

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 10, 2019

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners:

I want to congratulate the children of our Religious Education Program who made their First Confession here this weekend as they prepare to receive their First Holy Communion in May. What a joy it is to be part of the work of teaching our children our beautiful Catholic Faith. May their First Confession help them to come to know and believe in the love God has for them and be the beginning of a life-long friendship with Jesus.

Our children experienced the Presence of God in their First Confession, and we see a very powerful experience of the Presence of God by the Prophet Isaiah in our first reading and by Peter in our Gospel. In the Bible we see the same pattern when one experiences God's presence, called a Theophany: they fall on their knees and express their unworthiness. Isaiah had a vision of the Glory of God filling the Temple, and the angels stationed above Him crying out: *"Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God of Hosts...All the earth is filled with His glory."* Isaiah falls to his knees deeply aware of his sinfulness, and God removes his sin and chooses Him to be His Prophet in the midst of a sinful world. It is God who makes him worthy. As always, God chooses the weak and makes them strong.

We see the same pattern with Peter in today's Gospel as he experiences the Glory of God hidden under the humanity of Jesus. Peter cast his net into the sea at Jesus's command for a miraculous catch of fish, after having caught nothing on his own all night long, and immediately knew He was in the presence of God. Falling to his knees Peter says: *"Depart from me Lord, for I am a sinful man."* Aware of his own unworthiness to be chosen by God for anything important, it is Jesus who makes him worthy as He says to Peter: *"Do not be afraid, from now on you will be catching men."* Again, Jesus chooses the weak and makes them strong.

It is the same with us. Although here at Mass the Glory of God is hidden under the veil of a Sacrament, just as it was hidden under the humanity of Jesus, we experience nothing less than Isaiah did. At every Mass the Glory of the Lord fills this Temple, this Church, and angels surround this Altar as we cry

out with them: *"Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Hosts, Heaven and earth are filled with Your Glory."* And we humble ourselves in front of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist just before approaching to receive Him in Holy Communion as we fall to our knees and say: *"Lord I am not worthy to receive You, but only say the Word and I shall be healed."* Although we are unworthy, He makes us worthy. Although we are weak, He makes us strong by uniting us to Himself in the Eucharist. May nothing ever separate us from Him. May God bless us all.

Sincerely in Christ,
Rev. Matthew J. Furey

BLOOD DRIVE PRESIDENT'S DAY

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2019

2PM TO 8PM
WALK-INS WELCOME
(SACRED HEART SCHOOL GYMNASIUM)

Please help save a life by donating. The New York Blood Center along with Sacred Heart ask for your help.

OUR LADY'S GUILD

Our Lady's Guild invites all the ladies of the parish both young and old to their regular meeting on Thursday, February 21st at 7:30pm in the school cafeteria. Mr. Ed Mahecha from St. Vincent de Paul will speak about aiding the poor in our community.

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

4th Sunday Ordinary Time - \$14,002.
Last Year's Collection - \$13,077.

PETER'S PENCE

This Weekend's second collection is for Peter's Pence. It is an opportunity for the Church around the world to stand in solidarity with those who suffer and are marginalized. Your generosity helps Pope Francis ease their suffering and show them the tender love of God.

PRAYER GROUP DEDICATED TO THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY AT SACRED HEART OF JESUS

The group meets every Tuesday from 7:30 to 8:30pm in the Rectory Chapel. Everyone is Welcome!

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, February 10

CYO Clinic – 1:30pm in the gym

Monday, February 11

Rel. Ed. Grade 6 – 4:30pm

Rel. Ed. Grade 7 – 7:00pm

Hispanic RCIA – 7:00pm in the Rectory

Novena – 7:15pm

Tuesday, February 12

Rel. Ed. Grades 3 – 5 – 4:30pm

Rel. Ed. Grade 8 – 7:00pm

Parish Council Meeting – 7:30pm Rectory

Prayer Group – 7:30pm in the Rectory Chapel

Wednesday, February 13

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

CYO Basketball – 5:00 to 9:00pm gym

Children's Choir Practice – 5:00pm

Choir Practice – 7:00pm

HSA Meeting – 7:00pm in the library

Hispanic Prayer Group – 8:00pm

Thursday, February 14

CYO – 5:00pm to 9:00pm

RCIA – 7:00pm

Friday, February 15

Saturday, February 16

Rel. Ed. Grades 1 & 2 – 9:30am to 11am

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

Sunday, February 17

CYO Clinic – 1:30pm in the gym

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We are planning a Living Stations of the Cross once again this year, beginning with a Procession of the Cross up Lafayette Ave. on Good Friday, April 19th starting at 5:00pm. This event was an amazing event last year and we hope to make it an Annual Event here at Sacred Heart. We are asking all teens and adults who may be interested in being a part of the Living Stations please contact the Rectory Office at 845-357-0035.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL

Sacred Heart Regional Catholic School is seeking substitute teachers. Please call the school office at 845-357-1684.

CARDINAL'S APPEAL 2019

To date our parish has received **\$12,475.** in pledges/gifts toward the 2019 Cardinal's Appeal, from 42 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. **Our goal is \$123,000.**

SACRED HEART PARISH 25TH AND 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION MAY 19TH, 2019

On May 19th, 2019 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 anytime 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.

PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND AUGUST 12-21, 2019

All are welcome to join the Dean of Rockland County, Msgr. Emmet Nevin (Pastor of St. Aedan) and Msgr. Kevin Nelan, Dean of S. Manhattan, (Pastor of Immaculate Conception, NYC) on a pilgrimage to Ireland. For detailed information about this exciting pilgrimage visit www.StAedan.org. or contact Msgr. Nevin at (845-735-7405 or email: StAedan@optonline.net

FORDHAM PREPARATORY SCHOOL Higher Achievement Program (HAP) For Rising 8th Graders June 24-July 24 Application is required Visit: fordhamprep.org/HAP

This 5-week program is designed to give its participants a head start in both their 8th grade year and the high school application process. For Information please visit HAP@fordhamprep.org

SISTERS OF LIFE

Providing Life-affirming choices for women: Here in the Archdiocese of New York, there are many resources that provide women facing unplanned pregnancies with alternatives to abortion. If you know someone who is struggling, please urge them to contact: www.visitationcenterus.org or call (877)777-1277.

"Have you suffered an abortion?" Experience God's love and mercy and begin the journey of healing. Please call the Sister of Life: 866.575.0075 or e-mail: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org. For men, call Theresa Bonopartis at Lumina: 877.586.4621 or e-mail: Lumina@postabortionhelp.org

CRISIS PREGNANCY HOTLINE GOOD COUNSEL HOMES

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

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 16 de febrero 2019 a la 1pm. Contactar en el 357-0035.



Please pray for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them: **Keith Alanis, Luciano Antonucci, Jenna Applebaum, Theresa Anselmi, Baby Ty, Michael Brady, Pat Brady, Annette Burbridge, Dolores Cangelose, Frank Calfa, Kelly Collins, Robert Conly, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Robert Cosenza, Laura D'Alesio, Joe Davey, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Mary Discini, John Duffy, David Eckert, Sr. Ginny Figula, Stefanie Gaudelli, Arlene and Fred Gentile, Mark Goldman, Debra Gravina, Catherine Greeley, Senan Halpin, Roy Harris, Clement Hayes, Carrin Holborn, Mr. Harris, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Rob Incognoli, Bob Janson, Fran Janson, Susan Jarkiewicz, Anna Kasperska, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Vasily Lockhart, Roberta Lynch, Laura Mack, Matthew Luludis, Marie Marasuilo, Thomas Mathai, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Ken Meyer, Florence Mohan, Joseph Mikulka, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Pat O'Neill, Shace Paljusevic, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, Charles Picarelli, Ruth Schwetz, Michael Shumway, Jean Simons, Roberto Sorgo, Maureen Starke, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Margaret Szaro, Fr. Peter Tarantino, SA, Phyllis Varacalli, Robert Vogt, Fr. Wing, Marie Witt, and Vladimir Zaslavsky.**



FOR OUR ARMED FORCES

We pray for all the men and women serving our country in the armed forces especially the sons and daughters, grandchildren and loved ones of our parishioners.

ALTAR MEMORIALS FEBRUARY 10, 2019

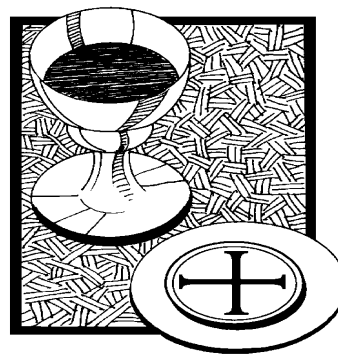
Altar Candles In Memory of
NICOLE SANTA MARIA

Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of
PATRICK EBY-MORDI



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

Especially: **Ron Allen**



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

9:00am – Special Intention Kenneth Frank

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS

5:30pm – Nicole SantaMaria

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

7:00am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Brent Cassotta

10:00am – Andrew Biondo

11:30am – Josephine Schumaker

1:00pm – Florence & Joe Cavanaugh

5:30pm – Parish Memorial Society

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

7:00am – Daniel Greeley

9:00am – In Thanksgiving for Answered Prayers

7:15pm – Novena

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

7:00am – Carmela Cogliano

9:00am – Anthony Antonelli, Jr.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

7:00am – Joan Doyle

9:00am – Margaret & Joe Billy

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14

7:00am – Lester Bernstein

9:00am – Kitty Ruddy

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

7:00am – Dulia Celestin

9:00am – Eileen Foster

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16

9:00am – Audrey & Thomas Doyle

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS

5:30pm – Vincent Crotty

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

7:00am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Dianne Messina

10:00am – Vincent Whelan

11:30am – Andrew Cassels

1:00pm – Thomas Witt

5:30pm – Parish Memorial Society

BOOSTER CLUB

WEEK 4- JOHN FERRAO