



Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ October 9, 2016

If we die with Christ Jesus will live with it; If we stand firm, we shall reign with Him. ~ 2 Timothy 2:11 - 12a



Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday October 8

8:00am- †
5:00pm- † Walter & Jean Wright

Sunday October 9

8:30am- † MaryAnn Fair
10:00am- † Edward & Dolores Zukowski
11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Monday October 10

8:00am- †
12:05pm- † Grace Frulio ~*Birthdays Anniversary*~

Tuesday October 11

8:00am- †
12:05pm- † Ciro "Jerry" Mezzacappa

Wednesday October 12

8:00am- † Iannucci & Sann Families
12:05pm- † Mrs. Helen Valentine

Thursday October 13

8:00am- † Anna & Edward Burke
12:05pm- † Antoinette Jean Paul & Guson Zamora

Friday October 14

8:00am- † Anthony Masterpalo
12:05pm- † Maria Negri

Saturday October 15

8:00am- †
5:00pm- † Miriam Luciano ~*Anniversary*~

Sunday October 16

8:30am- † Michael Contardo
10:00am- † Renee Christiansen
11:30am- † Parish Community Intentions
1:30pm- † Parish Community Intentions
6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions



Mass Intentions

Offered by:
Offered by: Rafaella LaMorte
Offered by: Oliveras Family
By: Victoria & Wilfredo Garay

Offered by:
Offered by: Frulio Family

Offered by:
Offered by: Valentina Perla

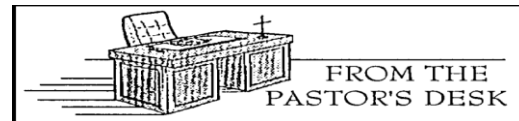
By: Pat, Sue, Maria & Dominic
By: son, Thomas Valentine

Offered by: Joan Fortunato
Offered by: Murielle Mayala

Offered by: Family
Offered by: Family

Offered by:
Offered by: Nina & Joe Lopez

Offered by: wife, Theresa
By: Victoria & Wilfredo Garay



"If we have died with Christ, we shall also live with him; if we persevere, we shall also reign with him." This simple declaration of St. Paul is the core of our Christian faith.

If we have died with Christ, we shall also live with him. All of us died in Christ in baptism. This death is symbolized by our immersion in the waters of baptism. When we emerge from the waters of baptism, we emerge into our new life in Jesus Christ. The problem, of course, is that we do not always live in faithfulness to this new life that we received in Jesus Christ through baptism. We sin. We fail to live in faithfulness to the life and teaching of Jesus Christ. Every day, therefore, we have to seek the grace that we need in order to die to that which deprives us of the life in Christ that is the source of our hope – our hope of one day enjoying the fullness of the life and love of Christ forever. To what do you need to die in order to enjoy the life of Christ and its fullness after death? Gossip? Dishonesty? Infidelity? Selfishness? A lack of concern for those in need? Prejudice or racism? Greed? Abuse of alcohol or drugs? What are the areas of sin in your life that you need to put to death, with the help of God's grace, in order to live in the life of Christ now and for all eternity?

If we persevere, we shall also reign with him. It is not easy to persevere in faithfulness to Jesus Christ. St. Peter demonstrated that for us in the Gospels. He clearly had a deep love for Jesus Christ, but he continually disappointed Jesus and ultimately committed the egregious sin of betraying Jesus. But Peter never gave up! He persevered in his efforts to grow in his faithfulness to Jesus, to grow in his love for Jesus, until finally he was able to surrender his very life for Jesus. When we get discouraged in our efforts to live in faithfulness to the way of Jesus Christ, think of St. Peter. Pray to St. Peter! Pray for his help in persevering in faith despite the challenges and disappointments that you experience in your life of faith.

Let us live now in Jesus Christ so that we can live forever in him after death!

Fr. Mark Hallinan, S.J.

Weekly Memorials

Bread & Wine

Tabernacle Candle

Memorial Candle

Memorial Candle



~ *For Raul Mejia's Health*
Offered by: wife, Reina & Family
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Liturgical Minister's Schedule OCTOBER 2016

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Lector: Linda Graves & Tom Ventrudo (*carry Gospel Book*)
E. M.: Linford Smith, Peg & Tom Ventrudo *Sub:* Cinderella Wonsewitz

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Lector: Johnathan Codipilly & Samuel Torres (*carry Gospel Book*) *Sub:* Joan Knighton
E.M.: Joan Fortunato, Linda Torres & Samuel Torres *Sub:* MaryAnn Ugbo

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Alexis Crowdell (*carry Gospel Book*) *Sub:* Thelma Washington
E.M.: Theresa Contardo, Emmanuel Fode & Thelma Washington *Sub:* Dianne Murphy

SCRIPTURE READINGS

These readings are found complete on our parish web page (www.olmcsi.org). Click on "USCCB Daily Readings."

TODAY: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kings 5:14-17
2 Timothy 2:8-13
Luke 17:11-19

Next Sun: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 17:8-13
2 Timothy 3:14-4:2
Luke 18:1-8



FAT TUESDAY COMES EARLY!! – Our spaghetti dinner will be this Tuesday, October 11th, in the cafeteria of our grammar school. Lunch will be served from 12 pm to 3 pm and dinner will be served from 5 pm to 8 pm. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children under 12 years of age. We look forward to seeing you on October 11th – arrive slim and leave full! Thank you to all who contributed the many beautiful gift baskets.

PASTOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE – Monday, October 17th, at 5 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room. All are invited!

ROSARY IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA – On Saturday, October 15, at 11:30 a.m. parishioners will gather in the parking lot of our Church (Castleton and Clove) to pray a rosary together on a day dedicated to the honor of Our Lady of Fatima. This is a National Day of Prayer to Our Lady so you will be joining your prayers with those of hundreds of persons across the United States. Questions?? Theresa Contardo – 917-841-9442.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP OUR PARISHIONERS LEARN ENGLISH – Las Señoras de Santa María want to offer their members help in learning English with classes on Friday and Saturday evening. If you think that you could help with this, please leave your information in the parish office. We want to start soon! *Thank you!*

TEST FOR ADMISSION into CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS (TACHS) - The Test for Admission into Catholic High Schools, the entrance test for all Catholic High Schools in the Archdiocese of New York, will be offered on Friday, November 4, 2016 in selected high schools throughout the Archdiocese. **Register Now** online at www.tachsinfo.com or by telephone from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. at 1-866-618-2247. Register as early as possible.

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES:

REGIS HIGH SCHOOL – Jesuit – Monday, October 10th (Columbus Day): 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

XAVIER HIGH SCHOOL – Jesuit – Saturday, October 22: 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. – 30 West 16th Street in Manhattan

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY STATEN ISLAND – Sunday, October 23: 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. – For young women – 134 Howard Avenue

St. JOHN VILLA ACADEMY – Saturday, October 29: 11:00 – 3:00 p.m. – 25 Landis Ave. SI – For young women

NOTRE DAME MANHATTAN – Sunday, October 30: 2:30 – 5:00 p.m. – 327 West 13th St. For young women

St. PETER'S BOYS HIGH SCHOOL – Sunday, October 30, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. 200 Clinton Avenue on SI.

GIRLS BASKETBALL – – If you have a young daughter who is in 4th or 5th grade this year and she wants to participate in a basketball program in our school gym on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., please contact Coach Vincent for more information at 718-490-6235.

BIBLE STUDY – October 15th and November 5th and 26th. Classes begin at 10 a.m. in the rectory. All are welcome!

A PILGRIMAGE of MERCY – Saturday, October 15th, to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Cardinal Dolan will lead the prayer that day. Cost is \$40.00 and includes a boxed dinner. Bus will be leaving from Our Lady of Pity at 6am with a 10pm return. Register at: www.archny.org/mercy. If you would like to go and it is difficult for you to use the computer, visit the office and we'll help you.

A PRAYER FOR THIS TIME IN OUR NATION'S HISTORY: O Lord, there is great anxiety, fear, and uncertainty among us. We worry about crime and justice, about terror and trouble, about the environment and the economy. Calm us down and let us speak to each other as those who have a common stake in our life together, as neighbors rather than as adversaries. Keep us from rancor and strife, from rumors and accusations. Let us seek the truth as best we can know it, and the common good above our own particular interests. Deliver us from the need to build ourselves up by cutting others down. Let us listen more than we talk, and think before we speak, and help us always to remember that we are brother and sister to each other. Let us not see our differences as that which divides us but rather that which enriches us. Together, may we build a nation that radiates the values to which your Son gave witness in his life – compassion, mercy, tolerance, hope, kindness, goodness, and an abiding respect for all persons. Amen. *Adapted from Richard Floyd.*

WEEKLY OFFERING: October 2: \$5,202; Seminary: \$846. *Thank you!!*

GRATITUDE – We can surely remember at least a few days in our lives when things were going so well that nothing could get us in a bad mood. Perhaps it was the day in which a person very special invited us to his graduation party or wedding day. Perhaps it was the day that we learned that we would have a son long expected or the day in that we received a late promotion. There was joy in our hearts, lightness in our steps and great vitality in the course of the day. Probably we went to the phone to call a few important people and tell them about our good fortune. Surely that is how Naaman and the leper felt when they were cured of their terrible illness. They could not contain their gratitude, and although both were unaware of the customs of a foreign country, knew the good manners to thank the persons responsible for their cures.