



# A newsletter from ST. MARY'S ABBEY

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## June 2016

1 St. Justin, *memorial*

**3 Sacred Heart of Jesus, solemnity**

5 St. Boniface, *memorial*

**5 X Sunday (Fr. Edward Seton)**

11 St. Barnabas, *memorial*

10 Second Friday

**12 XI Sunday (Abbot Richard)**

⊕ Oblates Meeting

**19 XII Sunday (Fr. Hilary)**

⊕ Blessing of Fathers

21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga, *memorial*

23 Summer Schedule begins

**24 Birth of St. John the Baptist, solemnity**

**26 XIII Sunday (Fr. Michael)**

28 St. Irenaeus, *memorial*

**29 Ss. Peter & Paul, solemnity**

⊕ Mass (without Lauds), 7:30 a.m.

This calendar follows the *Order of Worship* as approved by the Congregation for Divine Worship on 22 June 1972 in Rome for the American Cassinese Congregation of Benedictine Monasteries.

**LECTIO DIVINA:** The following is the schema of readings for this month which we encourage you to consider as a prayerful preparation for the Sunday Eucharist:

- ⊕ **June 5:** 1 Kings 17:17-24; Gal. 1:11-19; Lk. 7:11-17.
- ⊕ **June 12:** 2 Sam. 1 12: 7-10; Gal. 2:16, 19-21; Lk. 7:36-8:3.
- ⊕ **June 19:** Zech. 12:10-11, 13:1; Gal. 3:26-29; Luke 9:18-24.

- ⊕ **June 26:** 1 Kings 19:16b, 19-21; Gal. 5:1,13-18; Lk. 9:51-62.

**FATHER'S DAY:** As is our custom, we will mark this day at the Sunday liturgy on 19 June 2016 with a special blessing at the end of Mass for all fathers, grandfathers, step-fathers, and godfathers.

**OBLATES:** This month the Oblates of Saint Benedict will have their monthly meeting on Sunday, 13 June 2016. Please note that this is a change from the usual third Sunday of the month. New members and inquirers are welcome! For information, call Fr. Hilary 973.538.3231 [ext. 2019].

**ABBEY RETREAT:** The monks of Saint Mary's Abbey will gather for their annual retreat 19-21 June 2016. The retreat will be directed by Fr. Dan Horan, O.F.M. friar of the Holy Name Province (NY). He's a columnist for *America* magazine and author of several books and numerous articles. This is an important opportunity for renewal within the monastic community. *Oremus pro invicem!*

**SUMMER SCHEDULE:** Beginning Thursday, 23 June 2016, the Saturday schedule is observed Monday through Friday. Mass is celebrated with Lauds at 7:30 a.m. Vespers is sung (without Mass) at 5:15 p.m. *Let all guests be received as Christ! (RB 53).*

- ⊕ Lauds, 7:30 a.m.
- ⊕ Mass, 11:00 a.m.
- ⊕ Vespers, 5:15 p.m.

The weekly schedule *Monday through Saturday* is:

- ⊕ Lauds with Mass: 7:30 a.m.
- ⊕ Midday Prayer: 11:50 a.m.
- ⊕ Vespers: 5:15 p.m.
- ⊕ Vigils: 7:15 p.m.

**JUNE SAINT:** St. Barnabas, the New Testament tells us, was a Jew from Cyprus named Joseph. He was

so generous and faith-filled that the apostles gave him the sobriquet *Barnabas*, meaning son of encouragement. Barnabas was responsible for introducing Paul to the other apostles. Paul and Barnabas were sent by the apostles to Antioch, to the community of Gentile converts. Regrettably the pair had a row and parted. Barnabas returned to his native Cyprus to preach the gospel. Paul even makes mention of Barnabas in his letters to the Galatians and Corinthians. He is believed to be a cousin of the evangelist Mark. Tradition claims Barnabas was martyred in the year 61 at Salamis, Cyprus.

The Barnabites (Clerics Regular of St. Paul) are so named as their founder, St. Anthony Maria Zaccaria, established them in Milan in 1530 at the Church of St. Barnabas. The Barnabites devote themselves to preaching inspired by the letters of St. Paul. We need saints like Barnabas who encourage us focus our lives on Christ.



**DIACONATE ORDINATION:** On May 17<sup>th</sup>, Brs. Joseph Voltaggio and Demetrius Thomas were ordained deacons at the Abbey by Bishop Arthur Serratelli, Bishop of Paterson. They will be continuing studies in the fall at Seton Hall University and engage in pastoral and liturgical ministries over the next year. Please congratulate Brs. Joseph and Demetrius, and pray for vocations to the abbey!



**OFFERING:** During the month of May, the congregation offered the monastery \$4,810,000 through the collection at the Sunday Eucharist. Thank you for your kindness and generosity!

**WEBSITE:** Please visit the Abbey website: [www.saintmarysabbey.org](http://www.saintmarysabbey.org) for this newsletter and more up-to-date information about the Abbey. You can also visit the school website for news and events: [www.delbarton.org](http://www.delbarton.org).

#### **JUNE RETREAT CENTER NEWS**

In June, the Retreat Center welcomes the following overnight retreat groups:

- ⊕ Matt Talbot: June 3-5
- ⊕ Paramus Men's Retreat Group: June 10-12
- ⊕ AI-Anon: June 24-26

We also welcome the following daily events:

- ⊕ Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Wayne, NJ: June 11
- ⊕ Sacred Thread Ministries Mass: June 19.

The Retreat Center welcomes men and women of all faiths for private or directed retreats or for private spiritual direction. For more information, contact Paul Cocco at 973.538.3231 x2100 or via [e-mail](mailto:).

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