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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 5, 2021



CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday Evening 5:30 PM
Sunday.....8:00 AM, 10:00 AM (Broadcast) & 12:00 PM
Mondays thru Saturdays.....9:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday4:30 to 5:00 PM

Please telephone the Parish Office if you would like a priest to visit a family member at home or in the hospital.



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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

My Dear Parishioners,

As we begin the unofficial end of summer weekend, our thoughts turn to school, homework and hopefully a return to "normal." A sense of hope and newness is in the air. Over the past several months "new ideas" have come front and center in American thought and culture. One item that causes me concern is critical race theory. Critical race theory is formulated in the 1990's and is built on the intellectual framework of identity-based Marxism. It is class conflict based on the imbalance of power between capitalists and workers. Marxism scholars in the West substituted race for class and seek to create a revolutionary coalition of the dispossessed based on racial and ethnic categories.

This poison has increasingly become the default ideology in our public institutions. It has been injected into government agencies, public school system, teacher training programs and corporate human resources departments.

Critical race theorists use terms such as "equity," "social justice," "diversity and inclusion." Marxism would be a hard sell. Equity on the other hand, sounds non-threatening and is easily confused with the **American** principle of *equality*. But the distinction is vast and important. Indeed, equality---the principle proclaimed in the Declaration of Independence, defended in the Civil War and codified into law with the 14th and 15th Amendments is explicitly rejected by critical race theorists. To them equality represents "mere nondiscrimination" and provides "camouflage" for white supremacy, patriarchy, and oppression. In contrast to equality, equity as defined and promoted by critical race theorists is little more than reformulated Marxism.

Sadly, many Americans have developed an acute fear of speaking up about social and political issues, especially those involving race. They are worried about getting mobbed on social media, fired from their jobs, or worse. Also, critical race theorists have constructed their argument like a mousetrap. Disagreement with their program becomes irrefutable evidence of a dissenter's "white fragility" or "unconscious bias."

What can be done? We need to employ our own moral language rather than allow ourselves to be confined by the categories of critical race theory. For example, instead of debating about "diversity", we should speak about and aiming for **excellence**, a common standard that challenges people of all backgrounds to achieve potential. We must also promote the true story of America---a story that is honest about injustices in American history, but that places them in the context of our nation's high ideals and progress we have made towards realizing them. Genuine American history is rich with stories of achievements and sacrifices that will move the hearts of Americans---in stark contrast

to the grim and pessimistic narrative pressed by critical race theorists.

Above all we must have courage---the fundamental value of our time. Courage to speak the truth. Courage to withstand epithets. Courage to face the mob. Courage to shrug off the scorn of the elites. When enough of us overcome the fear that currently pervades so many from speaking out, the hold of critical race theory will begin to slip. Truth and justice are on our side. If we can muster the courage, we will win. God bless you all.

Peace,

Fr. Monteleone

PARISH NEWS

DAILY MASS

Beginning September 10th and 11th (The Friday and Saturday after Labor Day) the 9 AM Daily Mass will return on Fridays and Saturdays.

On Saturday, September 11th, we will remember the tragic events that occurred 20 years ago as we pray for peace.



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Beginning September 11th confessions will be available from 4:30 PM to 5:00 PM every Saturday.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

ADORATION AND EXPOSITION

Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday following the 9 AM Mass beginning September 10th.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME FR. MONTELEONE



Join us as we officially welcome Fr. Monteleone after all Masses the weekend of September 11th and 12th with light refreshments in the Auditorium.

ALTAR SERVERS, WE NEED YOU!

Returning Altar servers are invited to serve at the Weekend Masses! Father Nico will be glad to review and run through the Mass with you.

To continue serving and confirm your availability for scheduling, please contact Linda in the Parish Office at 973-779-6200.

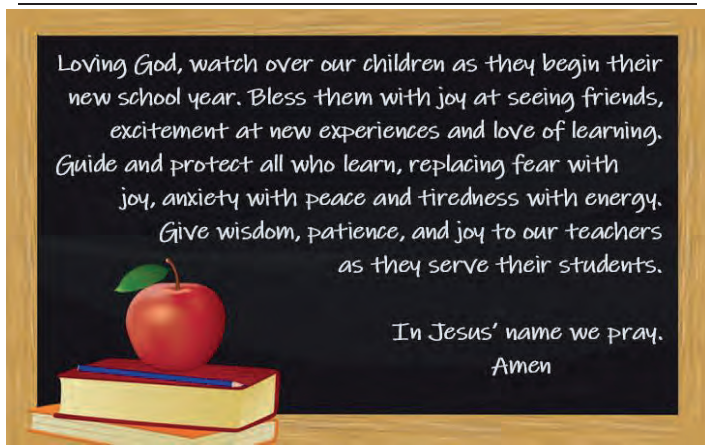


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BACK -TO-SCHOOL PRAYER



MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

MUSIC MINISTRY

Join Us in Song!

The **Choir of St. Philip** will resume its ministry with our first rehearsal on Monday, September 13th. Rehearsals are held regularly in church on Monday evenings 7:00-9:00 PM and the choir sings for the 10am mass on Sundays throughout the season. We welcome returning members, as well as new members who are interested in joining this ministry! If you are interested, please speak with our Director of Music and Organist, Frank Hydash, after mass with questions or for more information.

Ring Out!

Interested in participating in a music ministry but not a singer? **Handbells** are a great way to put that hand/eye coordination to good use! Rehearsals are held regularly in church on Monday evenings from 6:00 to 6:45 PM. The **Handbell Choir** rings at seasonal masses on Christmas Eve, Palm Sunday and for 2 concerts during year. Prior music experience appreciated but not necessary. We encourage returning and new members to please join us for our organizational meeting and first rehearsal on Monday, September 27th at 6 PM.

All music ministries are open to persons high school age and up. For those preparing for Confirmation, participation in one of our music ministries is a great way to fulfill service hours! Regular attendance at rehearsals is expected.

BOY SCOUTS

Thank you to all the parishioners that donated to my Troop 21 Eagle project to rebuild the Christmas manger. The build is coming along well, and I will update the parish when the project is complete.

Quinn Siedlecki, Troop 21

ROSARY SOCIETY

The first meeting of the Rosary Society is our Ice Cream Social on Monday, **September 13th in Marian Hall**. The meeting will begin with Mass and the Rosary at 6:30 PM. All are welcome!

The Rosary Society **Communion Brunch** is being held on Sunday, **October 10, 2021**, in Marian Hall after the 10:00 AM. Mass. Our guest speaker is Fr. Jared Brogan. Tickets are \$28. Please call Elaine Vigilante at 973-472-9019 and leave a message.

COLUMBIETTES

National Day of Remembrance for the Aborted Saturday, September 25, 2021

After the 9:00 AM Mass join us for a Prayer Vigil in Marian Hall.

A time to memorialize the aborted and a time to ask for healing. Guest speaker is Msgr. Kevin Flanagan Sponsored by the Columbiettes, Knights of Columbus and the Ancient Order of Hibernians. For information, please contact Sharon Festa 973-742-0926 or John Hughes 973-472-0061

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Coats for Kids

St. Philip's Council is again participating in the "Coats for Kids" program. Last year we donated 8 boxes of coats (96) to needy children in the area. On the day of distribution, they were all gone in less than 30 minutes. Each case of coats (12) cost us about \$250, and we'd like to target distribution for right after Thanksgiving. If you'd like to help us with this effort, please send any amount contributions to: K of C Council 11671, c/o Mike Cervine, 5 Fair Hill Rd. Clifton, N.J. 07013 in the memo area put Coats 4 Kids. We thank you!

DIOCESAN NEWS

CELEBRATION OF FILIPINO SAINTS

The Diocesan Commission for Catholic Filipino Ministries (DCCFM) is inviting you to the annual celebration of honoring two Filipino Saints: San Lorenzo Ruiz and San Pedro Calungsod, on Saturday, September 25, 2021.

The highlight of the celebration will be a Mass presided by Bishop Kevin J. Sweeney at 11:00 AM at the Cathedral of St. John The Baptist, 381 Grand Street, Paterson, NJ 07505.

Filipino reception and fellowship at the Bishop Rodimer Center immediately following the Mass.

Free parking is available at the multi-level County Garage across the Bishop Rodimer Center.

Please email the DCCFM at dccfmevents@gmail.com for more information.

GOD BLESS THE NEWLYWEDS



Congratulations,
Sasha and Victor!

WE PRAY FOR...

THE DECEASED: Beverly Maggio, Joseph Bay, Elizabeth Holzli

THE SICK: Christine Kessler, Luca Ataide, Larry Pedroza

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

8:00 All the People of the Parish

10:00 Joseph Dewland
Lena Rean
Jack McSweeney
John Cerullo

12:00 Deacon All Ciampa- 12th Anniversary
Jack McSweeney

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2021

9:00 Andrew Doychak-16th Anniversary

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

9:00 C. Mildred Petaccio
Lena Rean

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2021

9:00 Rocco Carlucci
Michael Hreha

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

9:00 John G. Serovich

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2021

9:00 Florence Faranda

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2021

9:00 Elizabeth Holzli
5:30 All the People of the Parish

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

8:00 Nicholas Storms
10:00 Alphonse & Jennie Seiffert Family
Mary Shashaty
Jack McSweeney
12:00 Catherine Hughes
Stephen Amato

Candle the week of September 5th

In Memory of Isabella Minervini
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PARISH GIVING

SUNDAY COLLECTION: AUGUST 30, 2020	\$ 23,942.00
SUNDAY COLLECTION: AUGUST 29, 2021	
Weekly Collection	\$ 11,423.00
Online Giving Donation	\$ 8,013.00
Total	\$ 19,436.00

PRIESTS' SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 11, 2021

5:30 PM Fr. Monteleone

SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

8:00 AM Fr. Kevin
10:00 AM Fr. Jared
12:00 PM Fr. Nico

*You are invited to celebrate the
Installation of our New Pastor*

Rev. David A. Monteleone



Sunday, September 26, 2021

12:00 Noon Mass

Celebrated by Bishop Kevin Sweeney

Light Luncheon Reception
To follow in the Auditorium

Please RSVP for the Luncheon by dropping the form
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