St. Justin the Martyr Roman Catholic Church 975 Fischer Boulevard, Toms River, NJ 08753 SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2020 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Prayer for Charity in Truth

Father, your truth is made known in your Word. Guide us to seek the truth of the human person. Teach us the way to love because you are Love.

Jesus, you embody Love and Truth. Help us to recognize your face in the poor. Enable us to live out our vocation to bring love and justice to your people.

Holy Spirit, you inspire us to transform our world. Empower us to seek the common good for all persons. Give us a spirit of solidarity and make us one human family

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

This prayer is based on Pope Benedict XVI's 2009 encyclical, Caritas in Veritate (Charity in Truth)

http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/prayers/prayer-for-charity-in-truth.cfm

Pastor: Reverend Mark A. Kreder Deacons: James Campbell; James Gillespie Frederick C. Ebenau, Sr.; Pastoral Associate: Deacon James Gillespie Religious Education: Ellen Noble Trustees: Jean Glynn, William Anderson Director of Sacred Music: Angela Petti Sacristan: Carol Lewandowski PARISH OFFICE HOURS: (Offices Temporarily Closed, please leave message) Monday ~ Thursday 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon and 1:15 PM to 4:00 PM; Friday 9:00AM-12:00 Noon REGISTRATION: All are welcome! Sponsorship letters for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony will only be issued to registered parishioners. Please contact the Parish Office to register and please also notify the Parish Office of a change of address or if you plan to move from the parish so that we may keep our records updated



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, July 19 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (8:00am; 10:00am; 12Noon) Frank & Mary Alloca Ann Esposito Deacon Richard Hauenstein John Bergin Joseph Kloss Nicholas Torre Frank Laudino, Jr. Vincent Amatucci

MONDAY, July 20 Weekday; St. Apolinaris, Bishop & Martyr 8:00am Zelal Lucia Gunduz (living) John Bergin

TUESDAY, July 21. Weekday; St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest & Doctor of the Church 8:00am Kathleen Anello Ben Jose Dionisio

WEDNESDAY, July 22

St. Mary Magdalene 8:00am Deacon Richard Hauenstein Joseph A. Lee

THURSDAY, July 23 Weekday; St. Bridget Religious 8:00am Stella & Konstanty Zasowski Louis Varga

SATURDAY, July 24 St. James, Apostle

5:00pm People of the Parish Joseph & Margaret Sauchelli Eugene Doyle

SUNDAY, July 26 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (8:00am; 10:00am; 12Noon) Francesco Bruno Anthony & Lillian DeCostanza Concetta Martorano Louis Varga Pronti Family Christina Johnson Laura May James A. Torella

FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK



Extraordinary Stories for Children The film features eleven different stories that introduce

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The Altar Bread, which will become the Body of Christ at the Masses celebrated during the week

and

The Sanctuary Candle

which burns near the Tabernacle in Church, the reminder of the Lord's Presence in the Most Holy Eucharist, is offered in Loving Memory of

Zulma & Carmelo País

requested by the Petti & Pais Families

ST. VINCENT dePAUL SOCIETY for any assistance/questions please call:732-929-1119 We are not accepting Food Donations at this time. Please see full notice on page four of this bulletin.

PARISH OFFICE: 732-270-3980 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: 732-270-3797 (Offices are temporarily closed until further notice) PARISH WEBSITE: www.stjustin.org

MASS SCHEDULE: (See Directives on parish website) WEEKEND: Saturday Evening Vigil: 5:00PM Sunday: 8:00AM; 10:00AM; 12Noon WEEKDAY: Monday-Thursday:8:00AM Holy Days: Announced

BAPTISM: Parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session. Godparents/Sponsors are invited and strongly encouraged to attend. Please call the Parish Office as early as possible to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Saturdays: 3:30pm –*READ NEW DIRECTIVES FOR PROCEDURE BEFORE YOU COME*: <u>www.stjustin.org</u>

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? Adult R.C.I.A. program: Contact Parish Office Children R.C.I.A. program: Contact Religious Ed.

MARRIAGE: The Sacrament of Marriage requires a time of spiritual preparation. According to the Common Policy adopted by the Bishops of New Jersey, this preparation requires attendance at a marriage preparation program (Pre-Cana) as well as sessions with the parish deacon or priest. Therefore, couples should make arrangements at the Parish Office one year before the planned wedding date and before finalizing any social plans.

MISSION STATEMENT: The goal of Saint Justin the Martyr Parish is that each member grow in the Grace through Jesus Christ, and in so doing cooperate with the Holy Spirit in giving glory to God, in experiencing the salvation of their soul, and in building up the Body of Christ.





From the Pastor 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time - A July 19, 2020

IS JULIUS CAESAR <u>REALLY A SAINT</u>? Yes, he is ... if we mean the man born on July 22, 1559, and whose devout Catholic parents, who lived in Brindisi, Italy, named him Julius Caesar Russo.

When he became a Capuchin Franciscan Priest in 1582, he was given the name *Lawrence*. On July 22, 1619, exactly 60 years after his birth, he died in Lisbon, Portugal. He was beatified in 1783 by Pope Pius VI, canonized in 1881 by Pope Leo XIII, and declared a *Doctor of the Church by Pope Saint John XXIII in 1959*. Why did this learned Priest become so important so many years after his death? We'll explain after you pray the Collect for the Mass offered on *Saint Lawrence of Brindisi's Feast Day, July 21,* which is one day before his birth/death date. [For centuries, on what would be his Feast Day, July 22, Catholics, Orthodox, Anglicans, Lutherans and others have honored Saint Mary Magdalene.]

Collect - Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest & Doctor O God, who for the glory of your name and the salvation of souls bestowed on the Priest Saint Lawrence of Brindisi a spirit of counsel and fortitude, grant, we pray, that in the same spirit, we may know what must be done and, through his intercession, bring it to completion. Through our Lord Jesus ... for ever and ever. Amen.

COUNSEL & FORTITUDE.' This Collect cites two of the *Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit* with which God endowed Saint Lawrence of Brindisi: wisdom, understanding, COUNSEL, FORTITUDE, knowledge, piety, and the fear of the Lord. These two Gifts came in guite handy, given the crazy times in which *Father Lawrence* served Jesus and His Church. The Gift of Counsel enables us to prudently respond to any challenge with God's help as *Jesus* promised: "... do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say. You will be given at that moment what you are to say. [Matthew 10:19] The Gift of Fortitude enables us to go beyond the basic requirements of being a Christian and to excel in being another Christ. Why did Saint Lawrence so need these Gifts?

<u>A BRILLIANT, COMPASSIONATE PRIEST</u>. The world in which Saint Lawrence labored was a mess: Crusaders combatted the Turks' quest to impose radical Islam on Eastern Europe; in central Europe, Protestant Reformers steered the mostly

illiterate populace away from Catholicism; and the clergy was often poorly educated and selfindulgent. In 1601, *Saint Lawrence*, often depicted in a battle scene, was made a military chaplain; armed with only a crucifix, he rallied the men to victory - but his greatest victory came through the words he spoke to friend and enemy!

<u>GOD ALWAYS PROVIDES</u>. As salvation history shows, in every age, God prepares or pre-gifts those He then calls to face the challenges of their time. While we are free to accept or reject His call, to develop or ignore His gracious gifts, those like *Saint Lawrence* changed the world by their humble obedience to God. A gifted linguist, he was fluent in Bohemian, French, German and Spanish; he also knew the Bible [some say <u>by</u> <u>heart!</u>] in its <u>original</u> languages, as he was also articulate in Greek, Hebrew and Latin besides his native Italian. This enabled him to easily dialogue with a wide variety of people in many nations and to help differing sides discover and focus on their common grounds.

Being easily able to quote bible passages, *Saint Lawrence* <u>respectfully</u> took on Protestant Reformers, winning back many fallen away Catholics. He also knew the Old Testament so well that some rabbis assumed he had converted from Judaism, and his politeness to them - a rarity in his very anti -Semitic days - led to his baptizing some of them. But why did *Pope Saint John XXIII* declare him a *Doctor of the Church*?

Between the date he announced plans to call an *Ecumenical Council:* January 25, 1959, and the date of the first session of *Vatican II:* October 11, 1962, *Pope Saint John XXIII* sought help from on high. So on March 19, 1959, he made *Saint Lawrence of Brindisi* <u>THE</u> role model to follow in reaching out to our 'separated brethren' who, by Baptism, are also members of Christ's Body, the Church, to Jews, to Muslims, to all people of good will. In our shattered world, we still need his help! *Saint Lawrence of Brindisi pray for us.*

In Christ,

Father mark

Jo everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under heaven

Ecclesiastes 3:11 "...a time to be born..." "...a time to love..."

..."and a time to be born to <u>fternal</u> <u>fife</u>..." Bishop Edward Kmiec, Hedwig Ives, Ursula Oleksy, William Candito, Joseph Franceschini

Jhose who have died in the Service of our Country. "...and a time for peace in all the world..."

pray for our servicemen and women at home and abroad,

Cody Fisher, Jason Howie, Daniel Robert Costello, Mark Caruso, Rick DiSanti, A.J. Elbert, Ryan Buckley, Eric P. Fenske, Louis Graffeo, Michael Griffing, Alexandria Del'Romero Hughes, Audrey Hughes, Antoni Jedra, Charles Jones, Ian Krong, Walter Reed, Tyler Brandon Sansone, Trevor Smida, Christopher Sylvester, Nick Roma, Nick Panzara, Greg Hermack, John DiMicelli, John M. Budenas, Robert Tront,

Joey Colosimo, Michael Anthony DeAnni, Kieran Murphy, Colin Berrios, Kevin Kreder, Christopher Wright, Jordan Thomas And for our President and elected feaders of our Country.

Please pray for a full recovery for Father Jack Bogacz's brother Dan who was in a serious accident.

Readings for the Week of July 19, 2020

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mt 12:38-42 Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8; Mt 12:46-50 Wednesday: Sgs 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18 Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11; Mt 13:10-17 Friday: Jer 3:14-17; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Mt 13:18-23 Saturday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Mt 20:20-28 Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46



Notice from our **St. Vincent DePaul Society: Food Donations CAN NOT BE ACCEPTED** at this time of any kind until the government lifts all bans and clears the state of restrictions from the virus but if you

would like to help, monetary donations would be greatly appreciated, and can be dropped off in the poor box located in the narthex just before the doors to the church. *Please contact the St. Vincent de***Paul** *Society for any questions:732-929-1119 Thank you and God bless.*

Please Read the New Guidelines for the Sacrament of Reconciliation before you come! Available on our <u>website: www.stjustin.org.</u>



REGISTRATION 2020-21 DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAM

As most are aware, due to the uncertainty of the fall and winter season, we will be having a distance learning program this year using e-Books. Registration forms for all grades are being mailed. We ask that you return the completed forms immediately via the mail or you may drop the form(s) off at the parish office. Due to Covid-19, we ask that the forms be completed in full if you decide to drop them off to the parish office, as there is no access into the building, and everyone is required to wear a mask. We thank you for your cooperation during this difficult time.

PRACTICE FOR THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST

Families who have signed up for the reception of the sacrament in August will be notified of the date and time for the practice in the Parish Hall. Please note that we ask only one parent/guardian to attend with the child and everyone must wear a mask. At this time we are no longer taking additional students to receive the sacrament in August as we have reached our capacity; your response was wonderful. Please do not be concerned if you did not sign up for the August dates for this sacrament as your child will receive the sacrament in the fall.



Collections are vital to our existence as a Parish. If your circumstances permit, please consider donating to the parish at this time. *Donations can be mailed to the church: St. Justin the Martyr, 975 Fischer Blvd. Toms River, NJ 08753.

*<u>There are also collection hoppers located in the</u> <u>parish hall when you enter or exit for Mass</u>.

*Also, consider making your **online offertory** for our parish thru the Diocese, that has now created a "Pass the Basket" Emergency Fund."

If you wish to make your weekly donation to our parish thru this method, please visit our parish website: <u>www.stjustin.org</u>, Under the <u>News/Events</u> tab, select the <u>On-Line Giving</u> tab. When the Diocese page opens, scroll down to the "Pass the Basket" option, select St. Justin the Martyr Parish. You will receive a confirming email from the Diocese for your contribution.

These are challenging times for all of us. This crisis has hit many of us hard and our parish is no different. I am most grateful to all who have continued to mail in their weekly offerings, or donated on line, so we can pay all bills on time. Father Mark 514 page 4