

**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 13TH, 2014**



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY JULY 12th:

5:00 pm Henry J. Scroope III

SUNDAY JULY 13th:

7:30 am Cpt. Joseph P Fagan
9:00 am Vincent & Angelina DeLutis
10:30 am Felice & Maria Guarnieri
NOON In Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

MONDAY JULY 14th:

7:30 am Mildred Aleski

TUESDAY JULY 15th:

7:30 am Mary Papa

WEDNESDAY JULY 16th:

7:30 am Song Hee Hong & Paul Fletcher

THURSDAY JULY 17th:

7:30 am Thomas Manifero

FRIDAY JULY 18th:

7:30 am Jose Martinez

SATURDAY JULY 19th:

8:00 am Deacon Anthony Lagotta
5:00 pm Dana Marie & Anthony Mattera

SUNDAY JULY 20th:

7:30 am Eulagio Gonzalez
9:00 am Mariano Papa
10:30 am Felie & Faustina Ieraci
NOON Martin & Mildred Belanick and Joseph & Anna LaFemina

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.**



MORNING DEVOTIONS

Following the 7:30 am weekday Mass there is the Recitation of the Rosary and spiritual devotions. All Fridays there is the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour. Only on First Fridays of each month there is Benediction. **On Sat. only, following the 8 am Mass, novena prayers are said.**



MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF JULY 13TH



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

MARIANO V. PAPA

requested lovingly by his wife and family.

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

MARY PAPA

requested by Grace and Marty Friedman.

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

ELVIRA PORTANO

requested by Julia Ruocco.

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

MICHELE DURAZZO

requested by Angela Diaz and Family.

MAKING THE MOST OF COMMUNION ATTIRE...

Donating Communion attire to the Missionaries of the Poor in Jamaica, West Indies. You could only imagine the joy it brings a child to come before the Lord in a beautiful dress or handsome suit. Clothing can be dropped off at the sacristy after Mass, or left at the parish office. The clothes will be personally hand delivered to the Missionaries on our next trip. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Joe Magliocco at 718-698-8054. God bless you all.



PARISH JUBILEE



Theme for **JULY** prayer is for:

PEACE

A reminder that on Tues. evening July 15th at 7 pm in celebration of our parish jubilee we will make a pilgrimage in honor of the 100th year jubilee being celebrated by the apostolic Schoenstatt Movement, of which Sister Marcia is a member. All parishioners are invited to the Schoenstatt Marion Shrine, 337 Cary Ave., to spend some time in prayer and learn about their shrine. Then join Sister Marcia for refreshments and visit the shop that the sisters run in conjunction with the shrine. Speak to Sister Marcia if you have any questions. Or email the jubilee committee at olp100years@gmail.com

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

SECOND: Brian Llido and Christine Soriano

GOLDEN AGE CLUB

Our Golden Age Club is suspended for the summer. The next meeting will be the end of September.

questions. We will meet in the parking lot to carpool at 7:00 pm.

HIS WORD TODAY

“Just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to him who sows and bread to him who eats, so shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; it shall not return to Me void, but shall do My will, achieving the end for which I sent it.”...”Mark well then the parable of the sower.”

The entire passage of Isaiah is included for our reflection, preparing us for the parable of the sower and the explanation of its meaning.

Living in a world, and encouraged by Pope Francis, the question of ecology becomes so apparent. Consider the issue of global warming, climate change with cold and snow in the south, heavy winter storms in the Midwest and northeast, and a prevailing drought in western states, the world which surrounds us is in a state of flux.

Isaiah uses the same images to describe the effect of the word of God on all of us. As we heard the first part of Matthew’s gospel, we might have recalled by memory the different places where the seed fell and what happened to it. But did we mark well?

Today the Word is being sown again in our lives. Are we prepared to accept it, have we cleared the ground, removed the obstacles and have we asked our Lord to speak to our hearts? As we listen, the Word should become a challenge for us, directing and correcting, forming and reforming our life, so that it does not return to Him void, but becomes fruitful. We ask that today because of our hunger and thirst for the Word, that we may be firmly rooted in love.

God bless you all.



GOSPEL: Matthew 13:1-23

Jesus tells the parable of the sower and the seed. The seed that landed on the footpath, on rocky ground, or among thorns withered and died; the seed that fell on good ground – **“the man who hears the message and takes it in”... “bears a yield of a hundred-fold.”**

JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO MARIAN SHRINE

On **Tuesday, July 15th**, our parish will make a pilgrimage to the Marian Shrine of the Mother Thrice Admirable of Schoenstatt located at 337 Cary Avenue, Staten Island, to pray a rosary with indulgence prayers. After prayers, Sister Marcia will teach us about the shrine and give our pilgrims some private time for personal prayer. Then, following refreshments, we can visit the shop that the Sisters run in conjunction with the shrine. Mark the date on your calendar and speak to Sister Marcia if you have any

DID YOU KNOW?

There’s a Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel open 24 hrs.-7days a week located on the grounds of Alba House. Would you like to be an **Adorer of Christ?** Sign up and consider becoming a **guardian.** Call Peter & Gabriella at 718-442-5884 or Lydia at 718-761-2932.



BASKETBALL PROGRAM

For anyone interested in our Basketball Program call our Athletic Director Bob Anderson at 347-838-1121 and he will meet with you at a convenient time.

CCD PROGRAM

Altar Photos for both the First Holy Communion and Confirmation children may be picked up at the rectory. Hours for pick-up are 10 am to 5 pm Mon. through Friday.

Fall CCD Registration will be held Sept. 9th and 10th from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm in the Parish Center. Classes begin Sept. 23rd.

UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVE

Once again we will be sponsoring our Annual Summer Blood Drive on **Sunday August 3rd from 8:15 am to 2:15 pm in our gym.** Anyone who would be interested in volunteering some time to this event, or willing to donate blood, or both, contact Steve Gilberto at 646-772-2465.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

“Priests for Life” is in need of volunteer drivers to transport members of their Pastoral Team from their Staten Island office to Newark Airport. If interested, call Anthony Vento at 718-980-4400 X260.

CRISIS PREGNANCY

Anyone male or female who is involved in a crisis pregnancy and would like assistance? Please call the Sisters of Life Visitation Mission to crisis pregnancies at 877-777-1277 or 212-737-0221. The Sisters provide practical help and resources for any man and woman in need, as well as emotional support and spiritual counsel.

NEEDY MOTHERS SUPPORT PROGRAM

The SI Right to Life committee is in urgent need of summer (boys and girls) clothes, sizes 4 to 14, as well as infant car seats, basinetts, pampers and formulas. If you can donate any of the items mentioned please drop them off (any Tues. noon to 4 pm) at 2187 Victory Blvd. - Alba House.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

“Sow good seeds of quality time into your marriage.” Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and see the harvest you can reap. For more information call toll-free 877-NYS-WWME (Ext. 3).

books are to be returned even if not taken....Thank you for your generosity to this event.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY JULY 19th:

5:00 pm M/M M. Pastena - M. Salcedo

SUNDAY JULY 20th:

7:30 am M/M B. Madaio – M. Langone

9:00 am J. Carluzzo - V. Laperuta

10:30 am M/M D. Marro – R. Colella

NOON M/M R. Geronimo – W. Volpe

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY JULY 19th:

5:00 pm M. Salcedo

SUNDAY JULY 20th:

7:30 am C. Daniels

9:00 am L. Buttacavoli

10:30 am N. Tricorico

NOON I. Bialza

ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY JULY 19th:

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

SUNDAY JULY 20th:

7:30 am J. Gonzalez – D. Pangilinan

9:00 am J. Carristo – M. Santa – C. Rodriguez

10:30 am N. Lopez – C. Garzon – A. Rivas

NOON R. Whalen – J. Venditto

Attention Altar Boys: It has always been the rule here at Our Lady of Pity that anyone who is unable to serve his given Mass is to call other servers to cover for him. No one is to call the rectory.

DELUXE TRIP TO THE SOUTH COAST OF MAINE

August 25th – 29th, 4 nights, 4 breakfasts, 4 dinners (including a Lobsterbake dinner). Much touring and entertainment. Bus departs at 8 am from 134 Sommer Ave. For information and/or reservations call Lena at 718-761-8216. Cost per person: Dble.\$890; triple:\$860; single \$1090.

ST. FRANCIS CATHLIC SINGLES CLUB (30s – 50s)

The next event for SFCS club will be on Sat. July 19th at 8:15 pm in Killmeyer's Beer Garden Restaurant (rain or shine) for drinks and plenty of music. All will meet in front of Killmeyer's Old Bavaria Inn on 4254 Arthur Kill Rd. There is a \$5.00 cover charge. For further information, email info@sgspsi.org.

CHINESE AUCTION

Once again our successful Chinese Auction will take place in our gym on **Friday Oct. 17th at 7:30 pm**. Doors open at 7 pm. Entrance fee is \$5.00, which includes tickets for prizes. The Chance Books for this event will be mailed out to registered parishioners the week of Aug. 3rd. The book has remained the same in cost (\$15.00) as past years. Chances will be available at the auction as well. Upon receipt of your Chance Books, either return them by mail, put them in the Sun. collection baskets or drop them off at the rectory. **All**

FAMILY IN FAITH

Thank you to all our parishioners who contributed to the Annual Cardinal's Appeal. Because of your generosity and sacrifice we have gone beyond our Appeal goal again this year! **May God bless you all for your devotion to this parish.**

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, Michael Delfino, Carol Devine, Donna Hazen, John Hudson, Vanessa McIntosh, Ralph Moceo, Maria Scaglione, Ann Volpe and Joseph 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 add the 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.

Attention homebound parishioners who are presently on our list receiving Communion on First Friday. This month, with the transition of pastors and the 4th of July falling on First Friday, we were unable to make the calls. All will be back to normal in August. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. ***May God Bless you all.***

REMEMBER ... SCHOOL IS OUT - BUT CHURCH IS STILL IN SESSION!

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

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