

September 16, 2018

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Archdiocesan protocol directs that when a priest has been found by the archdiocesan review board to have a substantiated allegation of abuse we notify all of his former assignments. In that regard, please find attached a statement that we kindly ask you to include in your parish bulletin for the weekend of September 15-16. Thank you very much.

*Sincerely in Christ,
Most Reverend Gerald T. Walsh
Vicar for Clergy*

In October 2016, the Archdiocese of New York launched the *Independent Reconciliation and Compensation Program* (IRCP), to assist victim-survivors of sexual abuse by a priest or deacon of the archdiocese achieve a sense of resolution and healing for the suffering they have endured. Although the IRCP is administered by outside experts, Mr. Ken Feinberg and Ms. Camille Biros, the archdiocese also pledged that, if an allegation of abuse was brought concerning a priest or deacon who was still alive but had no previous complaints about him, the allegation would be reported to the proper District Attorney for whatever action they wished to take; it would also be handled according to archdiocesan protocol and procedure, which includes an investigation by an independent team of investigators, all former Federal agents, and reviewed by the *Archdiocesan Lay Review Board*, made up of judges and other attorneys, psychiatrists and psychologists, parents, child care experts, and others, who would render a decision on whether the allegation was credible and substantiated.

During the IRCP process, allegations of abuse were brought against Fr. Robert Jeffers, who served here at Immaculate Conception from 1968 to 1969. The *Lay Review Board* has concluded that the allegations were credible and substantiated. Fr. Jeffers has been suspended, and may not function or present himself as a priest. The Holy See will decide an appropriate penalty, which could include dismissal from the clerical state or imposing a life of prayer and penance. However, it is certain that Fr. Jeffers will never serve as a priest again. If anyone has any allegations or concerns about Fr. Jeffers, please contact the Westchester DA. We also encourage you to contact our Victim Assistance Coordinator at victimassistance@archny.org, so that we might also offer our support to you.

Collection: The collection for last Sunday, September 9, 2018 was \$ 3,137.

Second collection: Last Sunday's 2nd collection for our Organ Renovation was \$926.00

This Sunday's 2nd collection is for St. Joseph's Seminary and Cathedral Prep.

Our thanks to the Cuban community of St. Mary's for their donation of \$1830.00 from their Fest of Our Lady of Charity last Sunday

Our 2018 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal Update

Pledged: \$29,183(71% of goal)

Goal: \$41,000 (We need \$11,817 to reach our goal!)

Families/Parishioners Participating Today: 107 – Our Goal: 194

Join YOUR Parishioners by Making a Pledge TODAY!

Today's Focus: Using What We Have :

Suffering of various sorts is an integral part of being human. Jesus knew this, for he shared fully in human suffering. But he shows us that our ultimate hope is in the restoration healing power of God.

Living and Praying with the world:

Generous God, you have planted the gift of faith in our hearts. You are near to us. Help us live that faith in ways that care for all of our sisters and brothers. Help us embrace the suffering and crosses of life so we can find hope and healing.

Parish Council Meeting: There will be a Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday, September 19, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Rectory.

September 2018:

22th: Religious Education Classes –9:20-11:00 am

29th: Religious Education Classes –9:20-11:00 am

Mass Schedule for the week of

September 9, 2018 to September 16, 2018

Mass are daily at 8:15 and 12:05 in English and in Spanish on Thursdays at 7:00pm

Below are the Special Intentions for this week

Sunday, September 16, 2018:

7:30 am-For the Parishioners

9:00 am– Joaquim Neto

Jorge Solorzano & Family

11:00 am– Antonia Leone

Grace & Salvatore De Luca

Monday, September 17, 2018:

12:05 pm-Saturnino Rodriguez

Martha Vegas

Tuesday, September 18, 2018:

12:05 pm– Mem. of the Rodriguez-Morales Family Martha Vegas

Wednesday, September 19, 2018:

12:05 pm– Millicent Davis

Claudia Dougan

Thursday, September 20, 2018:

12:05 pm-Patricia Zambrosky

William Zambrosky

Friday, September 21, 2018:

8:15 am- Mr. & Mrs. Checko Baby

Bency Mathews

Saturday, September 22, 2018:

12:05 pm– Emilia Ribeiro

Husband and Children

5:00 pm– M.S. David & Regina David

Mr. & Mrs. Michael Anthony

7:30 pm– Carlos Osorio

Family

Sunday, September 23, 2018:

7:30 am– For the Parishioners

9:00 am-Juaquim Neto

Mr. & Mrs. Cesar Cuadra

11:00 am– Ester & Jose Duarte

Esther & Eduardo Rodrigues