

PASSION, POSSIBILITY AND PRESENCE

*It is not the answers that show us the way
but the questions.*

Rainer Maria Rilke

***“A sower went out to sow seed . . .
some fell on rich soil and provided fruit . . .
whoever has ears, hears.”*** *Matthew 13*

Questions?

As a child, I asked somewhat endlessly: “Why?” “How long?” “Where?” “What?” Now, I find myself, along with you, asking new questions especially around the future of religious life.

My questions focus on: passion, possibility, and presence. Do I live my life passionately? Responding to God’s call, I was filled with excitement, eagerness, passion – passion conquering fear of the unknown, carrying me across the threshold. Throughout my journey this passion has sometimes waned and also had moments of deepening. Where is my passion now? Could our passion guide us into the future?

Possibilities call me to reflect on Jesus’ experiences of living possibilities and how all life changed forever because of it. What would life be like if I lived in possibility?

How do I experience God’s presence and what is my response? Living God’s presence in the questions, we will know the way. Jesus promised that beyond the metaphors, God will tell us in plain words.

*Pat Rayburn, OSF
Redwood City, California
At the Edge of Tomorrow, LCWR*

**BISHOP SERRATELLI IS CELEBRATING THE
10 AM MASS AT ST. PHILIP THIS WEEKEND.
ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.**

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS TO THE HOMEBOUND

If you bring communion to the homebound, please contact Barbara Salzer at 973-779-6200 or bsalzer@stphilip.org with the name of the person.

FR. KEVIN’S TRIP TO IRELAND

There will be an informational meeting for those who will be going on Fr. Kevin’s Trip to Ireland in August on **Monday, July 17th at 7:00 PM** in the Russo Room.

CARNIVAL NEWS



The Carnival Committee wishes to thank all workers and parishioners who helped at the 38th Annual Carnival.

There will be a **Carnival Appreciation Night on Monday, July 17th at 7:00 PM** in Marian Hall. Carnival results will be reviewed followed by refreshments.

MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT & MINISTRY

“Blessed are those who mourn for they will be comforted.”

- **The Monday Night Widow/Widowers Group:**
A social group for widows and widowers. Next meeting: **August 14th** in Cerullo Hall at 6:30 PM.
- **Spouse Bereavement Group:**
A support group for people grieving the death of their spouse. Next meetings: **TUESDAY, JULY 27th, August 8th and 22nd** at 7:00 PM in the **RUSSO ROOM**. For information contact Dr. Rachel Rengifo at 201-500-2068.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Registration is now open. There are three ways to register:

- Online by going to the parish website www.stphilip.org. The Religious Education section is at the bottom of the page. Payment is required at the time you register.
- Download the forms and mail them to the Molloy Center with your payment.
- In person at the Molloy Center **by calling for an appointment** at (973) 779-1439.

Call Debra Sirvidio at (973) 779-1439 with any questions. Please leave a message if there is no answer. Ms. Sirvidio can be emailed at dsirvidio@st.philip.org.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
PILGRIMAGE
WASHINGTON, DC**



OCTOBER 21, 2017

The Spiritual journey includes:

- Holy Mass with Bishop Serratelli
Confessions, Rosary, Devotional Time
- Divine Mercy
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

To sign up contact Carol Mahoney at 973-986-2869

October 20-21, 2017

Two Day Spiritual Journey Includes:

- Round-Trip Bus Transportation
- Donation to Shrine in Baltimore
- Daily Mass
- Banquet Dinner
Friday Night with Bishop Serratelli
- Breakfast Buffet
- All taxes/Gratuities
- Hotel Accommodations
The Weston Tysons Corner Hotel
Falls Church, Virginia
- \$335 Single Occupancy
\$259 Double Occupancy/p.p.

For information or brochure on this 2-day trip contact the
Diocesan Pilgrimage Office at 973-728-8162 or
secretary@olgnj.org

PRAY FOR

THE NEWLY MARRIED:

Bryan Stephen Stepneski and Alyssa Marie Trommelen

THE RECENTLY BAPTIZED:

Noah Walter Contaldi, child of Walter and Beth
Alice Judith Kieffer, child of Thomas and Laura
Emerson Olivia Poole, child of Brett and Christina
Thayla Leal Serio, child of John and Claudine
Logan Angel Taborda, child of Jeffry and Nadia
Devin John Jagers, child of Christopher and Katherine

THE SICK:

Joan Hughes, Silvia Berardo, Lara Buell, Ryan G. Micale, Jayce Mazza, Patsy Sinisi, Margaret Sikora, Steve Kuchta, Sister Beverly Aiazzone, Linda Brady, Gus Perez, Joseph Villano, Marie Nattvo, Jennie Marto, Antoinette Van Setters, Alexander Bancey, Josephine Pipitone, Zigrid Roman, Derrick Medeiros, Maria Ligato, Philip Kutzenko, Evelyn Wescott, Ana Cabezas, Annette Wanamaker, Daniel Marty, Jim Lacava, Virginia Mascolo, Christine Carpenter, Robert Wagner, Mildred Nerone, Stephen Blayney, Eugene & Lorraine DeBellis, Bruno Marino, Bob Rose, Jack Steffans, Barbara Ferry, Roger Rossnagel, Fred Van Duyne, Theresa Buhler, Karen Ambrose, Dave Miller, Gary Diekmann, Maya Hilario, John Pepe

THE DECEASED:

Charles Jude Scancarello, Patricia Hopper, Roy Hibberd, Danny Listmeir

PARISH GIVING

TOTAL SUNDAY COLLECTION: JULY 10, 2016	\$15,554.00
JULY 9, 2017	
Envelopes	\$13,126.50
Cash	\$ 1,162.00
Online Giving Donations	\$ 4,380.50
Total	\$18,699.00
Second Collection: Project Faith	\$ 2,413.00

PRIESTS' SCHEDULE: JULY 22/23, 2017

5:30 PM	Fr. Matt	10:00 AM	Fr. Julio
8:00 AM	Fr. Matt	12:00 Noon	Fr. Kevin

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2017

8:00	All the People of the Parish
10:00	Donald Muller Pat Guerra – 1 st Anniversary
12:00	Sr. Elizabeth Cahill

MONDAY, JULY 17, 2017

9:00 Malcom Hall

TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2017

9:00 Margaret Shannon

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2017

9:00 Frederic Cheon

THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2017

9:00 Ann Holly

FRIDAY, JULY 21, 2017

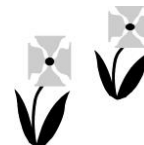
9:00 Robert Paccioretti

SATURDAY, JULY 22, 2017

9:00	Anna May Wozny
5:30	Ceil Hopper – 2 nd Anniversary Mildred Capaccio Frank & Stella Vitale

SUNDAY, JULY 23, 2017

8:00	Angelica Sanchez
10:00	Rosa Ruberto Jozef Pawlik Special Intention: Thanksgiving
12:00	All the People of the Parish



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Gospel Today

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Matthew 13:1-23

Jesus tells the people parables, or stories, that illustrate a moral lesson. The Story of the Seeds is about how people receive the Word of God.

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Where the seeds fall...

Count all the flowers on this page that grew from seeds - how many can you find?



Stony Path - Birds eat seeds

The Word, like the seed, is now gone. With no Word, people do not listen.

Edge of Garden - Seeds fall between stones, sprout but don't take root

A sprouted seed is there for a moment but can't survive without roots. If The Word doesn't take root, it's not alive long enough for people to understand.

Between the Weeds - Seeds fall and sprout, but are choked out by the weeds

The seeds and Word sprout, take root, and grow for a short time. The people hear The Word, and understand, but worldly things prevent continued growth.

Healthy Soil - Seeds sprout, take root and grow well

The Word, like a healthy plant, grows beautifully. People listen, understand, and thrive on **The Word of God!**

If you were a seed, where would you fall?

Do you listen? Understand? Thrive on the Word of God?

Plant some seeds in good soil in pots or the garden. Watch how with patience, proper care and love, the seeds sprout and grow!