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Our Mission Statement

The Cathedral Community is a Roman Catholic parish of the Diocese of Rochester that gathers and worships at Sacred Heart Cathedral. We are an ethnically, racially and economically diverse community with unique gifts and challenges within an urban neighborhood.

Our mission is to reach out with hope to all in our community, neighborhood and beyond, to proclaim the Gospel with joy and enthusiasm, and to prepare disciples who will go forth to serve God and others, especially the poor, with mercy and compassion.

MASS AND CONFESSION TIMES

Celebration of the Eucharist

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 12:10 pm
Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 7:00, 9:15, 11:15 am & 5:00 pm

Celebration of Penance

Friday 4:45 - 5:15 pm
Saturday 2:30 - 3:30 pm

September 6, 2020

Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

Labor Day—Monday, September 7

The office remains CLOSED. There will be one Mass at 9:00 a.m.



Pastoral Perspectives

John and George, both in their seventies, had been friends since their high school days. They held strong opinions, and both were on the stubborn side. Consequently, they argued frequently and, as a result, they often went for weeks without speaking to each other. It got to the point where, after a heated argument on some trivial matter, John and George hadn't spoken to each other for a long time. Then George became critically ill. He summoned John to his hospital bed and said that he wanted to heal their relationship before he died. He took John's hand in his and whispered, "John, I forgive you. Will you forgive me?" John was deeply moved by his friend's final gesture, but before he could reply, George bellowed, "But remember, if I don't die, if I get well again, this doesn't count!"

Why is it that forgiveness must be saved for deathbed situations? The Gospel makes it clear that Jesus called his disciples to love others unconditionally and he certainly expects us to take the initiative in seeking reconciliation when love breaks down.

If Jesus walked the earth today, preaching love and reconciliation, would he draw the line when it came to terrorists who have no respect for others' lives or rights; or doctors who make their living performing abortions, or corporate business leaders whose greed bankrupts a business and destroys the savings of lots of investors; or predators who abuse and molest the young? Would Jesus make exceptions for those kinds of people? I don't believe he would.

During an adult Bible Class, the discussion turned to the meaning of prayer. The discussion leader asked the group whether they prayed regularly and, if so, what did they pray for usually; one person said that she prayed for continued good health another answered, "I pray for happiness."

At this time, we are NOT celebrating weekday mass on Tuesday and Thursdays at 6:30 a.m. We will keep you informed when these masses will resume on these days. Thank you.

Good Friday Collection Sept. 12 & 13

This year, due to the pandemic caused by the Corona virus, it was not possible to take up the Good Friday collection dedicated to supporting Christians living here in the Land of Jesus.

This is why Pope Francis has accepted the request to move this gesture of sharing that concerns the whole Church to the weekend of September 12 & 13.

The collection in favor of the Holy Land is a small gesture of solidarity that the whole Church is called to make in order to support through the Custody of the Holy Land, the Christian communities that are in the Holy Land and feel the weight and also the glory of the Cross of Jesus on their shoulders.

Thank you for your generous contribution to this second collection.



MASS INTENTIONS

Consider requesting a Mass for a deceased loved one. The offering is \$10. **Weekend and weekday masses on Monday/Wednesday/Friday are available for 2020 and for 2021.** Please call the office at 254-3221 to request a mass.

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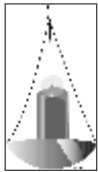
Pastoral Perspectives continued

Several said they prayed for eternal salvation in the next world. But one elderly woman kept shaking her head when she heard their answers. When it came to her turn to answer, she said, "It's very simple. I believe in God and what I pray for is that he believes in me."

We pray that God believes in us as a people of reconciliation, a people who seek reconciliation with even the unlovable among us. Jesus, As the psalmist prays, "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts."

- **Thought for the week:** A successful marriage is built on six words: Be kind. Be forgiving. Be true.
- **Smile for the week:** What's big, gray, and wrinkly, and goes around in circles? A rhinoceros in a revolving door.

God bless! Have a wonderful week!
Fr. Kevin McKenna



This Week's Sanctuary Candle

In Memory Of — Domenick & Gloria Palozzi

Requested by — Lucille & David

PRAY FOR OUR SICK



Margita Amidzic, Auriette Atallah,
John Bamann, Kevin Beck, Bernie
Beisheim, Kenneth Beisheim, Phil Bottaro,
Bill Brooks, Marilyn Brown, Tammy

Brown, Jim Calkins, Bishop Matthew Clark, Briana Grisdale,
Mango Crispin, Ann D'Amato, Gail DeCaro, Cindy DeLucca,
Tom Deneen, Joseph DeJohn, Marilyn Dietz, Ronald A.
DiFulio, Donna Finnochario, Matthew Granata, Jim Kolesar,
Evelyn Kolesar, Pat LaPlaca, Anthony Mancini, Paul Maira,
Lucas Marone, Jeffrey McCarthy, Tom Mura, Truong Nguyen,
William Palermo, Gloria Palumbo, T. Richard Patrick, Ginny
Payne, Ginnie Petrillo, Reese Petrin, Jeff Piazza, Rosemary
Piazza, Nikki Pogorzelski, Nancy Prinzing, Jorie Marie Pucillo,
Thomas Reynolds, Zuyin Rodriguez, Tom Rotolo, Yolanda
Rubert, Jim Schell, Anise Shelton, Mary Stanley, Barbara
Stifter, Pauline Sweeting, Michael Tarwacki, Ron Thyer, Cheryl
Tomasso, Bentley Vega, Albert Verdille, Charlene Weeks,
Tristan White, Robert Young



Scripture Study for Next Sunday

Next Sunday, September 13, 2020, is the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time. The readings will be Sirach 27:30-28:7; Romans 14:7-9; and Matthew 18:21-35.

The Old Testament reading next Sunday suggests that, by nature, human beings can find it very difficult to let go of the injustices we suffer. Vengeance seems to satisfy our hurt. But those who have experienced God's mercy to them must learn to forgive and be merciful to others. Sirach suggests that one way to dispel feelings of vengeance, one way to choose to be a person of forgiveness, is to picture the end of my life. What do I choose as my legacy – hatred and vengeance or mercy and forgiveness? When I stand before my loving God, what is the story of my life that I hope to tell?

In the Gospel reading, Peter asks Jesus how often he must forgive a person who wrongs him. Jesus replies that he must forgive "*not seven times but seventy-seven times.*" In ancient times, the number seven represented completeness, so the number seventy-seven would have indicated forgiveness without end. Jesus goes on to illustrate this lesson by telling the parable of the unforgiving servant who begs his master to reconsider punishment for his debt. After having the debt graciously forgiven, the same servant causes the one who owes him a debt to be imprisoned. Jesus teaches that *divine* mercy is always ready to forgive without retribution. In the words of the psalmist, "*The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.*" In order to be a true follower of Christ, I must offer that same divine merciful forgiveness to others.

Rose Davis

**Newly
Baptized**

Reagan Marie Duffy

*We welcome our newly baptized into our
parish community!*



Saturday, September 5, 2020—Saint Teresa of Calcutta

1 Cor 4:6b-15; Lk 6:1-5

4:00 pm Anne & Edward Hartz—Sue Cherkis
Maryann Pucillo—Angie Capone

Sunday, September 6, 2020—23rd Sunday In Ordinary Time

Ez 33:7-9, Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

7:00 am Rita Whalen—Margaret Whalen
9:15 am David J. Pilaroscia—Family
Audrey Newell—Charles Newell
John Appleby—William Empey
Louise DeVolder—Sandy & Karen Sodke
11:15 am Rosaria Pimpinella—Gennaro Pimpinella
5:00 pm For the people of the Cathedral Community

Monday, September 7, 2020—Labor Day/Office Closed

1 Cor 5:1-8; Lk 6:6-11

9:00 am Gerald McCabe—Family

Tuesday, September 8, 2020—The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mt 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

6:30 am For world peace

Wednesday, September 9, 2020—St. Peter Claver

1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26

12:10 pm Joan Listman—Julie & Dave Boland

Thursday, September 10, 2020

1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Lk 6:27-38

6:30 am For peace with justice

Friday, September 11, 2020

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Lk 6:39-42

12:10 pm Bill & Anna Cross & Diane Burnham—Geraldyn Young & Family

Saturday, September 12, 2020

1 Cor 10:14-22; Lk 6:43-49

4:00 pm Robert Bauer—Bauer Family
Frances Attinasi—Daughter, Cenny
Ted Knickerbocker Jr.—Michael Marion & Family

Sunday, September 13, 2020—24th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Sir 27:30—28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

7:00 am Charlie Werner—7 AM Mass Friends
9:15 am Frank Atti—Dave & Julie Boland
11:15 am Louis Lombardo—Family
5:00 pm For the people of the Cathedral Community

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Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon them.

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