**JMJ** 

Dear Parishioners,

Love for Jesus Christ is the great motivating source of the just person's actions. The more faithful we are to our Lord the more just we will be, the more committed we will be to true justice. A Christian knows that their neighbor, the other person, is Christ Himself, present in others, especially in the needy. Only with the light faith can we appreciate what is at stake in the justice or injustice of our actions: it is a matter of accepting or of rejecting Jesus Christ Himself. That is the great driving force of our actions. That is something that Christians alone can see, with the light of faith: Christ is waiting for us in our fellow men. For I was hungry and you gave me no food; I was thirsty and you gave me ...Omissions: Truly, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me.

The spiritual and material responsibilities of the Christian towards others are demanding: they must know how to serve others willingly, with their heart, and their deeds. When faced with those responsibilities, with the help of God's grace, the Christian will never be cowed, on the one hand, nor get caught up in a frenzy of confused, strange activity, on the other. But they mustn't give in to passivity either: *caritas denim Christi urged nos*: the love of Christ urges us on. It brings us beyond the demands of simple justice, but, obviously, it presupposes justice.

Through the exercise of justice we are constantly being brought into contact with Christ. In the final analysis, to treat another person justly is to acknowledge God's presence in that person. Hence, the Christian cannot live true justice if they are not in a state of grace; their justice would be flat, dwarfed. In our dealings with others, Christ expects more of us. Let us ask Him to give us a good heart, capable of having compassion for the pain of others. Only with such a heart can we realize that the true balm for suffering and anguish in this world is love, charity.

Sincerely yours in Christ, Father Newcomb

## Interested in becoming a Lector? Please contact the parish office.

Join us this Sunday, April 24th for the All You Can Eat Breakfast from 8am until 11:30am

**The May Crowning** will be held next Sunday, May 1st after the 8:30am Mass.

The second collection next weekend is for Church in Central and Eastern Europe.

Fr. Ivan Csete will be celebrating a Hungarian Mass next Sunday, May 1st at 1:30pm.



In efforts of raising funds for the Chair lift, we are having a **Pampered Chef Fundraiser**. You can place orders starting today, April 24th at www.pamperedchef.com/go/stmaryschurch639347 through Tuesday, May 24th. Orders can be placed online, at the parish office, or through Patty Niosi 914-443-8222

## Place an order and collect an order from a friend!

I'm 6 months old now! I just opened my eyes. Before today they were sealed shut for protection. I wonder what you look like? I can hear sounds too! It's great to have someone praying for me.



This year's *St. Gianna Mass* for couples suffering infertility and recurrent miscarriage will be on the feast of St. Gianna, Thursday, April 28th at 6:30pm at the Church of St. Catherine of Siena, 411 E. 68th St. Couples suffering infertility, as well as their families and friends, are cordially invited to attend. Following the Mass there will be veneration of the relics of St. Gianna, an opportuniuty to meet with Creighton physicians and practioners who specialize in assisting couples with infertility, and a light reception. For more information call Sr. Shirley Ann at the Family Life Respect office 212-371-1011 ext 3195 or email sr.shirleyann@archny.org

**St. Anthony's Parish** Center in Yulan, NY, is hosting a Roast Pork Dinner this Sunday, April 17th from 1pm to 5pm. Adults \$10.00, Children \$6.00.For additional information contact Father George LaGrutta (845)557-8512.

A Healing Mass will take place at The National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, 70 Carmelite Drive, Middletown, NY on Thursday evening, April 28th at 7:00pm. There is a designated Holy Door for the Year of Mercy at the shrine and all are invited to visit soon. Call Carol Bezak, Director at 845-343-1879 Ext. 22 for further information.



The Annual Golden Wedding Mass Celebration will be on Saturday, June 25th and Sunday, June 26th at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Couples that would like to be in attendance are asked to call the parish office to register.

This year our parish will once again participate in the Tri-State Pregnancy Center's "Baby Bottle Boomerang". Please consider taking a baby bottle from the display on Mother's Day Sunday May 8<sup>th</sup>, and generously fill it with change over the next few weeks. Then, return your full baby bottle on Father's Day, Sunday June 19th. It's that simple! Look for the baby bottle display in the Narthex. The Tri State Pregnancy Center has helped support women & families in crisis pregnancies for over 20 vears, by offering free pregnancy tests, referrals, peer to peer counseling, an Earn While You Learn Program & a fully stocked boutique. Your financial support will help the center as we work toward expanding our services to provide ultrasounds. Remember, with the "Baby Bottle Boomerang" fundraiser, every penny counts! The Tri-State Pregnancy Center is located at 105 Wheatfield Drive in Milford, PA.

Sick List Update
Please maintain/add the following name(s) to
the sick list for the next two months:

Please return by May 6th, 2016.

## ANNOUNCED MASSES

Monday, 9:00am April 25 (Mark, evangelist)
Fritz Klostermeier, by Irene

Marion Rohner, by Debbie and Kevin

Cunningham

Tuesday, April 26

9:00am Alfred Andreano, by Amelia and Bill

Quinn

Wednesday, April 27

9:00am William Quinn, by Ann Cali

Marion Rohner, by Deacon Rich and

Joanne Marino

Thursday, April 28 (Peter Chanel, priest and

martyr;Louis Grignion de

Montfort, priest)

9:00am Anna Brink, by the family

Saturday, April 30

4:00pm The parishioners of St. Mary's

Sunday, May 1

8:30am Raymond Gansarski, by the family 11:30am Emilia and Leo, and George Fedoruk,

by Olga Fedoruk

1:30pm *Hungarian Mass* 



The Sanctuary lamp will burn brightly this week in memory of John and Anna Onuschak, by Joe and Joyce Klimkiewicz.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Ida Lissner, Joann Wilcox, Jonathan Saletto, Nick Moscatiello, Jackie Mundy, Theresa Fuller, Allan Van Starrex, Donald Wolff, Walter Szpakowicz, Michael Barnes, William Lincoln, Joe Brennan, Betty Brennan, Richard Samek, Andrea Fedoruk, Sandy Osbourne, John McKean, Lisa Donahue, Angela Portella, Pauline Portella, Florence Marino, Maureen Hildebrandt, Vada Glass, Mary Ellen Piper, Jeannine Lincoln, Mary Platania, Tonya Addy, Gloria Hicks, Thomas Gumaer, Jr., Ashley Avella, Amelia Quinn, Leon Logan, Angela Grillo, Grace Maillet, Aedan Roach, Robin Radzikowski, Mary E. Smith, Fontano family, Sally Hanstine, Diana Kuhn, Dennis Simmons, Rachael Gaesser, Anthony Medaglia, Bob Ritchie, Jose Maldonado, Raquel Maldonado, James Roach, Scott Baker, Frances Brennan, Lincoln Trimble, Pat Christer, Julius Tenke, Joseph Carter, Maureen Cadena, John Little, Jr., Michael Ellet, Joseph Cox, Gladys Wells, Ruth Lewis, and Steve Wilkinson.

The collection for April 16/17 was \$7,350.50 Thank you for your continued generosity.

Liturgical Ministers for April 30/May 1

MASS	LECTOR	MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS
4:00PM	T. Webb	A. Witkowski, J. Flynn	N. Webb, A. Webb, Z. Adamcik
8:30AM	J. HENDRICK	D. LIVINGSTON, V. LIVINGSTON, N. ARROYO, S. RIORDAN	T. LAMOREAUX, A. COLLADO, R. COLLADO
11:30AM	D. Cotugno	J. Snellinger, T. Marion, M. Adamcik	J. Ennis, K. Epps, J. Maldonado