



RELIGIOUS ED NEWS

PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE: Wed., Mar. 5th - The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held for Mrs. Keller's 6:15 Class of 2nd Graders. Mrs. Keller's students should report to the Church on Mar. 5th.

7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 24, 2019

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD

5:00PM – James and Cecilia Van Vliet
req. by Julie and Anthony Amodeo

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH

8:00AM People of the Parish

9:30AM Lino Lombardo req. by The Loscerbo Family

11:00AM Peter Carofano req. by Barbara and Family

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

9:00AM No Mass

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

9:00AM No Intention Scheduled

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 27TH

9:00AM No Mass Intention Scheduled

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH

9:00AM No Mass

FRIDAY, MARCH 1ST – FIRST FRIDAY

9:00AM No Mass Intention Scheduled

SATURDAY, MARCH 2ND

5:00PM – Margaret O'Boyle req. by The Badeau Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 3RD

8:00AM People of the Parish

9:30AM Mary Ann Larabee req. by Brenda

11:00AM Mary and Charles Kryda req. by Grandchildren

First Friday – On the first Friday of each month, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held in the Rectory Chapel. Won't you come and spend some quiet time with our Lord? Adoration is held immediately following the 9AM Mass until 2:00PM.

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY



At 4:30pm on the first Saturday of each month, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy is sung before the 5:00PM Mass in St. Mary's Church. Won't you join us in this beautiful prayer.

DIVINE MERCY GROUP

The next Divine Mercy meeting is on March 3, following the 8 am Mass. The Chaplet will be prayed at 7:40am. All are welcome to attend.

TITHING REPORT

Our Collections this past weekend:

Sunday's Collection: Total \$4374; 110 Envelope Users contributed \$2723.00; non-envelope users contributed \$1651. As always we thank you for your generosity.



First Communion Breakfast will be held on Saturday, April 6th from 9:00AM to 10:30AM in the Parish Hall. We urge parents and family members to join us as we gather to share a meal with the Lord. Please call the Religious Ed Office

Before we know it, May will be upon us and our 2nd Graders will be receiving First Communion. We ask you to please keep these young children as well as their families in your prayers as they take this very important step in their faith journey. May Christ instill in their hearts a continuing desire for the reception of Our Lord and Savior.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCES

Beginning Experience is offering a healing weekend on April 26-28, 2019 at the St. Lawrence Retreat Center in Beacon, New York. This invitation is open to men and women of all ages who have suffered the loss of a spouse through death, divorce, or separation. It is a time to heal and a time to begin anew. Reservations are required. For more information or registration, please call Denise at 845-325-3147 or Margaret at 845-383-1746. Thank you



THE ANNUAL CARDINAL'S APPEAL

Although it seems we have just finished our Renew and Rebuild Campaign, another appeal from the Archdiocese is beginning – **The Annual 2019 Cardinal's Appeal**.

Last year we did not have the Cardinal's Appeal because our parish was late in completing the Renew and Rebuild Appeal. Since we are still considered a "merging parish," we were one of the last parishes to complete the Renew and Rebuild Campaign which actually began a few years ago for other parishes. The money which our parish was expected to raise for the Cardinal's Appeal in 2018 will be taken out of the Renew and Rebuild Campaign pledges.

However, this year the **2019 Cardinal's Appeal** has begun. Many of you have already received letters from the Cardinal's Office. Our Parish goal this year is \$17,000.

We realize you have been inundated with requests for donations but all we ask is that you consider giving according to what your means will allow. Thank you.



OUR FOOD PANTRY

Since the government shutdown, we have seen a little increase in the number of people coming to our pantry. Our supplies are dwindling a bit faster these days.

If you would like to make a **monetary donation** for the pantry, it would be very much appreciated. The monetary donations are used strictly for the food pantry. We are able to purchase our food at the local Cornwall Food Pantry at a substantial savings – more than we could in any local stores. We do have a “set menu” of items which we stock. Since we do receive grant money from HPNAP, guidelines and recommendations which we are expected to follow are made.

It is important that we stock basic food needs such as: Canned Soups, vegetables, tomato sauce, tuna, chicken, etc. Powdered milk, Chili, Beans, Cereals, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Crackers, etc. Donations can be brought to the Rectory Food Pantry on Wednesdays from 10AM to 4PM.

We cannot accept frozen meats, fresh produce or any packages that have been opened and resealed.

Thank you for your support of our pantry needs. Also, if you would care to donate an hour or two and help with the distribution of these items, please contact the rectory for more information.

TODAY'S GOSPEL MESSAGE by Rev. William J. Reilly



“But love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful...Stop judging...stop condemning, forgive and you will be forgiven.”

If we wished to choose one word to describe the ministry of Pope Francis, it would be ‘mercy.’ His writings reflect this teaching of Jesus in the beatitudes. He proclaimed a holy year of mercy. He constantly is extending the compassionate hand of Jesus to the poor and marginalized.

Luke’s teaching asks us to consider what seems so difficult. Love enemies, give without expecting a return, be concerned for ungrateful and those so distant from the gospel.

When driving and someone cuts you off, pray for him. If you are offended by someone’s remark, chalk it up to a bad day and don’t brood over it. Don’t live the expression ‘I don’t get mad, I just get even.’ Spend a moment discerning who might be an ‘enemy’ and seek a way to open the door to friendship, by prayer, a smile, or another sign of peace.

Didn’t Jesus tell us to forgive so we may be forgiven?

NEXT WEEK’S READINGS



EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Sirach 27:4-7

This reading explains that quality and truth in conversation is a test for humankind. Only after listening to a person’s reasoning can we know the mind of another.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Paul speaks of the mystery of transformation that is victory over death when our mortality puts on immortality. We are encouraged by Paul to be steadfast and immovable, filling our lives with the work of the Lord.

Gospel: Luke 6:39-45

Today, Jesus teaches through the use of parables, first encouraging us to be like the teacher, understand that the blind cannot lead the blind. Jesus also reminds us that only the heart’s good treasure produces good. In order to remain steadfast, we must heed what Jesus tells us. If we hear God’s word, our foundation

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP

The Knights of Columbus - Father Hanley Council #7266 is awarding a **\$1,000** college scholarship to a graduating senior attending a public or private high school. To be eligible for this scholarship, an applicant must be a member of Saint Mary’s Parish and attends St. Mary’s Church in Marlboro or Our Lady of Mercy Chapel in Roseton.



Interested individuals can obtain additional information and an application by contacting their high school guidance counselor, e-mailing Raymond Leduc, Sr. at rleducsr43@gmail.com or calling him at 845-236-7624 (H) or 845-206-8355 (C).

The completed application must be postmarked by Friday, **April 5, 2019** and mailed to: Attention: Scholarship Committee, Knights of Columbus, Father Hanley Council, P.O. Box 585, Marlboro, NY 12542.



It doesn’t seem possible but **Lent will begin on Ash Wednesday, March 6th.** In next week’s bulletin we will remind you of our Lenten Obligations as Catholics.

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