

Bulletin – Parish News

Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish

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September 18, 2011. Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

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The dollar is a much-cherished value in our culture. The person who makes an honest dollar in abundant numbers is thought to have succeeded in life. Students learn in school whatever can be cashed in dollars tomorrow. Doing something or not doing it depends largely on the amount of dollars that go with it. More effort, more recompense! There is truth and some good ethics in this attitude. No doubt about it. But we also find therein a few warped misconceptions.

Applied to God, such an attitude may result in the opinion that God owes us salvation after we have done our “good works”. The Bible speaks of reward, but focusing all attention on this aspect alone may result in the immature attitude of the child who thinks his father “owes” him money for every little job he does. Then questions come up such as: “Are you envious because God is generous? The main reason for serving God should be love and gratitude, not merely reward, and certainly not a reward God owes us! The parable of today’s Gospel on God’s generosity challenges this “recompense only” attitude.

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

Seek the Lord while he may be found, call him while he is near.

- When does God seem most near to you, and when most distant?
- Does God change positions, or do we?

For to me life is Christ, and death is gain.

- How do you exercise your vocation as a missionary of the domestic sphere?
- Where is the hardest place to be or to see Christ?

“My friend, I am not cheating you. Am I not free to do as I wish with my money?”

- When are you sorry that God does not give the daylong laborer a higher wage?
- When are you glad?
- Have you ever prayed to see things from God’s point of view rather than your own? Have you ever received “a new heart and a new spirit” in regard to a troubled relationship?

- For to me life is Christ, and death is gain.
- * How close are you to claiming your place in the reign of God: thinking about it; reservations made; bags packed; moved in?
- “My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage?
- If you discovered that good and bad had the same consequences, would that affect your decision to choose good or bad?

HOLY MASSES

September 18, 2011. Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00AM Holy Mass for Scott Mendyk req. by Mendyk family.

11:00AM Polska Msza Św. za duszę śp. Barbare Wisniewska zam. Danuta Sokolik.

September 25, 2011. Twenty Sixth Sunday In ordinary time.

9:00AM Holy Mass for all parishioners.

11:00AM Polska Msza Św. za duszę śp. Roberta Zielinskiego zam. Danuta Sokolik.

Events and activities

Responsorial Psalm for today is: The Lord is near to all who call upon him.

Banns of marriage: *John Ward and Caren Lagerstrom* will be joined in Holy Matrimony on Saturday September 24, 2011 at 2:30 PM

Sunday - September 25th at 2:30 PM - ANS Convention at Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish Wallington, NJ

CHICKEN BBQ

**SATURDAY, October 08, 2011. FROM 4:00 PM to 6:00PM. Donation
\$8**

DAMAGE TO CHURCH AND RECTORY. Our parish property and grounds were spared from the effects of the recent weather. We did, however, suffer sewage backflow in the church hall and rectory resulting in the loss of a myriad of supplies, carpets, rugs, and equipment. In no way does it compare with the losses some of our parishioners suffered in their homes. Through the help of several of our parishioners, we were able to clean some to the dirt to make the hall usable for parish functions and activities. Anyone wishing to contribute to the clean-up project can make a Christian contribution to the parish. In an act of Christian Brotherhood perhaps you might send a check to provide chicken dinners for those who suffered tremendous loss of property, clothing and furniture. A check of \$16 (2 dinners) \$32 (4 dinners) \$64 (8 dinners). A better idea order the dinners--Pay for them--pick them up and deliver them yourself.

S.O.C.L. classes will start September 25, 2011 and registration will be this Sunday September 18, 2011 after Mass. Please send your Children to prepare for First Holy Communion or Confirmation.

Please pray for all the sick and shut-ins especially for: Marian Sowa, Caren Lagerstrom, Joseph Zavatsky, Edwin Zulkowski, Jean Manowiecki, Bp. Anthony Rysz, Bp. John Swantek, Fr. Senior Eugeniusz Stelmach, Julia Paluszek, Theodore Ciulac, Catherin Zglobicki, Catherin & Frank Kusniesz, Wanda and Andrew Closterman, and all in need of our prayers.

Sacrament of Baptism: Arrangements should be made at least two weeks prior to the ceremony.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Arrangement should be made at least six months in advance. Contact the Pastor before setting a date or making final plans.

Emergencies, Sickness and Death should be reported to the rectory office immediately.

Welcome to Our Visitors - We welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday! Please introduce yourself to the Pastor after Mass, please write your names in the guest book located in the vestibule of the church. Please remember that you are always welcome to join us in worship at Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish.

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