

Third Sunday of Easter
April 15, 2018
LITURGY SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

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

WHEN A PRIEST IS NEEDED: When a family member is sick and in need of a priest for the sacraments please call the rectory so that a priest will be notified of the request. ON THE WEEKENDS, HOLIDAYS AND EVENINGS AFTER OFFICE HOURS, PLEASE CALL THE EMERGENCY NUMBER (862-251-1229) AND LEAVE YOUR NAME AND PHONE NUMBER CLEARLY AND A PRIEST WILL RESPOND. The emergency number is given at the beginning of the announcement when calling the rectory after hours.

Divine Mercy Academy is now accepting applications for the 2018-2019 school year. 87 Halsey Ave. 973-627-6003. We offer a safe, secure & compassionate environment with a high level of individualized attention; certified teachers; weekly liturgies & daily Religion class; academic curriculum with all core subjects; STEM; physical education; music, art, Spanish & library, with technology integrated throughout the curriculum. Before-care/after-care and extracurricular activities available. Full day & Half Day Pre-K3 & Pre-K4 programs starting at \$2420 a year. Full Day Kindergarten through 8th grade tuition rates as follows: 1 child: \$5030 2 children: \$8200 and 3 children: \$9960 per year. Come see the difference an academically excellent Catholic education makes!

Sunday, April 15- Third Sunday of Easter
5:00 p.m. – Patricia Campbell req. by the Hamman family
8:30 a.m. – Mark Daly req. by JoAnn
10:00 a.m. – Rose Marie Wheelwright, 5th Anniversary, req. by family
Monday, April 16- Easter Weekday
12:00 p.m. – Aldo Vukosa req. by Toni Simica Vidaic
Tuesday, April 17- Easter Weekday
12:00 p.m. – Frank Wach
Wednesday, April 18- Easter Weekday
12:00 p.m. – For the intention of healing for Ann req. by friend, Jeanne
Thursday, April 19- Easter Weekday
12:00 p.m. – Peter Chipko
Friday, April 20- Easter Weekday
12:00 p.m. – Alice Scutari
Sunday, April 22- Fourth Sunday of Easter
5:00 p.m. – Ronald Cooke req. by Aunt Geri
8:30 a.m. – Anna Dachisen req. by JoAnn Daly
10:00 a.m. –Protection of Babies in the womb & their families req. by Frieda Pecardal

*This week the
Sanctuary
Candle*

burns in memory of ... Richard Hado

Collection for April 7&8: \$3826.50
Easter Collection: \$7425.50
Parish Pay Electronic Giving: \$2371.74 (March)
Collection from last year: \$3454.00

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE MILITARY: Major Mike Cherry, LCpl. Aleksandr Killeen, Airman 1st Cl. Andrew Mistkowski, 1st Lt. Nicholas DelCore, Air Force, Captain Jessica L. Rotile Rudo, Kenneth Rudo, Warrant Officer,1

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Irene Schreiber, Doug Bansch, Maria Acevedo, TJ Schoudel, Capt. Adam Cowan, USA, Julio Soto, Ben Marvilla, Michelle Monslave, Amelia Marie Cayea, Mary Therese Loftus, Sharon Bauer, Mary Davenport, Jose Prado, Arlene Berlin, Robert Nielsen, Marge Vogel, Efrain Gonzalez, Amanda Villarubia, Mary Skelly, John Skutka, William McBurney, Anne Riordan, D.M. Lynch, Linda Hoffman,, Mike Izzo, Edward Frame, Adam Hayward, Carol Centonze, James Boyle, Carol Ann Boyle, Jessica Gorman, Theodora Maulbeck. John Krause, Ethan Chandra, Jim McNamara,

Join Us For DIVINE MERCY ACADEMY'S
2nd Annual Golf Outing on Friday, June 15th, 2018, at Farmstead Golf & Country Club \$120 per Golfer/\$420 per Foursome*Includes greens fees, cart, lunch, buffet dinner, alcohol & soda
1:00 PM Check-in & lunch. Immediately following golf is a buffet dinner & 50/50 raffle.
For more info, call Patrick Rudolph at 973-440-0748, or email prudolph817@gmail.com
*If purchased by May 15th. \$130 a golfer after 5/15.

My dear parishioners,

Today we commemorate the Third Sunday of Easter in our celebration of the Lord's Day. The Gospel reading takes us back to that first Easter Sunday later in the day when the Risen Lord Jesus appears again to the disciples. The Lord asks for something to eat in order to prove that He is alive and that they are not seeing a ghost. He tells them that, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You will be my witnesses of these things."

Throughout the 50 days of Easter we are reading from Saint Luke the Evangelist's second volume work, Acts of the Apostles. This book tells of the spread of the Gospel from Jewish territory to Gentile lands through the preaching and witness of Peter and Paul. The evangelization of peoples also occurs as a result of the preaching and witness of other disciples, both male and female; their names are recorded in Acts of the Apostles.

Throughout the centuries the followers of the Risen Christ have engaged in the work of evangelization by tirelessly and at great peril bringing the Gospel to the nations. Today I am in Ireland with some fellow parishioners on tour of the country which may be the ancestral home for some of you. As we know, the faith was brought to this country through the pastoral zeal of Saint Patrick. He is regarded as the "Apostle to Ireland." Let us keep the people of this great nation in our prayers that they may remain faithful to the Gospel and not allow the evils of secularism and indifferentism influence them especially as they will decide in a short time whether to legalize abortion or remain a pro-life nation.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you in church next Sunday. Our celebration of the Holy Eucharist on the Lord's Day is our weekly remembrance of Jesus' suffering, death and Resurrection as we consume His Body and Blood. His Excellency, Bishop Arthur Serratelli has lifted the ban on the distribution of Precious Blood now that the flu epidemic is past. The Bishop has left it up to each pastor when or whether to reinstate the distribution of the Precious Blood. We will resume the distribution of the Precious Blood the first weekend of May at those Sunday Masses in which there is a sufficient number of ministers to do so. When we are short of ministers the Precious Blood will not be administered. Catholic theology states that when one receives the Body of Christ (the Host), one is receiving both the Body and the Blood of our Savior. My pastoral observation is that only very few people approach the chalice for the Precious Blood as a result of health concerns.

See you next Sunday, God willing!

Christ is Risen!

Father Zig

Sacred Heart Church, Bishop's Annual Appeal

2017 Goal: \$15,645.00

Cash received through March 22, 2018: \$20,370.00

50% of Over Goal Cash: \$4,725.00

Rebate as of March 22, 2018: 2,362.50

Baptism: Zephyr Philip Barbato was baptized at Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish on April 7, 2017. We congratulate his parents and godparents. Please pray for Zephyr and his family.

ATTENTION MEN – A new men’s group called FATHERS OF ST. JOSEPH will be meeting every other Saturday morning at 5:30 a.m. in the St. Cecilia Office Building. The sole aim and purpose of the group is to labor for the restoration, revitalization and redemption of human fatherhood, in order that it may become what it has been created to be: an efficacious icon that directs the human family to its Father. The Fathers of St. Joseph gatherings are not so much meetings as they are mini retreats, whose aim is to communicate the spirituality of fatherhood in a manner that encourages and inspires fathers to embrace, engage and – by the power of the Holy Spirit – sanctify their vocation. Next meeting is April 28th.

NEW WOMEN'S GROUP: Women at the Well: The Women at the Well meet the FIRST SATURDAYS of each month. These evenings are meant to serve as spiritual and social refreshment for women. The evening begins with a potluck dinner, followed the Rosary, quiet prayer and ending with dessert and socializing. Registration is required by emailing Jennifer Nelson & Faith Rose at wellwithmysoul17@gmail.com. with your name, parish and email address. This group is open to those outside the parish as well. Bring your Rosary and a friend!

PLEDGE COMMITMENT CARD – I ask for your cooperation in returning the PLEDGE COMMITMENT CARD which was mailed to all parishioners. The commitment card was accompanied by a brochure which contained a message by me, information about our ministries and services, as well as a snapshot of our financial condition. Please complete the commitment card and place it in the offering basket at Sunday Mass or mail it to the parish office. I am always so grateful for your support which is a sign of your faith in Christ our Savior – God bless you ! – Father Zig

SAVE THE DATE: The Men’s Society is sponsoring its 2nd Annual Beefsteak Dinner Dance (All you can eat filet mignon) Saturday, April 28th @ 7:00 pm in Hayes Hall Cost: \$45.00 per person (Table of 10—\$400) BYOB— 50/50—Raffle– Photo Booth- Dancing. Any questions, please contact Ralph DiMarcantonio @ 856-952-5657.

Please be advised that all the “Senior Events” are open to everyone 55 and over from St. Cecilia & Sacred Heart Parishes!

Tuesday, April 17—Regular Meeting

11 am set up, 12-1 pm social hour, coffee & cake

1-2 pm meeting, bingo & cards afterward

Sunday, July 1—Paper Mill Playhouse Day Trip

Day trip at Paper Mill Playhouse to see “Halftime”

Members: \$65.00—Nonmembers: \$70.00

Charlie Brown Restaurant (price not included)

For info, please call Carol @ 973-537-5529

St. Cecilia Seniors Adventure of The Seas: Come join us on May 17, 2019 for an 8 night Bermuda & Bahamas cruise! For reservations and/or pricing on staterooms for 2,3, or 4+ guests & special promotions call Royal Caribbean International at 1-800-465-3595. Reference Group #9517279. Itinerary: Cape Liberty, NJ. To: Kings Wharf, Bermuda, Nassau Bahamas, Cococay, Bahamas—Deposit \$500 per stateroom refundable up to 2/16/19. We need 8 cabins booked by 4/19/18 or we lose our group pricing. For More Information: Call Alice Koller @ 973-627-8558

PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND: - ISRAEL/JORDAN Walk in the Footsteps of Jesus, Moses & Mary. 11 DAYS, NOV 6-16, 2018, \$2790. + \$590 Airline Taxes, Fuel Surcharge, RT Airfare from Newark Daily Breakfast/Dinner, great Hotels, Tips for Guided Tours, Deluxe Motor Coach Driver & more. Fr. Abe Orapankal Pastor St John Neumann, Spiritual Director/ Tour Chaplain. Please Call Juliet Hobson 732-439-2835 Email: yetjcb@aol.com

Life in the Spirit Seminar – All are invited -sponsored by the Paterson Diocesan Steering Committee 7 sessions, “Life in the Spirit Seminar” at St Paul Inside the Walls. Starting April 23, 2018 and ending on June 4, 2018. There is no charge Time: 7:30pm-9:00pm. Address: 205 Madison Avenue, Madison, NJ 07940. For questions call Carmen Liuzza at 973-625-1150.

Rise UP, an interfaith organization from Rockaway is sponsoring the annual **Sweet Peace Baking Contest** on Sunday, April 29th, 2018 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Amateur bakers, ages 7 and up are invited for a chance to win ribbons and cash prizes for their best baked treats. Not a baker? Dessert lovers are welcomed to join us for sampling, support, & fellowship. “Rise UP” to the challenge or just bring your taste buds! For entry form, ticket information and details, please email us at: sweetpeacebaking@yahoo.com or visit us at Riseupnj.org

GOOD COUNSEL HOMES: Good Counsel is a private Catholic agency whose primary mission is to help homeless pregnant women by providing a loving family environment in a safe and secure shelter. Begun in 1985 by Fr. Benedict Groeschel and Chris Bell, both leaders in the pro-life movement, Good Counsel has grown to five homes in the New York greater metropolitan area. Working closely with the Sisters of Life through our Lumina outreach we have developed an outstanding program of support and healing for those suffering from abortion related problems. Women receive educational and vocational assistance and professional counseling. Mothers staying with us are able to learn a trade and map out goals to achieve while at Good Counsel and when they move on to new, independent lives. For more information: Good Counsel 411 Clinton Street, Hoboken, NJ 07030 (201)795-0637 www.goodcounselhomes.org Pregnant/Need Help? Call 800-723-8331