

## 16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### SACRED SAUNTERING AND HOLY LOLLYGAGGING

"Where did you go?"

"Out."

"What did you do?"

"Nothing."

There you have it: the cloud of suspicion that has hung over sauntering and lollygagging for years, and not just among the parents of teenagers. Little wonder. What use could a culture driven by time management experts have for aimless strolling and fooling around wasting time?

Of course, plans, schedules, and deadlines all have their times and places. But it's time to cry foul when they become the criteria by which we define and judge the human spirit according to the two great commandments: "Be productive! Be useful!" Early Christian monastic desert dwellers tell the tale of a visitor scandalized to discover the great ascetic, St. Anthony of Egypt, at play with his disciples. St. Anthony pointed out that a bow will break if strung taut for too long. And so, he suggested, will we.

Sauntering and lollygagging to the rescue! Jesus, unburdened by weekly organizers with handy to-do-lists, did both. Although totally devoted to the staggering goal of redeeming a bent and broken world, he "wasted" time appreciating the gorgeous field anemones, watching what it took to bake bread or plant a field, hanging out with tax collectors, lepers, prostitutes - and Pharisees. And, because a great storyteller doesn't start from scratch, he listened to tales (and gossip) about all sorts of ordinary things; a fight over an inheritance, someone's prodigal child, a local widow pestering a judge into giving her what she wanted. All the while he was discovering, savoring, and cherishing the world as humans experience it.

We've all done some of that, haven't we? Childless myself, I treasure the memory of holding a friend's five-month-old in my lap while his mom cleaned house. He was going nowhere, and neither was I, so we just sat together watching sunbeams, laughing at the family dog, rearranging salt and pepper shakers, and drinking in the goodness of life. Another time, in early morning, I stood dumbstruck by an entire sky on fire as the sun rose through clouds while time went on strike. I have no idea what the second coming of Christ in clouds of glory will really look like, but I'll never forget the preview. These are only two of many brief, unplanned, mini-vacations that have taught me about discovering, savoring, and cherishing my world in company with a child, or my God. It's summer. Do yourself a favor. Put away the day planners, schedules and to-do lists. Ignore the disapproving voices in your head. Take a vacation.

"Vacation" comes from the Latin *vacare*, meaning to empty out, to be idle. Old spiritual writers spoke of *vacare Deo*, making space for God. It suggests just hanging out together rather than following a prepared prayer strategy. Forget the goal of getting through the Bible in a year and just go sauntering with God in the enchanting, instructive, transformative landscapes and stories of Scripture, with the Spirit in the lead. Go anytime. No planning required!

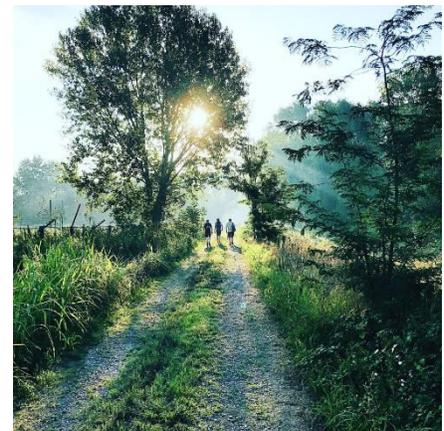
Find a spot you like? Just lollygag around in it for a while. Stay as long as you like-there's no checkout time.

Sr. Genevieve Glen



Va

cation with *God*



### Our Jubilee Prayer

Rejoicing in you, O Lord, with thankful hearts we pray as . . .

We Remember

gratefully our past companions on the Journey whose sacrifice inspires us.

We Celebrate

the good news of love in action that empowers spiritual, service and social ministry.

We Believe

In God's providence as faithful stewards who continue Christ's work using the Keys to the Kingdom. Amen

### JUBILEE YEAR 2018

The Year of our Lord 2018 is our parish Jubilee commemorating 75 years of fulfilling our mission of *Opus Christi* – which is Latin for Christ's Work. During the

decades our parish has been love in action, bringing good news through spiritual, service and social ministry. Jesus said to our parish patron St. Philip, "Whoever believes in me will do the works I do and even great works." John 14:22

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2018-2019 year is now open. **New families are welcome!**

#### **Consider joining the Religious Education Ministry**

Catechesis and religious education require the involvement of our entire faith community. Not only are we called to provide a community that welcomes new members, but also to provide catechetical instruction to them.

This is a wonderful opportunity to share our faith with the youngest members of our community. Let's work together to help our children grow in Faith.

**Our Religious Education needs several volunteer catechists, classroom aides and substitutes for classes beginning in September. Training and curriculum materials will be provided for catechists. Offer your example and your time to learn about Christ with the children. Please pray about it! Come and join us in this beautiful ministry. For more information, please contact Debbie Leach at 973 779-6200 or [dleach@stphilip.org](mailto:dleach@stphilip.org).**

#### **Registration for Classes**

*Returning families are reminded, if you haven't already done so, to register for 2018-2019 school year.*

*If you are new to our parish or who have a child entering 1st grade in September, please call the Religious Education Office.*

**Please be sure that you are registered with the parish prior to registering your child/children for class. Contact Barbara Salzer, parish secretary at 973-779-6200.**

**There are two ways to register:**

- **Online:** Please visit [www.stphilip.org](http://www.stphilip.org). The registration forms and fees can be submitted electronically.
- **In Person or by Mail:** Download and Print the registration form and return with fees to the Parish Office.

**Please contact [dleach@stphilip.org](mailto:dleach@stphilip.org) with any questions about our Religious Education program.**

- Registrations closes on August 15<sup>th</sup>!

## MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT & MINISTRY

A support group for people grieving the death of their spouse. Next meeting: **Tuesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 PM in

the RUSSO ROOM. Please contact Dr. Rachel Rengifo at 201-500-2068.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday - 8:00 PM: The VFW Hall - 491 Valley Road, Clifton**

### CARNIVAL APPRECIATION



The Carnival Committee wishes to thank all workers and parishioners who helped at the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Carnival.

There will be a **Carnival Appreciation Night on Monday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM** in the **Auditorium**. Carnival results will be reviewed followed by refreshments.

### USCCB CHARTER

#### FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

"If any person may have been abused by any priest, they should immediately contact their local County Prosecutor's Office and the Diocese's Victims Assistance Coordinator: Peggy Zanello at 973-879-1489. You may also be in touch with either of the Diocesan Response Officers: Rev. Msgr. James T. Mahoney, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, 973-777-8818 Ext. 205 or Sister Joan Daniel Healy, S.C.C., Chancellor/Delegate for Religious, 973-777-8818 Ext. 248.

The entire text of the Policy of the Diocese of Paterson in Response to Complaints of Sexual Abuse is available on the diocesan Web site: [www.patersondiocese.org](http://www.patersondiocese.org)."

10 SIGNS OF A  
**SAFE PROGRAM**  
 FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

1. **Screening** of staff / volunteers.
2. Adults trained in **safe environment strategies** and signs of abuse .
3. **Code of conduct** enforced.
4. **Open Communication** between parents and staff / staff and children / children and parents.
5. **Parents** always **Welcome**.
6. Children educated in **right relationships** & what to do if a relationship isn't right.
7. All children treated with **Dignity and Respect**.
8. Clear **Rules and Expectations**. consistent reinforcement / consequences
9. **Adequate supervision of youth**. team approach—accountability—no 1:1 isolation
10. All **abuse** is **reported**.



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**PRAY FOR**

**THE RECENTLY BAPTIZED:**

Joseph Gerard Galligan, child of Daniel and Victoria  
 Gianna Titina Kenning, child of Ryan and Rosmunda  
 Madeleine Rose Laidlaw, child of Michael and Antonia  
 Elijah Jacob Awad, child of Fady and Gilda  
 Lachlan Monroe Grannis, child of Travis and Kathleen  
 Lucas John Pugaczewski, child of Blake and Carol Ann

**THE SICK:** Silvia Berardo, Lara Buell, Margaret Sikora, Sister Beverly Aiazzone, Antoinette Van Setters, Alexander Bancey, Derrick Medeiros, Maria Ligato, Philip Kutzenko, Evelyn Wescott, Annette Wanamaker, Mildred Nerone, Eugene & Lorraine DeBellis, Bob Rose, Jack Steffans, Fred Van Duyne, Dave Miller, Sr. Giovanni Aiazzone, Maya Hilario, John Pepe, Ron Kuruc, George Biondi, Theresa Buhler, Chloe LoPresti, Cathy Papuzenski, Roberta & Al Dressner, Eloise Stampoulos, Pina Basile, Jim Weis, Loretta Latona, Rita Latona, Eileen Kirschner, Roger Greff, Maryann Greff, Peg Chambers, Dorothea Stepka, Vivian Hart, John Thievon, Alice Negron, Janet Irizarry, Ryan G. Micale, Vincent Caragliano, Domenico Cirilli, George Heyrich, Angelo Masino, Monique Tommaro, Paul Pairo

**THE DECEASED:** Lori Liskowicz, Thomas DiSanto, Carol Ann Dempsey, Thomas Emanuel

**PRIESTS' SCHEDULE: JULY 29, 2018**

5:30 PM	Fr. Joe	8:00 AM	Fr. Joe
10:00 AM	Fr. Matt	12:00 N	Fr. Joseph

**PARISH GIVING**

SUNDAY COLLECTION: JULY 16, 2017	\$18,732.00
SUNDAY COLLECTION: JULY 15, 2018	
Envelopes	\$10,119.00
Cash	\$ 1,463.00
Online giving donation	\$ 5,404.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$16,986.00</b>
Second Collection: Comm/Blk-Ind/Leper	\$ 2,177.00
Catholic University	

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY**

Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34

**SUNDAY, JULY 22, 2018**

- 8:00** Charles Gruber  
 Richard Kochan
- 10:00** Norma Llanes  
 Marie Cox  
 Paul Doviak  
 Special Intention: Andrea Oishi
- 12:00** All the People of the Parish

**MONDAY, JULY 23, 2018**

- 9:00** Jacqueline Noll

**TUESDAY, JULY 24, 2018**

- 9:00** Domenico Pagano

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2018**

- 9:00** Ann & Joseph Jasionowicz

**THURSDAY, JULY 26, 2018**

- 9:00** Lloyd Christopher Castillo – 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**FRIDAY, JULY 27, 2018**

- 9:00** Mathilda & Louis Costantine

**SATURDAY, JULY 28, 2018**

- 9:00** Stephanie Corbo  
**5:30** Thomas Sirvidio  
 Clara Maffei

**SUNDAY, JULY 29, 2018**

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- 8:00** Joan & Joseph Sidor, Jr.  
**10:00** Michael Guarino  
Eugene Montrone  
**12:00** Genevieve "Jean" Tarnowski – 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary  
Theresa Joyce

*The Sanctuary Candle:* In memory of  
**James Lacava**

