

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 15TH, 2015



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 14TH:

5:00 pm Michael Mazzella and Carmela Rubino

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 15^H:

7:30 am Millie Annunziato

9:00 am Nicholas Condello

10:30 am Frank Riso, Lucy D'Orlando and Joseph DeMeglio

NOON Michael and Elizabeth Cesario

MONDAY FEBRUARY 16TH:

7:15 am Intentions of Gigante Family

8:30 am Clotilda Yanonge

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 17TH:

7:15 am For Our Parishioners

8:30 am Maria Elena Schreiber

ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 18TH:

7:15 am Mauricio and Maxima Figueras

8:30 am Angelo Arculeo

Ashes will be distributed after the morning Masses and again at 12 Noon, 4 pm and 7:30 pm.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 19TH:

7:15 am Anthony Pinnisi

8:30 am Helen Maguire

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 20TH:

7:15 am Philip Rocca

8:30 am Sherry Hyslop

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 21ST:

8:00 am Isabael Ayala

5:00 pm Rose Macari and Anthony Latorre

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 22ND:

7:30 am Sandra Perazzo

9:00 am Gloria Creazzo

10:30 am Billy and Molly Horgan

NOON Angela Guarino

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.

SPONSOR CERTIFICATES

Anyone desiring a Certificate to serve as a sponsor for a Sacrament must be a Roman Catholic who has received the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. They must be registered in the parish for at least 3 months or known by one of the priests. **Certificates are distributed only after weekend Masses in the sacristy NOT IN THE RECTORY.**

RCIA PROGRAM

Are you or a friend interested in becoming Catholic? Or perhaps you need to be confirmed. The RCIA Program invites you to meet every Wed. at 7:30 pm in our Parish Center. No registration necessary. There is NO FEE for this program.



MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF FEB. 15TH:



The **MAIN ALATAR CANDLES** burn this week in memory of:

VINCENT DELUTIS

requested lovingly by his sister Liz.

The **BLESSED SACRAMENT ALTAR CANDLES** burn this week in memory of:

ANTHONY MATTERA

requested lovingly by his Mother-in-law and Father-in-law.



JOIN THE CHOIRS

The **Adult Choir** holds practices on Wednesday evenings at 8:00 pm in the Parish Center. **NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME.**



Children's Choir: Do you like to sing? Children (from second grade or older) practice on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. Join the Choir and make new friends.

CCD PROGRAM

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - MAY 9TH @ 10 & 11:30 AM
CONFIRMATION - MAY 14TH @ 12 NOON

CCD Parents Meeting for our **Confirmation Children** will be held on **Wed. March 4th at 7:30 pm in Church.** One or both parents (or guardian) must attend this meeting.

Our next **CCD Family Day** will be on Saturday, February 28th from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm.

Grade 5 Class Mass will be Sunday March 8th at 10:30 am.



LENTEN RETREAT

Thursday, February 26, 2015, 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm at the Schoenstatt Marian Shrine, 337 Cary Avenue, 10310. Holy Mass, talk and discussion. Spend a little extra time with the Lord this Lent. For reservations call 718-727-8005. Free-will offering.

MARRIAGE BOOK FOR 2016

The Marriage Schedule Book here at our parish for the year 2016 weddings is now open. Please call the rectory to set up an appointment to set your marriage date. In order to be married at our Church, your family must be registered here at the parish. **Pre-cana books are in the rectory.**

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

"Whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God." Does your marriage give glory to God? Learn how on a Marriage Encounter Weekend. For information call 1-877-NYS-WWME (Ext. 3).

ATLANTIC CITY BUS TRIP

The upcoming bus trip to the "Resorts Casino" will be on Wed. Feb. 25th. Cost: \$38-back 25. Bus departs at 9 am in front of the Church. If interested call Agnes at 718-494-5475.

Reservations limited to 100 people
If interested, and/or to make reservations, call St. Anthony's rectory at 718-761-6660.

ACTIVE PARTICIPATION AT MASS

We cannot fully understand or appreciate the Mass without first understanding the importance of **Active Participation** and our role in it.

We can all agree that the Mass is not a show or spectacle where people gather to watch the priest perform. It is a communal worship in which everyone gathered is called upon to fully engage. There are various ways in which we are called to actively participate in the Mass. We have a responsibility to join in the singing and appropriate responses. We also participate in our various ministries. As Lectors we share in the readings. As Altar Boys, we assist the priest on the altar. As Choir Members we sing with the congregation and as Minister of the Holy Eucharist, we assist in administering the Eucharist. Everything we do at Mass requires Active Participation.

Our posture is part of Active Participation. We stand to show unity; we sit to listen and to reflect; we bow to show reverence; and we kneel to offer the Eucharistic Prayer and to humble ourselves before God. We also have moments of silence, that is as much a participation. The silence enables us to listen to God speaking to us and to reflect on what God is saying to us. It enables us to pray.

Next time you come to Mass, make sure you are an Active Participant and you will develop a much deeper appreciation for the Mass. This Lenten Season is a perfect time to become that **Active Participant**.



MORNING DEVOTIONS

Following the 8:30 am weekday Mass is the Recitation of the Rosary and spiritual devotions. On Fridays there is the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour. On First Fridays there is Benediction. On Sat. following the 8 am Mass, novena prayers are said.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

For information on the weekends call 1-877-NYS-WWME, extension 3.

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.paritypay.com or call 1-866-727-4741 Ext. 1.



CARNIVALE (FAT TUESDAY)

Date: February 17th **Time:** 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm

Place: Da Noi Restaurant – 4358 Victory Blvd.

Menu: Salad; Pasta; Entrée **Cost:** \$40.00 per person
Unlimited soda, coffee and dessert (cash bar)

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 21st:

5:00 pm A. Davis – J. Coraci

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 22nd:

7:30 am M/M V. Violetta

9:00 am K. Carpenito – J. Porto

10:30 am M/M D. Marro

NOON M/M G. Mannino

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 21st:

5:00 pm S. Kelly

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 22nd:

7:30 am R. Rose

9:00 am L. Buttacavoli

10:30 am M. Donadic

NOON S. Bilardi

ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 21st:

5:00 pm N. Lopez – C. Baria – A. Rivas

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 22nd:

7:30 am M. Santa – J. Tangco

9:00 am D. Boniface – J. Bosco – C. Rodriguez

10:30 am J. Venditto – R. Eckman – J. Carristo

M. Tubay

NOON R. Whalen – L. and S. DeMartino

ANNUAL DINNER DANCE FOR HOLY CHILD

The CCD Program from Holy Child Parish on Staten Island sponsors an Annual Dinner and Show at the Old Bermuda Inn. This year it will be held on Sat. March 14th from 7 pm to 11 pm. Enjoy the sounds of the all-star band "Rhythm Rascals", music of the 60's, 70's and 80's. Price: \$65.00 per person. All tickets must be purchased by Feb. 25th. For further information and/or reservations call Marie at 718-356-5277.

EMPLOYMENT GROUP

This group meets at St. Clare's parish on Tues. evenings at 7 pm at their Pastoral Center (rear entrance on 169 Lindenwood Rd.). There is NO charge for this service. Information visit www.stclaresi.com.

REPORT ABUSE

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of NY is asked to contact Sister Eileen Clifford, O.P. at 212-371-1000 X2949 or Deacon George Coppola at 917-861-1762.

ST. PAUL GRAMMAR SCHOOL

St. Paul's Grammar School will be hosting a reunion for classes of 1974, '75 and '76 at LiGreci's Staaten on Sat. March 21st at 7 pm. Cost: \$75 per person. For information call 718-490-9470. **RSVP:** by March 1st.

CARDINAL'S 2015 APPEAL

As stewards and Disciples of Christ, we recognize that all the goods and riches in our life are gifts from God.

Strengthened by the Eucharist, we respond to God's generosity in our lives with gratitude by using and sharing our gifts in service of others. Please share your blessings and make a gift to the 2015 Cardinal's Appeal.



PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY

GOD-POWERED ART

On Friday, February 20th at 7:30 pm, the artwork of Peter DeMonte, dad of Nancy Tricorico, one of our Lectors, will be shown at St. Rita's Church on Bradley Ave. Peter, at the age of 70, was divinely inspired to paint religious scenes inside seashells and use them as a way to evangelize about God. His work has been featured in the SI Advance. Go and witness God's work. For further information contact St. Rita's rectory at 718-698-3746.

SEA VIEW ADULT DAY HEALTH CARE PROGRAM

Sea View Hospital Rehabilitation Center and Home offers the **SEA VIEW ADULT DAY HEALTH CARE PROGRAM** for chronically ill or disabled persons 21 years of age and older living in our community. There is a separate component addressing the needs of individuals affected by Alzheimer, Dementia and related disorders. The program is open Mon. thru Sat. from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm. Transportation is provided to and from the program.

Payment plans include Medicaid, Veteran Administration, Medicaid Managed Care Plans, Managed Long-Term Care Plans, private insurance plans or private pay based on a sliding scale fee. The Veteran Administration will pay for a Veteran to attend the ADHC program two days a week.

For 30 years Sea View Adult Day Health Care has provided this "Medical Model" program for thousands of Staten Island residents. Clients have access to all Sea View medical clinics including dental, podiatry, ophthalmology, optometry, nursing rehabilitation and others.

They are located on Brielle Ave. "close to home". For further information call 1-718-317-3249.

SAINT FRANCIS SINGLES CLUB (30's-50's)

The club now meets at Holy Family Church. Cost: \$10. Thurs. Feb. 19th at 7:15 pm is their next gathering. The speaker at this meeting will be discussing how we can learn to overcome self-criticism and view ourselves the way God does.

ST. PETER'S BOYS HS CHINESE AUCTION

St. Peter's HS will sponsor its Annual Chinese Auction on Fri. March 6th in their school gym at 200 Clinton Ave. Doors open at 6 pm. Admission: \$5.00. Anyone under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. No children under 12 admitted. For information call 718-447-1676.



**THERE WILL BE MONDAY EVENING
BIBLE STUDY
Weather permitting!!!!**

LENT BEGINS ON ASH WEDNESDAY

The Season of Lent beginning on Ash Wednesday Feb. 18th, is a penitential time of prayer, fasting, almsgiving and personal sacrifice meant to draw Christians more deeply into the sacred mysteries of the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection. On Ash Wednesday the traditional distribution of ashes will take place at our parish and throughout the parishes of the Archdiocese. The Church requires that ashes be distributed in a sacred place such as a Church or Chapel only. This is why **NO** Ashes will be distributed at the rectory. **Ashes will be distributed after the 7:15 am and**

**8:30 am Masses and then at
12:00 Noon to 12:30 pm;
4:00 pm to 4:30 pm; and,
7:30 pm to 8:00 pm.**

During Lent, the Church calls the faithful to bring a spirit of penance into their lives through fasting and abstinence. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of both fast and abstinence. **All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence.**

Fasting requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other, smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but these two meals combined should not equal a full meal in quantity. The ages of obligation for fasting is **from 18 through 59.**

Abstinence prohibits the eating of meat on a particular day. Abstinence is an obligation for all Catholics beginning at age 14 and continues throughout one's lifetime. Those who are not specifically obliged to fast or to abstain (who are ill) are encouraged to join in those disciplines to the extent that they are able.

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:

Maryann Azzarello, Brook Balacco, Nora Bonilla, Sally Caputo, Rosalie Carroll, Vera Cerullo, Jared Choset, Josephine Cordaro, Michael Delfino, Carol Devine, Margaret Ryan Galeoto, Nicole Giambrone, Donna Hazen, John Hudson, Vanessa McIntosh, Ralph Moceo, Dianne Rivera and Ann Volpe.

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.

SHUT-INS

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



**NO ONE HAS GREATER LOVE THAN THIS
TO LAY DOWN ONE'S LIFE FOR ONE'S FRIENDS!!**