

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
JULY 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**SATURDAY JULY 18<sup>TH</sup>:**

5:00 pm Jose Martinez

**SUNDAY JULY 19<sup>TH</sup>:**

7:30 am Cpl. Joseph P. Fagan

9:00 am Mariano V. Papa

10:30 am Felice and Maria Guarnieri

NOON Joseph and Anna LaFemina and Martin  
and Mildred Belanich

**MONDAY JULY 20<sup>TH</sup>:**

7:30 am For our parishioners

**TUESDAY JULY 21<sup>TH</sup>:**

7:30 am In Thanksgiving by Rebecca Dagdagan

**WEDNESDAY JULY 22<sup>TH</sup>:**

7:30 am Maria Luisa Peralta

**THURSDAY JULY 23<sup>TH</sup>:**

7:30 am Emily Bonomo

**FRIDAY JULY 24<sup>TH</sup>:**

7:30 am Antonio Cucinotta

**SATURDAY JULY 25<sup>TH</sup>:**

8:00 am Anthony Scandaglia

5:00 pm Anthony and Connie Pinnisi

**SUNDAY JULY 26<sup>TH</sup>:**

7:30 am Gloria Creazzo

9:00 am Giovann Tedenco

10:30 am Rosa Fracchiolla

NOON Arnold J. Criscuolo

**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.

**MORNING DEVOTIONS**



On July 1<sup>st</sup>, and for the entire summer months, the weekday Mass will be at 7:30 am and following this 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.

**CARDINAL'S 2015 APPEAL**

To date our parish has received **\$64,460.00** in pledges/gifts toward the 2015 Cardinal's Appeal, from 298 families. We are now at 91% of goal. We're getting closer to goal, please consider a gift and let it happen!

**SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA MASS SCHEDULE**

4055 Victory Blvd. 718-761-6660

Sundays 8:00 am and 11:00 am

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 7:30 am

Saturday 8:00 am and 5:00 pm

**CONGRATULATIONS FATHER JOHN**

We are happy to announce that His Eminence Cardinal Timothy Dolan has officially appointed Father John Wroblewski Pastor of Our Lady of Pity-St. Anthony of Padua Parish. The appointment becomes effective on August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015. We wish Father John many happy years with us.

Congratulations and God Bless Father John.



**MEMORIAL FOR WEEK OF JULY 19<sup>TH</sup>:**



The **ALTAR BREADS AND WINES** this week are in memory of:

**SALVADOR POU**

requested by the Grassadonia Family.

The **SANCTUARY LAMP** burns this week in memory of:

**EDITH PONZI**

requested by Mr. & Mrs. Russell Lipari.

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

**MARIANO V. PAPA**

requested lovingly by his wife and family.

**JOIN THE CHOIRS**



All Choir practices are suspended for the summer months. They will resume the middle of September. New members are always welcome and should introduce themselves to our organist Mr. Ron D'Albero after the weekend Masses

**RCIA PROGRAM**

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.

**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.**

**CCD TEACHERS NEEDED**

The children of our parish need a helping hand! We have a few openings for Religious Education Teachers...can you help?

If interested in volunteering your time once a week during the school year, please call the rectory and leave your name and phone number so one of our priests and/or Sister Marcia, our CCD Director, can meet with you.

**ATTENTION SACRAMENT PARENTS**

All First Holy Communion and Confirmation still photos will be at the rectory next week only. Afterwards you may pick them up at the Parish Center when school begins Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>.

**THE PROPAGATION OF FAITH**

Next weekend our Missionary Cooperative Appeal will be taken. Father Emil Rodrigo, a missionary father from the Blessed Sacrament Fathers, will be speaking at all our Masses.

During July & August our weekend Mass will be at 7:30 am only. We resume the 7:15 am and 8:30 am Masses on Tues. Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>.

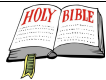
### HIS WORD TODAY

**“I Myself will gather the remnant of My flock from all the lands to which I have driven them and bring them back to their meadow; there they will increase and multiply. I will appoint shepherds for them who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear and tremble; and none shall be missing, says the Lord.’... ‘When He disembarked and saw the vast crowd His heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd...”**

One of the oldest biblical images is that of a shepherd, from King David to the gospel of John and Jesus stating He is the Good Shepherd. Peter was told by the Risen Christ ‘feed My sheep.’

With the same concern reflected in the gospel today, we recall priests, bishops or popes in our lives and in our lifetimes who truly filled that role for us. Was it our parish priest who made Christ present in celebrating the sacraments of baptism, gave us the Eucharist or taught us catechism? Was it the bishop who laid hands on us, calling for the Holy Spirit to strengthen each of us? Was it the bishop of Rome, St. John XXIII or St. John Paul II, of our own lifetime who inspired and led us into the third millennium? Is it Pope Francis, humbly bringing the joy of the gospel to a world mired in war, hate, poverty and indifference?

**As we ponder we pray for the names and faces who have come to mind and who have shepherded us, and pray that others will respond to the Shepherd’s call today to ‘feed His sheep.’**



#### GOSPEL: Mark 6:30-34

The apostles returned after their first mission and told Jesus what they had done and taught. He told them to rest, but the people kept coming to them. So they went to find a private place, but the people learned where they were going and arrived first. Jesus felt sorry for them and decided to teach them instead of resting.

### RADIO MARIA’S DAY OF PRAYER

The Italian Station “Radio Maria” will sponsor and broadcast a Day of Prayer (in Italian) at Our Lady of Pity on Sat. Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 4 pm. The day begins with the Rosary followed by Mass, Consecration, Adoration and Confessions throughout the day. You are asked to bring a bag lunch. For information call 718-417-0550.

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

**“Come away by yourselves... Modern life can slowly erode the intimacy in marriage. Come away with your spouse and rekindle your romance on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. For weekend dates and/or information call 1-877-NYS-WWME (Ext. 3).**

### VISITING-VACATION?

Make Mass part of every weekend, even if you are away from home... Find Mass times where you are: [www.MassTimes.org](http://www.MassTimes.org) or automated phone 1-858-207-6277

### SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

All teachers in Religious Education Programs should be working toward certification. There are courses offered on Aug. 14-15<sup>th</sup> at Holy Rosary Church - Epifano Center, in South Beach, Fl. **TOPICS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

#### FRIDAY AUG. 14<sup>TH</sup>:

“Prayer & Spirituality”. (Sister Jean Wagner). “Methodology Elementary Catechesis.” “Profession of Faith” (Sister Marcia will teach this course).

#### SATURDAY AUG. 15<sup>TH</sup>:

“Methodology for Elementary Catechesis.” “Celebration of the Christian Mysteries.” Registration is required. Call the regional Office at 718-273-3833.

### ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC SINGLES

SFCS (30’S-50’S) will be meeting on Fri. August 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm for their annual ICE CREAM NIGHT. Cool off on a hot summer night at Egger’s Ice Cream Parlor on Forest Ave. RSVP email [sfcssi@gmail.com](mailto:sfcssi@gmail.com) by Wed. Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>.

### FEAST OF ST. CLARE...FESTIVAL

Join the parishioners at St. Clare’s Church on Nelson Ave. as they celebrate their parish feast day on Sat. Aug. 8<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm. Event includes games with prizes, rock climbing, raffles, hot dogs, BBQ food court, dunk tank, bouncy house. Arts and crafts, vendors, popcorn, pretzels and cotton candy!

### SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OUR LADY OF PITY – ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

Classes resume on September 28<sup>th</sup>. Registration forms are available from the rectory during summer months, Mon. – Fri. from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm. New children or those coming from another program must provide a copy of child’s Baptism Certificate. If coming from another School of Religion, a transfer form from that school is necessary.

**Remember to dress properly in God’s house; beach apparel is not appropriate for Church.**

### CONGRATULATIONS

Good luck to one of our parishioners **JESSICA MALLOZZI** who graduated from SUNY Oneonta with a BS in Criminal Justice and a BA in Psychology.



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**On Sunday August 2<sup>nd</sup> will be our Summer Blood Drive!** The summer is always a very difficult time for the blood center as donations drop to very low levels while schools are out of session and many people are on vacation. The need for blood is great and your donation will be instrumental in increasing the supply during these hard times. Please come out and support your local community and save lives by donating blood. The drive takes place from 8:15 am to 2:15 pm in the Cardinal O’Connor Center. Your blood donation is a blessing but it is also crucial for the blood center. They need you to put aside your fears and help them increase the levels of blood so they can supply all communities. Give the gift of life!

**In order to donate you will need ID, weigh more than 110 lbs., be from the age of 16 to 75. If you are 16, you will need parental consent and if you are older than 75 you**

will need a doctor's note. Please make sure to have a good meal and drink fluids **BEFORE YOU DONATE.**

Fallsview Casino. For further information and/or reservations call Agnes at 718-494-5475.

**"JOY IS UNTOUCHED BY CIRCUMSTANCE."**

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**MASS SCHEDULE:**

**SATURDAY JULY 25<sup>TH</sup>:**

5:00 pm J. Coraci – J. Porto

**SUNDAY JULY 26<sup>TH</sup>:**

7:30 am M/M B. Madaio

9:00 am J. Almero – T. Hanley

10:30 am M/M M. Terracino

NOON M. Bonamo – M. Martino

**LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:**

**SATURDAY JULY 25<sup>TH</sup>:**

5:00 pm N. Tricorico

**SUNDAY JULY 26<sup>TH</sup>:**

7:30 am C. Daniels

9:00 am M. Donadic

10:30 am L. Buttacavoli

NOON S. Kelly

**ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:**

**SATURDAY JULY 25<sup>TH</sup>:**

5:00 pm J. Inigo – H. Bailey – C. & E. Baria

**SUNDAY JULY 26<sup>TH</sup>:**

7:30 am M. Tubay – J. Tangco – M. Zerega

9:00 am J. Bosco – M. & I. Maguire

10:30 am R. Whalen – N. Lopez - D. & A. Boniface

NOON J. Venditto – D. Pangilinan – C. Rodriguez

**TRIP TO SARATOGA AND LAKE GEORGE**

An enjoyable summer trip to beautiful Saratoga and Lake George. Enjoy riding on a deluxe bus.

**Date:** Mon. Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> to Fri. Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015

**Cost:** \$898 per person double occ.; triple occ. \$855

Spend 4 nights at the luxurious Georgian Lakeside Resort. A Welcome Reception with wine and assortment of Hors d'oeuvres. A chef's cooking demonstration with a full course dinner and champagne toast. Buffet dinners, as well as a Dinner Show. Four buffet breakfasts at the resort. Lake cruise on beautiful Lake George. Guided tours through historic Saratoga Springs and a day stop at the casino or if you wish to the racetrack. Many extras included during your stay. For information and/or reservations call Lena at 347-546-5250.

**FALL TRIP TO NIAGRA FALLS AND TORONTO**

**Date:** Mon. Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> to Fri. Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015

**Cost:** \$525.00 per person based on double occupancy.

Add \$159 for single occupancy.

**Deposit:** \$75.00 due upon reserving. Final payment due August 1, 2015.

Bus departs at 8:00 am from the front of our Church. Trip includes a Continental Breakfast each morning, followed by many tours and attractions. Visits to the falls, the Welland Shipping Canal and Queen Victoria Park (home of the world's largest Floral Clocks). Enjoy a boat ride sailing near the base of the Horseshoe Falls and view of the mighty Niagara. Visit Niagara-on-the-lake, one of the prettiest and charming towns in Canada. Visits to the beautiful cosmopolitan cities of Toronto and Ontario. Tour the majestic castle estate "Casa Loma". Lastly a visit to



**REMEMBERING FATHER BENEDICT GROESCHEL**

Join your fellow Staten Islanders at a very special Mass remembering this holy priest and co-founder of The Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. Father Groeschel was a guest many times here at Our Lady of Pity. The Mass will be held on Father Groeschel's birthday July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 pm at Our Lady Help of Christians Church on Amboy Rd. Celebrant will be the Most Rev. John O'Hara, Bishop. For information call Dr. Constance Salhany at 347-273-1290.

**PRAYER FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS**

Almighty, everlasting God, look with compassion on all those who suffer persecution for justice's sake. Grant them grace to carry their cross with patience in the name of Thy beloved Son, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Let the chalice pass from them if such be Thy holy Will: yet, in all things, may thy Will be done. Grant to those who persecute, light to see the truth and the grace of mercy and forgiveness, for they know not what they do.

Mary, Mother of Jesus, Comfort of the Afflicted, help thy children in their time of bitter trial. O Lord our God, by the sign of Thy holy cross deliver us from our enemies.....AMEN.



**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: **Brook Balacco, Mary Ellen Bednar, Jared Choset, Josephine Cordaro, Paul Davis, Carol Divine, Jim Gilhooly, Sister Angela Macari, Ann and Angela Recker, Cheri Rosen, Margaret Ryan Galeto, 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 them the Eucharist on the first Friday of every month.

**PROOFREADING IS TRULY A DYING ART!**

**Sign on a farmer's property:**

**THE FARMER ALLOWS WALKERS TO**

**CROSS THE FIELD FOR FREE,  
BUT THE BULL CHARGES!**