

Third Sunday of Easter
April 10, 2016
LITURGY SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Villarubia, Mary Skelly, John Skutka, William McBurney, Anne Riordan, D.M. Lynch, Linda Hoffman, Ann McCue.

PARISH POLICY – PLEASE NOTE – All Catholic families living within the parish boundaries are encouraged to register as members. Registration as a parish member has many benefits, and in particular, facilitates any arrangements for baptisms, marriages, sponsors, etc. **Please contact the Parish Office at 973-627-0422**

First Friday Communion Calls: A priest will be making “First Friday” visits to those who are homebound. These visits will be made by one of our priests who will distribute Holy Communion. He will also be available for the sacraments of penance and anointing of the sick. Please call the rectory at 972-627-0422 to register your name for this monthly visit by one of our priests.

Want to be more involved?

If you are wondering “how can I become more involved in my church community”, we happen to be looking for a few good people!! If you would like more information on how to become a Lector or Minister of Communion please contact Fr. Marcin at 973-627-0313 ext. 15 or martmich1983@gmail.com. Interested in becoming an Altar Server, please contact Fr. Mateusz at 973-627-0313 ext. 14 or fr.m.jasniewicz@gmail.com.

For St. Cecilia Cemetery information, please email Diane Boykow at StCeciliaCemetery@gmail.com

Hospitality: Please join us for hospitality after the 10AM mass on Sunday, April 17, 2016. Hosted by the Women's Society.

Food Drive: The weekend of April 16th and 17th is our monthly food drive for the Rockaway Food Pantry. Canned goods, cereal, peanut butter, pasta, etc. Last month we had a wonderful donation to the pantry. Thank you.

Women's Society Meeting: Please join us on Monday night, April 11th at 7pm in the Convent (School Library). For more information about our society, please call Claire 973-586-9706.

ROSARY TEA The Rosary Tea will take place on Sunday, May 22nd at 1:00PM. \$10.00 a person. It will be held in the School's All Purpose Room again this year. More information to come.

Saturday, April 9

5:00 p.m. – Howard B. Pratt Jr. req. by William Sebelle

Sunday, April 10

8:30 a.m. – Lucila V. Cardenas req. by Cristina Gallardo & Jefferson Ong

10:00 a.m. – Joe Bakos req. by Joanne Gula

Monday, April 11

12:00 p.m. – Ann Marianacci req. by Annie Stefanik

Tuesday, April 12

12:00 p.m. – Ruth C. Carter req. by her daughter, Wendy

Wednesday, April 13

12:00 p.m. – Reynaldo Domingo req. by Elmer Maximo

Thursday, April 14

12:00 p.m. – Arsenio & Bernadette Cristobal req. by Elmer Maximo

Friday, April 15

8:00 a.m. – Jeanne Weber req. by the Shaffer family

Saturday, April 16

5:00 p.m. – Albert Shucavage req. by his wife, Irene

Sunday, April 17

8:30 a.m. – “Protection of Babies in the Womb” req. by Rockaway Catholic Respect Life Ministry

10:00 a.m. – For the deceased members of the Johnson & Miller family req. by Claire & Dave Miller



Helen & Charles Vasey
Requested by: Nancy & Tom Gorman

Collection for April 2&3: \$2908.00
Parish Pay Electronic Giving: \$ 2562.32 (March)
Collection from last year: \$ 2754.00
Ongoing Renovation “Jug” Money: \$11,686.05

PARISH PAY: Have you thought about automating your giving? No more writing checks! You decide the amount and the frequency. Sign up today for automatic contributions to Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish. Go to the Parish Pay link at www.sacredheartrockaway.org or call 866-727-4741.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS
IN THE MILITARY

Major Mike Cherry
LCpl. Aleksandr Killeen, SSgt. Zhenya Killeen
Airman 1st Cl. Andrew Mistkowski,
1st Lt. Nicholas DelCore, Air Force
1st Lt. Jessica L. Rotile Rudo
Kenneth Rudo, Warrant Officer, 1

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: M.J. Simon, Irene Schreiber, Rosemary Woodring, Doug Bansch, Maria Acevedo, TJ Schoudel, Capt. Adam Cowan, USA, Julio Soto, Ellen Forbes, Ben Marvilla, Michelle Monslave, Enid Osorno Amelia Marie Cayea, Mary Therese Loftus, Sharon Bauer, Mary Davenport, Jose Prado, Arlene Berlin, Emil Fahrman, Jim Goliat, Robert Nielsen, Betty Dixon, Marge Vogel, Dan Koettters, Efrain Gonzalez, Amanda

	<i>Lector</i>	<i>Ministers of Communion</i>	<i>Altar Servers</i>
April 16 @ 5:00 pm	Elmer Maximo	Bridget Wilson Laura Andreotta	Christine Habib Ashley Ramirez Brandon Ramirez Tzion Wong
April 17 @ 8:30 am	John Sautter	Mark Howarth Paul Iapalucci	Ella Di Scala Jake Di Scala Danielle Berlin Lilian Brennan
April 17@10:00 am	DJ Farrelly	Claire Miller Anne Marie Hopler	Inigo Cadag Joaquin Cadag Maggie Farrelly Nicholas Schreiber

ALL MINISTERS: Copies of the schedule are available in the sacristy. Any questions/concerns please contact the appropriate group leader.

My dear parishioners,

Today we celebrate the Third Sunday of Easter as we honor the Lord's Day. The Scriptural texts which are proclaimed to us witness to the Resurrection faith of the first followers of Jesus. The Lord's closest collaborators, the Apostles, were the eyewitnesses to the signs performed by the Lord Jesus during His ministry. Likewise, they observed the Lord's great suffering and His death upon the cross. But their sorrow was soon turned to joy when they encountered the Risen Christ triumphant from the grave. The post Resurrection appearances to the Apostles strengthened their faith and, empowered by the Holy Spirit, commissioned them to travel the world proclaiming that Jesus is Lord.

Although he started out weak, Peter emerges as the chosen one who leads the Apostles in continuing the ministry of Jesus. Peter will become a mentor to his brothers and the shepherd who lays down his life for the sheep. The first lection from Acts of the Apostles and the Gospel pericope for this Sunday show us just that. Peter the Rock will become the standard by which all his successors will be measured. The Apostle Peter leads us to Easter faith and our encounter with the Risen Lord.

Our Catholic fraternal, the Knights of Columbus, is of great assistance to the Church Universal and local. I am most grateful to the Our Lady of the Lakes Council 3359 for the wonderful work they have accomplished for our parish in these recent days. As you know, the rectory basement had served as the location of our pre-school until it was transferred a couple of years ago to the school campus across the street. At my request, the Knights of Columbus did some minor repairs and painted the rooms of the rectory basement. The basement looks wonderful! I hope to be using the space for parish meetings and faith formation gatherings. All that is needed is some furniture and a few odds and ends. SHOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DONATION, OF WHATEVER AMOUNT, TO HELP US IN THIS ENDEAVOR, PLEASE CONTACT ME. Since we are uncertain regarding the future use of our school building, such a space as the rectory basement becomes very much needed for parish gatherings. AGAIN AND AGAIN, THANK YOU KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS!!!

I know that all of you join with me in expressing sincere sympathy to Sister Marie on the passing of her father, blessed memory Salvatore DiLorenzo, Sister's father entered eternal life during Holy Week at the age of 97. Please keep Sister and her family in your prayers as we look to the Lord Jesus who is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and giving life to those who are in the tombs.

Many thanks to Erin Killeen for planting Easter flowers at the church entrance; to Marie Byrne for looking after the altar server robes, the Thursday evening cleaning crew which "tidys up" our church for the weekend masses, as well as Andy Chop and Greg Weber who assist me with many concerns around the parish. God bless you all!

Christ is Risen!

Father Zig

DIVINE MERCY ACADEMY: REGISTRATION OPEN- Registration for Divine Mercy Academy for the 2016-2017 school year is now taking place. Divine Mercy Academy, Rockaway's New Catholic School, will offer an academically excellent, faith-based education to students in pre-k3 through eighth grade. Full -day and half day pre-k3 & 4 will be available as well as full-day kindergarten. We will also offer a before care program and an after school program. For more information or a registration packet, please call the rectory @973-627-0422, Sacred Heart School @973-627-7689, St. Cecilia Parish Office @973-627-0313, or St. Cecilia School @973-627-6003.

The School's Annual Calendar Raffle Ticket Winners will be posted on the school's website weekly.
www.sacredheartnj.com - Drawings will be held Wednesday mornings in the school office beginning January 27th and end on April 27th!

Attention all current 8th and Current 9th Grade Students: Confirmation sign-up for classes beginning in the fall are now underway. All 8th and 9th grade students who are parishioners of Sacred Heart and intend to receive the Sacrament should be enrolled in faith formation. Please fill out the form available on our website www.sacredheartrockaway.org no later than May 31, 2016 and return it Michele Shaffer or the rectory. Any questions, please contact Michele at 973-625-9274

The Right to Life Ministry of Rockaway is seeking active members to help in the implementation of the many tasks required to fulfill our Mission Statement to promote a Culture of Life by advocating the Church's teachings on the dignity of all human life, from conception to natural death. If you feel that you are being called to assist in this very worthwhile endeavor, we ask that you attend our meeting this coming Wednesday evening, April 6th beginning with the Rosary at 7:15 PM in the St. Cecilia Parish Office. We look forward to meeting you.

JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE OF MERCY - St. Cecilia Parish will sponsor a pilgrimage, May 17-18 (Wednesday-Thursday), to the National Shrine of Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Massachusetts and the National Shrine of the North American Martyrs in Auriesville, New York. The planning of the pilgrimage is being done by the Saint Monica Guild and is open to all Sacred Heart & St. Cecilia parishioners. The cost of the pilgrimage is approximately \$200 per person. Details regarding departure, schedule of devotions, hotel information, etc. will be forthcoming. We anticipate a full bus for this religious journey during the Holy Year of Mercy. Please call Pat Zayac to make a reservation 973-625-4572.