

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 12, 2019

### ST. JOHN VIANNEY – MASS INTENTIONS

**S SATURDAY, MAY 11**

5:00 PM – Adda Burrows/ Cannarozzi Family

**SUNDAY, MAY 12 – HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY**

8:00AM + Steven Brody / Holzschuh Family

10:00AM + May Gilroy & Evelyn Duffy

/ Skip & Judy Diller

**SATURDAY, MAY 18 – Armed Forces Day**

5:00 PM – The Women & Men in our Armed Forces

**SUNDAY, MAY 19**

8:00AM + Joseph H. Strazza / Cox Family

10:00AM + Kenneth Schumann /

/ The ladies who lunch

### ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE - MASS INTENTIONS

**SATURDAY, MAY 11**

5:00PM: + Arthur Osborne / Linda & Chris Osborne

**SUNDAY, MAY 12 - HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY**

9:00AM + ALL MOTHERS LIVING & DECEASED

11:00AM + ALL MOTHERS LIVING & DECEASED

**MONDAY, MAY 13**

7:30PM Family & Friends of the Cokinos & Sullivan Family / Nick & Kathy Cokinos

**TUESDAY, MAY 14**

8:00AM + Robert Wijas

7:00PM Rosary

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15**

8:00AM Rose Ferretti Martz / Geraldine Stetz

**THURSDAY, MAY 16**

8:00AM + Special Intentions

**FRIDAY, MAY 17**

8:00AM + Piotr Rogula

**SATURDAY, MAY 18**

5:00PM: ♥ Nick & Kathy Cokinos

50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

**SUNDAY, MAY 19**

9:00AM + Joseph Brown / Jackie Miller

11:00AM + Janice Barry / Jim & MaryLou Cammarano



#### **WELCOME!**

**Jeremy Anthony & Nathaniel  
Alexander Kruzel**

Parents: Jonathan & Erin Kruzel

**Makayla Nicole Ruggiero**

Parents: Michael & Kristen Ruggiero

Received the Sacrament of Baptism at  
Saint Thomas the Apostle last Sunday

**Payton Grace Diggles**

Parents: Timothy & Amy Diggles

Received the Sacrament of Baptism at  
Saint John Vianney last Sunday



**Dear Parish Family:** In the Gospel today Jesus compares himself to a shepherd protecting his sheep, promising his disciples that he will hold them securely in his hands. How appropriate that this wonderful image is presented on Mother's Day. Today we honor all types of mothers who have loved us, protected us, and held us, those who have treated us with the tender loving care of the

Good Shepherd. Let us give thanks today for all our mothers, living and deceased.

#### **QUESTION OF THE WEEK**

*Do I try to hear Jesus' voice in the voices of those I encounter? Through whom is Jesus speaking to me?*

#### **FROM OUR SEMINARIAN:**

It's like seeing your brothers get drafted into the NBA.

Most of us began our journeys young. Some began in high school, most in college, and a few discovered their call as professionals. When I saw four Paterson seminarians lying on their stomach during the litany of the saints for their oblation to our Mother Church, I asked myself, "how does it feel when you're there?" Like most boys growing up, these men may have dreams of becoming professional athletes or celebrities. To the more formal/conservative kind, a doctor, lawyer, soldier, or a teacher. Maybe some imagined themselves as husbands and fathers someday. But someone up there wanted more from them. Something not all men can do. They are called to be priests.

Now I know they have a year of seminary formation (one will be in a parish assignment, I suppose) left before they will be ordained to the priesthood. However, the visible ontological grace in their faces were very much evident, there is no way these men are not ready for the biggest yeses of their lives in a matter of year.

Now as a sports fan I can't help but compare the diaconate ordination to the NBA draft. Because before being drafted, athletes too, undergo a rigorous routine at a young age to be considered a prospect ideally similar to a seminarians' life. These athletes are in tip top shape, disciplined, and ready for battle. I can write more parallelism between athletes and seminarians; but you guys get my point by now. Seminarians are prepared spiritually, they have been exposed to theology similar to an elite athlete's drills. If athletes are given the best dieticians for physical fitness, seminarians are fed by the word of God through the Holy Eucharist, the reading of the Office, and of course hundreds of books (I am not kidding, 12 years in the seminary) for spiritual reading that gives us a healthy dose of spiritual nourishment to remain tough and faithful in the face of our "opponents". However, I think the most identical give both an athlete

and a seminarian have in reaching their goals is the sacrifice they undertake. No need to elaborate there. Athletes miss most parties when they were "student-athletes", seminarians need to filter everything to "remain pure".

How do they feel? I don't know. But based on my trivial and irrelevant opinion, maybe its like getting drafted into the NBA. All the sacrifices and hard work culminating into a type of happiness that you cannot describe. This, despite your flaws, fears, and errors. Personally, the four who were ordained are waaay better men than me, but they too, weren't perfect. Imagine the happiness of being aware of your own unworthiness but yet being called up to minister as a deacon, then later, as a priest for the Catholic Church.

Friends, please pray for my brothers. Please pray that they may configure their hearts to Jesus Christ. Let them be holy priests someday. May God protect their vocations from harm.

Pray for *Rev. Mr. Nico Quintos*

Pray for *Rev. Mr. Jayke Parinas*

Pray for *Rev. Mr. Adam Wasowski*

Pray for *Rev. Mr. Jun Vizcarra Jr.*

## TAG SALE – MAY 18 & 19

Items can be dropped off at Madonna Hall from 9:00am – 1:00pm and 5:00pm -9:00pm. Last date for donations is May 15.

- Sale ends on Sunday, May 19 at 2:00pm.
- Clean up after the Tag Sale will be from May 22-24 from 9:00am – 5:00pm.
- WE NEED A LOT OF HELP FROM MAY 15 – 19 to sort and tag items.
- We also need at least 8 check out volunteer cashiers on May 18 – 19.

**"COINS FOR STEUBENVILLE":** a jar for parishioners to help defray the cost of the Youth Groups trip to Steubenville, Ohio to participate in the YOUTH CONFERENCE. We ask you to empty your pockets and place the loose change in the jar. **Thank you in advance for you support**



**MAY CROWNING:** our Diocese will honor the Mother of God at the annual May Crowning at the **Cathedral of St. John the Baptist** on Sunday, May 19th at 3:30 PM. Parking will be

available in the county lot.



**FAMILY CONNECTION:** Not only can we recognize family members' voices, we can also read the tone of their voices and know something about how they are feeling. In our relationship with Jesus, we know Jesus' voice and are called to follow. Jesus doesn't just bring us

closer to the Father, Jesus puts us directly into contact with God the Father, removing all distance between us. In the Gospel of John, Jesus identifies so closely with the Father that he tells us that they are one—not just close, but actually one. Knowing Jesus means knowing the Father.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS **HIS WORD TODAY** by *Rev. William J. Reilly*

**"Both Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly and said, 'It was necessary that the word of God be spoken to you first, but since you reject it and condemn yourselves as unworthy of eternal life, we now turn to the Gentiles.... The Gentiles were delighted when they heard this and glorified the word of the Lord. All who were destined for eternal life came to believe, and the word of the Lord continued to spread through the whole region.'"**

Pretend that you are in the audience as Paul spoke, so convincingly. Place yourself in the shoes first of the Israelite and see how well you accept or reject what you hear. You were urged to remain faithful to the grace of God. Now change your shoes and see you too are destined for eternal life and believe.

The magic of Paul and Barnabas is God's grace and we all today, gifted with eternal life and the Holy Spirit, are to live and bring that life to others. We hear and listen and become witnesses as well. One of the encouraging words of Pope Francis is that we speak out 'boldly' of the Christ we know.

### **NOTICE FOUND IN FRENCH CHURCHES:**

It is possible that on entering this church you may hear the call of God.

On the other hand, it is not likely that God will contact you by phone.

Thank you for turning off your phone.

IF you would like to talk to God, come in, choose a quiet place, and

talk to him.

If you would like to see him, send him a text while driving.

**"TO EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON"  
"A TIME TO BE HEALED"**

**Prayers for the sick:** Brennan McCoy, Kathy Brennan, Aaron Alonzo, Sal D 'Arco, Msgr. Brendan P. Madden, Kevin Wickert, Betty Klein, Fumiko Lutz, Patricia Carapola Courtney Sanchelli, Danny Scillieri, Gail Brennan, Fr. Ron Sordillo, Louis "Louie" Panetta, Rich Day, Richard Lavelle, Marion Coleson, Chris Osborne, Rose Kelly, Stephen Vecchiotti, Devon Carbery, Vincent Ottani, Mrs. Karas, Ernie Sudo, Penny Sorokach (nursing home), Brandon Wozniak, Darlene Kolakovic, Fr. Dan Kelly, Fr. Joseph Farias, Helen Turosky, David Diller, Joe Endlicher, Joey Dyl, Don King, Nerieda Addotta, Kenny Miscisak, Emily Fleming, Emily Schmidt, Ethan Rodriguez, Carol, Mary Swerzenski, our friend H and Mary Anne Allender.

**"A TIME TO MOURN"**

**Prayers for the deceased:** Joan Cartier, Timothy Egan, Michael Kaiser, Anna Annuzzi, Leah Mary Cummings, Eileen Carbery, Marjorie (Peggy) Zajdel, Marge Endlicher, Chris Hirsch, Joan France, Esther Benard, Vincent Ginella, Marguerite Socci, Antoinette Sterlaci, Mark Hale, Esther Punturieri, Lucy Cox, Claire Reilly, Joseph Romano, Madeline Mae Greischel, James Geary, John Zboraj, Sr., Helen Rogers, William Noriega, Gary Feiner, J. Glenn Beury, Shelia Rhoades, and Fred Wallenburg, Anthony E. Rosciszewski, Leonard Falchek, Alice Rose Witty, Peter A. Kelly, Stephen Eltringham, Richard Hanratty, Maria Aranzullo, Susan Menke. Rev. Msgr. Martin Rauscher, Bill Povalitis, Sal Romano, Ann Marie Dwornikoski, Bob Carapola, Margaret Niven, Joan King, Anthony Bello, Natasha Culic, Patricia Galgano, Katherine "Kitty" Bowers, Lena Ferrara, Patricia A. Otto, Michael Halczli Sr., Kathleen Mitchell and Ryan Scott DeVito, Silvia G. Wickert, Helen Carabillo, Rita DeVito, Lucy Fitzsimmons, Johanna Schnackenberg, James Bottcher, John Ryan, Vicki Cardinali, Steve Corman, Frank Codioli, Jay Cuervo, Patricia Gott, Kenneth Schumann, Thomas Ingram, Jerry Busko, Angelina DeLucia, Joan Juengling, Bishop Frank J. Rodimer, Karen A. Tofilski, Angela Sperber, Bryan Carolan and Ante Culic, Jean Doherty, Sophia Wolters, Pat Esposito, Józef Zajecki, Janice Barry, Karen Newton, Catherine Feuss, Jan Jakacki, E. James Shaffer, Louise M. Addotta, William E. Williams, Charles Stoveken, Jesse Bisbal, Victor Coleson, Jr., Ernest A. Zappile and Luigi Russo.

**"A TIME FOR PEACE"**

**For national and world leaders and those currently serving in the armed forces especially:**

SGT Michael Koval, USMC, PFC Jonathan Cuervo, USMC, PFC Anthony Imperato, USMC, Michael Guarino, US Army, LCpl Sebastian Geary, USMC, USAF Airman James Perez, Sgt. Antoino Lettizia, USMC, OSSR Anthony S. Gambuti, US Navy, PFT Ryan Leyden, USMC, 2<sup>nd</sup> LT Andy Verdes US Army

In honor of the Military serving our country at home and abroad, we invite you to remain after the Recessional Song at all weekend Masses to recite three (3) Hail Mary's for their safety.

**BAPTISM**

**At SJV:** the last Sunday of the month either during the 10:00 am Mass **or at 11:15 am.** (Note the change in time)

**At STA:** the First Sunday of the month - either during the 11:00 a.m. Mass **or at 12:15 pm.** (Note the change in time.)

Couples desiring to have their child baptized should be active parishioners, attending Mass regularly. Parents must attend a Baptism Preparation Meeting.

The next meeting will take place at Saint Thomas the Apostle on Monday evening **May 13, 2019 at 7:00 pm.** (Future dates: July 8, September 9, November 11) To make baptismal arrangements contact the parish office by email: [terry@ststthomasjohn.org](mailto:terry@ststthomasjohn.org) or call Saint John Vianney at 973-697-6550 / Saint Thomas the Apostle at 973-208-0090.

**Knights of Columbus ~ Council Meetings**

**St. John Vianney Council #12649** meets at Saint John Vianney Church Hall the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month.

**Joseph Lamb Council #5510** meets on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month at Wiegand Farm – Department for Persons with Disabilities' meeting room. Both meetings start at 7:30 p.m.

**MARRIAGES**

Prior to your booking of the reception, please call the Parish Office 1 year in advance of the wedding date to allow for proper pre-marital preparation.

**CONFESSIONS**

**Saturday Evening:** 4:00 to 4:45 PM.

**By request:** contact the parish office.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

**Saint John Vianney/Saint Thomas the Apostle**  
**debbie@ststthomasjohn.org**

**Grades K-8:** Saturday mornings 8:30 – 9:45AM

September – April at White Rock Elementary School.

**Combined Confirmation Classes (9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

September – April, Alternating weeks on Sunday mornings at Saint Thomas beginning with 9:00AM Mass until 11:30am.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP:** A parishioner is one who belongs to the parish family. As such, he/she is registered and is committed through participation in the life of the parish. Marriages to be administered and Sponsor Certificates, recommendations, etc. to be issued by the office, the person requesting such must be registered and an active member of Saint John Vianney Parish or Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish community. We request that you register at the rectory when you move into our community so that we may be of service to you.