



*Come away by yourselves
to a deserted place
and rest a while.*

Mark 6:31



LIFE (Learning In Faith Experiences)

This week's readings continue at the point where the apostles come back together with Jesus and reported all that they'd done and taught, after they'd been *sent out with authority* by Jesus. As the Good Shepherd, Jesus was aware of the fact that the apostles were exhausted from the mission he'd given them. Knowing that, Jesus invited them and taught them of the importance of "getting away" from the busy-ness and finding a deserted place to rest and rejuvenate ones' being. Teaching by example, we see/hear of Jesus and the apostles all hopping into a fishing boat and traveling to another area, away from where they'd ministered, in order to re-energize and "de-brief of their experiences" with one another. This time for them was truly set aside to enter into the quiet to connect with the source of all energy and power: God. We too, like the apostles, do many important things during the course of a week. In order for these important things to happen, we have to do some planning and preparing. We might have to arrange for rides to practices and sporting events, or set aside time for music lessons or gymnastic classes. We also know that we need to find time for rest and relaxation; finding that perfect balance in order to be the best person that each one of us is called to be: we need to make the time to pray, and to be fed through the gift of the Eucharist. We can't truly give of ourselves if our spiritual tanks are running on empty. Try to take some time this week, at Jesus' invitation, to spend some *quiet time away from the crowd* and to "be" with God by reflecting on today's Psalm (one of the best-known and loved), seeing where it leads you. *The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He leads me to meadows of green grass and there he lets me lie; beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul. He guides me in right paths for his names sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side with your rod and your staff that give me courage. You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows. Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come.* We know that, with God: all things are possible!

Written by: Colette Savaria, (LIFE Coordinator)

Old Testament Bible Study: Judges, Prophets, and Kings. The 2018 summer Bible study series will be led by Jane Parrillo, MA Theology. All are welcome to come and learn about these colorful heroes and villains of our salvation history! Who were they, why are they important and what can we learn from them? Dates: Wednesdays, Aug. 1 (Judges), 8 (United Monarchy), and 15 (Divided Kingdom). Place: Parish Center. Time: 6:30-7:30pm.

As an adult, **do you want to become Catholic?** Do you know someone who does? Do you want to complete your initiation into the Catholic Church with Confirmation? It's never too late to begin a new journey! For information or to ask questions, contact Jane Parrillo at jjparrillo@yahoo.com.

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** also 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.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Mt 12:38-42
 Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Mt 2:46-50
 Wednesday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28
 Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Mt 13:10-17
 Friday: Jer 3:14-17/Mt 13:18-23
 Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Mt 13:24-30
 Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

CHURCH SUPPORT – July 14/15, 2018

Weekly Collection \$4677.00
Reduction of the Parish Debt \$2726.00
Weekly Electronic Giving \$ 730.00

Thank you for your support!!

Thank you! Bishop Thomas Tobin has sent our parish community and lay leadership a congratulatory note for **surpassing our goal for the 2018 Catholic Charity Appeal.** Because of your hard work diocesan ministries will be able to continue to care for the poor, feed the hungry and comfort the sick.

The Office of Marriage Preparation & Enrichment is sponsoring **the Annual Wedding Anniversary Celebration honoring couples of the Diocese of Providence** who will be observing their 25th, 40th, 50th, and OVER 50 years wedding anniversaries in 2018. The celebration will be held on Sunday, September 23rd at 1:00pm at the Cathedral of SS Peter & Paul, Providence and will include Mass, renewal of marriage vows, a personalized certificate, and a reception for the couples and their families. Bishop Thomas J. Tobin will be the main celebrant. *Reservations to attend this Celebration by a St. Lucy's couple must be made by 8/10. Please speak with Fr. John.

ON THE HUNT: If you've borrowed a (or some) 6-foot, white, cloth, table-cloth(s) from the Parish Center and have yet to return them – please drop them off at the Rectory before 3pm, Monday-Friday. Thank you!!

Columban Fathers' Festival & Bazaar, 65 Ferry Rd., Bristol (Rte. 114 Bus Route). **Sunday July 29th, 12-6pm.** Raffles: New \$2000 Grand Prize, Chicken Bar-B-Q, chowder and clam cakes, stuffies, hamburgers, hot dogs, chourico & pepper, chicken fingers, French fries, doughboys and ice cream, yard sale, face painting, prizes music, FREE parking and admission.

All Saints STEAM Academy will be holding an open house on Sunday, July 29 from 9am to noon. Certified as a STEAM Academy by Roger Williams University, ASA offers an affordable Catholic education for children in grades Pre-S to 8. Come see the school that Imagines the design, Dreams the innovation, and Launches through fabrication.

Community Action Committee: The CAC is once again responding to a request from Child & Family Services for the following "Back to School" supplies that are needed for the upcoming school year for middle/high school students: Backpacks- good and sturdy (new or gently used), calculators, 3 ring binders (new or gently used). spiral notebooks, pencils, pens and paper, highlighters, rulers, etc. Any of the above would be greatly appreciated by C&F as they strive to meet the needs of their families and our neighbors. Please place items in the bin marked "School Supplies for Child & Family in the Church narthex. *As always, thank you for your generosity!*

**You are Invited to
 St. Lucy's Annual Parish Picnic
 on Tuesday, Aug. 7th (5:30pm-dusk), rain or shine.**



The picnic menu will include hot dogs, potato and pasta salads, and beverages (lemonade, water, and juice). There will be face painting, games, and much more! If you are planning to attend, please fill out the form below and place it in the designated basket in the back of the Church by August 1. Please bring a ready-to-serve, plated dessert or cut-up fruit to share that will serve 4 people. In addition, please bring a blanket or chair. For more information and/or to help, please contact Sr. Sheila at 847-6153 (x205) or Jane Parillo (x 209) if you can help.

Family Name: _____
 # Attending: Adults _____ Children _____
 Ages of Children _____
 Telephone # _____
 I will bring _____

MASS INTENTIONS AND CHURCH SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 21
 5:00pm (O) Evelyn, Joe, and Joseph Corey
 Sunday, July 22
 8:00am (O) George and Helen Leeber
 10:30am (O) Betty and Spooner Families
 7:00pm (O'N) St. Lucy's Parishioners
 Monday, July 23
 9:00am Agnes Elliott (Birthday Remembrance)
 Tuesday, July 24
 9:00am Mass of Thanksgiving in honor of St. Anne
 Wednesday, July 25
 9:00am Frank P. "Mickey" Mello
 Thursday, July 26
 9:00am Communion Service
 Friday, July 27
 9:00am (O'N) In memory of Vincent F. McMahon, Sr. and family
 5:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
 7:00pm Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Litany to Mary
 7:50pm Benediction
 Saturday, July 28
 5:00pm (O) Wallace B. Shepherd (2nd Anniversary)
 Sunday, July 29
 8:00am (O) St. Lucy's Parishioners
 10:30am (B) Carolyn Gray (10th Anniversary) Parvuli Dei Emblem Presentation to Scout Louis Brickner
 7:00pm (O) St. Lucy's Parishioners

In the above celebrations:

- O = Rev. John O'Brien
- O'N = Rev. Thomas O'Neill
- B = Rev. William O'Neill

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