

Dear Friends in Christ,

Just around the time I began my assignment here last August, our Parish Food Pantry also started up. The Food Pantry has been serving needy families and individuals of our community for many years. In the summer of 2015, the food pantry was reorganized and moved to new quarters in the Sr. Catherine Center, also known as the Parish Center. Towards the end of every week multiple cars take up spaces in our parking lot. First on Thursdays with the vast number of volunteers that organize the pantry, stock the food that was donated and prepare food bags, then again on Fridays where week after week anywhere from 50 to 65 families make use of what the food pantry has to offer.

Almost every week at our parish masses an announcement is made to all of you of various items that the pantry is in need of. Your outstanding generosity responds each and every time. I believe the food pantry is helping us to be a better

witness to Christ as we perform these essential needs for the human person - the Corporal Works of Mercy - to feed the hungry, to give drink to the thirsty.

Thank you and God bless all of you, those of you who volunteer in the Ministry of our Parish Food Pantry and all of you who continually donate food and any other supply that is needed. I know that once day our generosity will be greatly rewarded.

If you know of a friend or neighbor who is in need of assistance due to poor health, divorce, loss of employment, low wages, domestic violence, etc., please do not hesitate to send them to our food pantry on any Friday. The pantry is open every Friday from 3:00 to 5:00 PM.

May God bless all of us with His Mercy,

- Fr. Herbert T. DeGaris

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2016-2017

We are currently accepting registrations for the upcoming 2016-2017 Religious Education School Year. If you missed our in-person registration week, please call the Religious Education office to schedule a time to come in to register your child in the 2016-2017 program. After June 30 there will be a \$25.00 late registration fee added to the tuition. There are several classes that are closed on Tuesday. If you are registering a 1st grader or a new student to the program, please bring a copy of your child's baptismal certificate.

Please note that we cannot take any registrations the night of the first class in religious education. I am aware that in the past exceptions were made and registrations were accepted, but due to a cutback in staff time, it will be impossible in the future to accommodate you on the night of the first class.

Please call the office as soon as possible to assure that your child has a space in this year's program. If financial circumstances make it impossible to pay the registration fee in full, please do not let that prevent you from registering. Call us to make arrangements. The parish is always happy to extend this courtesy.

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

For the months of July and August, the Food pantry is collecting **canned fruit**. If you are able to contribute, please leave your donations in the food bin in the vestibule of the Church. Thank you so much for your generosity!

New York Catholic Bible School Program

Beginning Monday, Sept. 12, 2016, the New York Catholic Bible School Program, sponsored by the

Archdiocesan Catechetical Office, will be holding classes on Monday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, at the Church of St. Denis, 604 Beekman Road, Hopewell Junction, N.Y.

The New York Catholic Bible School exists because there is joy and hope in the Bible! Being grounded in our beliefs leads us to a deeper relationship with God and an evolving sense of life's meaning. Intense study of the Bible brings us to life-changing personal growth in spirituality and service. This program is for adults who are seeking "something more" in their spiritual journey, and who are willing to commit to two years of study with an option to complete the full four-year program.

No particular educational background is required. Tuition is \$150 per trimester with a \$35 non-refundable registration fee. **Registration is a must and is done through the New York Catholic Bible School website.**

FOR MORE INFORMATION . . .

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646-794-2855

Website: <http://www.nyfaithformation.org/ny-catholic-bible-school>

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 4TH

Hospitality Sunday will be held on Sunday September 4th after the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Please stop by and join us for refreshments in our School Auditorium.

*The flowers this week are
In Loving Memory of
Rory & Tom McCann
donated by
The Family
And
In Loving Memory of
Daniel Shafarsky
Donated by
The Family*

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND

PLEASE NOTE TIME 9A.M. - 12 NOON

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place after the 8:30 a.m. Mass **on Friday, September 2nd**. The Blessed Sacrament will remain exposed in the Chapel until 12 Noon. **Hopefully this will allow more people to spend a 1/2 hour in prayer in the Chapel.** The Exposition will conclude with a Prayer Service and Benediction. We invite you to spend some time before the Blessed Sacrament exposed on the altar to pray for stability and peace in our world. **We are in need of volunteers; please call Jane Hylas 786-5904.**

2016 MASS BOOK
WILL OPEN ON
TUESDAY, AUGUST 30th

FOR OCTOBER, NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

The 2016 Mass Book will open on Tuesday, August 30th for October, November and December. The weekday mass offering is \$15.00 and Saturday evening and Sunday Masses are \$20.00. We would appreciate if you could bring exact change, it would be most helpful.

MOTHER TERESA

In honor of the Canonization of Mother Teresa next Sunday, September 4th, prayer cards commemorating this event are available at the exits of the Church today. We thank Finn Funeral Home for donating these memorial cards.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

All those who are ill at home, in the hospital and in nursing homes, especially: Sam Pace, Michael Orapello, Gladys Margosian, Margaret McElroy, William & Geraldine Neary, Judy Stroup, Billy Keenan, Danielle Sack, Louis Pezzola, James Molloy, Gerald Kilduff,.

Our recently deceased: Dennis Brennan, Joseph Picarello Sr. and Madeline Genzano.

We will announce at the Mass on Sunday for a period of one month the intentions of those who are sick and then we will print them for one month. After that we ask that you will please contact us to make sure that they are placed on the list again for another cycle. It is the only way we know if someone has recovered. We thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27TH

8:30 Daniel Shafarsky (req. by family)

5:30 **Vigil** Rosario Martin (req. by The Daly Family)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28TH

7:30 Marie Babcock (req. by family)

9:30 Edward Onderdonk (req. by I.C. Men's Club)

11:30 Anne Ryan & Margaret Kilduff

(req. by Pat & Jack Ryan)

MONDAY, AUGUST 29TH

7:30 **For the People of the Parish**

8:30 Lucia Corvasce (req. by family)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30TH

8:30 Janet & Pat Larkin

(req. by The Boncaldo Family)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31ST

7:30 **Intention Available**

8:30 Patricia Caramelle (req. by family)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST

8:30 Patrick Devlin (req. by family)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND

7:30 Josephine Lodini (req. by family)

8:30 Tim Murnane (req. by family)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD

8:30 Anna Matthew (req. by family)

5:30 p.m. **Vigil** Peter Greene Sr. (req. by family)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH

7:30 Germante L. Bonclado (req. by family)

9:30 **For the People of the Parish**

11:30 Nancy Kopec (req. by family)

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ANNUAL GOLDEN WEDDING & SILVER WEDDING MASS CELEBRATION

This event is sponsored by the Family Life/Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York. **Our Parish is celebrating the Anniversaries for 25th & 50th on Sunday, OCTOBER 16TH during the 11:30 a.m. Mass followed by a reception. Please call the rectory to register. Thank you.**

MIDNIGHT RUN

Many thanks to everyone who participated in the recent breakfast run. The help in the preparation on Saturday morning gave us the chance to start the work to re-organize the storage room. The volunteers who came on the morning run helped make it a welcoming, friendly time with our brothers on the street in Manhattan. Everyone's help, including the donations of sack lunches and toiletries were enjoyed and appreciated.

The next run is scheduled for the night of October 15. We will meet in the parish annex on Friday evening October 14 to sort and pack in preparation for the run. The Saturday night run will depart the Church parking lot at 7 PM and should return around 2AM Sunday morning. Donations of sack lunches, sweatshirts and back packs will be greatly appreciated. For information about the run or to volunteer in anyway, please contact Deacon John or Jessica Sadowski 845 786 5759.

CALL FOR VOICES

You are cordially invited to embrace with joy the vocation of liturgical music ministry. Our parish choir will be rehearsing on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the church **beginning September 15th**. Please come and share your talent with us.

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9-11 MEMORIAL MASS

SEPTEMBER 10TH

7:30 P.M.

This year marks the fifteenth anniversary of the Attack On America. After fifteen years, America, and indeed much of the civilized world remains ever vigilant as the acts of violence and terrorism caused by radical Islamists continue in France, Germany, The Middle

East, Africa, the USA and around the world.

Let us all make the time to get together and remember those who lost their lives 15 years ago.

Let us also remember in our prayers the loved ones left behind.

May we be resolved to never forget that the events of 15 years ago are very much related to the world we live in today. We are all in this struggle

together. We invite all emergency responders who are presently

on the job or who may be retired to wear their uniforms or other identifiable clothing to the mass.

Please make this your Sunday mass and come out with all your family and friends on Saturday,

September 10th. The celebrant of the Mass will be Msgr. Emmet Nevin, Dean of Rockland County.

"In the morning, at the rising of the sun and at its setting, we will remember."

BAPTISM CLASS

The date for the next Baptism Class is: **September 26th**. **Appointments are needed if you are going to attend the class so we have an idea of how many will be joining each month. The Baptism dates are ordinarily the first and third Sunday of the Month.**

BAPTISM

The date for our next Baptism is September 18th. We would ask you to please contact the rectory at (786-2742) to make an appointment during Monday - Friday (9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.)

NEWS OF INTEREST

Pro Life Mass – celebrated every 1st Monday night of the month at 7:30 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Church. 128 Parrott Road in West Nyack. **The next Pro Life Mass will be on Monday, September 5th**.

Court Joan of Arc #604 - Catholic Daughters of the Americas will meet **on Tuesday, September 6th at 7:00 p.m.** at the Knights of Columbus Hall on West Broad Street in Haverstraw. Mark your Calendar! New members are always welcome.

YOUR SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Collection August 21, 2016 was: \$ 6,807

Collection August 23, 2015 was: \$ 6,916

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Jeneeta Howe & Daniel O'Connor (III)

