# 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 20, 2017

### A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners:

One of the most powerful images I have of preparing for the Priesthood in Rome is being with hundreds of thousands of people from every continent on the face of the earth gathered for Mass with the Pope in St. Peter's Square where the languages and customs of so many cultures are expressed in the Liturgy. All these diverse people from every race, language and nation drawn together by a common faith in Jesus Christ was such a vivid image of the Universality of the Church. As we sang in the Responsorial Psalm for today: "O God, let all the nations praise you."

God's plan to draw all peoples to Himself through faith in Jesus Christ began with His choice of the Jewish people, the House of Israel. God chose the people of Israel not for their sake only, but to be a light to all nations, for it was from them that God brought forth the Light of the World. After His Death and Resurrection, Jesus sent His disciples out into the whole world to bring His Gospel to every people and nation on earth.

We see a foreshadowing of this universal mission of the Church in that interesting encounter between Jesus and the Canaanite woman in today's Gospel. Jesus went with his disciples into gentile territory, that is to those outside the House of Israel, where He encountered this woman. She came to Jesus pleading with him to help her daughter. At first Jesus appears to brush her off. And when the woman persists saying, "Lord help me," Jesus says something which at first seems shocking: "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." Jesus was not intending to insult the woman but was speaking in the language of His time in reference to the gentiles in order to draw out of her a greater faith. And she comes back with a one-liner that delights Jesus and demonstrates the faith He was looking for: "Lord, even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from their Master's table." And Jesus responds, "O woman, great is your faith."

This woman was persistent, believing with all her heart that Jesus could and would help her. All of us are tempted to lose patience with God and give up on Him when our prayers seem not to be heard or

answered. But this is because our faith is weak. May we have faith like this woman in the gospel, never giving up and never losing heart. God always hears and answers our prayers, not always according to our way of seeing things, but according to what He knows will ultimately bring about the greatest good for us and for others. Prayer that is patient and persistent flows from a strong and authentic faith that moves the Heart of God. "Lord, increase our faith." May God bless us all.

Sincerely in Christ, Rev. Matthew J. Furey

# PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH Second Collection Today

We wish to welcome Fr. Anthony Korir, SMA from the Propagation of the Faith who will be speaking at all the Masses this weekend seeking our prayers and support for the Missions. Envelopes are in the pews and in the back of the Church. They can be placed in the basket today or next week, or dropped off at the rectory anytime throughout the week. Place make checks out to Sacred Heart Church so we can send one check to the Propagation of the Faith.

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

If you or someone you know have not been baptized or have not received the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation, and would like to, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is meant for you. The RCIA is the process by which the Church receives new members into our Catholic community through the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist). It consists of instruction sessions and liturgical celebrations meant to inform individuals of the teachings of the Catholic faith, to help them discern whether they wish to become Catholic and to prepare them to be received into the Church at Easter.

If you are interested in participating please call the Rectory (357-0035). The first session will start late in September. Sessions will be held once a week from 7:00 - 8:00pm in the Rectory. Those interested will be contacted with the exact starting date.

# SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

19<sup>th</sup> Sunday Collection – \$14,370. Last Year's Collection - \$14,129.

> The Assumption- \$3,885 Last Year- \$1,583.

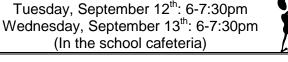
### NEEDED!!

As you all are aware we are celebrating the 150<sup>th</sup> Year of our Parish. Many events have been planned in celebration and we need volunteers to assist us in bringing these events to life.

- 1st- We need man power to construct a large cross and outdoor stage.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Volunteers to be part of an re-enactment of the Passion and Live Stations of the Cross
- 3<sup>rd</sup> We need help to decorate a flatbed truck for the Village Christmas Parade
- 4<sup>th</sup>-Volunteers to help at the Fall Harvest Weekend October 20-22.

### CYO BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

Boys and Girls: Clinic Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades/ 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> Grades Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>: 6-7:30pm



# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The St. Vincent de Paul Pantry is closed for the summer, and will reopen Wednesday, September 13, 2017. For food emergencies please call the rectory at 357-0035.

#### PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, August 21 Novena – 7:15pm Tuesday, August 22 Wednesday, August 23 Hispanic Prayer Group – 8pm in the Church Thursday, August 24 Friday, August 25 Saturday, August 26 St. Joseph Group – 7:30am in the Rectory Sunday, August 27

# SACRED HEART SCHOOL

Sacred Heart Preschool 3 year old program has limited openings for Fall, 2017. Our school is a place where a child feels secure, loved and happy which is an excellent backdrop for learning. We have very experienced teachers who are caring and professional and there is an enclosed, gated playground for your child to play. Please contact the school's main office at 845-357-1684 for more information.

# **CRISIS PREGNANCY HOTLINE GOOD COUNSEL HOMES**

For Pregnancy emergencies call Any time of day: 1-800-723-8331 www.goodcounselhomes.org

### SAVE THE DATE!!

UPCOMING EVENT HONORING THE  $150^{\mathrm{TH}}$  ANNIVERSARY YEAR OF CELEBRATION

FALL HARVEST WEEKEND OCTOBER 20, 21, 22, 2017

Pumpkin decorating, pie baking contest, games and a petting zoo will be featured. Stay tuned for more details.

Please be sure to visit our online store for memorabilia honoring our 150th Anniversary! www.sacredheartparish.org and look for the online store link in the About Tab.

# SACRED HEART RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration 2017-2018

For First Grade and New Registrants

Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> - 1:00pm-4:00pm Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> – 10:00am-1:00pm

Baptismal Certificate is required at time of registration for all First Grade and New Registrants. A program for children with **Special Needs** is available. Please contact the Religious Education office to schedule an appointment.

Registration will be held in the Religious Education Office in the school. Please go to the Clinton Place entrance (the side street) of the school and ring the bell during the hours listed above. Registration forms can also be obtained at the Rectory Office. Thank you.

Please call the Religious Education Office at 357-6044 if you have any questions or to schedule an appointment if you cannot make any of these dates.

#### **GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL**

Good Samaritan Hospital and Level II Trauma Center in Suffern is a growing member of the Westchester Medical Center Health Network.

Due to program expansion, they are in immediate need of two full time physicians

- Hospitalist days
- Nocturnist evenings

For more details contact: Susan Hyman 845-245-5737.

#### **ANUNCIOS**

El Grupo de Oración en Español, que tiene lugar habitualmente los miércoles; se suspenderá durante el mes de Agosto, para reanudarse el 6 de Septiembre. Los próximos bautizos en español tendrán lugar el 19 de agusto 2017 a la 1pm. Contactar en el 357-0035.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome into the Roman Catholic Faith and our Parish Community, the following child who was recently baptized at Sacred Heart:

# AMY VALENTINA SILVA SHININ Daughter of Luis and Pilar

# KAELYN GRACE ARTRIP Daughter of Justin and Catherine



We pray for all those serving in the Armed Forces and for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them: Merrie Alfieri, Frank Paul Allegretti, Luciano Antonucci, Jenna Applebaum, Helen Bauer, Michael Brady, 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, Mark Goldman, Debra Gravina, Roy Harris, Carrin Holborn, Sarah Hyman, Domenic & Anthony lannaccone, Susan Jarkiewicz, Adrienne Kelly, Mary Kiernan, Jon Kip, Anthony Kulik, Marion Lauterborn, Jay Leone, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Vasily Lockhart, Laura Mack, Donna Manthey, Marie Marasuilo, Thomas Mathai, Barbara Mazza, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Ken Meyer, Florence Mohan, Joe Mondello, Fr. Estella Morales, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Fr. Jack Oldfield, 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, William R. Sichol, Jr., Jean Simons, Aurelia Sorgo, Claudia Spano, Claudia Spallanzani, Kate Stack, Maureen Starke, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Margaret Szaro, Fr. Peter Tarantino, SA, Phyllis Varacalli, Carol Van Vandt, Millie Vazguez and Fr. Wing.

> ALTAR MEMORIALS AUGUST 20, 2017

Altar Candles In Memory of D'URSO & CONTE FAMILIES

Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of MARIO ALFIERI

**BOOSTER CLUB** 

**WEEK 13- HELEN KRYSA** 



### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

### **SATURDAY, AUGUST 19**

9:00am - Bernard & Bonnie Wysocki

### SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS FOR SUNDAY

5:30pm – Modestina Miceli

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 20**

7:00am - Parish Memorial Society

8:30am – Dianne Messina

10:00am - Special Intentions Marion & Michael Seman

11:30am – Patricia Marie Brennan

1:00pm - All Parishioners

5:30pm – Jimmy Halloran

# **MONDAY, AUGUST 21**

7:00am – Frank lozzo

9:00am - Lorna MacMichael

7:15pm - **Novena** 

# **TUESDAY, AUGUST 22**

7:00am – Jeffrey Fisher

9:00am - Luis Jimenez

# **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23**

7:00am - Ranjith Jacob

9:00am - Patricia Marie Brennan

# **THURSDAY, AUGUST 24**

7:00am – Aline Hendrickson &

Special Intentions for John Hendrickson

9:00am - Rose Battista

### **FRIDAY. AUGUST 25**

7:00am - Rita Kennelly

9:00am - Mary & Luciano Antonucci

# **SATURDAY. AUGUST 26**

9:00am - MaryAnn Depolito

### SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS FOR SUNDAY

5:30pm - Antonio Russo

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 27**

7:00am - Parish Memorial Society

8:30am - Ruth Varano

10:00am – John & Catherine Plewak

11:30am - Catherine Howard/Frances McAdams

1:00pm – All Parishioners

5:30pm – Ramona Zuño



Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, family members and loved ones. **Especially:** 

**Mary Catherine Graham** 

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