

September 23, 2018 The Twentieth-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 22

5 p.m. + **Dorothy Mitchell**
By Nancy and Charlie Guerriere

Sunday, September 23

8:00 a.m. + **Joe Rogers, Sr.**
By Jim and Eileen Mattison

10:30 a.m. + **Erna and Josef Marquart**
By Irma Marquart

Monday, September 24

8:45 a.m. **Saint Theodore Parishioners**

Tuesday, September 25

8:45 a.m. **Intentions of Saint Philomena**
By Mary Kovacs

Wednesday, September 26

8:45 a.m. + **Virginia Borello**
By Ginny, Tim and Children

Thursday, September 27 **NO MASS**

Friday, September 28

8:45 a.m. **Blessings for Salvatore Annunziato**
By Mary Kovacs

Saturday, September 29

5 p.m. + **Jean Raube**
By Jim and Eileen Mattison

Sunday, September 30

8:00 a.m. + **Ruth Capaldo**
By The Capaldo Family

10:30 a.m. **Saint Theodore Parishioners**

Gabriel also makes an appearance in Daniel's visions, announcing Michael's role in God's plan. His best-known appearance is an encounter with a young Jewish girl named Mary, who consents to bear the Messiah.

Raphael's activity is confined to the Old Testament story of Tobit. There he appears to guide Tobit's son Tobiah through a series of fantastic adventures which lead to a threefold happy ending: Tobiah's marriage to Sarah, the healing of Tobit's blindness, and the restoration of the family fortune.

The memorials of Gabriel and Raphael were added to the Roman calendar in 1921. The 1970 revision of the calendar joined their individual feasts to Michael's.

Each of the archangels performs a different mission in Scripture: Michael protects; Gabriel announces; Raphael guides. Earlier belief that inexplicable events were due to the actions of spiritual beings has given way to a scientific world-view and a different sense of cause and effect. Yet believers still experience God's protection, communication, and guidance in ways which defy description. We cannot dismiss angels too lightly.

Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael are the Patron Saints of Germany

Grocers, Police Officers, Radiologists

Saint Gabriel is the Patron Saint of Broadcasters.

Saint Raphael is the Patron Saint of the Blind.

The Feast of the Archangels is September 29.

Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael's Story



Angels—messengers from God—appear frequently in Scripture, but only Michael, Gabriel and Raphael are named.

Michael appears in Daniel's vision as "the great prince" who defends Israel against its enemies; in the *Book of Revelation*, he leads God's armies to final victory over the forces of evil. Devotion to Michael is the oldest angelic devotion, rising in the East in the fourth century. The Church in the West began to observe a feast honoring Michael and the angels in the fifth century.

Dear Parishioners, You are encouraged to join me every Friday after the morning Mass, to pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, and on the First Friday pray the chaplet in front of the Blessed Sacrament. To follow Bishop James's invitation, we will dedicate these prayers for the healing of the victims of clergy sexual abuse and for strength, courage and perseverance of the Church of Metuchen.

—Father Damian



Wine, Beer & Cheese Fundraiser

First off, we need volunteers to help us. Please, lend us a hand with this very important fundraiser. Please give Stanley and Dorothy Wantrobski a call if you will step up to assist (908-642-5587) or let Fr. Damian know. An announcement on the date of the next meeting will be announced after the weekend Masses. **The Wine Beer and Cheese Tasting event will take place in our Parish Center on October 13 at 7 p.m.** Hope you come to the event and support the church. Thank you. –Fr Damian.

TRICKY TRAY FUNDRAISER

This year I am are trying to get a head start on the Tricky Tray fundraiser. It is my hope that every family, if they are able financially, will donate a theme basket with a value of at least \$25. I understand some families struggle with money and can't make a basket. So if you can't, please keep our project in your prayers.

We will be start by giving suggestions that may help you get started on a basket. Of course, you are very welcome to do a theme basket of your own idea.



Always good sellers are baskets of gift cards/gift certificates such as, grocery, restaurant, gas, department store, etc; Other ideas that may be of interest to you are Coffee Night, Barbie, Books

for Kids, Pasta Night, Tea for Two, Chocolate Lovers, Kids Crafts, Cookie Fun, Christmas, Girl Toys, Boy Toys, Kitchen Gadgets, Games, Candles, Baby Girl, Baby Boy. These and other suggestions will be posted on tags in the Narthex very soon for you to take (don't forget to sign the basket list on the table when you take a suggestion tag).

Lastly, if you know of any business that would be willing to contribute merchandise, etc. please do ask them. You can obtain a letter from me to give to them, which states our cause. I thank you in advance for your anticipated participation in this fundraiser. –Father Damian

Our Offering

September 2: \$2,662

September 9: \$2,434.85

September 16: \$1,813.

Please Pray for:

Stephen, Bridget M., Savannah Paine, Bobby Gross, Keira Hedges, Peter, Zachary, Logan Peter Saksa, Anna Saksa, Lauren Lane, Jay Mildrum, Peter S., 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., Helene Picht.

Church Calendar

9/22 & 23: Assessment Fund Collection
9/22 & 23: Kerala, India Special Collection
9/29 & 30: Salvatorian Missions Collection
10/1, 6:15: All Rel. Ed. Grades at school
10/2, 6:30: Tricky Tray Meeting
10/3, 7 p.m.: Altar Rosary Society Meeting
10/7, 10:30: 8th Grade Mass
10/7: Respect Life Sunday
10/8: No Rel. Ed. Classes
10/8: Parish Office closed
10/9 & 11: No Mass (only Communion Service)
10/13 & 14: World Mission Sunday Collection
10/13, 7 p.m.: Wine & Beer Tasting Event
10/14, 10:30: 7th Grade Mass
10/14, 9 & 11am: Hospitality Sunday
10/15, 6:15: 8th Grade Parents meet w/
Fr. Damian at the school
10/15, 6:15: All Rel. Ed. Grades at school
10/21, 10:30: 6th Grade Mass
10-/22, 6:15: All Rel. Ed. Grades at school
10/27: Giving Tree begins
10/28, 10:30: 5th Grade Mass
10/29, 6:15: All Rel. Ed. Grades at school
11/1, 6:30: ALL students & parents at Mass
For All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation)
