; \$200 for two, \$240 for three or more children.

Sacraments Fee Additional \$50 (Grades 2 & 8)

For more information and to download forms go to <http://sttheodorenj.com> or call 908-689-8318, ext 2.

Your child's faith ultimately depends on the sharing of your faith with them by going to Mass on Sundays and living Christian values at home. It is through your efforts and example, more than anything else, that your children will come to know Jesus and grow in their faith. For more information and forms go to www.sttheodorenj.com.



Stephen, Bridget M., Savannah Paine, Bobby Gross, Keira Hedges, Peter, Zachary, Logan Peter Saksa, Anna Saksa, Lauren Lane, Jay Mildrum, Philip Kinney, Peter S., Mary Supple, Mary Rupell, Susan Reynolds, Maryanne C., Robert Dicheck, Christian, Tara, Zoe, Teagan, Eric Harding, Kathy & Bob Y., Irma Marquart, Dolores Staiano, Gerard Schnaars, Glenda L., The Rasimowicz Family, Michael Dante, Joseph Boyle, Tony Santos, Tina Delrosso, Gaspar Scozzati, Eleanor D., Tom and Jean C.