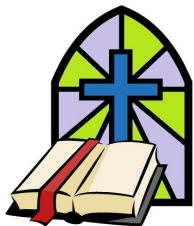


**THE 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 23rd, 2017**



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK
AT OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH:**

SATURDAY	JULY 22nd:
8:00 am	Maria Luisa Peralta
5:00 pm	Gloria Creazzo
SUNDAY	JULY 23rd:
7:30 am	Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Maguire
9:00 am	Elizabeth Andruzzi
10:30 am	Felice & Faustina Ieraci
NOON	Angela Raggi
MONDAY	JULY 24th:
8:30 am	Dominick Castiglione
TUESDAY	JULY 25th:
8:30 am	Carmen I. Medina
WEDNESDAY	JULY 26th:
8:30 am	Ana Maria Romero
THURSDAY	JULY 27th:
8:30 am	Joseph Chilli
FRIDAY	JULY 28th:
8:30 am	Nicholas Iovine
SATURDAY	JULY 29th:
8:00 am	Margarita & Giuseppe Marino
5:00 pm	Frank & Jennie Monforte
SUNDAY	JULY 30th:
7:30 am	Gaetano & Carmine DiBenedetto
9:00 am	Antoinette Procaccio
10:30 am	Maria & Francesco Ieraci
12:00 NOON	Frank Riso

***Please note, during the months of July and August, the weekday Masses will be at 8:30 am only.**

MORNING DEVOTIONS

Following weekday 8:30 am Mass at Our Lady of Pity: Recitation of the Rosary. On First Fridays only there is the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour. On Saturday following the 8 am Mass, novena prayers are said.

At St. Anthony of Padua there is Recitation of the Rosary and Devotions after the weekday 7:30 am Masses

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK
AT ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH:**

SATURDAY	JULY 22nd:
5:00 pm	Jeanette Tatar
SUNDAY	JULY 23rd:
8:00 am	Catherine Opulski
11:00 am	Salvatore Della Venturu
MONDAY	JULY 24th:
7:30 am	Anna Cielas
WEDNESDAY	JULY 26th:
7:30 am	Rev. Msgr. Charles F. Zanotti
FRIDAY	JULY 28th:
7:30 am	Rev. Msgr. Joseph J. Smolenski
SATURDAY	JULY 29th:
5:00 pm	Catherine Opulski
SUNDAY	JULY 30th:
8:00 am	Stella Koran
11:00 am	John Wolenski, Sr.- Anniversary In Heaven

MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF JULY 23rd:

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

The Wine and Host

are being offered in memory of

JEANNINE WELLINGTON

requested by the New Dorp Chapter of AARP #2712

Anyone wishing to offer a memorial of Wine, Host or Sanctuary lamp in memory of their loved ones or any intention at either church, please contact the respective rectory Monday – Friday, 10:00am–4:00pm

SRI LANKAN MASS

Each Sunday at 6:00 pm here at Our Lady of Pity, Fr. Mendis holds a Sri Lankan Mass. All are welcome.

SHUT-INS

If any member of your family is homebound and unable to attend Mass, please notify the rectory and if you wish, a priest or an extraordinary minister will bring them the Eucharist on the first Friday of every month.

BEREAVEMENT

"Blessed are those who mourn; for they shall be comforted."
-Matthew 5:4.

Our Bereavement Minister, Deacon Michael Venditto, is available to assist anyone who has experienced a loss. Call the rectory (718-761-5421) weekdays between 9 am and 5 pm to set up an appointment with Deacon Michael.

RCIA PROGRAM

If you or a friend are interested in becoming Catholic, or perhaps you need to be confirmed, the RCIA Program invites you to meet every Wednesday at 7:30 pm in our Parish Center. No registration necessary.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

We are in need of CCD teachers. If interested please contact Frank Marchese @ 718-494-0308 or e-mail Frank.Marchese.Ourladyofpity@gmail.com

The Communion and Confirmation pictures are in. If you have not received your pictures, you may pick them up in the Parish Center on Wednesday's during CCD registration.

OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group meets every third Friday of the month in the parish center. New members are always welcome! See Mr. Frank or Mrs. Joanne for details or email frank.marchse.ourladyofpity@gmail.com. Grades 6-8 and High School. Any type of donations to our youth group program will be greatly appreciated.

OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH: EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION MASS SCHEDULE:

SATKURDAY JULY 29th:

5:00 pm M. O'Brien-R. Colella

SUNDAY JULY 30th:

7:30 am B. Madaio-M. Madaio

9:00 am T. Hanley-A. Davis

10:30 am E. Bocchieri-J. Bocchieri

NOON R. Geronimo-V. Geronimo

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY: JULY 29th:

5:00 pm M. Ponterella

SUNDAY JULY 30th:

7:30 am C. Daniels

9:00 am N. Tricorico

10:30 am I. Bialza

NOON S. Bilardi

ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY JULY 29th:

5:00 pm C. Baria-E. Baria

SUNDAY JULY 30th:

7:30 am M. Zerega-M. Maningas

9:00 am J. Inigo-M. Maguire-I. Maguire

10:30 am M. Santa-R. Whalen-M. Santa-H. Bailey

NOON J. Venditto-N. Lopez-D. Pangilinan



2017 CARDINAL'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

To date our parish has received \$80,836.00 in pledges/gifts toward the 2017 Cardinal's Appeal from 298 families. Our goal is \$93,500.00. As always, thank you to those who have faithfully supported the Appeal this year and in all the years past. There is still time for those who have not yet made their pledge.

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

Place nonperishable food items in a bag and place them in the back of **St. Anthony's Church**. Thank you and God Bless.

GOLDEN JACKPOT

THE 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME MATTHEW 13:24-43

According to Matthew, Jesus speaks of the "reign of God" in three parables: the man who soweth good seed, the mustard seed, and the yeast. In each parable, Jesus demonstrates that once the "reign of God" had been established, it grew and spread.

HIS WORD TODAY

THE 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

" The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groaning. And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit. But though you are master of might you judge with great clemency and with much lenience you govern us...and you taught that those who are just must be kind."

Do I understand that when I decide 'I am going to pray' that this is a response to the movement of the Spirit? When I pause to pray or plea, to thank or speak my words do I recognize the aid of that same Spirit? Paul helps us understand what sparks our prayer. Remember the prayer poem 'Lovely lady dressed in blue, teach me how to pray.'

I might also find strength knowing that my intentions are good and positive as I pause and pray for others. I am concerned about their well being, their peace and happiness. I want to be free of judging others, as God judges me with clemency and wants me as a just person to be kind.

There are many helps for our prayer life in the readings of scripture today.

JOIN THE CHOIRS

CHOIR NEWS- All Choir rehearsals at Our Lady of Pity are suspended for the summer. They will resume mid-September. New members for the Fall are always welcome and should introduce themselves to our organist Mr. Ron D'Albero after the weekend Masses, or you may call Ron at 347-770-3477 for information.

Choir at St. Anthony of Padua meets after the 11:00 am Sunday Mass. Or call Fernando Pascual, Music Director at 718-494-6438.

WE HAVE "NEW" PEOPLE LOOKING FOR NUMBERS FOR THE GOLDEN JACKPOT! IF YOU DO NOT RESERVE YOUR NUMBER "ASAP", IT WILL BE GIVEN AWAY!!!

The 17th Annual St. Anthony's Golden Jackpot Fund Raiser will be held on Saturday, September 9, 2017. Only 300 tickets will be sold. Each ticket is \$100. The prizes are \$10,000, \$2,500, and \$1,000. (prizes may vary if all tickets are not sold). A ticket also entitles **2 adults** to attend the social at St. Anthony's hall on September 9th. To reserve or purchase a ticket, please see a committee member or call Kathy Kryger at the Rectory (718) 761-6660 or Sue Wicinski (917) 596-2978.

ST. ANTHONY'S 50/50

The monthly envelopes for the **JULY** "50/50" drawing are available in the back of St. Anthony's church. The fee is \$5 per envelope and you can enter as many times as you wish.

OUR LADY OF PITY 50/50

The monthly envelopes for the **JULY** "50/50" drawing are available in the back of the church. The fee is \$5 per envelope and you can enter as many times as you wish. Please place your envelope in the collection basket. **Cash only**, no checks please.

LUCKY 40 CLUB

This week (#20) was the last drawing for our Lucky 40 Club. Thank you all who participated.

Congratulations to the following winners:

1st Prize	Doris Tolas	\$500.
2 nd Prize	Sandy Merlino	\$300.
3 rd Prize	Joanne Vecsi	\$200.



The Sick

Prayer Request for Sick Parishioners

Every worshipping community is called to pray for the sick or elderly in their parish. It is a privilege to ask Our Lord to heal and strengthen the sick. **The Prayer List for the Sick** is our way of reaching out to our parishioners, young and elderly, who have received a critical diagnosis and are unable to go about the routines of life:

Hugo Acciavatti, MaryAnn Azzarello, Brook Balacco, Barbara Bilardi, Mary Ellen Bednar, Joanne Bocchieri, Jared Choset, Josephine Cordaro, Joseph Crescenzi Sr., Elsie Cuevas, Dom Dealto, Carol Divine, Betteanne Foley, Lillian Miner, Ann and Angela Recker, Cheri Rosen, Lenora Rosen, Margaret Ryan Galeto, Annette McGoff, Charles Messina, Lucille Messina, Frank Alexis Ragusa, Philip Ragusa, Valerie Rose, Peter Ruisi.

The listed names above for those asking for prayers has been updated according to months on the list.

Those remaining have been reinstated by parishioners calling after the six month period. If anyone wishes to put a name back or to add a new name of a parishioner who is sick please contact the rectory Mon.-Fri. from 9 am to 5 pm.

ST. PAULS PUBLISHING

operated by the priests and brothers of the Society of St. Paul at the Alba House, located on Victory Blvd., Staten Island, has a vacancy for a part-time sales assistant in its marketing department. Fluency in both English and Spanish, good computing skills and a pleasant phone manner are required. Schedule will be Mon-Fri from 1pm – 5pm. For a job application form, contact Dora Torres on 1-800-343-2522 between 1:00 and 5:00 pm on weekdays, or email dora@stpauls.us.

SAVE THE DATE

September 23, 2017 – Family Day Picnic

11:00 am – 4:00 pm

If anyone would like to sponsor the picnic with a donation of \$100 - \$250 please contact Steve Bilardi @ 917-892-3017

The New York Blood Center will be having a summer blood drive at Our Lady of Pity. It is scheduled for **August 6, 2017** from 8:15 am – 2:15 pm in the gym. Please be supportive.

ORGANIZATIONS AT OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH

We cordially invite all parishioners to join any of the groups at Our Lady of Pity. The following are the group titles and days they meet:

Golden Age Tues. 12-3 pm Parish Center
The Golden Age meetings will resume in September. (date to be determined)

Legion of Mary Thurs. 7:00 pm St. Jude Chapel

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES

Our Lady of Pity Rosary Altar Society: Mass First Sunday of every month at 9:00 am and that Monday is their meeting at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center.

St. Anthony of Padua Ladies Auxiliary: Meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Church basement. New members are always welcome.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our Lady of Pity: Second Sunday of the month Mass at 10:30 am; that Monday is their meeting at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center.

St. Anthony of Padua: Second Sunday of every month at 8:00 am Mass, meeting follows Mass.

ELECTRONIC GIVING (PARISH PAY PROGRAM)

This is an alternate means of supporting your parish instead of using the envelope system. This program will collect monthly contributions from your checking, savings or credit card accounts. There is **NO COST** to you, the parishioner, to participate in this program. Log onto www.parishpay.com or call 1-866-727-4741 Ext. 1

EMERGENCY BLOOD DRIVE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2017
Our Lady of Czestochowa
Polish Festival, Doylestown, PA

Mummers to perform in the Pavilion

Bus will leave at 8:30 am from

St. Anthony of Padua Church

Payment for the trip is \$60

Please make check payable to:

Deacon Joe Rentkowski

You may put your payment in an envelope marked
"Attn: Dcn Joe" and deposit in the weekly collection .

Seats are available.

For information and reservation please call
Deacon Joseph Rentkowski @ 718-727-4567

BUS TRIP

Lancaster & Sands Casino

Thursday – Friday, September 28 – 29, 2017

Celebrate Vegas's past & present

"Vegas Legends" captures the excitement & energy of Las Vegas while featuring the sweet refrains of yesterday & today's legendary musicians like Elvis Presley, Wayne Newton, Paul Anka, Tom Jones, Donny & Marie and more...

Triple: \$306 per person

Double: \$310 per person

Single: \$363 per person

Includes:

1 Night Hotel in Lancaster with Buffet Breakfast

Family Style Dinner in Lancaster

"Vegas Legends" at The American Music Theater

Kitchen Kettle Village

Sands Casino with \$30 Slot Play & \$5 Food

Coupon

Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation, baggage handling, tips & taxes

For information and reservation please call
Deacon Joe Rentkowski @ 718-727-4567

**IN A WORLD WHERE YOU CAN BE ANYTHING...
BE KIND!**

VIRGINIA BEACH

Sunday, August 27th – Thursday, August 31st, 2017

Package includes 4 nights accommodations at the Surf

Break Oceanfront Hotel. Welcome Reception,

4 Breakfasts, 4 dinners, 1 Lunch.

Sightseeing includes Botanical Garden, Mermaid Winery, Cruise the Victory Rover, a navel themed vessel.

Day 4 – A stop at Dover Downs for lunch (on own).

Price – Single \$ 1,025, Double \$985, Triple \$925

For reservation and further information please call
Lena at 718-761-8216 or 347-546-5250

WESTBURY MUSIC FAIR

"Married to Broadway"

Tuesday, November 14, 2017

Featuring the stars of Les Miserables

A Broadway Love Story for the Actors & the Audience!

Barbara Russell & Ron Sharpe – Join this couple and their friends for a Musical afternoon.

2:00 pm show

Dinner at Verdi's, Bus & Gratuities

Cost: \$100 per person

For Information & Reservation please call
Deacon Joe Rentkowski @ 718-727-4567

SANDS CASINO, BETHLEHEM, PA

Cirque Dreams Holiday

Monday, November 27, 2017

New Cirque Show, Broadway Musical & Christmas Spectacular – All in One!

Cost: \$98. Per person (includes \$30 slot play)

Celebrating its 10th Anniversary in 2017, Cirque Dreams Holiday, lights up the holiday season with its critically acclaimed holiday stage extravaganza. This spectacular has over 300 costumes, 20 acts & 30 artists from every corner of the globe. See snowmen, penguins, angels, toy soldiers, soaring acrobatics, illusions & more!!

Please call Deacon Joe Rentkowski @ 718-727-4567