



# BLESSED MIRIAM TERESA

## *A Call to Holiness*

### Blessed Miriam Teresa Demjanovich Parish



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

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. - Mk 6:34

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#### EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Mon.-Fri.:	6:30am SM	9:00am SA
Sat.:	9:00am SA	4:00pm SA (Anticipated)
Sun.:	7:30am SA	9:00am SA
	10:30am SA	12:00pm SA (Español)
Holy Days:	6:30am SM	9:00am SA 7:00pm SA

#### PARISH STAFF

<b>Rev. Philip Sanders</b>	<i>Pastor</i>
<b>Rev. Johan Betancourt</b>	<i>Parochial Vicar</i>
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#### WORSHIP SITES

**St. Mary, Star of the Sea**  
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**St. Andrew the Apostle**  
2 West 4th Street

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:00 - 4:00, St. Andrew Church  
*or by appointment*

#### BAPTISM

Children of registered parishioners are eligible for the Sacrament of Baptism which is normally celebrated on the 2nd Saturday of the month (alternating between St. Mary and St. Andrew) except during the Lenten season. Contact the parish office via email at [baptism@BMTParish.org](mailto:baptism@BMTParish.org).

#### PASTORAL CARE FOR THE SICK

Any parishioner unable to attend Mass may contact the rectory to make arrangements to receive the Eucharist at home.

#### MARRIAGES

Arrangements should be started at least one year in advance for the necessary preparation. Parish registration of either the bride or groom is required.

#### PARISH REGISTRATION

Registration is required of all who wish to consider themselves to be parishioners at Bl. Miriam Theresa Demjanovich Parish. *Census forms and collection envelopes are available at the office.*

#### DEVOTIONS

**St. Jude Novena:**  
Mondays after 6:30 Mass

**Miraculous Medal Novena:**  
Tuesdays after 9:00 Mass

**Morning Prayer:**  
Weekdays after 6:30 Mass  
Weekdays before 9:00 Mass

**Communal Rosary:**  
Weekdays after 9:00 Mass

**1st Saturday Eucharistic Adoration**  
3:00 - 4:00 (St. Andrew)  
Benediction following 4:00 Mass

## July 18, 2021

# Blessed Miriam Teresa Demjanovich Parish



<b>Sat., July 17</b>	<b>Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>
4:00 pm (St. Andrew)	William Culhane
<b>Sun., July 18</b>	
7:30 am (St. Andrew)	Clare Powanda
9:00 am (St. Andrew)	Luke Wade, Jr.
10:30 am (St. Andrew)	Clare Powanda
12:00 pm (St. Andrew)	<i>Pro Populo</i>
<b>Mon., July 19</b>	<b>Weekday of Ordinary Time</b>
6:30 am (St. Mary)	Carmine Fusco
9:00 am (St. Andrew)	Peter McKieran
<b>Tue., July 20</b>	<b>St. Apollinaris</b>
6:30 am (St. Mary)	Merrill Adamson
9:00 am (St. Andrew)	Souls in Purgatory
<b>Wed., July 21</b>	<b>St. Lawrence of Brindisi</b>
6:30 am (St. Mary)	Rachael Savarese
9:00 am (St. Andrew)	Timothy Curtis
<b>Thu., July 22</b>	<b>St. Mary Magdalene</b>
6:30 am (St. Mary)	John Zelinsky and Family
9:00 am (St. Andrew)	Michelle A. Macaluso
<b>Fri., July 23</b>	<b>St. Bridget</b>
6:30 am (St. Mary)	Marilyn Duffy
9:00 am (St. Andrew)	Anthony P. Bonner
<b>Sat., July 24</b>	<b>St. Sharbel Makhluf</b>
9:00 am (St. Andrew)	George Oshust
4:00 pm (St. Andrew)	<i>Pro Populo</i>
<b>Sun., July 25</b>	<b>Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>
7:30 am (St. Andrew)	Clare Powanda
9:00 am (St. Andrew)	Brian Law
10:30 am (St. Andrew)	Allan D. Haughton-James
12:00 pm (St. Andrew)	Indalecio Mamani Pari

## Memorials

<b>St. Andrew</b>	
Sanctuary Lamp	Catherine Long
Wine and Hosts	Johan and Kathleen Barry
<b>St. Mary</b>	
Sanctuary Lamp	
Wine and Hosts	

## Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen

Catherine Long; Patty Lucia; Frances Perepeka; Eileen T. Silva; Edward D. Schroeder; Adeline Wankowich; The Kotowski, Lucia, McCann, Scbrocco, Solecki and Spuma Families

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## Prayer Requests

For those serving in the Military:

Joseph Barbarise, Vincent Barbarise, Brandon Materowski, Joseph Materowski, Brandon Picerno, Shawn Redondo, Jonathan Weeks

For those who are sick and suffering:

Gladys Astudillo, Hector Brito, Raymond Bober, Bernadette Burke, Victoria Cabello, Raymond Calvo, Daniel Cotter, Magaly Diaz, Harold Driscoll, Irma Fernandez, Maria Fernandez, John Fitzpatrick, Clare Gannon, Irma Gomez, Marilyn Joyce Hager, Nancy Herrera, Jeanette Jensen, Aaron Jones, Barbara Kelly, Anthony Kotowski, Msgr. Larry Miller, Maria Socorro Mora, Michael Morris, Richard Nugent, Sandra Ortega, Rita Paragone, Tyhesa Payne, Argentina Rodriguez, Barbara Rotunno, Lorraine Seidel, Mitchell Seidel, Theresa Sullivan, Ralph Tedesco, Gregory Trapp, Humberto Valdez, John Wilson, Ezequiel Yost

For the Recently Deceased:

Anne Downey, Ava Finnerty, Joan Frances Morgan, Eileen Silva

## Prayer to St. Michael

Saint Michael Archangel, defend us in battle,  
 be our protection against the wickedness  
 and snares of the devil;  
 may God rebuke him, we humbly pray  
 and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host,  
 by the power of God,  
 cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits  
 who wander about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

## Faith Giving

As always, thank you for your continued generous support of the Parish!

<b>July 4:</b>	<b>Sunday Collection</b>	<b>\$7490</b>
<b>July 11:</b>	<b>Sunday Collection</b>	<b>\$5710</b>
	<b>Archdiocesan Priest Retirement</b>	<b>\$1892</b>

### Notes from the Pastor

Hopefully, all of us have had the experience of being shepherded by an extraordinary priest, one who was the complete antithesis of the wicked shepherds Jeremiah chastises in today's first reading. I certainly did. He was my pastor while I lived in Cleveland. Fr. Jim was a selfless man, truly dedicated to his parishioners despite his ill health. He had a bad heart and was often at home one moment and in the hospital the next. It always seemed as if he was at death's door. In any case, Fr. Jim always took great care with the parish and was one of the best homilists I have ever heard, even to this day. Everyone learned something every time he preached, if they were listening. He was courageous, too. He was always pointing out the dangers posed by the secularized world we lived in.

A few years ago, today, Fr. Jim went to his final reward. He always comes to mind when I read today's Gospel.

Every year, Fr. Jim led a pilgrimage to France, always including a few days in Lourdes. One year, I decided to go on the trip. Everything was set. We all gathered at the parish on the day of our departure to board the bus to take us to the airport. Sr. Ruth, the somewhat elderly pastoral assistant, was getting everyone in line, but Fr. Jim was missing. She had the unenviable task of telling us that he was not able to go. He had gone to the hospital the evening before. Everyone was disappointed because he was the only priest scheduled to be on the pilgrimage. I distinctly remember thinking, "so, this is what it is to be a sheep without the shepherd". What would we do for Mass in a foreign country? Well, even though he wasn't with us, he knew the itinerary and called every evening during dinner to speak to someone different on the trip and offer pointers for the next day's stops. He may not have been there to celebrate Mass or be the tour guide, but he never stopped pastoring. He was a model priest in so many ways. May the Good Lord always abundantly bless His faithful priests and bring to conversion those who "mislead and scatter the flock".

### Online Giving

Just after I had been received into the Church, I found EWTN on TV. Many evenings I would tune in to the various programs they offered. One of the best shows, of course, was Mother Angelica Live. She had great guests and she had a way of sharing the Gospel that was very effective. EWTN relied solely on donations. Every now and again, as the bank account would start taking a dip, she'd kindly ask her viewers to put something for the station "between their gas and electric bills." Many parishes see a dip in collections because of summer vacations even though the bills don't take a dip. If you tend to be away during the summer, might I ask you to put something for the parish "between your gas and electric bill" by enrolling in Online Giving? We use a service called WeShare. The easiest way to access it is through our website [BMTParish.org](http://BMTParish.org). You can link your bank account or credit card to your WeShare account. It's convenient. It's safe. It's reliable. Thanks for your ongoing generosity!

# Annual Appeal <sup>the 2021</sup>

## Catholic Stewardship *in Action*

# GOAL!

Thank you to all who have contributed to the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal! Friday afternoon we received our weekly newsletter from the Appeal Office. To my great surprise and pleasure we were congratulated for having achieved our goal! As of this writing, we have collected \$52,200. However, that is not the complete tally because I mailed in a few contributions before June 30 and they do not yet appear on the report. They should be processed in the coming weeks.

Because of your generosity, many of those in need will find it a little bit easier to carry their cross which, I am sure, seems to be nearly impossible at times. So, thank you!

What does this mean for us? Primarily, two things. First, anything raised above our goal will be returned to the parish in the form of a rebate. Second, we are now in position to have our Annual Assessment due to the Chancery reduced by 2%. For us, that means about a \$10,000 reduction in our annual taxes due to the Archdiocese. In order to be granted that reduction, I will need to make an appeal for mercy because we have outstanding debts to the archdiocese that stand in the way of an automatic reduction. I will base my appeal on the fact that we will be debt-free once the school and convent sale is finalized. In addition, we have the unusual and very significant financial commitment to maintain two churches. As such, many of our operating costs are fixed. This parish is a lean operation; we are not spending money on unnecessary staff as you might find elsewhere. I will keep you posted on future developments.

**2021 Goal is \$50,674**

<b>Amount Collected:</b>	\$52,200
<b>Families participating:</b>	199/1800

### Food Pantry

We are always grateful for donations to the Food Pantry. However, it does occur to me to ask a favor. Please check the expiration dates on the products before you donate. We are legally prohibited from distributing expired food.

### Wedding

Congratulations to Joe Marshall and JoAnn Gunsiorowski who celebrated the Sacrament of Matrimony this past Wednesday.

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**July 18, 2021**

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## **Everyday Stewardship**

Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock! When you hear these strong words from the Old Testament, you're probably thinking, thank goodness I don't have any sheep – dodged that bullet. Nobody misled here! No flock scattered on my watch! However, we are all shepherds of a kind, called to tend our own sheep: our families, our parishes, our communities.

But it's exhausting. Don't we all sometimes just want to take a break from being a steward? The excuses are so familiar: we're tired, we've done enough, we've given all we can, what more does the parish (or my spouse, or my kids, or my boss, or my friends, or my community) want? We give ourselves permission to be selfish. So, what if the flock scatters just a little?

Jesus gets that. We can just imagine Him weary with exhaustion, can't we? We see Him on his boat, attempting to sneak away for a quick break – maybe just a chance to eat a bite of food in peace. He is God, but He still had a human nature, after all. Even the most dedicated shepherds need to sleep. But people couldn't leave Him alone. They were hungry for Him. They needed what He could offer, and they needed it now.

As tough as it is, that's the example we are tasked with imitating. Everyday Stewardship demands accountability. It demands our showing up even when we are tired. It demands that we look at our lives, our time, our energies, our talents, our hearts, our bank accounts and think: where do I still have more to give? – TEW

## **Confessions**

In our gradual return to normal, confessions are now being heard on Saturday afternoons in the confessionals at St. Andrew's from 3-4 pm.

## **Summer Office Hours**

The Parish Office will close on Fridays at 1:00 pm for the duration of the summer.

## **Religious Education Registration**

Registration for the 2021-2022 session of our Religious Education program is open for Grades 1-9. We will have face to face instructions in All Saints Catholic Academy this year. Classes will begin in September according to the following schedule:

Grades 1 - 6	Sunday	8:45 - 10:15 am.
Grades 7 and 8	Tuesday	6:30 - 8:00 pm.
Grade 9 (Confirmation)	every other Tuesday	6:30 - 8:00 pm.

Registration forms have been emailed to all returning families. If you are new to the program, forms are available in the parish office weekdays from 9:30 am to 6:00 pm.

## **2022 Mass Book**

We still have a few Mass intentions available for 2021. Once they have been taken, we will open the 2022 Mass Book.

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## Bayonne, NJ

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### ASCA News

Summer office hours are in place. Sr. Rita and the secretaries are available Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays – 9 am to 1 pm. Registrations are still being accepted for the 2021-2022 school year. We will be offering full in-person instruction. Registration forms are available online at our school's website (ascabayonne.org). For questions, please call the school office.

### The Week at a Glance

Sun., July 18

Mon., July 19

Tue., July 20

Wed., July 21

Thu., July 22 • Holy Hour (including an opportunity for Confession), St. Andrew Daily Mass Chapel, 7 pm

Fri., July 23

Sat., July 24

Sun., July 25

### Readings for the Week of July 18, 2021

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

Monday: Ex 14:5-18/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Ex 14:21 – 15:1/Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Friday: Ex 20:1-17/Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: Ex 24:3-8/Mt 13:24-30

Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

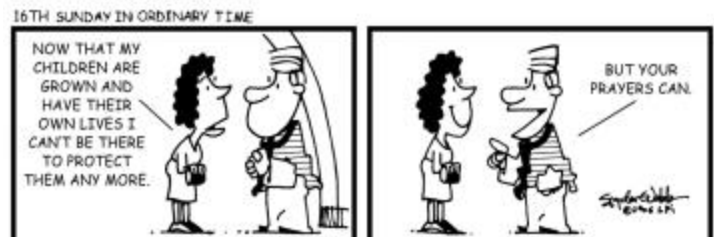
### Looking Ahead to Next Week

The miracle performed by Elisha finds its perfect fulfillment in Jesus' feeding of the five thousand. He opens His hands and satisfies our deepest needs. In Him we form one body.

“You may be the only Jesus your neighbor will ever see.”

— Mother Angelica

From her book, *Mother Angelica's Answers, Not Promises*



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