

## PRAY TO THE LORD

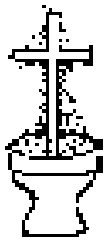
Prayer for the sick in our parish and in our families is so important. Please leave this list of the sick near the place where you pray each day to remember them throughout the week.

Willy McCue, Henry Molina, Theresa Worster, George Drescher, Susan D'Adamo, Daryl Christiansen, Brooks Andrew Brega, Mary Horan, Tia Monemurro, Tommy Valentines, Bridie Bannon, Kyle Petrocelli, Kelly Petrocelli, Jack Ryan, Patty Monti, Arlene Ferraro, Nancy Vertucci, Jennifer Johnson, Stephanie Scalisi, Sebastian DeLuca, Vincent DeStaso, Arthur Donohue, Chris Devine, TJ Hogan, Ivan Lozic, Kathleen Scanlon, GERALYNN LYNN, Noah Diaz, Marie Colucci, Carol Neil, Tom Foerster, Billy Martucci, Baby Lucas, Fred Ratto, Ruth Walker, Fred Palombella, Tommy McGuire, A Ellen Bloom, Geraldine LoCascio, Evelyn Mack, Ciaran Green, Arthur Ferraro, John Hanley, Daniel Ciarcia, Annette Kilgannon, Florence Navarro, Cetrea Rosen, George Wolf, Christopher Mastropolo, Colleen Friendlich, Kiley Fantino-Brunson, Charles Kelly, Craig Wechman, Baby Luke DeDomenico (Knips), Ian MacFarlane, John Cahill, Steven Lynn, Jean Marie Lester, Chris Ravanello, Kathleen O'Connell, Shirley Varon, Janet Martin, Vincent Messina, Baby Sofia Grace Velluci, Rhonda O'Brien, Fiona McCarthy, Michael Martin, Dominique Smallings, Celestino Guliman, Edwin Boyle, Maryann Breest, Pierce McManus, Bridget Kunz, James Hanley, Kathleen O'Connor, Gabrielle DiCarlo, John Casale, Barbara Ferraro, Patricia Iannucelli, Robert Ronan, Robert Treacy, Dorothy Andrade, Susan Tynatishon, Sr. Joan Pricoli, Lizy Mathews, Elayne Kilkenny, Edward Boyanoski, Mary Valastro, Madison Martignetti, Barbara McEntee, Jimmy Dempsey, Isabella Barone, Margaret Cassidy, Denice Smith, Marie Valentine, Nella Ferlich, Stephen Bailey, Elizabeth Colucci, Darrin Wiekamp, Jared Cummings, Lucy Navarro, Gerard Navarro, and Ann Saladino. If you have returned to good health, please call the Rectory Office, ask that your name be removed from Prayer List. No need to call if you wish to remain on the list. You will remain in our prayers.



We are very grateful to those in the military who have dedicated themselves to protect our liberty and freedom. Please keep our troops in your prayers, especially Nicholas D'Urso, Bill Knips, Connor McKiernan, Paul Gollando, Patrick Sullivan and Michael Sullivan.

## BAPTISMS



It is through Baptism that we are joined with Christ, share in His passion, death and resurrection and so are saved from our sins and become adopted children of God, sharing in divine life.

This miracle of God's love and grace will be bestowed upon, **John Alexander**, child of **Mathew & Liza Slosek**.

Please pray for this child and his parents, that they may be faithful to God's call to salvation.

## Mass Intentions The Week of 5/5 - 5/13

### Saturday, May 5

9:00am  
5:30pm

**Mass for the People**  
**Malachy Donoghue**  
*req. by Maureen Donoghue & Family*

### Sunday, May 6

8:30am Mass  
10:15am Mass  
12Noon Mass

**Robert Cannon**  
*req. by Jim & Mary Moran*  
**John McManus**  
*req. by Ann McManus & Family*  
**Amelia Gugliotta**  
*req. by The Maher Family*

### Monday, May 7

9:00am Mass

**Fay Katsaounis**  
*req. by Nugent Family*

### Tuesday, May 8

9:00am Mass

**John Garvey**  
*req. by Betty & Jim Magretti*

### Wednesday, May 9

9:00am Mass  
7:30pm

**Mass for the People**  
**Caroline Campion**  
*req. by Don & Linda Sullivan*

### Thursday, May 10

9:00am Mass  
12Noon Mass  
7:30 Mass

**Antoinette Florio**  
*req. by Florio Family*  
**Carol Delli Pizzi**  
*req. by Sean & Helen Cunney*  
**Caroline Byrne**  
*req. by Pat O'Connor*

### Friday, May 11

9:00am Mass

**Concetta & Anthony Arone**  
*req. by Theresa King*

### Saturday, May 12

9:00am Mass  
5:30pm Mass

**Amy Cestaro**  
*req. by Celia Tepper & Family*  
**Mother's Day Mass**

### Sunday, May 13

8:30am Mass  
10:15am Mass  
12Noon Mass

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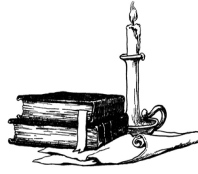
If you have an intention for Mass, consider presenting the gifts of bread and wine during that celebration. Please arrive early and inform the ushers before Mass.

## DID YOU KNOW

If you have difficulty getting up to receive Holy Communion, the front row on both sides of the back section are reserved so that the Eucharistic Ministers can come directly to you. Please feel free to use these seats – your family is welcome to sit with you. The pews are marked “Reserved.”

## The Week of 5/6 - 5/12

### Fifth Sunday of Easter



#### Sunday

- Masses - 8:30am; 10:15am; 12noon (Church)
- Family Mass - 10:15am (Church) Share the Word
- KoC Communion Breakfast - 9:30 am
- Baptism - 1:30 pm
- Youth Group - 7pm (Rader Hall)

#### Monday

- Mass - 9 am (Church)
- Senior Citizens - 1pm (Rader Hall)
- Special Religious Education - 3:30pm (Atrium, Classroom 5)
- Last Religious Education Classes - 5-6:30pm
- Adult Faith - 7pm (Classroom 7)
- Confirmation Interviews - 7pm (Classrooms)
- RCIA - 7:30pm (Rectory Chapel Office)
- Monthly Respect Life Mass (Church)

#### Tuesday

- Mass - 9am (Church)
- Scripture Study - 10am (Classroom 13,14,15)
- Special Religious Education - 3:30pm (Atrium, Classroom 5)
- Last Religious Education Classes - 4:30-6pm
- Last Religious Education Classes - 7-8:30pm
- Bereavement Sessions - 7pm (Classroom 6)

#### Wednesday

- Masses - 9am & 2 pm (Church)
- Senior Retreat - 10 am
- Special Religious Education - 3:30pm (Atrium, Classroom 5)
- Last Religious Education Classes - 4:30-6pm
- Last Religious Education Classes - 7-8:30pm
- Ascension Thursday Mass - 7:30 pm

#### Thursday

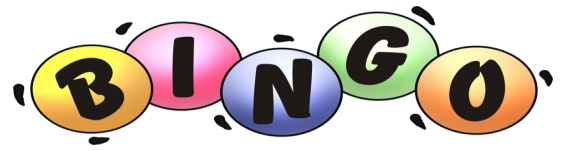
- Masses - 9am, 12 noon & 7:30 pm (Church)
- Rectory Closed - Ascension Thursday
- Clare's Cove - 10am - 3pm
- Special Religious Education - 3:30pm (Atrium, Classroom 5)
- May Crowning Rehearsal (Church)

#### Friday

- Mass - 9am (Church)
- Clare's Cove - 10am - 3pm

#### Saturday

- Mass - 9am (Church)
- Communion Reception (Rader Hall, Classrooms 1-4)
- Clare's Cove - 10am - 3pm
- First Holy Communion - 11am (Church)
- First Holy Communion - 1:30 pm (Church)
- Confession - 4:30pm (Church)
- Mass - 5:30pm (Church)



## Save the Date

The Knights of Columbus will  
sponsor its

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Bingo

for Prizes this Spring

St Francis Assisi Church

Thurs, June 14th, 7pm - 9 pm

Doors open at 6 pm



### *Devotion to Our Blessed Mother*

An Evening of Prayer and Rosary  
to Our Lady  
Wednesday, May 23 rd  
7pm

Sponsored By  
The Liturgy and Spirituality Committee

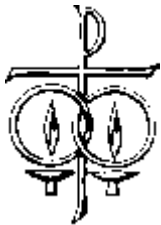
### ***The Domestic Church – Final Reflections***

*As I conclude sharing reflections on the Domestic Church from the document *The Family Fully Alive: Building the Domestic Church*, I provide here some final insights and words for contemplation from St. John Paul II. Both of these offerings are from his writing *Familiaris Consortio*.*

*“All members of the family, each according to his or her own gift, have the grace and responsibility of building, day by day, the communion of persons, making the family ‘a school of deeper humanity’: this happens where there is care and love for the little ones, the sick, the aged; where there is mutual service every day; when there is a sharing of goods, of joys and of sorrows. A fundamental opportunity for building such a communion is constituted by the educational exchange between parents and children in which each gives and receives. By means of love, respect and obedience towards their parents, children offer their specific and irreplaceable contribution to the construction of an authentically human and Christian family. They will be aided in this if parents exercise their unrenounceable authority as a true and proper ‘ministry,’ that is, as a service to the human and Christian well-being of their children, and in particular as a service aimed at helping them acquire a truly responsible freedom, and if parents maintain a living awareness of the ‘gift’ they continually receive from their children.”*

*“Analyzing the nature of marriage, both St. Augustine and St. Thomas [Aquinas] always identify it with an ‘indivisible union of souls,’ a ‘union of hearts,’ with ‘consent.’ These elements are found in an exemplary manner in the marriage of Mary and Joseph. at the culmination of the history of salvation, when God reveals his love for humanity through the gift of the Word, it is precisely the marriage of Mary and Joseph that brings to realization in full ‘freedom’ the ‘spousal gift of self’ in receiving and expressing such a love. ‘In this great undertaking which is the renewal of all things in Christ, marriage — it too purified and renewed — becomes a new reality, a sacrament of the new Covenant. ... The savior began the work of salvation by this virginal and holy union, wherein is manifested his all-powerful will to purify and sanctify the family — that sanctuary of love and cradle of life.’” (The Family Fully Alive: Building the Domestic Church, page 70.)*

*Fr. Robert F. McKeon*



### **Annual Golden Mass Celebration**

Couples celebrating their  
50th Wedding Anniversary  
anytime during 2018 are invited to attend the  
Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan  
at Saint Patrick’s Cathedral  
on Sunday, June 3 at 2:15pm.

Pre-registration is required. Please contact your  
parish to register.

The closing date to register for the Mass is  
Monday, May 14.

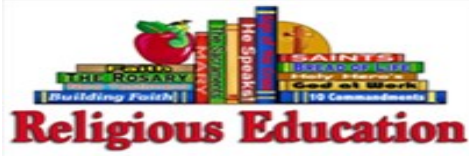
Event is sponsored by the Family Life & Respect  
Life of the Archdiocese of New York.



### **Camp Assisi volunteers needed!**

Adults, high schoolers and 6th-8th graders are needed to  
assist with Bible Camp this year. Camp Assisi will be from  
8/13-8/17 this summer. Come join the fun of crafts, music,  
games, skits and sharing enthusiasm for our Catholic faith  
with children in grades K-5.

Please contact [kerribennett@optonline.net](mailto:kerribennett@optonline.net) to join our team!



In order for the Religious Education program to continue to meet the needs of our families we depend on the volunteers of our parish. It is never too early to begin to plan for next year's success! We are looking for **catechists, catechist assistants, family catechesis team members, and general volunteers** for next year. Our program depends on the willingness of our parishioners to share their time and faith with our children. Please call the Religious Education Office if you are interested in helping. There is truly something for everyone. No matter how much or how little time you can offer, we have a place for you.

## Bottles For Clean Water



St. Francis religious education students are making a difference! Join us on our bottle and can redemption campaign to help our environment and bring clean water to those in need.

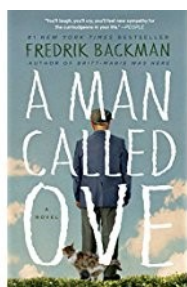
Bring your recyclables to the **Bottle Redemption Center** at 25 N Middletown Road in Nanuet behind Marshalls and mention you are supporting St. Francis of Assisi.

**We can all make a difference!**

## PARISH ANNIVERSARY MASS AND RECEPTION

As in the past, here at St. Francis, we recognize those couples who are celebrating not only their 25th or 50th wedding anniversaries, but also couples who will celebrate 65, 60, 55, 45, 40, 35, 30, 20, 15, 10, or 5 years of marriage. We will have this celebration at the 12 noon Mass on Sunday, June 17th. A reception will be held in the classrooms immediately following the Mass. Please plan to join us.

Call the Rectory at 845-634-4957 to let us know if you plan to attend this celebration, the date and year of your marriage, and how many family members will be in attendance. Thank you.



### Woman's Book Discussion

*A Man Called Ove*  
By Fredrik Backman

Date: Wednesday, June 6th  
Time: 7:00 PM  
Place: St. Francis Rectory



### 2018 Carnival St. Joan of Arc & Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Join us for all the fun at the Sloatsburg community Fields!  
Thurs. May 24th & Fri. May 25th 6 pm -11 pm  
Sat. May 26th & Sun. May 27th 3 pm -11 pm

Fireworks Spectacular on Sun. May 27th @ 9:30 pm



**Now is the perfect time for some spring cleaning.**

**The 4th Annual St. Francis Community Yard Sale will take place on Saturday, June 9.**

You can rent a table to sell your goods for \$25 or simply donate your goods to be sold that day.

All proceeds will benefit St. Francis of Assisi Church.

Please contact Dena at 914-473-8008 for more details.



To find out more,  
visit [www.ParishGiving.org](http://www.ParishGiving.org)

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## PLEASE SAVE THE DATE

### SENIOR RETREAT

Wednesday, May 9, 9:45 AM - 3PM at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, West Nyack. Registration forms available in all parishes in April.

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### 2018 NUN RUN 5K

On Saturday, May 12, the Sisters of Saint Dominic of Blauvelt will be hosting their fourth annual Nun Run 5K Run/Walk and second annual Parish Cup Invitational at Saint Dominic's Convent in Blauvelt. for the Parish Cup Invitational. Parishioners from Rockland, Bergen, Orange and Westchester counties are invited to participate on their parish team. On race day, the parish that registers the most team members will be awarded the Parish Cup Invitational Trophy. Please contact Katie, Race Director at 845-359-7327 or [kbeckmann@opblauvelt.org](mailto:kbeckmann@opblauvelt.org).

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### Europe Pilgrimage Tour (France, Spain, Portugal)

with Rev. Ravi Dasari, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church, DATES: June 17- 29, COST: \$3,999.00 (includes air fare, accommodations, meals, fees, Flamenco show, Eiffel tower, licensed coach, taxes, parking, Masses at Basilicas) Contacts: 845-359-1230 or [secretary@olshtappan.com](mailto:secretary@olshtappan.com)

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### ADOPTION

Children in China need homes. More boys available than girls. Older parents and single women welcome. For more information call Barbara Salvesen at 845-623-5277.

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### Child Protection

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious, or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of NY is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, at 212-371-1000 x 2949. Sister may also be reached via e-mail at [victimassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org). Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, [www.archny.org](http://www.archny.org). In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.



Pentecost is quickly approaching! Spend the next few weeks getting to know THE THIRD PERSON OF THE TRINITY, THE HOLY SPIRIT.

VIEW THE WILD GOOSE SERIES: DISCOVERING A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT.

The Holy Spirit is a love that has been revealed to us by Jesus

Christ and that leads us to our heavenly Father. As you walk through this series, pray for the Spirit to breathe life into your heart.

To access FORMED go to [formed.org](http://formed.org)

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### Healing And Nurturing Distraught Survivors

HANDS sponsors a bereavement support group for parents who have lost a child. It is facilitated by Ann Carucci, founder of HANDS, who lost her son and daughter-in-law, in a boating accident. Their bodies were never recovered. All groups meet from 6:30-8:00pm at HANDS International Headquarters, 9 Scott Drive, New City. The meetings this month are May 2 & 15. Services are free of charge. Ann is also available for personal one-on-one counseling sessions. HANDS has a Widows And Widowers Group facilitated by Ann Carucci, who lost her husband. These meetings are held Monday evenings at the HANDS International Headquarters.

Contact Ann Carucci at 845-634-6706.



### Adult Faith Formation

Book: Nothing is Impossible with God

by John Michael Talbot

Dates/Rooms: Mondays, May 7 (Room 7), May 14 (Room 1), May 21 (Room 1)

Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

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### St. Zita's Villa for Women

**When your loved one needs a Home away from Home.**

NYS certified St. Zita's Villa for women in Monsey NY (50 N. Saddle River Road.) provides private rooms with three meals a day, in a clean and comfortable environment. Catholic setting with housekeeping and some medical assistance. Please call Rosa Gorman, Director of Residential Services 845-356-2011.