

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 11, 2018

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners:

On this Fourth Sunday of Lent we enter into the home stretch with Palm Sunday and Holy Week only two weeks away. This Sunday is traditionally called *Laetare* Sunday, a Latin word which means *Rejoice!* The cause of our joy is what Jesus says in today's Gospel: "God so loved the world that He gave His only Son so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life." We cannot save ourselves from the consequences of our sins. We cannot save ourselves from death. Only God, who is rich in Mercy, can do this for us. We need a Savior. We need Jesus.

God is Love, God is Mercy. The whole point of our lives is to receive His Love, respond to His Love, and Live in His Love. If we truly came to know and believe in the Love God has for us, we would be the happiest people on the face of the earth. But we cannot begin to understand the depths of God's Love for us without looking long and hard at the Cross and thinking about those words of Jesus: "God so loved the World that He gave His Only Son..." And His Love is not just a love for the world in general, but an intensely personal love for you and for me. As St. Augustine put it: "God loves each one of us as if there was only one of us to love."

No where do we experience this Love and Mercy of God in a more direct and personal way than in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. A good Confession makes real for us personally what Saint Paul was saying in our Second Reading: "God is rich in Mercy...because of His great love for us He brought us to life even when we were dead in sin." We leave Confession with a brand new life, a brand new start, with our souls as clean and radiant and beautiful as they were on the day of our Baptism. What a consolation it is to know that no matter where we have been or what we have done, we can always set things right with God and begin again, for God is rich in Mercy.

There are still plenty of opportunities to make a good Confession this Lent, especially at our special Holy Week Mission on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of Holy Week with Fr. Glenn Sudano of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal to lead us into the Easter Triduum. Monday of Holy Week is also "Reconciliation Monday" when Confession will be available at every parish

throughout the Archdiocese of New York and the Dioceses of Brooklyn and Rockville Center from 3:00pm until 9:00pm. I pray that all of us will experience this Lent the depths of God's love for us in this beautiful Sacrament of Divine Mercy, so that we can arrive at Easter with the word *Laetare!*, *Rejoice!*, resounding in our hearts. "We adore O Christ and we praise You, because by your Holy Cross You have redeemed the World." May God bless us all.

Sincerely in Christ,
Rev. Matthew J. Furey

HOLY WEEK AT SACRED HEART

Holy Week Mission

March 26th, 27th & 28th 7:30pm

With Fr. Glenn Sudano, C.F.R.

Confessions Will Be Available Each Night
RECONCILIATION MONDAY MARCH 26TH

**CONFESSIONS 3:00pm to 7:30PM and after the
Mission Talk**

Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday – March 29

9:00am – Solemn Morning Prayer (Tenebrae)

7:30pm – Mass of the Lord's Supper

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
in Auditorium until Midnight)

Good Friday – March 30

9:00am – Solemn Morning Prayer (Tenebrae)

3:00pm – Celebration of the Lord's Passion

5:00pm – Outdoor Procession of the Cross
followed by

Living Stations/Passion Play

7:30pm – Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday – March 31

9:00am – Solemn Morning Prayer (Tenebrae)

(Confessions 3:00PM – 5:00PM)

Easter Vigil – March 31

8:00pm – Mass

(The only Mass on Saturday)

Easter Sunday – April 1

7:00am in Church, 8:30am in Church,

10:00am in Church and School

11:30am in Church and School

1:00pm in Church

OUR LADY'S GUILD

Please join the members of Our Lady's Guild on March 15th at 7:00pm in the Church for a Night of Recollection and brief general meeting in cafeteria. Everyone is asked to remember to bring \$25 for the upcoming Communion Breakfast.

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS'S
NAME

3RD Sunday of Lent Collection –\$16,480.
Last Year's Collection - \$13,638.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, March 11

Monday, March 12

Rel. Ed. – Grade 6 – 4:30pm

Rel. Ed. – Grade 7 – 7:00pm

Hispanic RCIA – 7:00pm Rectory

Tuesday, March 13

Rel. Ed. – Grades 3-5 – 4:30pm

Rel. Ed. – Grade 8 – 7:00pm

Prayer Group – Meets in Church 7:00pm

Lenten Talk with Fr. Innocent – 7:00pm Church

Wednesday, March 14

St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry – 2:00pm to 4:00pm

Children's Choir – 5:00pm

HSA Meeting – 7:00pm in the cafeteria

Choir Practice – 7:00pm

Hispanic Prayer Group – 8:00pm

Thursday, March 15

RCIA – 7:00pm in the Rectory

Our Lady's Guild – Night of Recollection-7:00pm in church, followed by brief meeting in cafeteria

Friday, March 16

Mass – 7:00pm

Stations of the Cross – 7:30pm

Saturday, March 17

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

Rel. Ed. – Grades 1 & 2 – 9:30am

Sunday, March 18

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
EASTER BASKETS**

The St. Vincent DePaul Society of Sacred Heart Parish is once again asking for donations of hams and non-perishable foods for our Easter Baskets.

Easter Baskets will be distributed on Monday March 26, 2018 from 10am to 12 noon. Deadline: for donations is April 2, 2018.

**DESIGNER POCKETBOOK BINGO
SACRED HEART CHURCH**

FRIDAY- APRIL 13, 2018

Doors open at 6:00pm – Bingo Starts at 7:30pm

Sacred Heart School Auditorium

60 Washington Ave., Suffern NY

Admission \$40 per person

**(Includes 8 games of Bingo & Bingo Marker,
Desserts, Coffee & Tea)**

**Prizes include authentic handbags by Kate Spade,
Coach, Ralph Lauren, Michael Kors, and more!!**

Raffle Baskets & Other Games Too!

Prepayment required by April 2, 2018

For more info call: Denise Aiola @ 914-309-2233 or

diamonddaiola@gmail.com

**ST. PATRICK'S DINNER DANCE
TO BENEFIT**

TAGASTE MONASTERY

Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

BYOB (soda and water are included)

Saturday, March 10, 2018

Doors open 6:00pm / Dinner Served 6:30pm

\$20 per person

Call for Reservations

Connie Montanye – 845-598-5595

Tagaste Monastery – 845-357-0067

**GOLDEN JUBILEE WEDDING MASS
JUNE 3, 2018**

The Archdiocese of New York's **Golden Jubilee Wedding Mass** will take place on Sunday, June 3, 2018 at 2:15pm, at Saint Patrick's Cathedral. The Mass is for couples celebrating 50 years of marriage in 2018. His Eminence, Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan will be the celebrant. All those who wish to attend must contact Sacred Heart Parish at 845-357-0035 to register. All couples must be registered by May 14th. **Sacred Heart's 25th and 50th Anniversary Mass will be here on May 6th at the 10am Mass. Please call the rectory for details.**

**LET YOUR NEW YORK STATE
SENATORS KNOW
THIS IS GOING TOO FAR**

In his annual budget, Governor Cuomo included a radical bill (S.7511) that would eliminate virtually all limitations on abortion in New York State. It would ensure that abortion is legal through all nine months of pregnancy, for any reason: it would allow for more late-term abortions, even though studies show that a fetus experiences pain at 20 weeks: it would eliminate the law that requires that a baby born alive after an abortion be given adequate health care, even though as many as 5 to 10% of babies in late term abortions are born alive; it would permit non-doctors to do abortions, which would endanger the health of women; and it would eliminate all criminal penalties for abortions-so even if an abortion was against a mother's will (involuntary or coerced), or if an unborn child is deliberately targeted for an act of violence, it could not be prosecuted.

New York State already has far too many abortions. We don't need broader abortion laws. We need our law to respect human life at all stages.

This is particularly dangerous, because the law requires a budget to be passed by April 1. Please contact your state legislators to oppose this extreme bill. To do so, visit www.nyscatholic.org and click on "Take Action". You can also go to www.newyorkersforlife.org to keep up on the latest developments.

150th ANNIVERSARY MASS

JUNE 8, 2018 7:30PM

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART

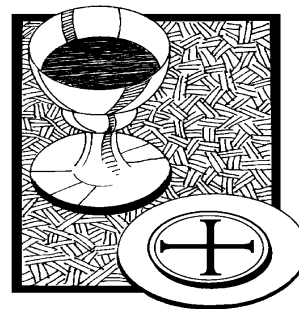
MAIN CELEBRANT- ARCHBISHOP CHARLES BALVO
(Graduate of Sacred Heart School)

150th GALA DINNER DANCE

JUNE 9, 2018 CROWNE PLAZA 6:00PM COCKTAIL HOUR
AND 7:00 PM DINNER

Ticket Sales close on May 25th

Tickets available at the Rectory Office.



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

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 14 de abril 2018 a la 1pm. Contactar en el 357-0035.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE For the Third Time

Ana Loja and Antonio Huiscika



We pray for all those serving in the **Armed Forces** and for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them: Keith Alanis, Luciano Antonucci, Jenna Applebaum, Lester Bernstein, Michael Brady, Annette Burbridge, Dolores Cangelose, Frank Calfa, Kelly Collins, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Robert Cosenza, Joe Davey, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Mary Discini, John Duffy, Stefanie Gaudelli, Arlene Gentile, Debra Gravina, Catherine Greeley, Carrin Holborn, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Rob Incognoli, Bob Janson, Susan Jarkiewicz, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Vasily Lockhart, Laura Mack, Matthew Luludis, Marie Marasuilo, Thomas Mathai, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Ken Meyer, John Marotta, Florence Mohan, Joseph Mikulka, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Shace Paljusevic, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, Philomena Pelzer, Etta Rooney, Mary Russo, Daniel Sammarone, Eleanor Scelza, Janet Schwartz, Ruth Schwetz, Michael Shumway, Jean Simons, Aurelia Sorgo, Maureen Starke, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Margaret Szaro, Fr. Peter Tarantino, SA, Phyllis Varacalli, and Fr. Wing.

ALTAR MEMORIALS

MARCH 11, 2018

Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of

STACY CALLONS



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

SATURDAY, MARCH 10

9:00am – Erla Schnabel

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS FOR SUNDAY

5:30pm – Allen Bulaon

SUNDAY, MARCH 11

7:00am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Diane Messina

10:00am – Anne Lynch

11:30am – Deacon Joseph Witt

1:00pm – Angelica Calfa

5:30pm – Parish Memorial Society

MONDAY, MARCH 12

7:00am – Dulia Celestin

9:00am – Patsy Connolly

7:15pm – **Novena**

TUESDAY, MARCH 13

7:00am – Winifred Chisholm

9:00am – Catherine Varano

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14

7:00am – James E. Hoffman

9:00am – Robert Burkert

THURSDAY, MARCH 15

7:00am – Special Intentions for Ann Amalfitano

9:00am – Catherine Halloran

FRIDAY, MARCH 16

7:00am – Albert E. Buchanan Jr.

9:00am – Andrew Tina

7:00pm – Lenten Mass – Connie Maslik

7:30pm – Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, MARCH 17

9:00am – Giordano Sorgo

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS FOR SUNDAY

5:30pm – Anthony & Josephine Scarr

SUNDAY, MARCH 18

7:00am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Jimmy Halloran

10:00am – Eugene & Filomena Ferraguto

11:30am – Marie Nelson

1:00pm – Jose Reyes, III

5:30pm – Parish Memorial Society

BOOSTER CLUB

WEEK 14- MARY A. DISCINI