

October 7, 2018
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the Desk of Fr. Anthony C. Ekanem, MSP:

“The Rosary is the weapon for these times.”
Saint Padre Pio

Today, life is threatened in so many ways in our society, whether it is human life or married life. Our Holy Father, Pope Francis is encouraging us to pray the Rosary in this month of October and also ask St Michael the archangel to intercede for us.

The month of October is dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary. The Purpose of the Rosary is to help us meditate on the great mysteries of our salvation.

The month of October is known as Respect Life Month. The theme this year is “Every Life, cherished, chosen, sent.” This is a nationwide effort by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to help Catholics understand the value and become engaged with building a culture that cherishes every human life.

How appropriate it is at a time like this to intensify our devotion to our Blessed Virgin Mary and our respect for human life. The readings today tie everything together with the reflection on the institution of marriage from the account from the book of Genesis. Significantly, we hear how man is invited to be co-creator through marriage by impulse of love and companionship.

Last week, I was privileged to attend a Clergy training on how to prepare and enrich couple for married life. It was made clear to us that couples are called to holiness in a special way, and so a special attention should be paid when getting them ready.

As you pray for peace in our world and in our Church, we pray too for the increase in sanctity of human life and married life.

Please be advised that the Yonkers Marathon is scheduled for Sunday, October 21, 2018. As a result, participants will be running past St. Mary’s and the city asks that we enter the St. Mary’s Church parking lot via southbound traffic from the intersection of South Broadway & Nepperhan Ave. There will be no northbound traffic from Park Hill Ave, Vark St., or St. Mary’s on South Broadway until 1:00 pm.

Collection : Last Sunday, September 30, 2018 was \$ 3,407.00

Second collection : Last Sunday September 30,2018

Our monthly Church Property Insurance collection was \$ 1,005.00

The Holy Rosary in the Month of October:

Saturdays; 4:30 pm : **Joyful Mysteries:** the first five decades , the “Joyful Mysteries”, are marked by the joy radiating from the event of the Incarnation...To meditate upon the “Joyful Mysteries” then is to enter into the ultimate causes and the deepest meaning of Christian joy.

Sundays; 10:30 am: **Glorious Mysteries:** "The contemplation of Christ’s face cannot stop at the image of the Crucified One. He is the Risen One!" The Rosary has always expressed this knowledge born of faith and invited the believer to pass beyond the darkness of the Passion in order to gaze upon Christ’s glory in the Resurrection and Ascension.

Today’s Focus: Seeking Then Doing:

the will of God is shown to us in many ways, through various means. Our sincere desire to seek God’s will and to discern its guidance for our lives is the starting point of discipleship.

Living and Praying with the world:

Almighty God, in Jesus you made your will visible. Help us turn toward your Christ in your word, the liturgy, the Church teaching. Open our minds and hearts, that in coming to know your will, we might live it each and every day.

Monday October 8, 2018; Columbus Day is a national holiday and the Rectory office will be closed.

****Parents please be aware that children are to be at the Parish Hall at 9:20 am and that classes start at 9:30 am : NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED INTO THE SCHOOL AFTER 9:30 AM**

October 2018:

13th Religious Education Classes –9:20-11:00 am

20th Religious Education Classes –9:20-11:00 am~1st Parent Meeting of First Holy Communion candidates at 11:30 am in the School Cafeteria

27th Religious Education Classes –9:20-11:00 am~1st Parent Meeting of Confirmation candidates at 11:30 am in the School Cafeteria

Mass Schedule for the week of
October 7, 2018 to October 14, 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, October 7, 2018:

7:30 am– For the Parishioners

9:00 am– Pedro Maria Hernandez
Wife & Children

11:00 am– Manuel D. Rodrigues
Eduardo & Esther Rodrigues

Tuesday, October 9, 2018:

12:05 pm– Alexandria Dome & Husband
Mary Mazzeo

Saturday, October 13, 2018:

12:05 pm—Gerardo Hilado
Sony Hilado

7:30 pm—Sacred Heart of Jesus
Abby Figueroa

Sunday, October 14, 2018:

7:30 am– For the Parishioners

9:00 am– Joaquim Neto
Carmita Navarro

11:00 am– Clotilde Dos Anjos Alves
Eduardo & Esther Rodrigues

We will be saying the Rosary on Saturdays at 4:30 pm
before the 5:00pm Mass and on
Sundays at 10:30 am before the 11:00 am Mass in the month of October.