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August 30, 2026

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.
O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.



WEEKDAY MASSES/MISA DIARIA(EN INGLES)

MONDAY TO FRIDAY 7:00AM / LUNES A VIERNES
7:00AM

WEEKEND MASSES/MISAS DE FIN DE SEMANA

SATURDAY MASSES:

8:00AM (English)
4:00PM (English)
6:00PM (Spanish)

SUNDAY MASSES:

8:30AM (English)
10:00AM (Italian)
11:30AM (English)
1:00PM (Spanish)

SATURDAY 8:00PM NEO-CATECHUMENAL MASS IN
CHURCH & LOWER CHURCH

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DEVOTIONS/DEVOCIONES

BLESSED SACRAMENT ADORATION/
MONDAY 5:30 PM

LITURGY OF THE WORD/ (LOWER
CHURCH) TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY
8:00 PM

SPANISH ROSARY/MONDAY 8:00 PM
PRAYER GROUP/FRIDAY 7:30- 9:30 PM

SACRAMENTS/ SACRAMENTOS

CONFESSION / SATURDAY
2:45 PM -3:45 PM

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DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday August 29, 2026

8:00AM Dulce Castro de Narvaez by Romeo Family
 4:00PM Jeff Curtis, Carolina & Generoso Coscarelli & Joseph Coscarelli by Rose Curtis
 6:00PM (Sp) For all souls

Sunday August 30, 2026

8:30AM Aida Ortega by Maria & Stephen Pavia
 10:00AM Pasquale & Maria Caterina Napoli by Ernesto & Raffaella Napoli
 11:30AM San Teodoro (Italian Mass)
 1:00PM (Sp) Colleen Wishall by Gloria Salgado

**THE LAMP, HOST AND WINE FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 23– AUGUST 29, 2026.
 IN MEMORY OF ELIO D'ELIA BY FAMILY / SILVIO & CLEMENTINA BOCCUZZI BY FAMILY /
 ANNIBALE COPPOLA BY ROBERT & MARIA FAUGNO**

Monday August 31, 2026

7:00AM Marie Lourdes Lesperance by Daughter Nerlande Lalanne

Tuesday September 1, 2026

7:00AM Anthony & Maria Raffaella Pelli by Children & Grand Children

Wednesday September 2, 2026

7:00AM Clemente Tucciarone by DeSantis Family

Thursday September 3, 2026

7:00AM All Souls

Friday September 4, 2026

7:00AM All Souls

Saturday September 5, 2026

8:00AM Mass of Thanksgiving by Ivelyne Jaboin
 4:00PM Yolanda & Raffaele Imbrogno by Daughter in law
 6:00PM (Sp) Francisco Garcia & Petrona Oliva by Family

Sunday September 6, 2026

8:30AM Michele, Lucia, Maria Covino; Alberigo Faugno by Covino family
 10:00AM St Michael Arena
 11:30AM Dr. John Centonze by Family
 1:00PM (Sp) Luis Jimenez & Francisca Lirenzo de Jimenez, by Family / Nora Chinchilla by Family

High School Students: if you would like to grow in your understanding of God's plan for your salvation and to grow in your knowledge of Him, then please come to a Bible study on Wednesdays from 6:15 pm to 7:30 pm in the basement of Sacred Heart Church with Fr. deMayo. We will begin on the first Wednesday in September, the 2nd.



SUNDAY COLLECTION – Collection week of 8/22-23. all masses. \$4,940

ILL OF PARISH: We pray for *Michele Vartuli, Crystal Campos* and for all parishioners who are ill.

FOR THE DECEASED: *Dorris Viesta and Joseph Thomas Baccari*

**ADORATION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT**

SACRED HEART CHURCH
 Monday 5:30 – 6:45 pm
 (A brief silence for adoration precedes the Novena)

NOVENA OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL
 Monday 6:30 pm

**“I AM THE BREAD
OF LIFE”**

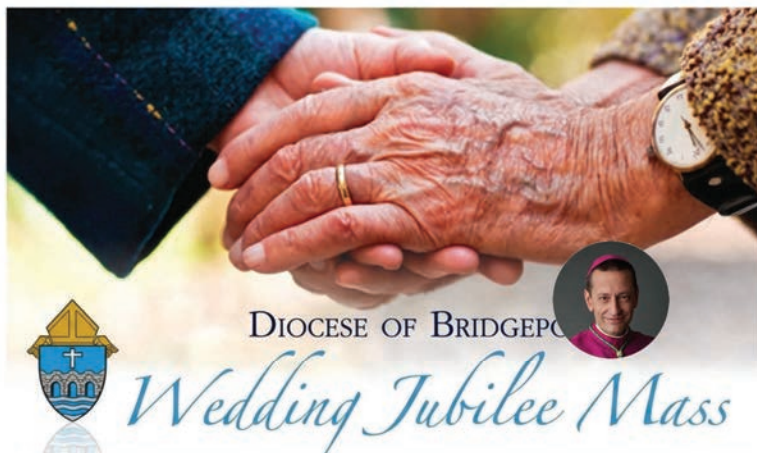
**“WHOEVER COMES TO ME
SHALL NOT HUNGER”**

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- Capacitación y certificación VIRTUS
- Prioridad en inscripción a Catequesis / CCD
- Boletines y comunicaciones directas



DIOCESE OF BRIDGEPORT

Wedding Jubilee Mass

Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano, Bishop of Bridgeport will celebrate the Annual Diocesan Wedding Jubilee Mass on Saturday, October 3, 2026 at 11:00 AM at the Cathedral of Saint Augustine in Bridgeport. Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 45th, 50th and more years of marriage are eligible to attend. All couples recognized at the Mass will receive a commemorative certificate in recognition of this important milestone and take pictures with the Bishop. For registration process: Sharon Colihan is available for questions. Contact her at Sharon.Colihan@diobpt.org or (203) 416-1454 for registration instructions.

on **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2026**

at 11:00 am for a Mass celebrated by Bishop Caggiano
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ORACION

Virgen Maria, Madre de Jesús, coloca tu manto de puerzo sobre nuestros sacerdotes. Protégelos, guíalos y guárdalos en tu corazón. Sé Madre para ellos, especialmente en los momentos de desánimo y soledad.

Ámalos y mantentos siando completamente de Jesús. Como Jesús, ellos también con tus hijos, mantén sus corazones puros y virginales.

Mantén sus mentes llenas de Jesús, y pon a Jesús siempre en sus labios, para que sea a Él a quien ofrezcan al pecador y a todos los que encuentren.

Maria, Madre de Jesús, sé su Madre, amándolos y llevándolos alegría.

Cuida especialmente de los sacerdotes enfermos, moribundos, y de los más tentados.

Recuerda cómo pasaron su juventud y su vejez, toda su vida sirviendo y entregándolo todo a Jesús. Maria, bendícelos y reserva un lugar especial para ellos en tu corazón.

Dales un pedazo de tu corazón, tan hermoso, puro e Inmaculado, tan lleno de amor y humildad, para que también ellos puedan crecer en la semejanza de Cristo. Querida Maria, hazlos humildes como tú y santos como Jesús.

Amén.

Santa Teresa de Calcuta



SPIRITUALLY ADOPT A PRIEST

Let us join our prayers to the prayers of the Queen of Heaven for priests.

Pray the Holy Rosary or one decade of the Holy Rosary for vocations to the priesthood and for one of Our Blessed Mother's beloved Sons. Pray for one priest of our diocese for one year.

PRAYER

Virgin Mary, Mother of Jesus, throw your mantle of purity over our priests. Protect them, guide them, and keep them in your heart. Be a Mather to them, especially in times of discouragement and loneliness.

Love them and keep them belonging completely to Jesus.

Like Jesus, they, too, are your sons, so keep their hearts pure and virginal.

Keep their minds filled with Jesus, and put Jesus always on their lips, so that He is the one they offer to sinner and to all they meet. Mary, Mother of Jesus, be their Mather, loving them and bringing them joy.

Take special care of sick and dying priests, and the ones most tempted. Remember how they spent their youth and old age, their entire lives serving and giving all to Jesus. Mary, bless them and keep a special place for them in your heart.

Give them a piece of your heart, so beautiful and pure and Immaculate, so full of love and humility, so that they, too, can grow in the likeness of Christ.

Dear Mary, make them humble like you, and holy like Jesus.

Amén.

St. Teresa of Calcutta

**WELCOME
BACK, CCD
FAMILIES!**

**¡BIENVENIDAS
DE NUEVO,
FAMILIAS DE CCD!**

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM PROGRAMA DE FORMACIÓN DE FE 2026-2027



ENROLLMENT INFORMATION / INFORMACIÓN DE INSCRIPCIÓN



CLASSES START: / INICIO DE CLASES:
TUES. OCT 6th / MARTES, 6 DE OCTUBRE



RETURNING STUDENTS: COMPLETE DIOCESAN FORM BY AUG 31
ESTUDIANTES DE REINGRESO: COMPLETAR FORMULARIO DIOCESANO ANTES DEL 31 DE AGOSTO



NEW STUDENTS: REGISTER ON WAITLIST AT RECTORY
ESTUDIANTES NUEVOS: INSCRIBIRSE EN LISTA DE ESPERA EN LA RECTORIA



IN-PERSON HELP: SUN. AUG 30 (AFTER 1 PM MASS)
AYUDA PRESENCIAL: DOM. 30 DE AGOSTO (DE MISA DE 1 PM)



TUITION: \$100 (1st child), \$50 (addl. child)
MATRICULA: \$100 (primer hijo/a), \$50 (hijo/a adicional)

The Mass for San Teodoro
will be celebrated on
August 30th at 11:30 am
at Sacred Heart Church

This mass will be offered by:
Teodoro Coppola, Filomena D'Elia, Gerarda D'Elia,
Nicola D'Elia, Gioconda Dilozenzo, Vittorio Faugno,
Dario Lionetti, Teresa Sibilla and Leondina Uva.



This weekend we welcome our parishioners from
San Mango sul Calore who celebrate the
Feast Day of San Teodoro.

Historical Context / Contesto Storico (te lli offerita)

The statue of the Virgin of the Sea on the original griahnd symbol boat ina San Mango sul Calore, Italy, this exqueite work of Wooden crafttennmaanship, such status are conters onsaffonner Dario Lionetti, Dilozenzo, and communal identity.

Gratitude to Offerers / Gratitude agli Offerenti

We extend our deepest gratitude prosonte families. Their dedication faillies. Their aèdition for emo offerte made nosso resstro protochia sella Messa. La reda defiazione in dedications is highly appreciated dedication nostre tradizione all alamente fodolerzie e priganly apprezzata.

PASTOR'S DESK

Dear parishioners,

It is important to read today's Gospel and next week's Gospel as two parts of a single story. These readings are a turning point in Matthew's Gospel. This week we hear Jesus name Simon Peter as the rock upon which he will build his Church. Next week we will hear Jesus call this same Simon Peter "Satan" when he reacts negatively to Jesus' prediction about his passion and death.

In today's Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples what people are saying about his identity. The disciples indicate that most people believe that Jesus is a prophet of Israel. Then Jesus asks his disciples who they believe that he is. Simon Peter answers, identifying Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of God.

Jesus commends Simon Peter for this profession of faith, indicating that this insight has come from God. Because of Simon Peter's response, Jesus calls him the "rock" upon which Jesus will build the Church. This is a word play on the name Peter, which is the Greek word for "rock." Peter is then given special authority by Jesus, a symbolic key to the Kingdom of Heaven. Peter will play an important role in the early Christian community as a spokesperson and a leader.

In today's Gospel, Peter's recognition of Jesus' identity is credited to a revelation by God. This will contrast sharply with Jesus' rebuke of Peter in next week's Gospel. When Peter rejects Jesus' prediction of his passion and death, Peter is said to no longer be thinking as God does but as humans do.

The use of the term church in today's Gospel is one of only three such occurrences in Matthew's Gospel. Peter in this Gospel is being credited as the foundation for the Church, a privilege granted to him because of his recognition of Jesus' identity. The Church continues to be grounded in the faith that Jesus Christ is Lord.

God bless you and your families!!

Fr. Alfonso Picone, Pastor



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REQUISITOS / REQUIREMENTS:

Edad: Mayor de 18 años / Age: 18 years or older

Idiomas: Bilingüe preferiblemente (Español e Inglés) /
Languages: Bilingual preferred (Spanish & English)

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