

Mass Intentions for the Week

February 11th – February 19th

Saturday, Feb 11th

5:30 PM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

Sunday, Feb 12th

7:30AM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

9:00 AM †Hugh & Eleanor De Ghetto

†Rafael Perez

11:00AM †Henry Rohs

†Martin Verostek

12:30 PM †Roberto Rodríguez

†Roberto González

†Hubert Lopez Guerrero

Monday, Feb 13th

7:30 AM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

7:00 PM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

Tuesday, Feb 14th

7:30 AM †Peter & Julia Rosa

7:00 PM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

Wednesday, Feb 15th

7:30AM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

7:00PM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

Friday, Feb 17th

7:30AM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

Saturday, Feb 18th

5:30 PM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

Sunday, Feb 19th

7:30AM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

9:00 AM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

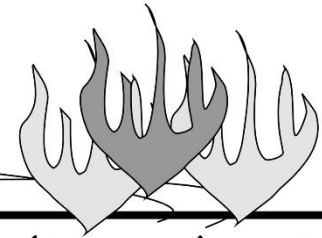
11:00AM †Henry Rohs

†Dinis Fernandes

† Giovanni Iuliano

12:30 PM *St. Brendan & St. George Parishioners

There are
set before you



fire and water

Grupo Carismático de Oración de San Jorge

El grupo de oración se reúne todos los martes en la Iglesia comenzando con la Santa Misa 7:00 pm, luego de 7:30 pm a 9:00 pm con cánticos, alabanza, reflexión de la Palabra y peticiones.

Mass intentions:



Mass Intentions must be requested and paid only in the Parish Office. All intentions must be requested by Wednesday before 12PM. Please **“Do Not”** deposit into the collection baskets. Thank you!

Intenciones de La Misa:



Las intenciones de la Misa deben de ser solicitada y pagada solamente en la oficina parroquial. Todas las intenciones deben ser solicitadas antes de las 12PM. del miércoles precedente. Favor de **“NO”** depositarlos en las canastas de colecta. ¡Gracias!

Mass Celebrants - Weekend of Feb 18th – Feb 19th

Saturday

5:30pm **Fr. Jhon**

Sunday

7:30 am **Fr. Charlie**

9:00 am **Fr. Junior**

11:00 am **Fr. Michael**

12:30 pm **Fr. Junior**

Eucharistic Adoration



Important Notice: There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday, at 7:30 a.m. after mass.

Weekend Collection Feb 4th – Feb 5th

5:30PM	\$ 913.00
7:30AM	\$ 520.00
9:00AM	\$ 1,562.00
11:00AM	\$ 1,141.00
12:30PM	\$ 1,006.00
Total:	\$ 5,142.00
<i>Thank you for your Generosity</i>	

Message from our Pastor 

My dear friends, please read this article from Al Cariño

After the liberation of the Jews from the slavery of Egypt, God gave them the 10 Commandments, the law, through Moses in Mt. Sinai. It not only set them on a higher moral ground than their neighbors, it was also supposed to make them enjoy the freedom of God's people. But over the centuries, their priests constructed a legal system that prescribed rules for everything. These become so oppressive that the people were made slaves again - to the demands of the convoluted law.

That Jesus wants to return to the original purpose of the law we see in the gospel reading (Mt. 5:17-37). Thus, we hear Jesus say, "I have come not to abolish but to fulfill the law." "To fulfill" the law is to place no limits on the ways it is to be carried out. And "to fulfill" the law, it must be grounded on righteousness which "surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law." "Righteousness" here means the radical gift of self to God and neighbor in both inner thought and outward action. It is on this "righteousness" that Jesus wants us to build on the foremost law: love for God and neighbor.

To make clear what Jesus wants to accomplish, He proceeds to show the foundation on which some of the commandments are based. On killing another person, He says, "You have heard it was said to your ancestors, 'You shall not kill; and whoever kills will be liable to judgment.' But I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment." In effect, Jesus is saying that it is not only a knife or a gun that kills. It is the anger and hatred in a person's heart that kills.

Getting angry is a natural human reaction but remaining angry is unchristian. If we allow anger to grow in our heart by reconstructing all the hurts and insults that a person has inflicted on us -- real or alleged -- before we know it, we desperately want to have our revenge. When we finally take the life of a person we vehemently hate, we feel satisfied but only for a moment as the deed will haunt us for life. Why? Because we have done violence to God's most wonderful gift: human life.

This is exactly what happened during the emotional debate on whether to put back the death penalty in

our statute books. People affirmed the commandment "Thou shalt not kill" but they were angry at government's inability to control crime specially of kidnapping and rape. They believed that passing such a law would deter everyone from committing a heinous crime. Almost 10 years after the enactment of the law, the commission of some crimes remains unabated. Now, their hands have been stained with blood.

For Jesus, respect for life is paramount. Thus, if anger and hatred is removed from our hearts and we instead let love and respect for others dominate, then violence against others will be diminished if not eliminated.

The same can be said of adultery. Attraction for the opposite sex is normal. More, it is essential for the survival of the human race. But what have we made of this? As Jesus, Himself said, "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you, everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart."

Adultery or sins of passion happen when we ignore God's purpose in giving us this attraction for the opposite sex--for the propagation of the human race through marriage. However, instead of controlling our desires, we make them run wild by telling and listening to dirty jokes, reading indecent magazines, watching X-rated movies or videos, etc. These degrade women. Instead of treating them as persons - to be loved and cared for - we have turned them into sex objects -- for the gratification of our lust. How we have turned God's purpose in creation upside down!

What couples in love do can help illustrate what we mean by living up to God's standard of "righteousness?" For couples in love, the question is never "What should I not do?" but rather "What more can I do." The measure of their love is "to give till there is no more to give" - the opposite of treating others as objects of self-gratification.

Jesus gives us these examples to show the importance of going back to the roots underlying God's commandments. If we only emphasize the letter of the law, then we often find ourselves asking, "What is the minimum requirement of the law?" Worse, we look for exemptions or find ways to go around it. But if we emphasize the foundation underlying the law -- love for God and neighbor --

then the question we ask is, "What more can and will I do?"

Going back to the roots of God's law gives life to our love relationship with God and neighbor which in turn makes us enjoy the freedom of God's children.

Fr. Junior Flores
Pastor

Fuente: Catholic.net

A libertad es una virtud y un valor eminentemente cristianos. Las lecturas de hoy se centran en esta libertad auténticamente cristiana. En la primera lectura el Sir ácida recurre a imágenes para mostrar la responsabilidad del hombre en su obrar: "Fuego y agua he puesto ante ti, alarga la mano a lo que quieras. Ante el hombre están vida y muerte; lo que él quiera se le dará". Jesucristo en el Evangelio enfrenta la libertad con la elección de lo más propio y peculiar del cristianismo: "Habéis oído que se dijo...pero yo os digo...". Finalmente, san Pablo exhorta a los cristianos de Corinto a elegir una sabiduría superior: divina, misteriosa, escondida, que Dios nos ha revelado por medio de su Espíritu.



Mardi Gras Party

Hot and Cold Buffet \$30 per person or \$250 per Table Featuring Musical Guest Swingman and the Misfit-Mutts Band. Contact **Kathy C. 973-772-1149**. For more Information. Saturday February 25,2017 at 7:30pm.



On Sunday, February 12, 2017 - The Passaic County Committee of the American Legion will be holding a Memorial Service in the Parish of St. Brendan & St. George. Our Pastor, Fr. Junior Flores, will be the guest speaker.



Confirmation Retreat

2017 Confirmation Retreat Sunday,
February 26, 2017 - 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Station 1: Welcome & Sign-up
(Patricia Korac & Cheryl Perzely)

Station 2: Salvation History / Pentecost
(Fr. Michael)

Station 3: Effects of Baptism & Confirmation
(Crystal Hernandez)

Station 4: Renewal of Baptism & Holy Oils
(Cheryl Perzely)

Station 5 & 6: Gifts of the Holy Spirit & Winsock Craft
(Carmen Orozco)

Station 7: The Beatitudes (Fr. Junior)

Station 8: The Creed (Fr. Michael)

Station 9: Fruits of the Holy Spirit (Fr. Jhon)

Station 10: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
(Rev. Mr. Yasid Salas)

Confessions (Fr. Junior, Fr. Michael, & Fr. Jhon)



Straight & Narrow Collection (Sat, Feb 25th – Feb 26th)

We want to thank you for your continual support in donating items to the men and women of Straight & Narrow, plus a special thank you to the money donated to this Diocesan agency.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated.



Tax News

Your Contribution Statement Request for 2016 is below. You may request your 2016 Contribution report by completing the slip below and dropping it in the collection basket or at the Church office. We will mail them out to all who make this request.

Contribution Statement Request for 2016

Name:

Address:

City: State:

Zip Code:

Envelope #:

Phone #:

St. Brendan:



The parish office will be closed in observance of **Presidents Day on Monday Feb. 20th, 2017**. We will resume our regular office hours on **Tuesday Feb. 21st 2017**.

UPCOMING LITURGICAL EVENTS 2017

Wednesday, March 1, 2017- Ash Wednesday

7:30 am (Silent)

9:30 am (School Mass)

12:00pm (English)

5:00 pm (English)

7:00 pm (Spanish)

Saturday, March 11, 2017- Penance (CCD & SBS students)

11:00 am

Saturday March 18, 2017- Confirmation Mass

11:00 am

Friday, April 7, 2017 Preparation of the children for Palm Sunday

9:00-10:00 am

Thursday, April 13, 2017- Holy Thursday

7:00 pm (Bilingual)

Sunday April 9 – Palm Sunday

7:30 am (English)

9:00 am (English)

11:00 am (English)

12:30 pm (English)

Friday, April 14, 2017- Good Friday

9:00 am Passion of the Christ

12:00 pm Living Stations Cross

3:00 pm Good Friday Service

Saturday, April 15, 2017- Holy Saturday

9:00 am Preparation of the church for the Vigil

12:00 pm- Blessing of the food

8:00 pm- Virgil Mass

Sunday, April 16, 2017 Easter Sunday

7:30 am (English)

9:00 am (English)

11:00 am(English)

12:30 pm(Spanish)

Saturday, May 6, 2017- First Communion (CCD students)

5:30 pm

Sunday May 7, 2017- First Communion- (St. Brendan students)

11:00 am



Especially for: Christopher Bergen Fr. Michael Burke, Emma Bracigliano, Jose Bravo, Msgr. Patrick Brown, Alexandra Cafferta, John Canemalla, Mary Ann DiPietro. Alyssa DiGiacomo, Joseph Eagan, Steve Farrell, Frank Feeney, Gerardo Fernandez, Maria Fernandez, Barbara Johnson, Rizel M. Flores Luna, Selby Flores, Delphina Gracias, Christopher Grossman, Louise Gorman, Trudy Lucas, Lee LeBron, Kimberly Halupka, Melnick Hank, Teresa Hewitt, Evelyn Kemp, Marie Kennedy, Richard Korczynski, Ivette Larsen, Jan Linton, Joan Marie Miller, Marianne Messino, Kathy Mc Dermott, Albert Mauro, Sophie Messina, Joan Mindrebo, Steven Mihalovic, Elena Montoya, Louis Morgan, Keith Oakley, Helen Ortiz, Andy Ponce, Lidia Ramos, Thelma Reck, Anne Roback, Gerry Roback, Lolita Rodriguez, George Sharp, Jennifer Sogka, Frank Stolair, Carl Stramiello, Barbara Urgovitch, Josefina VanDerbeck, Judid Vivar, Phillip W. Wood, Nancy "Gisella" Zegarra.

We also remember those who have died.