



October 23, 2022 | 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE PARISH OF SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL CLAYTON & FRANKLINVILLE

REV. LAWRENCE E. POLANSKY, PASTOR

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

*"To bear witness to **God the Father**,
to follow the teachings of **Jesus Christ**,
and to be guided by the **Holy Spirit**."*

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday: 9a at Saint Catherine
Tuesday: 9a at Nativity
Wednesday: 9a at Nativity
Thursday: 9a at Saint Catherine

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4p at Nativity
Sunday: 8a at Saint Catherine
10a at Nativity

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil: 7p at Saint Catherine
Holy Day: 9a & 7p at Nativity

*(Please confirm with
Mass Intention Schedule.)*

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00-3:30p at Nativity
(or by appointment)

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REGIONAL SCHOOL

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**"O GOD, BE
MERCIFUL
TO ME, A
SINNER"**

LUKE 18:13

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OFFICE HOURS: **Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday:** 10:00a-2:00p; **Thursday:** 10:00a-12:00 noon
(You may also call the Parish Office to schedule an appointment any time outside of these hours.)

FOR SACRAMENT PREPARATION OR FOR LETTERS OF ELIGIBILITY: Please contact the Parish Office.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! Please take a look at our website or call to register

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or on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/PSMAinDoC>**



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22ND – POPE JOHN PAUL II

4:00p Edward & Wanda Polansky by *Loving Son, Larry*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23RD – 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00a James Smith by *The Sandelier Family*

10:00a The People of the Parish

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24TH – ANTHONY MARY CLARET

9:00a No Parish Mass

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25TH

9:00a No Parish Mass

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26TH

9:00a No Parish Mass

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27TH

9:00a No Parish Mass

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28TH – SIMON AND JUDE

9:00a No Parish Mass

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29TH

4:00p The People of the Parish

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30TH – 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00a Edward “Bud” Hoffman by *Rocky & Susan Costa*

10:00a Gennaro J. Cionci and Michael Christy



SANCTUARY CANDLE

If you've been thinking about having the Sanctuary Candles burn in the memory of your loved one, envelopes are available in the Gathering Spaces of both the Nativity and Saint Catherine of Siena for your intentions and offering of \$10. Please contact the Parish Office with any questions at 856-881-9155.

*The Sanctuary Candle in
Saint Catherine Church burns
in Memory of
Anne Marie Polansky*

LOCAL CHURCHES HAVING DAILY MASS THIS WEEK

- 9:00a Mass Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish
161 Pitman Ave, Pitman
(Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday)
- 6:15p Mass Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
500 Greentree Rd, Glassboro
(Wednesday)
- 9:00a Mass Saint Bridget University Parish
125 Church St, Glassboro
(Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday)

HUMBLE STEWARDSHIP

*“...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled,
and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”*

~ LUKE 18:14 ~

Pride and ego are the root causes of most of our sins. Thinking your time is so valuable or your talent is better than anyone else or your money gives you status is another way of making those things “gods” before God. In **Stewardship**, pride is the opposite of humility. Remember, all that we have and all that we are is a gift from God. We should be humbled by God’s incredible generosity and be grateful for all we have been given. Ultimately, gratitude leads us to humility.

PRAY for the SICK

Please pray for the sick & those that care for them

- Harriet Bajewicz, George Bromwell, Brian Checkley,
Nicholas & Rob Christian, Margaret Cloak,
Henry Cottelli, Jim Cesanek, Janice Donahower,
Judy Dutton, Anne Ellena, Don & Matt Healy,
Lorraine Kreiner, Pat Luko, Rosemary McBride,
Eileen Mulholland, Dot Myers, Bob & Barbara Stroh,
Kathryn Tanner, and Karen J. Viola

If you have a family member who you would like added to the Prayer List, please ask their permission (due to the HIPAA Privacy Act) and contact the Rectory by calling 856-881-9155 or e-mailing PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com. Thank you!

OUR MILITARY HERO PRAYER LIST

If you have a family member serving in one of the branches of the military, please send their name, rank, and branch of service to the Parish Office (PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com or 856-881-9155).

**Please keep our brave service people in your prayers,
Especially those suffering from the effects of war.**

US Army

- CPL Austin Arledge, Specialist Bryan Jenkins,
1st SGT Shane W. McLaughlin, MAJ Eric Miller, CPT Graham Miller,
& PFC Vincenzo Taormina

US Navy

- AWR Daniel Carr, AG1 Jamie Engleman & EM2 William Little

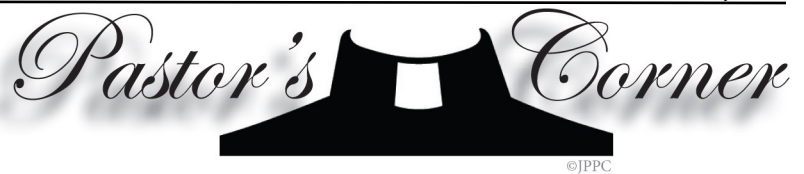
US Air Force

- AB Jacob R Custis

US Marine Corps

- WO3 Brad Davis, SGT Nate McAllister, & CPT James V. Tumolo

- LT JG Dominic J. Tumolo, US Navy; US Army Medic



Dear Parishioners,

We might chuckle at five-year-old Noah's boast that he will grow up to be stronger than Daddy. Or cringe at seventeen-year-old Hannah's bluster that she can text and drive with no problem. Or wonder at co-workers who brag about how they are deserving of a huge raise because they produce more than anyone else. Only time will tell if Noah, Hannah, or the co-workers actually reach what they tout. In any case, at the time of the self-praise what tends to run through our minds is that these people don't know themselves very well. Life is about growing in self-knowledge. Prayer is the ingredient that brings honesty and accuracy to our self-knowledge.

Both the Pharisee and the tax collector addressed God in prayer. The content of their prayer, however, differed greatly. The Pharisee's prayer was all about himself and was turned toward self ... his prayer was all about justifying himself. The tax collector's prayer, by contrast, was turned toward God in true self-knowledge of who he was. Jesus declared the tax collector justified, not the Pharisee. Jesus tells us that we are "justified" when we know who we are before God and open ourselves in humility to receive God's mercy. Justification – right relationship with God – comes only from knowing ourselves as God knows us. The message that Jesus teaches in this weekend's Gospel is that justification comes not to those who consider themselves righteous, but to those who humbly acknowledge their need for God's mercy.

Paradoxically, true humility is exaltation. Exaltation is the gift received while being one's true self before God and others. In this there's great hope in the Gospel for all of us, for all of us are sinners. The tax collector (generally hated for their practice of extortion) "stood off at a distance ... and would not even raise his eyes to heaven," a posture indicating his sinfulness and unworthiness before God. His prayer says something true about God (who is merciful) and himself (who is a sinner). The tax collector's prayer allows God to be God and to show mercy. The tax collector's prayer reveals both an understanding of God and the desire to be in right relation with God. The tax collector stands far off, but his prayer draws him near to God. This is exaltation – being near to God.

Justification is knowing who God is and what our relationship to God is. It is addressing God as God and letting God be God. It is acknowledging humbly who we are before God: sinners in need of mercy. The exaltation at the end of time is determined by whether we are justified, that is, humble and in right relationship to God. Good works alone don't justify us – it is right relationship with God. This is our exaltation – humbling seeking and standing before our God.

In practice, probably most of us are totally like neither the Pharisee nor the tax collector. So both can teach us something. The Pharisee can teach us that religious practices are important, but not enough. They must always be performed with humility and with the goal of deepening our relationship with God. The tax collector can teach us that God doesn't offer salvation to be perfect, but to those who acknowledge their sinfulness and cry out for God's mercy. Like the tax collector, we must let God be God and receive the mercy offered. Though sinners, God exalts those who are in right relationship. Rather than focus unduly on our own sinfulness, we need to turn to God and ask for mercy.

May Saint Michael the Archangel defend, guide, protect, and intercede for us always!

Fr. Larry



**Parish of
Saint Michael the Archangel
Food Pantry**

“God loves a cheerful giver.”

~ 2 Corinthians 9:7 ~

Once again the holiday season is upon us. From Thanksgiving through Christmas, there is so much to do in so little time! As you are making that mad dash through your favorite grocery store, please consider buying an item or two for our Parish Food Pantry. At this time of year, we would like to add “holiday” type items such as **stuffing, cranberry sauce, canned sweet potatoes /yams, gravy, applesauce/canned fruit, cake / fudge mixes, cookies, crackers**, etc. to our usual bags of groceries. Of course, we continue to need such items as **instant potatoes, ramen noodles, canned vegetables, canned potatoes, tuna, canned chicken, rice, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, soups and broths**. Also, we would appreciate new or clean, gently-used, reusable shopping bags. No time for shopping? Monetary donations are always welcome.

Your nonperishable food donations may be left in the Gathering Spaces of both Nativity Church and Saint Catherine of Siena Church, or they may be delivered directly to the pantry at the O'Meara Conference Center from 10:15 to 11:30a on Wednesday mornings.

Thank you for your continuing generosity and thank you for being a “cheerful giver.”

Please
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*for the sick of our parish
and their caregivers* ©JPPC



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In anticipation of the upcoming General Election, the New Jersey Catholic Conference is pleased to offer our newly updated Faithful Citizenship webpage <https://www.njcatholic.org/overview>, which includes guidance for forming consciences, candidate information, registration and voting information, parish resources, and advice on how to engage in civil and respectful public policy dialogue.

Our hope is that you will find value in these resources as you prepare to exercise your civic responsibility on Election Day, November 8, 2022.

Please check out our Faithful Citizen webpage for these resources and other election information.

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October 23, 2022 | Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 35:12-14, 16-18 | 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18 | Lk 18:9-14

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

I love baseball. Have you ever seen a batter strike out three times straight, only to hit a game-winning home run or base hit on his fourth at-bat? It doesn't happen often, but when it does, the victory is all the sweeter! I do not believe God actually influences the outcome of baseball games (well, maybe a little; I'm a Cubs fan after all). But I do believe ours is a God who stands by us even in the worst of slumps. Like St. Paul, the key is to keep the faith even when life throws us curveballs, as it inevitably will. If we approach the Lord with the perseverance of Paul and the humility of the tax collector, he will give us the strength we need to finish the race. We can make an effort to approach each day with gratitude, knowing the Lord is always at our side.



GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Have you heard of Blessed Solanus Casey? He became a Capuchin Franciscan priest, but because of his academic difficulties his ministry was limited. Ordained a “simplex priest,” he could say Mass but not preach or hear confessions. And so he was assigned to become a porter, or “doorkeeper.” Rather than complain, Father Solanus embraced this ministry. “He was always ready and willing to listen to anyone any time of the day or night,” according to the biography read at his beatification in 2017. Because of his humility and holiness, people from all walks of life were drawn to him, often waiting hours to greet him at the door of St. Bonaventure Monastery in Detroit. Hearing today's reading about the prideful Pharisee and the humble tax collector brought his story to mind. Through this parable, Jesus challenges us to approach God and others with humility, understanding that all we are and all we do come from God. We don't have to be the “first,” the “best,” or the “brightest” - but simply need to ask God to help us grow in love and faith.

ACT Read about Blessed Solanus and recite the “Canonization Prayer,” which asks God: “May your will be done in my life today.”

MASS FOR ALL SOULS Cemetery Visitation

We encourage our families to visit our cemeteries and mausoleums and pray for their dearly departed loved ones and all souls who have gone before us. All Souls Day Masses will be held on **Wednesday, November 2nd, at 10a** in our chapel mausoleums located in Cherry Hill, Bellmawr, Vineland, Mays Landing and Newfield. A complete listing can be found on our website. We join you in praying for the souls of all of those who have gone before us.

Visit SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org to learn more or call us at 855-MyPrePlan (855-697-7375) and a member of our staff will gladly assist you.

*"I am the resurrection and the life.
Those who believe in me even if they die, will live."
~ John 11:25 ~*



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40 Hours Devotion

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Fr. Joseph Szolack: Preacher

Sun. Nov. 6: Opening Mass with Anointing of Sick 3pm
Mon. Nov. 7: Mass for Vocations 7pm
Tues. Nov. 8: Vespers 4pm
Solemn Closing Mass 7pm

Monday and Tuesday: Morning Prayer 9am
Confessions Available:

Sunday, Nov. 6: (one hour) After Mass
Monday, Nov. 7: 5:30-6:30pm
Tuesday, November 8: 9:30am-10:30am

Eucharist exposed for an hour after Sunday Mass and
from 9am-6:30pm Mon & Tues

*"The greatest love story of all time is contained in a tiny
white Host."
- Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen*

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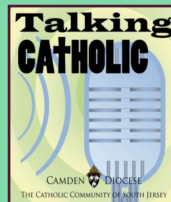
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FATHER PETER
GALLAGHER**

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**NOV
9
7:00 PM**

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

**Father
Stephen
Rapposelli**

Presented in English



Saints Peter & Paul Parish

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DIOCESAN MARIAN PILGRIMAGE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2022

BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Join the Bishop for:

- CONCERT OF SACRED MUSIC
- PROCESSION OF PARISHES
- THE HOLY ROSARY
- SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION
- HOLY MASS IN THE GREAT UPPER CHURCH



FOR BUS INFORMATION:
Contact your local parish

If interested in attending the Pilgrimage, please call Our Lady of Peace Parish, Williamstown at 856-629-6242 or Infant Jesus Parish, Woodbury Heights at 856-848-0047 for more information. Thank you!

OFFICE OF FAMILY & YOUTH PRESENTS

THURSDAY November 3 | 6:30pm

MOVIE NIGHT

\$14 A TICKET

FEATURED MOVIE
FATIMA

Regal Cinema - Vineland, NJ

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