Today’s Gospel we hear the parable story of the ten lepers who met Jesus as he was traveling through Samaria and Galilee. Because of their ostracizing illnesses, these ten stood away from Jesus while yelling out to him asking for his pity. Jesus did see them and told them to show themselves to the priests. While on their way to the priests, the ten were cleansed. One of those cleansed immediately began to praise God and went back to search for Jesus. When he found Jesus the Samaritan fell at Jesus’ feet expressing his gratitude, appreciation and thankfulness - all while probably shedding tears of joy and relief. Jesus asked where the other nine were who’d also been healed. October this one Samaritan (who was not a follower of Jesus) to stand up and go “your faith has saved you.” Ten lepers asked to be healed by Jesus and only one returned to Jesus with humble gratitude. How do you suppose the Samaritan lived the rest of his life? By the Samaritan’s display of thankfulness, appreciation, and respect for Jesus, I believe that this returning Samaritan shows us what an “attitude of gratitude” is all about. Not only was the Samaritan cured physically, but this healing went inward also – which was reflected in the Samaritan’s actions. Regarding the nine others that Jesus asked about, what do you think happened to/with them? Did they have faith in Jesus? Did they feel entitled because they “asked” Jesus to heal them and so felt as if they “deserved” to be cured, then went on their merry way without looking back? Who would you say that you most relate to in this parable: the Samaritan who returned to Jesus with a grateful heart, or one of the nine who went on his/her way without ever looking back?

Written by: Colette Savaria, LIFE Coordinator

JOY’S LITANIES

Friday: Our Lady of Sorrows
Saturday: Our Lady of Good Counsel
Sunday: Our Lady of Help

The Second Collection this weekend is for St. Lucy’s Building and Maintenance Fund.

Thank you for your generosity!!

The Diocesan Office of Life and Family is offering the “Finding Hope” support group at St. Lucy’s Parish Center on Thursdays, Oct. 17 from 7 to 8:30pm in the Parish Center. This free program provides a healing environment for sharing and topics related to separation/divorce. For information contact Father Peter at 421-7833 (x217).

A “Chicks in Charge” Reunion will be held at 11:30am on Friday, Oct. 18 at the Atlantic Grille in Middletown. Please respond to Evelyn Cayer at 644-5702 or email ecayer@gmail.com.

LIFE (Learning In Faith Experiences)

In our community, the CAC had been sponsoring a Halloween Festivities Event for children in the Parish Center on Sun., Oct. 27 after 10:30am Mass (11:30-1pm). All children are invited to participate in playing ghostly games, goblin yummy treats, all while seeing the difference that youth can make in our community. The NextGen’ers are hoping to see you at the festivities! ☕️ 🎃 🎆 🎈 🎥 Canned good donations will be gladly accepted to assist our local friends.

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Friendly Reminder: All collections which take place in the Church Narthex must have prior approval from the Rectory.

Helping Hearts•••

The Annual Memorial Mass of Remembrance for deceased members of St. Lucy’s Parish family will be held on Sunday, Nov. 3 at 10:30am. This special Mass is for all Parishioners who died from October 16, 2018 through October 15, 2019. If anyone has a loved one who passed away during this period and is not from St. Lucy’s, please contact Sr. Sheila at 847-6153 (x205) with the name and date of your loved one by Wednesday, Oct. 30. We will be happy to include them in this Memorial Mass.

A great BIG thank you for all you did to make this year’s Pot Luck Dinner a spirit filled and fun evening. It was great to have the help to set up, the donations of wine and gift cards, and even to have to clean up, etc. after the dinner.

St. Gabriel’s Call, a Diocesan Agency that assists mothers, is accepting girls’ winter clothes from sizes 24 months to 3T. Please place donations in the container in the Narthex. Thank you for your donations.

Community Action Committee (CAC)

Pennies for Prescriptions: Each October the CAC collects pennies for the prescription needs of the residents of Lucy’s Hearth. All money collected supports the moms and children who do not yet have health insurance. Containers are labeled at the entrance of the Church for your donations.

Thank you for all your donations.

Catholic Schools Open House

Prout School (high school) on Sun., Oct. 20 from 1 to 4 and Tues., Nov. 5 from 6 to 8. For info call 789-9262 (x514)

Bishop Hendricken (high school) on Sun., Oct 13 and 20 from noon to 3.

St. Philomenas’ (elementary school) on Sun., Oct. 27 from noon to 2. For info call 683-0288 (x118).

St. Vincent de Paul Conference

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Visiting the Sick: When a family member is in the hospital, please notify Sr. Sheila Murphy at 847-6153 (x205).

For all the men and women who have served and been a part of our military, October is the time to honor and remember their service and sacrifices. The Annual Mass of the Rosary and thanksgiving Mass will be offered for our young Parishioners on Sunday, October 27 at 10am. Please call to set up your time slot to participate in Mass. St. Lucy’s Catholic Faith Community

Saint Lucy Catholic Faith Community (401-847-6153) Middletown, RI

The Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 13, 2019

Contributor's Name

In honor of Our Lady, The Rosary for all intentions will be prayed directly after the 8:30am 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.

A Communal Anointing of the Sick will be held on Sunday, Oct. 27th at the 10:30am Mass.

Rectory Offices closed on Monday, October 14th in observance of the Columbus Day holiday.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): If you or someone you know would like to become a Catholic, or if you are an adult Catholic who needs Confirmation, please contact Jane Parrillo at jiparrillo@yahoo.com.

Soup Kitchen Needs

Tuesday, Oct. 15

Assorted finger desserts (cupcakes, cookies, brownies, etc.)
2 loaves bread
4 bags oranges
2 bottles Italian salad dressing
1 (2 pound) boxes butter (sticks only)

If you would like to help with any of the above items, please call Sylvia Bunker at 683-0320. You may drop off your donations at the Rectory anytime before 3pm on Tuesday, Oct. 15. With your help we were able to serve 87 meals in September. Thank you to all who helped make this possible!

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