

September 4, 2016

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Friends in Christ,

As we celebrate Labor Day Weekend, we have come to also know this weekend as the unofficial end of summer. After a couple of months of summer activities, we are preparing ourselves for shorter days, cooler weather and of course, the start of a new school year! I offer prayers to all of our children who return to class in the coming days. May all of you excel in your learning and knowledge.

What a glorious day for the Catholic Church. Around four o'clock this morning our time Pope Francis celebrated the Mass of Canonization of Saint Teresa of Calcutta. Later on EWTN the mass will be repeated at 11:30am, 10:00pm and at midnight. I hope as many of us will be able to see part of if not the whole Mass of Canonization. The vast majority of us remember Mother

Teresa while alive was known as *'the living saint'*. Today we give glory to God that this humble servant is truly known now as a saint. May Saint Teresa of Calcutta inspire us to act justly, to love tenderly, and to walk humbly with our loving Father.

May I draw your attention to a change requested by the Archdiocese in two upcoming second collections. The St. Joseph Seminary Annual Collection has been moved from the weekend of September 10th to the weekend of October 1st. The Mission Collection has been moved from the weekend of October 15th to the weekend of October 22nd. Please hold these envelopes until the offering is collected on the new dates.

May God bless us with his mercy!

- Fr. Herbert T. DeGaris

LABOR DAY
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 5TH

The office is closed for ordinary business. Mass is at 8:30 a.m. In an emergency please call 786-2742.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY
THIS SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 4TH

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

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.

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 . . .

E-mail: Bible@archny.org
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646-794-2855

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

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

Thank you so much to everyone who helped us collect canned fruit throughout the summer. While it may have seemed like a lot, it really was not. In order to meet state guidelines, we must provide each client with a minimum of 3 cans or the equivalent in fresh. That meant we were distributing over 100 cans of fruit a week!

Now that September is here, we need to start preparing for the holidays. We are requesting canned yams/ sweet potatoes, turkey gravy and corn muffin mixes. If you can help out, please leave your donations in the food bin in the back of the church. Thank you again for your generosity.

**2016 MASS BOOK
HAS OPENED**

FOR OCTOBER, NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

The 2016 Mass Book has opened 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.

**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.

FLOWER MEMORIALS

Flower memorials are available for anyone desiring to memorialize a loved one. The cost is \$50 for an arrangement of flowers to be placed near the altar. Please call the rectory to reserve a specific date.

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REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

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

Our recently deceased: Mary Stelzl.

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, 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)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH - LABOR DAY

8:30 Margie & Fred Ferro (req. by family)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH

8:30 Cecilia & Jerry Ferro (req. by family)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH

7:30 Robert Ferro (req. by family)
8:30 **Intention Available**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH

8:30 Isabelle & James Crosbie (req. by family)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH

7:30 Living Members of The Carrier Family
(req. by family)

8:30 Josephine Lodini (req. by family)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH

8:30 Dec'd Members of The Ferro Family
(req. by family)

5:30 **Vigil** Thomas Doepfner
(req. by Peter & Patricia Morris)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH

7:30 911 Victims & Families
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11:30 **For the People of the Parish**

**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

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.

**ST. AEDAN CHURCH, PEARL RIVER
ANNUAL ROCKLANDCOUNTY**

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.

Archbishop Stepinac High School – will honor all alumni police officers, firefighters and EMTs at the 15th Annual Joe Riverso Memorial Game at 7:00 p.m. Friday, September 9th. The game will be held at Stepinac's athletic field, 905 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains. Please contact Paul Thomas at pthomas@stepinac.org for more information.

Children's Irish Dance Classes – will commence next month in the Stony Point area. For further information call 942-5221.

YOUR SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Collection August 29, 2016 was: \$ 6 342
Collection August 30, 2015 was: \$ 6,846

