Fifth Sunday of Easter April 24, 2016 LITURGY SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 23

5:00 p.m. – Irene Walko req. by Michele, Tom, & Alison Suto **Sunday, April 24**

8:30 a.m. – Kevin McGuire req. by Dave & Claire Miller 10:00 a.m. – Rose Marie Wheelwright req. by family

Monday, April 25

12:00 p.m. - Antonio Luconi req. by Mike, Donna, & Jeff Lucas

Tuesday, April 26

12:00 p.m. - Juan De Ocampo req. by Elmer Maximo

Wednesday, April 27

12:00 p.m. – Patricia Martinelli

Thursday, April 28

12:00 p.m. - Grace Cesario req. by Anne Reilly

Friday, April 29

8:00 a.m. – Salvatore Di Lorenzo req. by Sacred Heart School faculty & staff

Saturday, April 30

5:00 p.m. – Helen & Charles Vasey req. by Ethel Gorman

Sunday, May 1

8:30 a.m. – "Protection of Babies in the womb" req. by Rockaway Catholic Respect Life Ministry

10:00 a.m. - Anna Gula reg. by daughter, Joanne

11:30 a.m. - Polish Mass



Nicholas John Prosser

Collection for April 16&17: \$2830.00 Parish Pay Electronic Giving: \$2562.32 (March) Collection from last year: \$3081.00

Ongoing Renovation "Jug" Money: \$11,873.05

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

<u>PARISH POLICY - PLEASE NOTE</u> - 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

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.

<u>Parish Picnic:</u> Sacred Heart of Jesus and St. Cecilia Parish Picnic is planned for Sunday, June 5th at Fireman's Field. Activities will begin after 12:00 noon mass (bring a chair) and continue until around 5:00 p.m. Anyone interested in helping, please call the rectory.

The collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) provides funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor in the United States. CCHD's grants improve education, support economic development, and create affordable housing in low income neighborhoods. Help us continue to defend human dignity and build communities of solidarity. Please give to the CCHD Collection.

Banns Of Ordination: Rev. Mr. Slawomir Tomaszewski will be ordained to the Sacred Order of Presbyter on Saturday, May 28, 2016. According to the norms of cc.1043 and 1051.2 of the code of Canon Law, Christ's faithful are obliged to reveal impediments to Sacred Orders, if they know of any, to the Bishop or Pastor before Ordination.

	Lector	Ministers of Communion	Altar Servers
April 30 @ 5:00 pm	Lyle Ryder	Bridget Wilson Elmer Maximo	Jason Emerlieze Ashley Ramirez Brandon Ramirez Anthony Gonzalez
May 1 @ 8:30 am	Marie Byrne	Paul Iapalucci Mark Howarth	Danielle Berlin Ella Di Scala Jake Di Scala Lilian Brennan
May 1@10:00 am	Anne Reilly	Anne Marie Hopler Claire Miller	Inigo Cadag Joaquin Cadag Gianna Nelson Maggie Farrelly

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

My dear parishioners,

Today is the Lord's Day and the Fifth Sunday of Easter. In our continuous reading of Acts of the Apostles we come to chapter 14 where we find Paul and Barnabas on their missionary journey strengthening the faith of the believers, "...They strengthened the spirits of the disciples and exhorted them to persevere in the faith, saying, 'It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God." The Apostles were continuously building up the faith of the early Christians and reminding them that following the Risen Christ would have its challenges. Love would be the key that would provide the assistance one would need to navigate through such times. Love for God and love for others would result in a new way of conquering the forces of evil.

Today's Gospel periscope takes us back to the evening of the Last Supper where we hear the Lord's words to His Apostles, "I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." Love becomes the criterion by which the followers of Jesus are identified. It is what sets them apart in the world.

Many times Christians have failed in being agents of love. We are all too familiar with our own failures in loving as Jesus loved. The failures of the past however, do not exclude us from responding positively to the daily opportunities we have to try again, that is to love as Jesus loved. This is the encouragement we receive today from the Scriptures which are proclaimed at our Eucharistic celebration.

Encouraging and strengthening one another to love as Jesus loved is what Paul and Barnabas did for their fellow Christians. Likewise, we too are reminded to do the same today. We need to use every opportunity to give of ourselves in service to one another. When we help each other and those whom we do not know we witness to Christ and the forces of evil at put to flight.

As your pastor, I find my spirit strengthened as I notice so many of you being generous and compassionate in your words and deeds. It's easy to see the love you have for the Lord Jesus because it is shown so beautifully in the ways in which you respond to the needs which are presented.

Let us continue to encourage one another to love more zealously. By doing so the Kingdom of God will be ours! Christ is Risen!

Father Zig

PS: I leave on Wednesday with a group of parishioners on our St. Cecilia trip to Switzerland, Austria and Bavaria. We return on Friday, May 6th. Remember us in your prayers as I will do the same for you!

<u>DIVINE MERCY ACADEMY:</u> 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.

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

<u>Msza Po Polsku: Polish Mass</u> will be celebrated at Sacred Heart next Sunday, May 1st. Please join us with your family and friends to worship God in the Polish Language.

HEALING MASS: For all who are in need of healing: spiritual, physical, mental, or emotional, there will be a Healing Mass on Saturday, May 21, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Cecilia Church. This is sponsored by the Christian Care Committee. All are invited to attend.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #3359 DENVILLE WILL BE ON THE STREETS AND AT THE STORES IN DENVILLE FRIDAY APRIL 29 THU SUNDAY MAY 1. THE KNIGHTS WILL BE CONDUCTING A FUND RAISING DRIVE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABLITIES. 100 PERCENT OF ALL MONIES COLLECTED WILL BE DONATED. YOUR SUPPPORT WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

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