

September 30, 2018 The Twentieth-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

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**

Monday, October 1 Saint Therese

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

Tuesday, October 2 The Holy Guardian Angels

8:45 a.m. + **George Reynolds**
By Susan Reynolds

Wednesday, October 3

8:45 a.m. + **Charlotte Klein**
By Sam and Marietta Tridente

Thursday, October 4 NO MASS

First Friday, October 5 Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos

8:45 a.m. + **Michael Doonan**
By Rich and Maryjane Petteruti

First Saturday, October 6

8:45 a.m. + **Theresa Rebinski**
By Henry Rebinski

5 p.m. + **Marion and Roy Mattison**
By Jim and Eileen Mattison

Sunday, October 7

8:00 a.m. **Saint Theodore Parishioners**
10:30 a.m. **Altar Rosary Society**



The mission of the Guardian Angels is, as Saint Paul tells us, to serve the future heirs of salvation. Every kingdom, country, diocese, church and religious order has its protecting Guardian Angel. So has every

person. Each bishop of the Catholic Church has two Guardian Angels. Our Guardian Angel is given us at the moment of our birth, stays with us all through life, comforts us in Purgatory, and escorts us, if we are saved, into Heaven. There is a special angel in each church to record all distractions and irreverences that occur there. The greatest joy any of us can give our Guardian Angel is to receive Holy Communion and make our breast a tabernacle of the Eternal God before Whom this angel can adore. Many of the saints saw their Guardian Angels. Saint Rose of Lima did,

and so did Saint Gemma Galgani. And so did Saint Frances of Rome, Saint Margaret of Cortona and Saint Bridget of Sweden. A great Pope, Saint Gregory the Great, was tenderly devoted to his Guardian Angel. Saint Catherine of Siena saw her Guardian Angel. Saint Francis de Sales had, as one of his special devotions, reverence for the Holy Angels who have charge of the care of the tabernacle in every Catholic Church.

There are nine choirs of angels, and three hierarchies. These choirs and hierarchies are: first hierarchy, Angels, Archangels and Principalities; second hierarchy, Powers, Virtues and Dominions; third hierarchy, Thrones, Cherubim and Seraphim. This is in the order of ascent. It is from the first hierarchy — Angels, Archangels and Principalities — that guardians are chosen by God for man. Angels are for individuals. Archangels are for parishes, churches and religious communities. And Principalities are for provinces, countries and nations. Saint Augustine says, “Go where we will, our angels are always with us.” Saint Jerome says, “So sublime is the dignity of the human soul that from its birth there is appointed to each one a Guardian Angel.” And Saint Bernard says, “Make the holy angels your friends. No matter how weak we may be, or lowly our condition, or how great the dangers which surround us, we have nothing to fear under the protection of these guardians.” In every difficulty, danger and temptation, Saint Bernard urges us to invoke our Guardian Angel.

*Angel of God, My guardian dear
To Whom His love, Commits me here
Ever this day, Be at my side
To light and guard, To rule and guide. Amen*

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

Our Offering

9/2: \$2,662; 9/9: \$2,434.85

9/16: \$1,813; 9/23: \$2,638.78

9/23:Kerala: \$277; Assesment \$794.25

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 Wantroski a call if you will step up to assist (908-642-5587) or let Fr. Damian know.

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



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.



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)**