

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 26TH, 2014



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY OCTOBER 25TH:

5:00 pm Fred Gambale

SUNDAY OCTOBER 26TH:

7:30 am Anthony and Anne Annunziato

9:00 am Anna and Dominick Parisi

10:30 am Intentions of the Lanuevo Family

NOON Salustiana Lanuevo

MONDAY OCTOBER 27TH:

7:15 am For our Parishioners

8:30 am Eulogio Gonzalez-First Anniversary
in Heaven

TUESDAY OCTOBER 28TH:

7:15 am Ralph Ezzo

8:30 am Linda Francavilla and Family

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 29TH:

7:15 am Leonardo LaSpisa

8:30 am Dorothy Campione

THURSDAY OCTOBER 30TH:

7:15 am Vincent Grippo

8:30 am Emily Nicholson

FRIDAY OCTOBER 31ST:

7:15 am Fausto Marmolejos

8:30 am Frank Cioffi

7:30 pm Angela and Anthony Vacirca

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 1ST:

8:00 am Catherine Langone and Dorothy Spivey

5:00 pm Michael Mazzella and Carmela Rubino

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2ND:

7:30 am Anthony J. Annunziato

9:00 am Innocenzo and Katherine Nardiello and
Ralph Falzone

10:30 am Albert and Michael LaFemina
NOON Deceased Members of the Pesce, Parente
and Colella Families

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.**



MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF OCT. 26TH:



The **SANCTUARY LAMP** burns this week in memory of:
JOSEPH A. MAGLIOCCO
requested by his friends at the rectory.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Last weekend's (Oct. 18-19th) collection was as follows:

Collection: \$ 9,672.00

Archdiocesan 2nd Collection: 923.00

Total: 10,595.00

Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish.



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 PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:

NO CCD classes on Nov. 4th

YES there will be CCD classes on Nov. 11th

FAMILY DAY AT OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH
"A Morning with Mary"

We will have Hands on Activities to bring your faith alive in the family. Date: Saturday November 8th from 10 am to 12:30 pm, held in our gym. For children attending our Religious Education Classes; children must be accompanied by a parent or an adult. **Registration is a must! – NO WALK-INS.** See Sister Marcia or one of the ladies at the CCD office to fill out a registration form or come to the rectory to leave your information for registration.

PILGRIMAGE TO WASHINGTON DC

Join the Archdiocese of New York to a Pilgrimage to Washington DC, led by Cardinal Timothy Dolan on Sat. Nov. 15th. Experience a Day of Prayer at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and the St. John Paul II National Shrine. For time and further information visit www.NYCatholicFaith.org.

PRO-LIFE COMMITTEE

Over the (revised date) Nov. 1 & 2nd weekend a member of the Respect Life Committee of the Archdiocese of NY will be speaking at all Masses and will be distributing Prayer Cards from the late Arch Bishop Fulton J. Sheen. They ask everyone to pray for the unborn babies.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration will be held Mon. through Fri. from 12 to 4:30 pm in St. Christopher's Church, Midland Ave. Each Wednesday

from 3 to 4 pm is dedicated to praying for vocations. For further information call 718-351-2452.

SECOND:

Michael A. Bujka and Marissa Marchese

HIS WORD TODAY

“Teacher, which commandment of the law is the greatest?... ‘You shall not molest or oppress the alien, for you were once aliens yourselves on the land of Egypt. You shall not wrong any widow or orphan. If ever you wrong them and they cry out to Me, I will surely hear their cry...I will hear him for I am compassionate.’”

It was a lawyer, one of the Pharisees, who approached Jesus with the question concerning the great commandment. Jesus’ response reflected His knowledge of the Hebrew scriptures, which spoke of love of God and love of neighbor. It is easy for us to quote the prayer which the devout Jewish person recites five times each day. “O Shema...”

Once when Jesus was asked who is to be considered ‘neighbor’ He responded with the parable of the Good Samaritan. It is easy for us to repeat the same teaching. Do we live it?

Our world today is filled with refugees and asylees. Years ago they were called DP’s (displaced persons). In our own country we are unable to provide legislative protection for millions of immigrants living among us. Many have fled tyrannical governments, unjust discrimination, armed conflicts and economic deprivation. We reluctantly accept some refugees, but turn away countless others, or refuse to legislate positively in their behalf. Isn’t it time that we learn from our Judeo-Christian biblical roots, what the law, the prophets and Jesus Himself taught us?

“Jesus summed up the teaching from two sources. We can do the same, based upon a single word – RESPECT!”



GOSPEL: Matthew 22:34-40

Matthew recounts the incident in which a lawyer, seeking to entrap Jesus, asks, “Teacher, which commandment of the law is the greatest?” With simplicity and authority, Jesus responds that the first commandment is to love God with one’s entire being; the second is to love one’s neighbor as oneself.



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.

BIBLE STUDY

Sister Marcia will not be running the Bible Study this fall. She will be holding it sometime in January both morning and evening sessions. The theme will be **“Mary in the Bible”** and it will run for eight (8) weeks. Dates and time will be posted in upcoming bulletins.

BUS TRIP TO MT. AIRY CASINO PA

Trip is on Wednesday November 12th. Cost: \$38, back 35. If interested, call Agnes at 718-494-5475.

BANNS

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.



CHRISTMAS TREES

Order forms are still available in the vestibule of the Church or on our web site. Remember that Oct. 30th is the deadline for ordering the trees.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 1ST:

5:00 pm M. O’Brien – A. Davis – J. Coraci

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2ND:

7:30 am M/M V. Violetta – J. Carluzzo

9:00 am K. Carpenito – V. Grippo – J. Porto

10:30 am M/M D. Marro – M. Salcedo

NOON M/M G. Mannino – R. Skelton

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 1ST:

5:00 pm S. Kelly

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2ND:

7:30 am R. Rose

9:00 am L. Buttacavoli

10:30 am M. Salcedo

NOON J. Magliocco

ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 1ST:

5:00 pm J. Bosco – C. Baria – J. Foresta

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2ND:

7:30 am J. Flood – J. Tangco

9:00 am D. Pangilinan – A. & D. Boniface

10:30 am J. Venditto – R. Eckman

L. & S. DeMartino

NOON R. Whalen – J. Gonzalez – M. Tubay

J. Inigo

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

“In today’s Gospel we are given the two great commandments. He challenges us to love completely and unconditionally”. Start now by loving your spouse as Christ calls us to. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is on November 1-2nd. For further information call toll-free 877-NYS-WWME (Ext. 3).

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CABRINI

(Patroness of Immigrants – 1st American Citizen Saint)

Mother Cabrini’s Shrine (701 Ft. Washington Ave. Manhattan) is a spiritual center of welcome and compassion for all on a faith journey seeking to draw closer to Jesus Christ through the intercession of Mother Cabrini. On her Feast a celebration of Masses will be held at the shrine: **Sat. Nov. 8th 10 am in French/Haitian; 11:30 am in Italian; 2 pm in Spanish; and, Sun. at 11 am in English; and 2 pm in Filipino.** Raffle tickets are on sale to benefit the Cabrini Shrine, drawing is on the 9th Nov. at 5 pm. Cost: \$5.00 each or \$50 for a book of 10. 1st prize \$1200; 2nd prize \$600; and 3rd prize original art work by Sr. Adelina. Tickets can be purchased by phone 212-923-3536 and directions and information can be obtained by calling this number as well.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

It's that time of year again when we start thinking of the people that need our help. This year we will start collecting non-perishables over the Nov. 8-9th weekend. Turkeys are not to be left in the Church. You can bring your turkeys to the rectory on Tuesday November 25th only.

WINNERS AT CHINESE AUCTION

Once again this year our Chinese Auction was a huge success. All those who attended were so pleased at how wonderful the prizes were and how well it was planned. Below are the winners of the Chances:

First Prize: \$2,000.00 #1788 Marissa Ponterella

Second Prize: 500.00 #453 Josefina Mendez

Third Prize: 300.00 #1601 Roseanne Orlando

Congratulations to you all and thanks to all those parishioners who took chances to help make this one fund raiser so successful for our Church.

ATTENTION VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES

The Five Star Post American Legion will be holding a Veteran's Memorial Service on Veterans Day Tuesday Nov. 11th at 9:00 am at 900 South Ave. Staten Island. The service will be conducted in memory of our fallen comrades as well as those serving our country at this time. Richard and Lois Nicotra are hosting this, as well as offering refreshments at the Hampton Inn following the service. It would be a wonderful way to show our young grandchildren the sacrifices that were made for our freedom. Please join the American Legion members in showing respect to our servicemen and women.

INDOOR CHRISTMAS FAIR

The Columbiettes (Auxiliary of the Fr. John C. Drumgoole Knights of Columbus) will be running their annual indoor Fair on Sun. Nov. 23rd from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm. Get a jump on your Christmas gift list! Tables will feature dolls, ceramics, Avon, jewelry and more! Refreshments and fresh baked goods will be available too! It will be held at the Fr. John Drumgoole Hall at 397 Clarke Ave. For directions and further information call Dot at 718-698-0673.

ELECTION PRAYER TO MARY



O MOST Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Mercy, we entrust the US of America to your loving care and beg you to reclaim this land for the glory of your Son. Overwhelmed with the burden of the sins of our nation, we cry to you from the depths of our hearts and seek refuge in your motherly protection. Look down with mercy upon us and touch the hearts of our people. Open our minds to the great worth of human life and to the responsibilities that accompany human freedom. Free us from the falsehoods that lead to the evil of abortion and threaten the sanctity of family life. Grant our country the wisdom to proclaim that God's law is the foundation on which this nation was founded, and that He alone is the true Source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Trusting in your most powerful intercession, we pray: **"Remember O most gracious Virgin Mary,"**

WE NEED YOUR HELP

People like you make up our parish. Our history shows that our parish was built by a hardworking and dedicated community. Let us share the gifts that we have received and continue this spirit of unity by committing to do two of three things:

- 1. Increase your weekly contribution.**
- 2. Use the envelope system, which means not only receiving the envelopes, but also using them to submit your new weekly contribution.**
- 3. Use the electronic giving system "Parish Pay" to give your weekly contributions.**

These small steps will make a considerable impact on our parish community! **THANK YOU** to all the parishioners who have already said yes to our future! Please continue your faith, devotion and increased giving.

THANK YOU to Mr. Steven LaRosa, a devoted parishioner, for speaking to all of our parishioners over this weekend.

Electronic Giving (Parish Pay Program) 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.

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, Josephine Cordaro, Michael Delfino, Carol Devine, Nicole Giambrone, Donna Hazen, John Hudson, Vanessa McIntosh, Ralph Moceo, Maria Scaglione 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.

**LIFE IS NOT THE WAY IT'S SUPPOSED
TO BE...IT'S THE WAY IT IS...
THE WAY WE COPE WITH IT,
IS WHAT MAKES THE DIFFERENCE!**