



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 12, 2019

FOR PARISHIONERS
LIVING IN THE NEWBURGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Critical Catholic School Bussing
Vote May 21st, Proposition #3

SATURDAY, MAY 11TH

5:00PM Bridget and Josephine Mazzella eq. by Family

SUNDAY, MAY 12TH

8:00AM All Mothers Deceased and Living

9:30AM All Mothers Deceased and Living

11:00AM All Mothers Deceased and Living

MONDAY, MAY 13TH

9:00AM Andrew, Sr., Susan, Catherine,
Theresa and Joseph Bagatta
req. by Susan and Tom McLaughlin

TUESDAY, MAY 14TH

9:00AM John Amodeo, Sr. req. by Wife, Faye

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15TH

9:00AM Paul Hemsing req. by Kate Moriarty

THURSDAY, MAY 16TH

9:00AM Rosalie Tumminia
req. by John and Susan Tumminia

FRIDAY, MAY 17TH

9:00AM No Mass Scheduled

SATURDAY, MAY 18TH

5:00PM Frank and Adrienne Carra req. by Daughter

SUNDAY, MAY 19TH

8:00AM McAteer and Pezzo Families
req. by Diane and Jim Pezzo

9:30AM People of the Parish

11:00AM Anthony Biancardi req. by Fran Biancardi

The upcoming Newburgh Enlarged City School District budget vote on May 21st will include a bussing proposition (#3) that directly impacts any Newburgh student who attends or plans to attend Our Lady of Lourdes High School in Poughkeepsie, John S. Burke Catholic High School in Goshen, or St. Martin DePorres School in Poughkeepsie. It will also impact students attending any other non-public school with a distance greater than 15 miles. If this proposition fails, up to 250 current students will lose their bussing to these schools and countless others will no longer have these Catholic School options in the future. This proposition needs to pass with a majority of YES votes in order for Newburgh to continue bussing students to these schools, which it has done for several decades. The proposition will read:

Please note there is no additional tax levy associated with passing this proposition. However, if the proposition fails, the Newburgh district would likely have to absorb the majority of these students. Instead of paying approximately \$1000 per student to simply bus them, taxpayers would have to support the full cost of educating them, which averages \$23, 622 per student (based on 2017-2018 data). For 200-250 students, this totals \$4.7-\$6 million per year to educate them versus the mere \$250K it would cost to simply keep the bussing in place. It is a win-win for taxpayers for this proposition to pass!

Please help us spread the word to others and come out and vote **YES** on May 21st.

4 THURSDAYS IN MAY...

Please join us to ponder the Gospel of St. John. Sessions will take place on May 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 23rd at 6:30pm in the Rectory. If you are interested, please call Pat Pelella at 236-7431 or the Rectory at 236-4340 or 7791. Don't forget to bring a Bible.



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

“Both Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly and said, ‘It was necessary that the word of God be spoken to you first, but since you reject it and condemn yourselves as unworthy of eternal life, we now turn to the Gentiles.... The Gentiles were delighted when they heard this and glorified the word of the Lord. All who were destined for eternal life came to believe, and the word of the Lord continued to spread through the whole region.’”

Pretend that you are in the audience as Paul spoke, so convincingly. Place yourself in the shoes first of the Israelite and see how well you accept or reject what you hear. You were urged to remain faithful to the grace of God. Now change your shoes and see you too are destined for eternal life and believe.

The magic of Paul and Barnabas is God's grace and we all today, gifted with eternal life and the Holy Spirit, are to live and bring that life to others. We hear and listen and become witnesses as well. One of the encouraging words of Pope Francis is that we speak out 'boldly' of the Christ we know.



We warmly welcome all our visitors to St. Mary's and Our Lady of Mercy Churches during this Easter Season and invite you to participate and enjoy our liturgies. If you are new to our parish and would like to register as a parishioner, please call the rectory office at 236-4340 during the week.



YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Looking for a summer job? Ulster County is once again sponsoring a summer youth employment program. To apply you must be between the ages of 14 and 20, live in Ulster County and meet income eligibility requirements. You will earn \$12 per hour and can work up to 40 hours per week. To check out income eligibility, call 845-340-3170.

TITHING REPORT



Our Collections this past weekend:

Sunday's Collection: Total \$3960; 113 Envelope Users contributed \$2440; non-envelope users contributed \$1520. As always we thank you for your generosity.

GRANNY'S ATTIC
May 16th, 17th, 18th, and 19th

Items for the sale should be brought to the Parish Hall on Thursday and Friday, May 16th and 17th between the hours of 9AM and 2PM. We are sorry but we cannot accept:

We are sorry but we cannot accept:

- + clothing or shoes
- + computers or computer equipment
- + rugs
- + furniture
- + large appliances
- + exercise equipment



Jeanne has also said that if you have any small furniture items, she would be willing to accept it – ex. – rocking chair, small tables, etc. Call her to ask if she would be interested in what you may have.

The **SALE WILL BEGIN** at 9AM on Saturday, May 18th and continue until 3PM that afternoon. Sunday, May 19th - hours will be from 10AM to 2PM. For more information, or if you have any questions regarding items to be donated, please call Jeanne DeSantis at 236-9052.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

We congratulate the following children who received First Eucharist this weekend:

<i>Adeline Appler</i>	<i>Hailee Boyd</i>	<i>Madeline Clarke</i>
<i>Chloe Collier</i>	<i>Jackson DeMarco</i>	<i>Olivia Hite</i>
<i>Nora Dolcemascolo</i>	<i>Kaylee Keane</i>	<i>Marco Lanzoni</i>
<i>Mia Montaperto</i>	<i>Kara Morehead</i>	<i>Lucas Pagan</i>
<i>Ella Palumbo</i>	<i>Elena Pascale</i>	<i>Michael Pascale</i>
<i>Dylan Rheal</i>	<i>Gia Rodriguez</i>	<i>Mason Rosen</i>
<i>Alyssa Scaturro</i>	<i>Austin Steixner</i>	<i>Tanner Uphoff</i>
<i>Frank Verdi</i>	<i>Juliana Walker</i>	<i>Shawn Whalen</i>

May God instill in their hearts a desire to continue to receive Our Lord each week. We also would like to thank their teachers – Jeanne DeSantis and Jean Keller - who did such a marvelous job in preparing the children for this wonderful day.



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 14:21-27

Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-5a

Gospel: John 13:31-33a, 34-35

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Couples in the Archdiocese of New York who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in the 2010 calendar year are invited to attend the Golden Jubilee Wedding Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, June 2, 2019 from 2:00PM to 3:00PM.

Couples who wish to attend Mass must register with their parish and have a ticket. Pews will be reserved for the Golden Jubilee Couples only. Additional family and friends will be accommodated in pews outside of the reserved section (4 in total). If you have any questions please contact the Office of Special Projects and events at specialevents@archny.org or call 646-794-2000.

MEDICAL DEVICE FRAUD WARNING
Including Offers for Back and Knee Braces

The Ulster County District Attorney's Division of Consumer Affairs advises that various organizations are contacting individuals by phone or mail offering them medical devices and claiming these devices are covered by Medicare, Medicaid or other insurance programs. Consumer Affairs offers the following suggestions...

- Only answer the phone if it's a caller you know.
- If you do answer the phone and it's a telemarketer, hang up. If it's a **postcard** or email, discard it.
- Disregard TV ads offering free back or knee braces.
- Never give out your Medicare card number, Social Security number, birth date, bank account information or credit card number to an unknown party.
- Medicare will already have your basic information. Report instances of fraud by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) or visiting www.medicare.gov and clicking on *Forms, Help, & Resources*.
- If you are in need of a back or knee brace – or any medical device – see your doctor to get one prescribed to you. That way, it can be processed correctly through Medicare.

Consumer Affairs can be reached at 340-3260.



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