

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY APRIL 23, 2017

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners:

We are in this glorious Easter Season after a beautiful and powerful Holy Week. What a joy it was to see so many come to our Church during Holy Week for the Liturgies of the Easter Triduum, and the hundreds who came for Confession throughout that blessed week, as well as the overflowing crowds in the Church and School Auditorium on Easter Sunday.

There are so many to thank who worked so hard to make Easter here so beautiful. The music throughout the Easter Triduum was so uplifting thanks to Mary Peden and our dedicated choir members who lifted our minds and hearts to Heaven. Thank you to our Lectors, our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, our Ushers, and our dedicated Altar Servers who carried out their respective ministries with such reverence and devotion. It was so good to have Walter Genito with us, who was home from the Seminary for the Easter Triduum, who prepared the altar servers and guided them through all the Triduum Liturgies. Thank you, too, to Christine Schnabel who works so hard behind the scenes with our staff in facilitating everything that happens here, and, of course, to Henry Antonucci who prepared the flowers in the sanctuary so beautifully for Easter along with tending to all the details in making our Liturgies go so smoothly. I also want to thank Father Innocent for his wonderful talks throughout Lent and for all he did to make our Easter Triduum Liturgies so prayerful. He is such a blessing to our Parish. And thank you to all of you for all you do for this Parish in keeping it so vibrant and strong, and for making it such a beautiful place to be.

On this Octave Day of Easter we celebrate *Divine Mercy Sunday*. This beautiful and powerful devotion to our Lord's Mercy came out of private revelations to a cloister nun in Poland, Sister Faustina, during the 1920's and 1930's when there were so many manifestations of evil going on in the world. Saint John Paul II canonized Sister Faustina on the Second Sunday of Easter in 2000, and at that time instituted this Feast of Divine Mercy to be celebrated each year on the Second Sunday of Easter. The Divine Mercy message re-presents for our times the most fundamental teaching of the Gospel, imploring us to trust in God's Mercy, to seek His Mercy especially in the Sacrament of Penance,

and then to extend that mercy to others by forgiving one another as Christ has forgiven us and dedicating ourselves to works of Mercy.

Today we continue to see so much evil in our world as much or more than ever before. We need to implore the Mercy of God "*in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world,*" as we pray in the Divine Mercy Chaplet. As Saint John Paul II put it, "*God has placed a limit on evil in the world: Divine Mercy.*" Indeed, our Lord revealed to Saint Faustina that: "*The world will never find Peace until it turns to my Mercy.*" Let us do so with renewed trust today and always, keeping that beautiful and simple Divine Mercy prayer always in our hearts and on our lips: "**Jesus, I trust in You.**" May God bless us all.

Sincerely in Christ,
Rev. Matthew J. Furey



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY TODAY

APRIL 23, 2017

All are invited for an afternoon of prayer on **Sunday April 23, 2017 beginning at 2:00pm in the Tagaste Monastery Chapel: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Talk on Divine Mercy, and Divine Mercy Chaplet. Confessions available throughout the afternoon. Refreshments available.**

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY St. Patrick's Cathedral

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2017 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Sunday, June 11th at 2:00pm. Pre-registration is required. Please contact the rectory for registration. The closing date to register for the mass is Friday, May 12th, 2017. This event is sponsored by the Family Life Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.



**SACRED HEART PARISH
25TH AND 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION MAY 21ST, 2017**

On May 21st, 2017 our parish will honor all those celebrating these milestone anniversaries at the 10:00am Mass followed by a reception. If you are celebrating your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary this year please contact the Rectory Office and let us know. 845-357-0035. We will need the date and place of your wedding in a Catholic Church.

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, April 24

Rel. Ed. Grade 6 – 4:30pm to 6pm

Rel. Ed. – Grade 7 – 7pm to 8:30pm

Novena – 7:15pm

Tuesday, April 25

Rel. Ed. – Grades 3–5 -4:30pm to 6pm

Rel. Ed. – Grade 8 – 7 - 7pm to 8:30pm

Wednesday, April 26

Hispanic Prayer Group – 8pm in the cafeteria

Thursday, April 27

Our Lady's Guild – 7:30pm in the cafeteria

Friday, April 28

Saturday, April 29

St. Joseph Group – 7:30am in the Rectory

Rel. Ed. Grades 1 & 2 – 9:30am in the school

Sunday, April 30

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

Palm Sunday Collection – \$16,617

Last Year's Collection - \$17,639.

Holy Land Collection – \$2,895.

Last Year's Collection-\$2,908.

The Easter Collection will be reported in the next few weeks as donations continue to arrive.

Thank you for all your generosity!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES COMMUNITY SERVICES

SENIOR RETREAT

Wednesday, May 24, 2017, 9:45am-3:00pm, at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in West Nyack. Registration forms will be available in all the parishes in April. Forms will be mailed to all previous participants. More details will follow. Catholic Charities community Services of Rockland, 845-942-5791 ext 17.

**OUR LADY'S GUILD
COMMUNION BREAKFAST
MAY 3, 2015**

When: Sunday, May 7 after the 8:30am Mass

Where: The Chalet at Spook Rock Golf Course

Price: \$25 per person (Reservations required)

**For tickets or information please contact:
Rosemary McCormick (845) 357-1485.**

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to those who were baptized and received Confirmation at the Easter Vigil:

BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION:

**MARISSA BLASON
CLEVELAND COOKE**

CONFIRMATION:

**NICOLE JOTSO
AMANDA LYONS
NADIA MERHAI
LORRAINE NIXDORF
CRISELDA STAUB**

JORDAN BOGART (Sat. April 22nd 5:30 Vigil)

SACRED HEART CHURCH

\$10,000.00 RAFFLE

TICKETS \$100 EACH (1 IN 250 CHANCE TO WIN)

Available at the Rectory

Monday to Friday - 9am to 5pm

1ST PRIZE - \$10,000.00

2ND PRIZE - \$1,000.00

3RD PRIZE - \$500.00

Winning tickets will be drawn at 2:30pm in the school gymnasium on Sunday, June 25, 2017.

Please Help Support Our Parish

CARDINAL'S APPEAL 2017

To date our parish has received **\$102,235.** in pledges/gifts toward the 2017 Cardinal's Appeal, from 271 families. For this Appeal to be truly successful, we need support from all our families. The Appeal is a vital source of funding for the programs and ministries that sustain the parishes across our Archdiocese. **It is not too late to make your gift. Our goal is \$114,000.** Thank you for your support.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL REGION ROCKLAND
IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK
PLAY BALL!**

NY Yankees Welcome Catholic Schools

The Archdiocese of New York will host a **Catholic Schools Night at Yankee Stadium** when the New York Yankees take on the Baltimore Orioles on June 9th, 2017 at 7:35pm. This celebration of Catholic education will feature several activities that evening to showcase our excellent schools.

Tickets are available to school families for \$25.00 <https://csn-rockland-students.eventbrite.com> and will be mailed to your home address in the end of May. All proceeds from the ticket sales will go to support our Catholic Schools.

If you have any questions regarding this event or purchasing tickets, please contact Dan Peters: Catholic Education Advancement office at 646-794-3303 or Daniel.peters@archny.org.

**SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN
CONFIRMATION PROJECT**

The children and parents of our special needs confirmation program ask that you help them collect items for unwed and troubled mothers and their babies . Donations will be given to the Sisters of Life to help them in their good works: Items can be dropped off at the rectory. **Drop off deadline is May 7th.**

ANUNCIOS

El Grupo de Oración en Español tiene lugar habitualmente los miércoles, a las 8 de la noche en la cafetería.

Los próximos bautizos en español tendrán lugar el 27 de mayo 2017 a la 1pm. Contactar en el 357-0035.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

For the First Time

Jordan Bogart and Shannon Sorrentino

For the First Time

Brian Landy and Lorraine Nixdorf



We pray for all those serving in the **Armed Forces** and for those who are ill and have

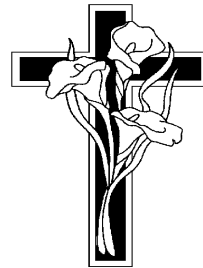
asked us to pray for them: Frank Paul Allegretti, Luciano Antonucci, Jenna Applebaum, Helen Bauer, Peter Boano, Harris Brownstein, Lisa Eckert Brownstein, Annette Burbridge, Dolores Cangelose, Frank Calfa, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Lorraine Cortez, Robert Cosenza, Joe Davey, Lilla DiBerardino, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Mary Discini, Florence Downey, Lucy Donlon, John Duffy, Nicholas Eckert, Peter Eckert, Jamie Erwin, Denise Ferrara, Gerrie Freeman, Stefanie Gaudelli, Tia Gardner, Arlene Gentile, Debra Gravina, John Grasso, Sarah Hyman, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Susan Jarkiewicz, Adrienne Kelly, Mary Kierman, Jon Kip, Anthony Kulik, Jay Leone, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Vasily Lockhart, Laura Mack, Marie Marasuilo, Thomas Mathai, Barbara Mazza, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Ken Meyer, Florence Mohan, Fr. Estella Morales, Jennifer O'Hara, Fr. Jack Oldfield, Stacey Olayan, Deana Olsen, Tina Osika, Shace Paljusevic, Joseph Pasculli, Bill Peden, Patricia Plotkin, Adolf Radeljic, Etta Rooney, Mary Russo, Virginia Ryan, Daniel Sammarone, Nicholas Salzman, Eleanor Scelza, Erica Scully, Ruth Schwetz, Jean Simons, Aurelia Sorgo, Claudia Spano, Kate Stack, Maureen Starke, Barbara Valdo Strano, Margaret Szaro, James P. Toner, Fr. Peter Tarantino, SA, Phyllis Varacalli, Carol Van Vandt, Millie Vazquez, Peter Veraldo, Terry Verducci, Rosemary Wasylyson and Fr. Wing.

ALTAR MEMORIALS

APRIL 23, 2017

Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of

RYAN C. VOSLER



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

9:00am – Michael Bugdin

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS FOR SUNDAY

5:30pm – Gagliano Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 23

7:00am – Parish Memorial Society

8:30am – Dianne Messina

10:00am – John Bukowski, II

11:30am – Marie & Edward Magruder

1:00pm – All Parishioners

5:30pm – Special Intentions DiNapoli Family

MONDAY, APRIL 24

7:00am – Olga Norelli

9:00am – Andrew Haggerty

7:15pm – **Novena**

TUESDAY, APRIL 25

7:00am – Ann Kanzler

9:00am – Jimmy Halloran

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

7:00am – Frances Rappel

9:00am – Wilard F. Foster

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

7:00am – Special Intention of Mateusz Kasperski

9:00am – Rosemarie McAuley

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

7:00am – Russell Maralia

9:00am – Ruth & Richard Miller

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

9:00am – Josephine Dattilo

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS FOR SUNDAY

5:30pm – Ryan Vosler

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

7:00am – Parish Memorial Society

8:30am – Michael Keegan

10:00am – Martha & Louisa Battaglia

11:30am – Lucy Scarpelli

1:00pm – All Parishioners

5:30pm – Louis M. Chiavetta Sr.



Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, family members and loved ones. **Especially: Elizabeth Nancy Walsh, Mary Gentile, Fred Pilger, Neil Murphy and Cathy Kaufman.**

BOOSTER CLUB WINNER

WEEK 26- ANTIONETTE & NICK LA BRUNA