

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 24, 2019

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners:

We welcome Al Barbarino to our Parish this weekend who will be speaking at all the Masses and giving our Parish Lenten Mission on Sunday and Monday evenings. This Mission comes at a good time as we enter into the heart of Lent, which began with the exhortation to *Repent*. That was the first word spoken by Jesus as He began His public ministry: *"Repent and believe in the Gospel."* We also may have heard these words when we received our ashes on Ash Wednesday. In today's Gospel for the Third Sunday of Lent Jesus says it again: *"Unless you Repent, you will perish."* A big problem we have today is that so many have lost the sense of sin and, therefore, do not feel the need to repent or to go to Confession.

Pope Francis has often contrasted *"sinners"* with the *"corrupt."* He says: *"The problem is not sinning, but not repenting of the sin, not feeling ashamed of what we have done. That is the problem. We are sinners, yes, but corrupt, no."* The corrupt, he says, do not feel shame for their sins and do not repent, for their love for God has grown cold. That is why a sincere Confession is one of the most authentic expressions of our love for God, for the more we love God the more we hate sin which separates us from Him. Lent summons all of us to recognize that we are sinners who need God's Mercy, to come to receive that gift Divine Mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and then having experienced His Mercy in the depths of our souls, to become more merciful ourselves toward others.

Blessed Cardinal John Henry Newman wrote a beautiful meditation on the Sacrament of Penance in relation to Jesus' Passion. In the agony in the garden and the crucifixion the next day, he wrote, Jesus saw all the sins of the world and bore the guilt of them all, absorbing those sins in his own Body and allowing them to nail Him to the Cross as He pleaded on our behalf for Mercy: *"Father, forgive them for they know not what they do."* And then He made reparation for our sins by His Sacrifice, as He made an offering of Himself to the Father in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. These aspects of our Lord's Passion contain all the essential elements of a good Confession: First, feeling the guilt or sorrow for our sins (Contrition), and then bringing those sins to the Father of Mercies and pleading for forgiveness by

making an honest, sincere, and integral confession of all mortal sins, and finally making some act of reparation by doing the penance assigned.

A good Confession is a profound act of faith and worship, and a beautiful and sincere expression of our love for God. There is nothing in this world that can give the joy and inner peace for which our hearts are craving than the assurance of forgiveness and the sanctifying grace that flows into our hearts and souls from this Sacrament of Divine Mercy. May God bless us all.

Sincerely in Christ,
Rev. Matthew J. Furey

PARISH MISSION

TONIGHT, MARCH 24th at 6:45pm
And
TOMORROW, MARCH 25th at 7:30pm
WITH
AL BARBARINO
INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC SPEAKER &
MUSIC ARTIST

"How Do We Survive These Troubled Times?"

Al Barbarino is a Lay Franciscan with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal (the Late Fr. Benedict Groeschel's Community) and is a member of the Knights of Columbus. Throughout the years in this apostolate, he has recorded CDs/Videos and traveled around the world. He speaks on our faith in a most practical, everyday level. His recordings will be made available at the end of each Mass and Talk which help to support the Franciscans at their homeless shelters, and Croatian Relief Services (International Outreach).

CATHOLIC CHARITIES COMMUNITY SERVICES

Catholic Charities Community Services of Rockland (CCCSR) serves as a "safety and support net" for all our County residents who have either lived in poverty all their lives or fallen into poverty due to unexpected circumstances. You can help make a difference in the lives of some of our most vulnerable families by picking up a Lenten Mite box of Sunday. Your donations will help to prevent evictions, feed the hungry and address basic emergency needs in Rockland.

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS'S NAME

March 17th Collection – \$13,367.
Last Year's Collection – \$13,798.

LENTEN OBSERVANCES

RECONCILIATION MONDAY CONFESSIONS

April 15th / 3pm to 9pm

LENTEN MASSES

FRIDAYS AT 7:00PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS at 7:30pm

March 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

April 5th, 12th, 19th

April 5th First Friday (Holy Hour 6:00pm to 7:00pm)

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, March 24

Monday, March 25

Rel. Ed. Grade 6 – 4:30pm

Rel. Ed. Grade 7 – 7:00pm

Hispanic RCIA – 7:00pm in the Rectory

Novena – 7:15pm

Tuesday, March 26

Rel. Ed. Grades 3 – 5 – 4:30pm

Rel. Ed. Grade 8 – 7:00pm

Prayer Group – 7:30pm in the Rectory Chapel

Wednesday, March 27

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

Children's Choir – church 5:00pm

Choir – church 7:00pm

Hispanic Prayer Group – 8:00pm cafeteria

Thursday, March 28

RCIA – 7:00pm in the Rectory

Friday, March 29

Rel Ed Lenten Retreat – 5:45pm

Lenten Mass – 7:00pm

Stations of the Cross – 7:30pm

Saturday, March 30

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

Rel Ed Lenten Retreat -9am to 12noon

Rel Ed. Grades 1 & 2 – 9:30am to 11:00am

Sunday, March 31

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 April 15, 2019 from 10am to 12 noon. Deadline: for donations is April 14, 2019.

CARDINAL'S APPEAL 2019

To date our parish has received **\$34,360.** in pledges/gifts toward the 2019 Cardinal's Appeal, from 120 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.

ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK GOLDEN WEDDING JUBILEE MASS

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2019 are invited to attend the Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at Saint Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, June 2 at 2:00 PM. Pre-registration is required. Please contact your parish to register. **The closing date to register for the Mass is Monday, May 13, 2019 at 5:00 PM**

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 9:00pm in the school gymnasium on Friday, June 28, 2019.

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 Sisters 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

SACRED HEART

**PALM CROSS SALE AND PARISH MEET & GREET
APRIL 7th – 8:00am To 2:00pm**

Please join us for our annual Parish Meet & Greet and help support the Church with our Palm Cross Sale. Come have a coffee with our Parish Ministries and say hello to your fellow parishioners. All are welcome!!

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 13 de abril 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, Alan Lesser, 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, Joseph Randazzo, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, 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.

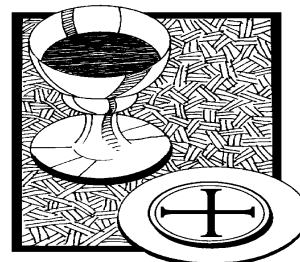
ALTAR MEMORIALS MARCH 24, 2019

**Altar Wines, Altar Breads, Altar Candles
and the
Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of
JOHN N. WANAMAKER**



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

Especially: **James Hatred, Rosa Vigliotti,
Lindsey Rey Rivera**



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

9:00am – Daniel Greeley & Andrew Statham

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS

5:30pm – Patricia Diamond

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

7:00am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Dianne Messina

10:00am – Frank Tarantino

11:30am – Vito & Binnie Licata

1:00pm – Joan Cummings & Elaine Dusold

5:30pm – Parish Memorial Society

MONDAY, MARCH 25

7:00am – John McQueeney

9:00am – Teresa Schmitt

7:15pm – Novena

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

7:00am – Dorothy Toomey

9:00am – Charles J. Lynch

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

7:00am – Eugene & Rose Magurno

9:00am – Chip Tiso

THURSDAY, MARCH 28

7:00am – Nancy, Silvio & Marie Sarno

9:00am – Bruno Cosentino

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

7:00am – Special Intentions Serge Celestin

9:00am – Capt. William J. Mulcahy

7:00pm – Donald Miller

7:30pm – Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

9:00am – Jim & David Reece

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS

5:30pm – Vincent Crotty

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

7:00am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Stanislavia Morone

10:00am – Johnny McGrath

11:30am – Carmela & Albert LaBruna

1:00pm – Frank A. Battaglia

5:30pm – Parish Memorial Society

BOOSTER CLUB

WEEK 10 -KATHLEEN JURITSCH