

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

September 20, 2020 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

God's Generosity

The landowner] said "Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" (Matthew 20:14-15)

Isaiah 55:6-9 - Seeking the Lord
Philippians 1:20-24,27 - Spreading the gospel
Matthew 20:1-16 - The laborers of the vineyard

For Reflection:

Adults: What lessons do you draw from today's Gospel?
How has God been generous to you in this way?

Kids: Who is generous to you, even when you do not always deserve it?

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The Diocesan Catholic Yearly Appeal provides us with the opportunity to be bearers of Christ's light to others, a light that reflects Christ's kindness, compassion and hope. We hope that when presented with the opportunity to participate in the Annual Appeal, you will answer the call to build God's Kingdom.

Please remain assured that your gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal cannot be used in the settlement of abuse claims or for anything other than their intended purpose.

Tus far we have \$35,092.00 pledged, leaving \$ 2,798.00 to reach our assigned goal of \$37,790.

If possible, please join us and help our parish to reach its assigned goal. Thank you!

CONFESSIONS are available. If you would like to schedule a confession, please know that you can do so by contacting the rectory office @718-638-1880.

Fr. Rich Bretone or Fr. John Gribowich will get back to you as to when and where the confession can take place. The chapel at St. Francis Xavier may be available for confessions before the 5:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass. Just try to see if the priest is available when you arrive—the ushers can help you.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses
**Tuesdays @ 9:00AM at
St. Francis Xavier**
and
**Wednesdays @ 9:00AM
at St. Augustine**

Weekend Masses at **St. Francis Xavier
on Saturdays @ 5:00PM and Sundays
@ 9:30AM and
St. Augustine on Sundays at
12:00 NOON**

**Due to COVID 19, attendance will be
limited to 25% of the listed capacity.**

Face masks to be worn at all times.

Seating in designated areas only.

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

St. Francis Xavier
Tuesdays
10:00AM- 12:00NOON
St. Augustine
Wednesdays
10:00AM- 12:00NOON

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BAPTISMS are available...

If you would like to schedule a baptism, please know that you can do so by contacting the rectory office at 718-638-1880. A member of our baptism preparation group will get back to you about our (remote) preparation program. We are not holding our usual monthly group baptisms and will work with your family to schedule an individual baptism with limited attendees.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education for the children of St. Augustine and St. Francis Xavier will resume in a few weeks. If your child is not yet registered for this year or if you would like more information about the program, please contact Sister Helene at hacreled@aol.com or call 718-857-2903.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

The Rite of Christian Initiation(RCIA) is a process for interested non-Catholics to learn about the Catholic Faith and for baptized Catholics who have not yet received Eucharist and Confirmation to prepare to do so. This process provides an opportunity to gomon a spiritual journey with other adults seeking to deepen their relationship with God and begin or renew their commitment to God through full membership in the Catholic Church. If you know a person or persons you think might be interested suggest they call ... they just might be waiting for an invitation.

For more information, contact Sister Helene ar 718-857-2903 or hacreled@aol.com.

A Prayer to Combat the Coronavirus Pandemic

Most merciful and Triune God, we come to you
in our weakness.

We come to you in our fear.
We come to you with trust.
For you alone are our hope.

We place before you the disease present in our world.
We turn to you in our time of need.

Bring wisdom to doctors,
Give understanding to scientists.
Endow caregivers with compassion and generosity.
Bring healing to those who are ill.
Protect those who are most at risk.
Give comfort to those who have lost a loved one.
Welcome those who have died into your eternal home.

Stabilize our communities.
Unite us in our compassion.
Remove all fear from our hearts.
Fill us with confidence in your care.
Jesus, I trust in you.
Jesus, I trust in you.
Jesus I trust in you.
Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 19

5:00

Frank and Anna Fuggetta

Sunday, September 20

9:30

Nicholas Marra

12:15

Fay Masullo

Monday, September 21

Dr. Joseph G. and Martha Paterno

Tuesday, September 22

9:00

Tommy and Pat Keenan

Wednesday, September 23

9:00

Christopher and Sandra Siconolfi

Thursday, September 24

9:00

Maire O'Connell

Friday, September 25

10:00

No Mass

Saturday, September 26

9:00

**The DeThill Family
Deacon Jack Franca**

5:00

Sunday, September 27

9:30

Matthew and Ruth Molony

12:15

Frank Mastropalo

IN OUR PRAYERS

May God strengthen and give peace to all of our sick parishioners, relatives and friends, especially for:

Robert Schlegel, Daniel Joseph, Matt Speicher, Edna Fialo, Al Campisi, Mary McLoughlin, Aloyse Chong, Lorraine Lozito, Tara Lindis-Corbell and Robert Shaw. *May the hope of the Resurrection dawn on our deceased relatives and friends. We lift them up to our heavenly Father who heals all ills and gives new life.*

AUTOMATED GIVING

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

In the face of these unsettling times, you as a faithful parishioner remain generous. We are thankful for your continuing generosity.

