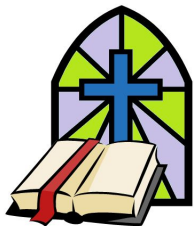


**THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 23rd, 2017**



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

SATURDAY **APRIL 22nd:**
8:00 pm Intentions of the Esposito Family
5:00 pm Gloria Creazzo

SUNDAY **APRIL 23rd:**
7:30 am Frank Curreri
9:00 am Caccese & Langella Families
10:30 am Bennett Giannini
NOON Anna, Lenny Zagara & Concetta Palumbo

MONDAY **APRIL 24th:**
7:30 am Virginia Hansen
8:30 am Gerardo & Giuseppina Francavilla

TUESDAY **APRIL 25th:**
7:30 am For All Parishioners
8:30 am Gerard Cunningham, Jr.

WEDNESDAY **APRIL 26th :**
7:30 am Intentions of the Lanuevo Family
8:30 am

THURSDAY **APRIL 27th:**
7:30 am Souls in Purgatory
8:30 am Helen Falco

FRIDAY **APRIL 28th:**
7:30 am Michael Ross Russo
8:30 am L. Colletti

SATURDAY **APRIL 29th:**
8:00 am Sam J. Langone & daughter Graclyn
5:00 pm Gloria Esposito

SUNDAY **APRIL 30th:**
7:30 am Missionaries of the Poor
9:00 am Mr. & Mrs. Charles Irvine & daughter Graceann
10:30 am Josephine & Nazzareno Cestra
12:00 NOON Ignatius Beeza

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 **APRIL 22nd:**
5:00 pm Edward V. Matusiak, Jr.

SUNDAY **APRIL 23rd:**
8:00 am Stella Koran
11:00 am Edward V. Matusiak, Jr.
2:30 pm **Divine Mercy**
Rosary followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

MONDAY **APRIL 24th:**
7:30 am Zofia Barszczewska

WEDNESDAY **APRIL 26th:**
7:30 am Zofia Barszczewska

FRIDAY **APRIL 28th:**
7:30 am Celina Frankowska

SATURDAY **April 29th:**
5:00 pm Edward V. Matusiak, Jr.

SUNDAY **APRIL 30th:**
8:00 am Jodi Nobriga-Vigar
11:00 am Edward V. Matusiak, Jr.

MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF APRIL 23rd:



OUR LADY OF PITY

The **ALTAR BREAD AND WINES** are being offered
In memory of

ZOFIA BARSZCZEWSKA

requested by Barbara Wesolowski

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.

the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Sunday, June 11th at 2:00 pm. Pre-registration is required. Please contact your parish for registration. The closing date to register for the mass is Tuesday, May 12th, 2017. This event is sponsored by the Family Life Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.

OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH:

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY APRIL 29th:
5:00 pm Mar. Pastena-I. Pastena
SUNDAY APRIL 30th:
7:30 am J. Porto-J. Salcedo
9:00 am M. Langone-K. Carpenito
10:30 am J. Almero-J. Coraci
NOON T. Hanley-M. Mendez

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY: APRIL 29th:
5:00 pm R. Rose
SUNDAY APRIL 30th:
7:30 am M. Salcedo
9:00 am L. Buttacavoli
10:30 am M. Donadic
NOON S. Bilardi

ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY APRIL 29th:
5:00 pm C. Baria-E. Baria-M. Maningas
SUNDAY APRIL 30th:
7:30 am D. Pangilinan-J. Inigo
9:00 am M. Santa-M. Santa-J. Tangco
10:30 am N. Lopez-R. Eckman-H. Bailey-
M. Tubay
NOON R. Whalen-J. Venditto-J. Bosco-F. Aum

MASS BOOK FOR 2017

Masses are available for 2017. Please call or come to the Rectory to schedule a Mass.

OUR LADY OF PITY – 718-761-5421

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA – 718-761-6660

MARRIAGE BOOK FOR 2018

The Marriage Schedule Book at Our Lady of Pity is open. Please call the rectory between 9:00 am and 4:30 pm to schedule an appointment to meet with a priest to set your marriage date.

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRANTS

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary **anytime during 2017** are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER



JOHN 20:19-31

After his resurrection, Jesus appears to his disciples and gives them the power to forgive sins. Thomas, who is absent, sees Christ later and believes in His resurrection after feeling His wounds. Christ admonishes Thomas by saying, "You became a believer because you saw Me. Blessed are they who have not seen and believed."

HIS WORD TODAY

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

"They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers...All who believed were together and had all things in common...Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple area and to breaking bread in their homes...and every day the Lord added to their numbers"

Such a description seems 'too good to be true' but this is the description of the first disciples of the Lord. The teaching of the apostles, the kerygma, telling of the resurrection of Jesus and His victory gave their discipleship new meaning. Like a family, they formed a support group, sharing joy, as well as fears, anxieties and triumphs because Christ was alive. The Eucharist became the common bond, uniting them with Christ and one another. Prayer became a binding force.

Can I not see that my life in my parish, my small group, is a mirror of those described by St. Luke or of those gathered in the upper room? Can the presence of Christ in my life, lead me to recognize His presence in others? Can I truly believe that I am not alone in my faith and move from 'God and me' to 'God and we'? On Divine Mercy Sunday, it can happen.



2017 CARDINAL'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

To date our parish has received \$53,441.00 in pledges/gifts toward the 2017 Cardinal's Appeal from 214 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.



JOIN THE CHOIRS

The **Adult Choir** rehearses on Wednesdays at 8:00 pm in the Parish Center.

The **Youth Choir** rehearses on Wednesdays, from 7 – 8 pm in the Parish Center. New members

are always welcome and should introduce themselves to our Music Director, 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.

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.

ST. PAULS

On the occasion of the 100th Year Anniversary of the

Apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima, the Priests and Brothers of the Society of St. Paul cordially invite you to join them in honoring Our Lady with a Mass on Saturday, May 13th, 2017 at 3:00 pm to be held in the Chapel of the Society of Saint Paul (ALBA HOUSE) 2187 Victory Blvd., Staten Island, NY 10314. A solemn procession will take place following the Mass within the grounds of the Society of St. Paul. Please join us. For more information, please call Fr. Tony Bautista, SSP or Bro. Peter Lyne, SSP on 718-761-0047.

SAINT FRANCIS CATHOLIC SINGLES

St. Francis Catholic Singles is a contemporary circle of men and women in their 30s, 40s, and 50s who are single or single again and wish to lead more fulfilled, empowered lives by deepening their Catholic spirituality and building community with like minded peers. New and returning members always welcome. Holy Family Parish, 366 Watchogue Road, S.I., NY 718-761-6663

ORGANIZATIONS AT OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH

We cordially invite all parishioners from St. Anthony of Padua's Church to join any of the groups at Our Lady of Pity. Following are the group titles and days they meet:

Golden Age Tues. 12-3 pm Parish Center
There will be no Golden Age Meeting during Holy week. **Golden Age will resume on April 25th.**

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.

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.

ST. ANTHONY'S 50/50

The monthly envelopes for the **APRIL** "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

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MEMORIAL DAY MASS

The Five Star Post #1857 is having their Memorial Day Mass at 9 am on May 29th at Our Lady of Pity Church. With all the things that are happening in the world today, it is perfectly fitting and an opportunity to remember those who lost their lives as well as those serving our great Country. The participants may include Boy and Girl Scouts, TOTC cadets...students of our schools on Staten Island, Rolling Thunder, VFW, American Legion...Viet Nam vets and others. After Mass there will be a short service in the rear near the Post Monument followed by coffee and cake. It is a golden opportunity to bring your children and grandchildren to educate them about the supreme sacrifices of our fallen comrades.

Three Congressional Medal of Honor recipients will be recognized: Joseph Merrill, Father Vincent Capodanno, and Desmond Doss. God Bless America!

LUCKY 40 CLUB

Congratulations!!

The winners for week # 7 of the Lucky 40 Club are:
Tom Carbone and Fernando Pascual



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

First Communion Retreats: Saturdays, April 22nd and 29th at Our Lady of Pity Parish Center, 10:00am – 12:00 noon. An adult must accompany each child.

First Communion – Saturday, May 13th, 10:00 am and noon Masses at Our Lady of Pity.

Confirmation for Youth with Disabilities: Sunday, May 14th at 10:15 am at St. Patrick Cathedral with Cardinal Dolan, Contact sister Marcia at 718-494-0308 for application and information.



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 Acciazatti, MaryAnn Azzarello, Brook Balacco, Mary Ellen Bednar, Janice Blanchard, Jared Choset, Josephine Cordaro, Joseph Crescenzi Sr., Elsie Cuevas, Dom Dealto, Carol Divine, Lillian Miner, Ann and Angela Recker, Cheri Rosen, Lenora Rosen, Margaret Ryan Galeto, Annette McGoff, 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

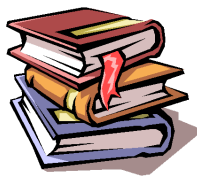
OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group meets every third Friday of the month in the parish center. New members are always welcome! See

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.

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



ST. PAUL'S PARISH BOOK EXHIBIT

A book exhibit will be held at Our Lady of Pity Church on **April 29th and 30th** after all Masses. The Priests and Brothers of the Society of St. Paul will bring a large selection of religious books that serve children and adult religious interests. The Paulines will also have a selection of religious articles. Books in English and in Spanish. They accept checks, major credit cards and cash.

THE CRYSTALS & HUNTERDON HILLS PLAYHOUSE MOUNT AIRY RESORT

Wednesday, April 26th thru Thursday April 27th

Tickets to see The Crystals at the Mount Airy Resort. Their hits include "He's Sure the Boy I love", "He's a Rebel", "Da Doo Ron Ron" and "Then He Kissed Me". Buffet voucher for dinner, \$10.00 voucher for breakfast, baggage handling and overnight accommodations. Tickets to "Born Yesterday" at the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse (This famous comedy enjoyed one of the longest runs in Broadway history)

Day 1: Departs early morning...Arrive at the Mount Airy Resort...Tickets for the 1PM show of the Crystals! Afterwards check into your room and the remainder of the day and night is yours to enjoy at your leisure...Enjoy a delicious buffet dinner, slots, gaming and more!

Day 2: Enjoy breakfast before check-out – Today is a treat! Lunch and show "Born Yesterday" at Hunterdon Hills Playhouse. Afterwards depart for home.
Bus Departs at 9:00 am from 134 Sommer Avenue

For information and reservation contact Lena Magliocco (718)761-8216

Price Per Person: Single \$445 – Dbl. \$360 – Trip. \$340 – Package includes: Deluxe transportation, overnight accommodations at the Mount Airy Resort, baggage handling, \$30 slot play, buffet dinner voucher, \$10 breakfast voucher, tickets for The Crystals, lunch and matinee show at the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse, taxes

Sts. Peter & Paul & Assumption 53 St. mark's Place Staten Island, NY 10301

Be a Hometown tourist! No need to travel far away to see splendid sites! In fact, Scared Sites, sponsored by the NY Landmarks Conservancy, is hosting a special weekend, May 20/21, entitled "Stained Glass Windows of the World and the Next" Calvary Presbyterian Church at 909 Castleton Ave. and the Church of St. Peter at 53 St. Mark's Place, will be welcoming guests who wish to view their spectacular windows. Calvary will be open both days from 10-2 and St. Peter's will remain open following their Sunday noon Mass until 4:30. Shuttle service from the lower parking lot to St. Peter's Church will be provided.

St. Clare Employment Group

The St. Clare's Employment Group provides job search assistance and career advisement to the unemployed and their families, and anyone who is concerned about a layoff or career advancement. We also provide one on one employment advisement by appointment. To make an appointment or for general information, please call the Rectory at 718-984-7873.



BUS TRIP TO THE NATIONAL CENTRE FOR PADRE PIO

Barto, Pennsylvania

Saturday, April 29, 2017 – 8 AM to 7 PM

Leaving from Parking Lot #4, Capodanno Blvd., South Beach. **\$35 per person** round trip bus fare
Hot Buffet Lunch at \$18 per person; (20 per person if fish is selected) served in the Centre's Dining Room at 1:30 pm (advance reservation is required) or bring your own lunch and beverage which can be enjoyed in the outdoor Pavilion (weather permitting) or on the bus.

Visit the "Home of Padre Pio in the USA"

Replica of Capuchin Friary at San Giovanni Rotondo and Our Lady of Grace Chapel; Pray the Rosary; Attend a prayer service, engage in personal prayer and meditation; venerate and be blessed by Padre Pio's relics; see a short religious film; visit the extensive gift shop; tour the St. Pio Museum of authentic articles and memorabilia. For reservations or information, contact:

Edna Besabe at 646-483-7583

Santina Consolino at 718-442-5466

Josephine Moscato at 718-273-9405

Diana Scire at 718-273-9624

St. Pio of Pietrelcina Society of Holy Rosary Church

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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.