

JANUARY 31, 2016
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
MASS INTENTIONS – BUCHANAN LOCATION

Saturday, January 30th
7:30 P.M.

Sunday, January 31st
8:45 A.M. Caroline A Cernese & Frank B. Cernese
11:30 A.M. Arthur Simeoni
1:30 P.M.

Monday, February 1st
8:00 A.M. Michael & Anne Lynch/Nora Lynch

Tuesday, February 2nd
8:00 A.M. Evelyn Greene & Dec'd Family Members

Wednesday, February 3rd
8:00 A.M. Michael & Anne Lynch/Nora Lynch

Thursday, February 4th
8:00 A.M. Evelyn Greene & Dec'd Family Members

Friday, February 5th
8:00 A.M. Margiotta & Lombardi Families

Saturday, February 6th
8:00 A.M. Living & Dec'd Members of Feely Family
7:30 P.M.

Sunday, February 7th
8:45 A.M. Jane Parenti
11:30 A.M. Francis B, Fassnacht
1:30 P.M.

ALTAR SERVER ASSIGNMENTS

Saturday, January 30th
5:00 P.M. Christopher Boonstra & Elijah Negron
7:30 P.M. John & Jefferson Apuango, Alex Suscal

Sunday, January 31st
8:45 A.M. Valerie Stratton & Tony Mills
11:30 A.M. Veronica & Matthew Paolucci
1:30 P.M. Ariana Suarez, Karen Rivera, & Michelle Siguencia

Saturday, February 6th
5:00 P.M. Elijah Negron & Joseph Redmond
7:30 P.M. Liliana, Melaniey & Arlene Gordillo

Sunday, February 7th
8:45 A.M. Gabriella Quist Emily Stout & Michael Pio
11:30 A.M. Veronica & Matthew Paolucci
1:30 P.M. John & Jefferson Apuango, Alex Susca

The second collection this week is for INSURANCE.

PETER PENCE COLLECTION

Next week, our archdiocese will take up Peter's Pence Collection, which provided Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margin of society, including victims of war, oppression and disasters. Join our Holy Father as a witness of charity to those who are suffering.

ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

Next Wednesday, February 10th, is Ash Wednesday and the start of Lent. The following is the mass schedule:

8:00 am Buchanan
9:00 am Verplanck
4:00 pm Buchanan (Service Only)
6:00 pm Buchanan
7:30 pm Buchanan (Spanish)

MASS INTENTIONS – VERPLANCK LOCATION

Saturday, January 30th
5:00 P.M. Lucille Simmons

Sunday, January 31st
10:15 A.M. Ethel Lonergan

Monday, February 1st
9:00 A.M. Robert Sinclair

Tuesday, February 2nd
9:00 A.M. James, John & Michael Alexander

Wednesday, February 3rd
9:00 A.M. Ruth Ann Seger

Thursday, February 4th
9:00 A.M. Joseph & Michael Picciano

Saturday, February 6th
5:00 P.M. People of the Parish

Sunday, February 7th
10:15 A.M. Robert Sinclair

BAPTISMS: Celebrated on the first Sunday of the month at 12:30 or 3:00 pm. Parents should call the rectory at least four weeks in advance, and must attend instructions which are held on the third Thursday of the month. Church Law requires that only Catholics in good standing are eligible to be Godparents. No Baptisms will be scheduled during Lent.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK: We offer this sacrament to those who are seriously ill, at home or in the hospital. We urge you to contact the Rectory before someone goes to the hospital for an operation. (A priest may not be available later.)

MINISTRY OF THE SICK: Holy Communion will be brought to the sick, upon request. The bedridden or chronically ill can be placed on the "Eucharistic Ministers" Visitation Schedule.

WEDDINGS: Engaged couple must make arrangements, in person, with a priest at the Rectory, at least six months in advance.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: We welcome all new members to our parish. Please register at the Rectory by phone or in person. Registration forms are available at the entrances to the Churches. Also, please notify the Rectory if your address has changed or if you would like to be added to the weekly envelope system.

Encyclical on the Environment (4)

In his recent encyclical on the care of our common home, Pope Francis preaches "the Gospel of Creation," drawing on the words of the Hebrew prophets, saints like Francis of Assisi and Therese of Lisieux, the popes who preceded him, and of Jesus himself. Let us pray this Gospel of Creation in Francis's own words: "Son of God, Jesus....You are alive in every creature in your risen glory. Praise be to you!" And prayerfully consider signing the "St. Francis Pledge" of the Catholic Climate Covenant to act together with other Catholics in honor of St. Francis. Google "Catholic Climate Covenant".

WEEKLY FOCUS

WE ARE TO WALK IN GOD'S WAY OF LOVE

The Gospel tells of Jesus coming to his hometown of Nazareth and going to teach in the synagogue on the Sabbath. Before beginning his teaching, Jesus reads a passage from the prophet Isaiah, which told of the Messiah and Savior God promised to bring healing, restoration and salvation to the people of Israel. After reading the passage, Jesus proclaims that this passage was fulfilled in their hearing. In other words, he was announcing himself as the long-promised Messiah.

How sad it was that the majority of the people gathered there that day were unable to see that Jesus was the long-awaited Messiah. It seems they were blinded by their experience of Jesus growing up humbly among them as the son of a carpenter. The Messiah was supposed to be someone like the great King David, who threw off the oppressors and restored the nation of Israel. Jesus certainly didn't fit the bill. And so they rejected Jesus and his message of salvation.

Now we shouldn't be too hasty in judging the people in Nazareth, because they had certain expectations, and they weren't being met in the manner they expected. How often do we think things should unfold and happen in our lives in a certain time and fashion because we have prayed for them? And then when they do not, we feel discouraged and frustrated and turn away from God.

For example, this can happen when we place the pursuit of money or material things before God, thinking they can bring us happiness or peace. But ultimately, the only things that will bring us true happiness, peace and joy are loving Jesus and trying to walk in his way of love. So let's try to keep our minds and hearts open to the Lord's love, and to the many and varied ways that he wants to work in our lives. Let us press upon our hearts the importance of remembering that God hears and answers all our prayers, but he answers them in his time and in the way that is best for us.

If we bear these things in mind, it will help us to keep our eyes firmly fixed upon Jesus, and make slow and steady progress in growing in faith and holiness of life. This will enable us to become more patient, gentle, kind, compassionate and forgiving toward others. Our goal is to live in such a way that we give glory to God, and invite others to know the joy we have found in Jesus.

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BIBLE VERSE OF THE WEEK

DEUTERONOMY 31:6 Be strong and steadfast; have no fear or dread of them, for it is the Lord, your God, who marches with you; he will never fail or forsake you.

Reflection: God is always with us. Sometimes we forget this because he does not answer our prayers when or how we want him to. We need to be patient and keep in mind that God does answer prayers but in his own time and his own way.

ST. CHRISTOPHER/ST. PATRICK CHURCH PARISHIONERS' COLLECTIONS AND OTHER REVENUE FISCAL YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 2016

<u>Buchanan Location</u>	<u>01/24/16</u>	<u>Y/T/D</u>
Regular Collections:	\$ 4,329	\$106,668
Special Collections:	0	5,773
Other Revenue:	2,690	94,232
TOTAL	\$ 7,029	\$ 206,673

<u>Verplanck Location</u>	<u>01/24/16</u>
Regular Collections:	This information was not available at the time the bulletin went to print; it will be included next week
Special Collections:	
Other Revenue:	
TOTAL	

26 WEEK CLUB

The winner for Week 9 is #100 – Joy McKeon Snyder.
Seller is Margaret McKeon.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH**

Bob Bianco, Helen Burress, Richard Curinga, Rev. Robert Dahlke, Alice Finch, Margaret Hesselgrave, Colin Lent, Ed Lent, Beverly Lewis, Roy Mackey, John Mecca, Sheila Dahlke Moore, Paul Rederer, Susan Rose

**Names on the sick list will be included for 4 weeks unless the family contacts the Rectory to request an additional 4 weeks.

BREAKFAST BUFFET

Our parish will be hosting a breakfast buffet fundraiser on Sunday, February 7th, from 9:30am to 1:30pm at the Our Lady of Mt Carmel Banquet Room in Verplanck. If you would like to attend, please fill out the reservation form located at the entrances to the church and mail it to our Verplanck location before Jan. 31st. If you are able to help out at this event or if you have any questions, please contact Mary Jane at 914-737-8025. We hope you can join us!

Catholic in Real Life Post Mass Brunch

Catholic in Real Life is for Catholics in their 30s and 40s (married, single, divorced, with kids or without) who wish to explore what it really means to live their beliefs every day and practice their faith beyond Sunday mass. This group will be hosting a Post Mass Brunch on Sunday, January 31st at 1:30pm at the Peekskill Coffee House on Division Street in Peekskill. If you would like to attend, RSVP to www.meetup.com/catholic-in-real-life or email catholicinreallife@gmail.com.

HEALING MASS

A Mass for Healing will be celebrated at Holy Rosary Church in Hawthorne, NY on Monday, February 22nd at 7:30pm. This is an opportunity to bring your spiritual and physical needs to the Lord. For more info, please call 914-769-0030.



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CUARTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Como era de esperar, la gente congregada del pueblo natal de Jesús pronto se vuelve hostilmente contra Jeremías cuando Jesús explica que el reino de Dios, lejos de ser propiedad personal de ellos o de cualquiera, está abierto a gentes más allá de Nazaret, es más, ¡está enteramente abierto a gentes fuera de la alianza de Israel! Recurriendo a la misión de Elías y Eliseo, los amados profetas de Israel, Jesús menciona a una viuda de Sidón y Naamán en Siria; en otras palabras, personas que Israel consideraba sus enemigos más odiados, pero que Jesús aceptaba como precursores entre los innumerables “foráneos” que él recibiría en el reino de Dios. Sobre todo en el contexto del Año Jubilar de la Misericordia Jesús nos desafía en el Evangelio de hoy a ampliar nuestros horizontes hasta que nuestra visión del reino de Dios iguale la visión de Jesús: un reino abierto a todos, todo pecador es un posible santo, todo foráneo que sufre es nuestro prójimo. Como nos enseña el Papa Francisco, en vez de dividir simplemente a la gente entre justos y pecadores, Jesús revela el gran don de la misericordia que busca a los pecadores para ofrecerles la misericordia y la redención. Jesús, al ir continuamente más allá de la ley, estar en compañía de los que eran considerados pecadores y hasta compartir comidas con ellos, demostró que la misericordia de Dios es “el corazón palpitante del Evangelio”. Así Jesús afirma que nosotros, los futuros discípulos, igualmente debemos poner la misericordia al centro de nuestro testimonio y de nuestras relaciones.

COLECTA DE PETER'S PENCE

La próxima semana nuestra diócesis realizara la Colecta de Peter's Pence, la cual se proporcionara al Papa Francisco los fondos necesarios para llevar a cabo sus obras de caridad alrededor del mundo. Lo recaudado beneficia a los más desfavorecidos; a las víctimas de la guerra, de la opresión y de los desastres. Únase a nuestro Santo Padre como un testigo de la caridad para aquellos que sufren.

MISA DE LOS SABADOS

LA MISA REGRESARÁ A SU HORARIO DE LAS 7:30PM.

ESTADO FINANCIERO DE LA PARROQUIA DE SAN CHRISTOPHER/ SAN PATRICIO Y OTROS INGRESOS **9/1/15-8/31/2016**

Iglesia de Buchanan		
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Otras Colectas	<u>2,690</u>	<u>94,232</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 7,029	\$206,673
Iglesia de Verplanck		
Colectas Semanales:	1/24/16	
Colectas Regulares	Esta información no está disponible ahora; estará para la próxima semana.	
Otras Colectas		
TOTAL:		

ENCICLICA SOBRE EL CUIDADO DE LA CREACION

En su reciente encíclica sobre el cuidado de nuestra casa común, el Papa Francisco predica "el Evangelio de la Creación", basandose en las palabras de los profetas hebreos, los santos como Francisco de Asís y Teresa de Lisieux, los papas que le precedieron, y de las palabras de Jesús mismo. Oremos este Evangelio de la Creación en las propias palabras de Francisco: "Hijo de Dios, Jesús ... usted está vivo en todos los seres creados en su gloria resucitado. Alabado sea usted! "Y como parte de su oración, considere firmar el "Convenio Católico por el Clima" para actuar juntos a otros Católicos en honor al Santo Francisco. Busque en Google: "Catholic Climate Covenant"; escoger "español" en la esquina derecho.

DESAYUNO BUFÉ

Nuestra parroquia tendrá un desayuno para recaudar fondos el domingo 7 de febrero de 9:30am to 1:30pm en el salón de Banquetes de Nuestra Señora del Carmen en Verplanck. \$10 por adulto, \$5 por niños menores de 5 años. Si desea asistir, por favor complete el formulario de reservación que está en este boletín y envíelo a nuestra localidad de Verplanck, antes del 31 de enero. Si le gustaría ser voluntario y ayudar con este evento o si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor contactarse con Mary Jane al 914-737-8025.

MIÉRCOLES DE CENIZA

Con el miércoles de ceniza, empezamos la cuaresma. A las 4:00pm sólo habrá la distribución de la ceniza. La Misa en Español será a las 7:30PM.