

FEBRUARY 1, 2015
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

MEMORIALIZATIONS

Sunday (February 1) Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 Edward Ajello
Requested By: Mr. & Mrs. Mann & Angela Marano
 10:00 Arlindo Moreira & Maria J. Moreira
Requested By: Lee & Tom Kulsha
 12:00 Rosaria Federico
Requested By: Mr. & Mrs. Arturo Baldini
 7:00 Spanish Mass

Monday (February 2) The Presentation of the Lord
 7:00 Anna May M. Celli
Requested By: Alicia & Tom Mann & Family
 9:00 Bruno Valente
Requested By: Wife, Santina

Tuesday (February 3)
 7:00 Joao Xavier Rodrigues
Requested By: Filomena Rodrigues
 9:00 Rosario Avelino & Rosa Piedede Fernandes
Requested By: Elyf Clemente Family

Wednesday (February 4)
 7:00 Tom Fahy
Requested By: The Brady Family
 9:00 Adriano D'Ottavio
Requested By: Dan DeLuca

Thursday (February 5) Saint Agatha, Virgin & Martyr
 7:00 For Louis Panzanaro on his 100th Birthday
Requested By: Eucharistic Ministers
 9:00 Thomas Engel
Requested By: MaryLou & Sam Mascalino

First Friday (February 6) Saint Paul Miki & Companions
 7:00 For a Personal Intention
Requested By: A Parishioner
 9:00 Patrick Mitchell
Requested By: Elizabeth Mitchell

Saturday (February 7) First Saturday
 9:00 George Vaz
Requested By: Joaquim & Lucy Aguiar & Family
 5:00 Rosaria Federico
Requested By: Assumption Altar Servers

Sunday (February 8) Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 Pro-Populo
 10:00 Anna Pappas
Requested By: Family
 12:00 Luigi Vitale
Requested By: Mario Vitale & Family
 7:00 Spanish Mass

Sanctuary Lamps
 Sara Montañez
Requested By: Her Children

NOTES FROM THE LOFT

A Brief History of the Church Organ – Part II

The PIPE organ traces its roots back to a Greek musician, engineer and inventor, Ctesibius of Alexandria, Egypt (3rd century BC), the father of the study of 'pneumatics', the properties of air, now called 'hydraulics'. He invented an air pump with valves, connecting it to a keyboard and rows of pipes, creating the first 'water organ' because it was activated by water, likely driven by a windmill.

By the 6th or 7th century AD, bellows were employed to supply pipe organs with air or 'wind'. In 757, Pepin the Short, King of the Franks, was gifted with a grand instrument with "great leaden pipes" through the generosity of the Byzantine emperor, Constantine V. Charlemagne in his time obtained a similar organ for his chapel in Aachen (812 AD). This would establish the pipe organ in Western liturgical practice.

The 10th century saw the development of the small, portable organ called a 'portative' or 'positive' (pronounced 'positeev'). These are often depicted in illuminated, medieval manuscripts, sometimes in the hands of saints, e.g. St. Cecilia, patroness of music. Having one 'manual' (keyboard), and developing in size to the modern home organ, it was especially suited to small chapels and proliferated from the 10th through the 18th centuries.

In the 12th century saw organs were produced which could deliver different 'timbres' or sounds for the same pitch. A given note, e.g. a 'C' played on a piano would have its own 'timbre', different from the sound we'd hear if played on a guitar or horn. Same note - different quality of sound. Most of the sounds we are familiar with today, as an organ is played, were developed by the 17th century.

The permanent installation of a pipe organ in 1361 in Halberstadt, Germany, with "twenty bellows operated by ten men and wind pressure so great that the organist had to use the full strength of his arm to hold down the key" prompted the contemporary poet and composer, Guillaume de Machaut (Machault) to dub the organ, the "king of instruments."

By the 20th century, electronic and digital organs began to replace traditional pipes and now are available in instruments resembling baby grands!

**Please notify an usher if you would like to bring up the gifts during a Mass for your loved one.*

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR SCHEDULE



February 8	3PM	Assumption Church
February 15	3PM	Assumption Church
February 22	3PM	Assumption Church
March 1	3PM	St. Francis Convent

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE



On Tuesday, February 3, 2015 is the traditional date of the feast of Saint Blaise – the Patron Saint of health of the throat. We will offer the blessing of the throats for all after the 7am and 9am Mass that day.

If you would like your candles blessed, please bring them to the 7AM or 9AM Mass on Monday, February 2nd (Candlemas) and we will bless them at the commencement of Mass.

THEOLOGY ON TAP



We bring yet again another session of Theology on Tap, an evening full of joviality, and fellowship in Christ. Assumption Church will be hosting Theology on Tap on **Tuesday, February 17th at 7:30PM, at**

the Taormina Restaurant 59 Hudson Avenue, Peekskill. Discussion to be led by Father Richard Veras (a priest of the Archdiocese of New York, educator at Our Lady of Lourdes High School in Poughkeepsie, and he also writes for the *Magnificat Magazine*), his topic will be: "Love that is vs. Love that pretends to be". Please join us for a night of fellowship, food, and drinks. Hope to see you there!

TITHING REPORT

3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 2015.....	\$ 9,165.80*
3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 2014.....	\$ 7,988.97
2 nd Collection for Catholic Education.....	\$ 2,272.00
*Includes Parish Pay.....	\$ 1,059.80



PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Gladys Latimer, Catherine Chesser, Janet Fortier, Linda McGarr, Loretta Donohue, Andrew Muller, George Strumke, Daniel Cairl, George Smith, Fr. Steven Clark, Cecilia Murphy, Walter Bittal, Patricia Cothren, Guadalupe Arango, Mario Garziona, Catherine Gleba, and James Brian Dolman

RESPECT LIFE



From the Catechism...“Human life must be respected and protected absolutely from the moment of conception. From the first moment of his existence, a human being must be recognized as having the rights of a person -- among which is the inviolable right of every innocent being to life. “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you” (Jer 1:5; cf Job 10:8-12; Ps 22:10-11). “My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately wrought in the depths of the earth” (Ps. 139:15). Since the first century the Church has affirmed the moral evil of every procured abortion. This teaching has not changed and remains unchangeable.” -- Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 2270-2271. **The next Respect Life Holy Hour will be on Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 7:00 PM**

A.C.T.S. RETREAT

Men, are you looking for a Spiritual New Year's Resolution? This may be the answer for you. The world is shouting for our attention with answers to our relationship struggles, solutions to our financial trouble, and explanations to our search for meaning and purpose. But the world's promises leave us empty and always searching for more. God's is the ONLY answer that promises to transform our lives... from the inside out! GROW in your relationship with Christ. Let the Holy Spirit bring real change to your life in this New Year! Take this exciting next step in your faith journey by joining other men just like you. The next NY ACTS Retreat for men is **March 5th to March 8th at Don Bosco Retreat Center**, in Stoney Point, and hosted by Holy Name of Mary Church. For more information and an application send an email to hnmactsny@yahoo.com or call (914) 736-110.

LEGAL SERVICES FOR NEWCOMERS

Catholic Charities Community Services provides legal consultations, representation, and assistance to documented and undocumented newcomers regarding most immigration matters, including citizenship applications, family petitions, cases involving domestic violence, and cases that are in immigration court. Services are provided in English, Spanish, and various other languages. All matters are treated professionally and confidentially. A lawyer from Catholic Charities provides services every first Monday of the month. The next time the lawyer will be available is on **Monday, February 2nd from 12:00PM-4:00PM in the Rectory Library.**



COULD YOU NOT PRAY WITH ME...?

First Fridays of every month are special times to visit our Lord, who is truly present in the Eucharist and is exposed in the Church. Friday, February 6th, our Lord Jesus Christ, in the Eucharist, will be on the altar for us to adore from 12:15 PM until 7:00PM. At 7:00 PM will be the Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Please come and spend some time adoring the Lord Jesus with us.

PRAYER GLUTEN FREE HOSTS

If you suffer from Celiac's disease (an allergy to gluten), please call the rectory at 914-737-2071 to make arrangements to receive Holy Communion with Hosts approved by the United States Bishops – or simply speak to the celebrating priest before the beginning of Mass so that he can be sure to receive Holy Communion from in gluten free form.

OPEN HOUSE AT GRAYMOOR

The *Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement* is having an open house at **Graymoor on Sunday, February 8, 2015 from 2:00PM - 4:00PM.** There will be a presentation and DVD on our congregation, prayer service in *St. Francis Convent Chapel*, an opportunity to meet with the Sisters, and refreshments. Please join us in celebration of this Year of Consecrated Life! If you have any questions, please contact Graymoor at 845-424-3625.

CARDINAL'S APPEAL 2015

This week marks the beginning of the *2015 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal* in our parish. You will be receiving a letter from Cardinal Dolan asking for your support of the vital ministries, programs and services provided through the *Appeal* each year. When you receive your letter, please fill out your pledge card and send it in. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

MOSES APRIL 14-15, 2015

Join us as we depart from Hudson Valley, on a fully escorted Leprechaun motorcoach, to experience the breathtaking presentation of Moses. He had an action-packed life, from being sent down the Nile in a basket, to the Ten Commandments. All of these events will be portrayed at Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA. For a complete two day itinerary, please call Judy LoSasso at Treasure Time Tours 914-739-8111. Limited availability.

Pre Lenten Preaching Series at Assumption Church		
God's Purpose For You in the Church		
<i>In the Sunday's Leading up to Lent, a special message will be delivered at each Sunday Mass:</i>		
WEEKEND	THEME	GOSPEL
Sunday, February 1, 2015	Pillar #3 Devotion to Mary	“Expulsion of Demon”
Sunday, February 8, 2015	Pillar #4 Loving our Neighbor	“Healing of Peter’s Mother in Law Night in Prayer
Sunday, February 15, 2015	Pillar #5 Eucharist	Cure of the Leper
Lent Begins February 18, 2015		
Ash Wednesday		