



Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also everyone for those of others. Phil. 2:3-4



LIFE (Learning In Faith Experiences)

Jesus' words in the Gospel happen to be right on target for me! The situation that Jesus posed to the chief priests and elders is a straightforward one. Given the same task by their father, one son is disobedient in words but then obeys in actions; the second son obeys with his words, but disobeys in his actions. Jesus' question is: "Which son did what the father wanted?" Did you find yourself teetering in your response, going from one son to the other trying to imagine each of their "intentions"? Of course, with MY BEING THE PERFECT DAUGHTER, I'd have said yes and done the task (please, do NOT let my parents read this!). How often do we find ourselves saying the word "yes" but shaking our head "no," or moving about *s-l-o-w-l-y* while saying "I'm moving as fast as I can." We have plenty of examples in our lives when our actions and words are not in sync. So, the answer to which son did what the father wanted would be: the son who actually did the work as ordered did the father's will. Jesus presented this question to those he was speaking with, but he also presents each one of us with this question today too: *Do our words indicate our obedience to God?* If our words don't reflect our obedience to God, do our actions? God desires a full conversion of heart: that our actions and our words will give evidence of our love for God. [At LIFE on Monday, our K-3 children were talking about how we need to be God's "transformers," people who are changed and strengthened!] Each Sunday when we come to Mass and pray the prayers and receive Holy Communion, the words we pray and the actions we make are statements made of our belief in God's love for us, our commitment to loving God and to loving/serving one another. When we leave church, our actions should match our words! What are my actions like in the minutes, hours, and days after I leave the Eucharistic Table? Do my actions reflect my prayed words, am I a "transformer"?

Written by: Colette Savaria (LIFE Coordinator)

Children's Liturgy of the Word begins once again at the 10:30 Mass this Sunday and will be offered again on 10/8, 10/15, and 10/29.

Confirmation Student and Parent Orientation meeting will be held on Thurs., October 12 at 6:30pm in the Parish Center.

First Reconciliation/Eucharist Parent (only) Orientation meeting will be held on Thurs., October 12 at 6:30pm in the Parish Center. *In order to attend Orientation Meetings, students must be pre-registered in the program.

Community Action Committee (CAC) Pennies for Prescriptions will be held once again throughout the month of October. All money/pennies collected support the mothers and children at Lucy's Hearth who need essential medication and do not yet have health insurance. Containers will be set out in the Foyer of the Church for your donations.

FORMED: Catholic Faith On Demand: Oct. 13 is the 100th anniversary of the final apparition of Our Lady to the three children at Fatima. Recommendations: *Finding Fatima* and for children *The Day The Sun Danced*. It's easy and FREE register! Go to formed.org, put in the parish code **B84KHM**, and watch these movies today.

Please **pray** for all the men and women who have served and who currently serve in the armed forces, and the military commanders who lead them. **Pray** for our homebound Parishioners and the sick of the Parish (including those in hospitals and nursing homes). **Pray** for the unborn, the premature, and the fragile among us so that we may deepen our respect for life at all stages.

Are you or someone you know a victim of verbal, psychological for physical abuse? Domestic violence, which includes verbal and psychological abuse, impacts millions every year. Most suffer in silence and are threatened, fearful and embarrassed to reach out for help. Married people may feel confused about how the church might respond due to their marital vows. The Office of Life and Family wants to raise awareness and provide support, information and resources for those struggling from abuse. Maybe you just want to talk! Please call 421-7833, ext. 218 or ext. 217.

Would you like to become a Catholic or do you know someone who does? RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) has begun, but it is not too late to join. Classes are every Wednesday evening from 7-8pm in the Parish Center. Please contact Jane Parrillo at jjparrillo@yahoo.com to register or for more information.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Zec 8:1-8/Mt 18:1-5, 10
Tuesday:	Zec 8:20-23/Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday:	Neh 2:1-8/Lk 9:57-62
Thursday:	Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Lk 10:1-12
Friday:	Bar 1:15-22/Lk 10:13-16
Saturday:	Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Lk 10:17-24
Sunday:	Is 5:1-7/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

CHURCH SUPPORT – September 23/24, 2017

Weekly Collection	\$5410.00
Hurricane Disaster Relief	\$5501.00

Thank you to all who have made donations for Hurricane Relief through St. Lucy's or other agencies and for all your prayers. **Next week's 2nd Collection** will be for the Seminarians' Education Fund.

Thank you for your continuing generosity.

Save the date: St. Lucy's will hold its annual Fall Pot Luck Dinner on October 28 in the Parish Center from 6:15 to 8:30. All are welcome. Details will follow in later bulletins.

Newport County Radio Club is sponsoring an Amateur Radio Technician Class at St. Lucy's Parish Center starting Oct. 5 from 5:30 to 8pm for six sessions. The class is suitable for middle school age students through adults. Advance sign-up is necessary and class size is limited. Classes end with an exam on Nov. 6. Fees are \$10 for the student manual and \$15 for the exam. For more information/registration go to <http://bit.ly/October5HamClass>.

Rosary Rally: On Saturday, October 14 at noon, people across the nation will be **praying the rosary for world peace**. The community of St. Lucy will pray the rosary at the church sign on West Main Rd. so that we are visible to all passing by. Bring a lawn chair if you wish to sit. In the event of rain, we will pray the rosary inside the parish center. All are encouraged to attend with their families. Let us continue to be God's instruments bringing forth world peace as a faith community.

RESPECT LIFE UPCOMING EVENTS:

40 Days for Life has begun. Go to the website at 40daysforlife.com/providence for further information. **The Respect Life Month begins with a Life Chain on Oct. 1** locally at Jesus Saviour Church from 2 to 3pm. Participants are asked to meet in the back parking lot at 1:45pm. Many Christians and Clergy across our nation and locally will line the sidewalks some holding signs, others quietly praying. This is a visual statement of solidarity of all who see, understand, and are willing to witness to the intrinsic beauty of human life. Contact Carol Owens at the Diocese of Providence at 421-7833(x 218) for more information.

A Fundraiser for St. Joseph's St. Vincent de Paul Society (An American Girl Tea Party) will be held on Saturday, Oct. 14 from 1-3pm at St. Joseph's Church. Tickets are \$15 for a child and adult. Additional children \$10 each. Reserve tickets by calling Jean at 848-1298 or Elaine at 846-2574.

A Day of Empowerment will be held at St. Patrick's Church Gym, Providence on Sat., Oct. 14 from 9am to 4pm. The Day will provide information and education to empower Black Catholics and all in attendance to become more active in the work and mission of their respective parishes and the Church as a whole. Please call Patty January, Coordinator, Office of Black Catholics, at 421-7833 for more details.

Seasonal Flu Vaccine Clinic will be held at St. Lucy's on Sunday, Oct. 15th from 9am to noon. No charge for BCBS, Medicare Part B, Neighborhood Health, Tufts or Tufts Carelink, Consolidated. Different or no insurance - \$25. To register: Log on to www.thewellcomp.com, scroll down to Register Now, click Flu, click Community, Select RI, Select Middletown, Click on event to register. **Registration forms are also available in the Narthex.**

MASS INTENTIONS AND CHURCH SCHEDULE

- Saturday, September 30
 5:00pm (O) Wallace Benjamin Shepherd
- Sunday, October 1
 8:00am (O) Teresa Warburg, Christopher Grant (living)
 10:30am (O) Joseph T. Alves
 5:00pm (O'N) Frank P. "Mickey" Mello
- Monday, October 2
 9:00am Agice Daponte
- Tuesday, October 3
 9:00am Rey Deguzman
- Wednesday, October 4
 9:00am W. Wallace Mathison
 Helen Bagley
- Thursday, October 5
 9:00am Communion Service
- Friday, October 6
 9:00am (S) Nancy A. Pearce
 5:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 7:00pm Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet,
 Litany to Mary
 7:50pm Benediction
- Saturday, October 7
 5:00pm (O) St. Lucy's Parishioners
- Sunday, October 8
 8:00am (O) St. Lucy's Parishioners
 10:30am (O) Rev. Mr. Joseph Sullivan
 Frances Sullivan
 Mark Sullivan
 5:00pm (O'N) Betty Raffa

In the above celebrations:
 O = Rev. John O'Brien
 O'N = Rev. Tom O'Neill
 S = Rev. Saji Joseph

In honor of Our Lady, The Rosary for all intentions will be prayed directly after the 8 and 10:30am Masses each Sunday for the month of October. Cindy Killavey will lead the Rosary after the 8am Mass and Denise Betz will lead the Rosary after the 10:30am Mass.

New schedules for Lectors, Altar Servers, and Extraordinary Ministers are available in the Sacristy.

Visiting the Sick: Please notify Sr. Sheila at 847-6153 (x205) when a family member is in the hospital.