

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Monday, May 8**

8:00 Donald Raftery  
12:00 Marie Forno

**Tuesday, May 9**

8:00 Anthony Azzolini  
12:00 Aleth Del Prado

**Wednesday, May 10**

8:00 Santo, Mary & John DeCarlo  
12:00 Mary Fulco

**Thursday, May 11**

8:00 Agnese & Franco Damiano  
12:00 Carmelina Palomina

**Friday, May 12**

8:00 Michael McDonnell  
12:00 Msgr. Thomas Scanlon

**Saturday, May 13**

8:00 In Honor of Our Lady of Fatima  
12:00 Aleth Del Prado  
5:00 Dec'd. Mem's. Marsicano Family

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**May 14, 2017**

8:00 For the People of the Parish  
9:30 Antoinetta Tellone  
11:00 Rosemarie Semenza  
12:30 Pietro Elia

**Bread and Wine**

For: Antonia Cama  
By: Joe & Sara Cama



**Sanctuary Lamp**

For: Joseph Guarino  
By: Anne Guarino

**Wedding Banns  
First Time**

Danielle Justino – Michael Jager

*Leisure Club*

The Leisure Club will meet on Wednesday,  
May 10th after the 12 noon Mass.



***From the Pastor's Desk***

In today's readings we learn that those who choose to be baptized put themselves under the care of the Good Shepherd. They take his selfless, courageous care and his patient suffering on the Cross as a model for their own lives.

During Easter Time the Church focuses on the Sacrament of Baptism, the foundation of faith, for the benefit of both the newly baptized and the already baptized. In the First Reading, some three thousand come forward to be baptized! We rejoice at these numbers, not because of their quantity, but because, like those who come to Baptism in our parishes, they are witnesses of the action of the Holy Spirit in the Church.

Although the composer of Psalm 23 used the shepherd as an image of the Lord God, in the context of Easter Time, we naturally see Jesus as the Good Shepherd. We see examples of the shepherd as a protector, nurturer, and gentle companion throughout Jesus' ministry.

Today's verses from the First Letter of Peter are part of a section that uses the patient suffering of Christ on the Cross as a model to encourage earthly Christian slaves to take heart and endure in their unjust suffering, recognizing that endurance as a grace. In a mysterious way, Christ submits to suffering in order to heal his sheep. He is "the shepherd and guardian" of our souls.

The task of a shepherd could mean the difference between life and death for the flock. Jesus presents himself both as the shepherd and the gate to the sheepfold. Both images express the commitment of the shepherd to lay down his life for the sheep. He guards the sheep by day and at night he lays across the gate to the sheepfold to guard against intruders. The mission of the shepherd and of Jesus is the same: that we might have abundant life.

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**Kindly remember in your prayers  
the sick of the Parish**

Dennis Catozella, Betty D'Avi, Ella DiGiovanni, Arleen Dmytryshyn, Bobby Gregory, Louise Holly, Betty Lane, Joan Lynch, Stephanie Merenda, Sterling Mitchell, Carol Jean Murphy, Susan Pavilevic, Maria Scampone, Susan Scarinci, Barbara Schimpf, Theresa Vazquez

**Report of Parish Giving**

Offering 4/30/17 - \$7,868.00  
 Adults: 605 Children: 64  
 Offering 4/23/17 - \$7,496.06  
 Adults: 567 Children: 64

Sign up for ParishPay and have your donations to Sts. Peter & Paul automatically deducted monthly from your checking or savings account or charged to your credit card. It's easy and convenient and helps our parish. Enroll at [www.parishpay.com](http://www.parishpay.com) or call (866) 727-4741. We thank you for your support and are grateful to all those who use ParishPay or the envelopes.

**Are you a registered parishioner of Sts. Peter & Paul and St. Ursula Parish?**

Any new or unregistered parishioners are asked to register as soon as possible. You can register by completing the registration form found in the vestibule of the Church, by visiting our website at [stspeterpaulandstursula.org](http://stspeterpaulandstursula.org), or in person at the Rectory. Registering helps us to communicate with our parishioners about the many items of importance which arise throughout the year.

**CAMP EAGLE'S CLIFF**

Camp Eagle's Cliff is one of the Northeast's premier Catholic leadership camps. Eagle's Cliff has over 20 years of experience forming young men into Catholic leaders through outdoor sporting activities, team competitions, and virtue and faith formation. It is open to boys ages 9 – 16 and will be held from June 23 - July 3, 2017. The camp is located in Center Harbor, NH. There are still a few spots available. For more info visit [www.eaglescliff.com](http://www.eaglescliff.com) or email Will Jude, at [info@eaglescliff.com](mailto:info@eaglescliff.com).

**Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal**

In the Bible, Jesus teaches us to act with mercy, compassion and love. Your help plays a vital role that ensures the *Cardinal's Appeal* continues to serve so many throughout our communities. To date 128 families have made their commitment to the *Appeal* effort in our Parish. Please join them in order for us to meet our goal of \$59,500. So far we have pledged \$57,570.80. Let us show our strength in faith, in unity, and in Jesus' call to action.

**Mother's Day Remembrance**

Please place your Mother's Day envelope in the regular collection. The envelopes placed on our altar will provide a special remembrance of all mothers during the Masses celebrated in May.

**An Easter Gift for Your Parish**

As a Parish, we rely heavily on the generous gifts you make to the Parish in the Easter and Christmas collections as well as your weekly Offertory throughout the year. These gifts provide funds needed for the programs and operations of the Parish. Thank you for your generosity both throughout the year and at Easter!

**Diaper & Children's Clothing Drive**

During the month of May, the Men's Club will hold its Semi-annual Diaper and Children's Clothing Drive to benefit children in the Mount Vernon community. New children's clothing and diapers of all sizes can be donated. Please place your donation in the basket in front of the Blessed Mother's Altar.

**Revive Mission**

Coming to Mass every Sunday, but still feel a longing for more? Come join us for an evening of reflection on God's love and to understand His plan for us. The Archdiocese of New York presents a three-day *Revive* mission to be held on Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Fatima Church in Scarsdale, starting each evening at 6:30 pm (5:30 pm on Thursday). For more information and to register, please visit [www.FaithEveryDay.com](http://www.FaithEveryDay.com)

**Special Collection**

Next weekend the second collection is for The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, the patronal church of our nation, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary under her title of the Immaculate Conception.

**Parish Registration/Update**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

New Registration  Change of Address

Moving out of Parish

Please return to the Rectory.



*Sts. Peter & Paul and St. Ursula  
Church Picnic*

*Sunday, June 25th*

*2 pm – 5 pm*

*(Food served till 4:30 pm)*

*Sign-Up Today!*

**BIG MONEY RAFFLE ☆ \$3,500 FIRST PRIZE**

**Food – Fun – Music ◇ ◇ Games & Prizes**

**Bring the Whole Family**

**Adults: (Age 13 & Over) \$10 Children (Age 4 – 12): \$5**

**Children Under 3: FREE!**



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**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Adults #** \_\_\_\_\_ **Children (4 to 12) #** \_\_\_\_\_ **Children (Under 3) #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount Enclosed \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make check payable to Sts. Peter & Paul and St. Ursula Church  
Return to the Rectory or drop in the collection basket by June 19th**