

Dear Friends in Christ,

Today at the 11:30 Mass, Immaculate Conception will honor celebrate and our Silver and Golden Wedding Jubilarians. What a blessing for the church and the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony each of the couples we celebrate today have shown. On the day of their wedding, each couple heard a beautiful prayer. That prayer is known as the Nuptial Blessing. Depending on the year and place of each wedding that we celebrate today, the wording of that prayer may have been different, but the theme of the prayer is the same. I would like to share with all of you a part of that prayer. As each of you read this portion of the prayer, may Mercy and Grace continue to shower upon those families we celebrate today...

May your abundant blessing, Lord, come down upon this bride, and upon her companion for life, and may the power of

your Holy Spirit set their hearts aflame from on high, so that, living out together the gift of Matrimony, they may adorn their family and enrich the Church. In happiness may they praise you, O Lord, in sorrow may they seek you out; may they have the joy of your presence to assist them in their toil, and know that you are near to comfort them in their need; let them pray to you in the holy assembly and bear witness to you in the world, and after a happy old age, together with the circle of friends that surrounds them, may they come to the Kingdom of Heaven. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May all married couples be blessed with God's grace and happiness as they continue to strengthen and grown in their love for each other.

-Fr. Herbert T. DeGaris

**OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

Look in the vestibule this weekend for the St. Francis Animal Giving Tree! Mrs. Martinez and Mrs. Costa's class will be in charge of this project for community service, This project will benefit animals in need at Hi-Tor Shelter. Please be generous and join St. Francis in his love for "All Creatures, Great and Small"! Items will be collected from September 24 through Sunday, October 16. We thank you in advance.

**Look into your heart:** Is the Holy Spirit calling you to spread the Good News in a special way to the children of Immaculate Conception PREP? If so, please call Lynne DeVuono at the religious education office as we would love to be able to split one 4th grade in half. The main theme of the 4th grade curriculum is the 10 Commandments. We promise that we will provide any and all guidance you might need to help you in this ministry.

**URGENT ONE WEEK REQUEST**

One of our 7th grade classes is partnering with Don Bosco to send food that is desperately needed to Haiti, due to the devastation that hit this country during Hurricane Matthew.

We are collecting for one week the following items that will be delivered by Don Bosco to the affected area: canned food, i.e. tomatoes, corn, mixed vegetables. I have been told that the monetary donations that have already been collected will be used to purchase large quantities of rice and beans. These people are the poorest of the poor right now and we ask for your generosity this week. Please

leave donations near the Hi Tor Giving Tree and we will sort out. Thanking you in advance!

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION IS FORMED!**

The Archdiocese has introduced a new website based program that offers parishioners access to sound Catholic movies, books and audio presentations. The program is called FORMED. For the next twelve months we will all have access to this site free of charge. This can be compared to NetFlix for Catholics. As a reminder, you may visit [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org), click the register button on the lower right corner and enter our parish code which is 636Z43. You will then be prompted to register your free account. Let us all take advantage of this free program.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY SUNDAY OCTOBER 22<sup>ND</sup> SECOND COLLECTION**

Our parish will celebrate World Mission Sunday. This year we are invited to reach out and help build the world's youngest Catholic Churches, as well as local churches throughout the Missions. Through the work of these church, and their witness to Christ, the poor receive practical help and experience God's love and mercy. His. hope and peace. Please keep the Mission in your daily prayers. Please give generously in the collection for the Society for the propagation of the Faith.

**ALL SOULS DAY**

All Souls Day is on **Wednesday, November 2nd**, envelopes are available in the vestibule of the church, and may be returned either in the collection or to the Rectory office so that your loved ones may be remembered in Mass Intentions on this traditional day of prayer for our beloved deceased. Also that day will begin a Novena of Masses for all those for whom we have been asked to remember.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR  
50<sup>TH</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY  
COUPLES**

*Edward & Margaret Klouda  
James & Nora Malloy  
Martin & Maeve Feeney  
James & Diane Gilmartin  
Felix & Laraine Laquidara*

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR  
25<sup>TH</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY  
COUPLES**

*John & Sherry Greene  
Mark & Donna Yanitelli  
Brian & Eileen Hayman  
John & Marjory Fox*

**BAPTISM CLASS**

The date for the next Baptism Class is: **November 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**The Baptism dates are ordinarily the first and third  
Sunday of the Month.**

**BAPTISM**

**The dates for our next Baptisms are: November 6<sup>th</sup> and November 20<sup>th</sup>.** We would ask you to please contact the rectory at (786-2742) before the date to make an appointment. We ask you to please attend the class a month prior to your child's Baptism in order to facilitate record keeping; and also to have, by the time the class is given, your child's Birth Certificate and Sponsor Certificates from the Parishes where the Sponsors themselves worship at the present time. We thank you for your help and cooperation and pray for the newborn children who will be Baptized in our Parish in these coming months.

**FOOD PANTRY NEWS**

The Food Pantry is starting to prepare 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.

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

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

**Our recently deceased:**

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, OCTOBER 15<sup>TH</sup>**

8:30 Virginia Schindele (req. by family)  
5:30 **Vigil For the People of the Parish**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16<sup>TH</sup>**

7:30 **Intention Available**  
9:30 Mark Stewart (req. by Bea & Marty Sasin)  
11:30 Mary Ann Keenan  
(req. by Carol Casey & Dean Markowitz)

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 17<sup>TH</sup>**

7:30 Joanne Boule (Mass of Deliverance  
(req. by Joanne Boule)  
8:30 Tim Murnane (req. by family)

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup>**

8:30 Carol Whalen  
(req. by Joseph & Cynthia Hastings)

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19<sup>TH</sup>**

7:30 Paul & Joan Spiteri (req. by family)  
8:30 Michael Fahy (req. by Marge Rogers)

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>**

8:30 Malachy Donohue  
(req. by Joseph & Madelaine Cavegn)

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup>**

7:30 John Kearney (req. by The Goggin Family)  
8:30 **Intention Available**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22<sup>ND</sup>**

8:30 Matthew McCune (req. by The Celenza Family)  
5:30 **Vigil** Louise Antonini (req. by family)

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23<sup>RD</sup>**

7:30 **For the People of the Parish**  
9:30 Dominick Donato (req. by family)  
11:30 Luis Augustin Reyes  
(req. by Miriam, Meja & Rosa Vazquez)

**MEN'S CLUB MEETING**  
**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup>**

The Men's Club meeting will be on Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:30 p.m. in Fr. Keenan Hall. We will be preparing for our fall roast beef dinner. All men of the parish are invited to attend. As always, bring a friend.

**MEN'S CLUB ANNUAL FALL**  
**ROAST BEEF DINNER**  
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup>**

The Men's Club Annual Fall Roast Beef Dinner will be held on **Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup>** in the school hall **after the 5:30 p.m. Mass.** We will be serving our expertly prepared Roast Beef, covered with our "world" famous gravy and delicious oven roasted potatoes, green beans, and dessert.

Cost: Adults - \$15. Seniors & Children over 12 - \$12

Children 6 - 12 \$6 For reservations, and to reserve a table **Call Tom Robinson 786-3005**

**PLEASE BRING A FOOD ITEM TO THE DINNER**  
**FOR OUR PARISH FOOD PANTRY**

**CYO BASKETBALL WILL HOST**  
**POCKETBOOK BINGO**  
**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>**  
**AT KIRKBRIDE HALL**

CYO will host Pocketbook Bingo at Kirkbride Hall **on Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>**. Admission is \$40.00, includes 10 games of Bingo 3 cards per game. For tickets or more information please call:

Kathy Hurley 821-0566

Jaimie Reilly 527-9999

**TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED BY OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup>. TICKETS WILL NOT BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.** Doors Open at 6:00 p.m. Bingo starts at 7:00 p.m. Please bring your own refreshments

**MIDNIGHT RUN**

There are two important announcements regarding the run. The schedule has changed. Our next run is Saturday, **November 26**. It is a night run that was previously scheduled for October 15. We will not be going on October 15 and apologize for any inconvenience. We will prepare for the run on Friday evening November 25 starting at 7 PM. For the Saturday run, we will meet at the Church Annex at 7:30 PM, and expect to leave for Manhattan at 8

PM. We should return between 1 and 2 AM the following morning.

As you have seen in the bulletin, two of our Girl Scouts have earned their Silver Award for the work they have completed in the run storage and donation room. Gabriella and Kiley have done an excellent project that organized the room and set up a process for accepting and sorting donations as they are made. We ask that all donations please be made during either the first or third week of each month and that no children's or women clothes be donated until further notice.

For any information about the run, or to participate in any way, please contact Deacon John or Jessica Sadowski 845 786 5759. Thank you.

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**NEWS OF INTEREST**

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**Christmas Craft Spectacular** – On Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, Saint Joseph Regional H. S., Montvale, NJ will be hosting its Christmas Craft Spectacular from 10 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., showcasing the talents of 100 crafts people and fine artists. The whole first floor will be used. Admission is \$2.00. Children and senior citizens (65+) are free. **NO STROLLERS PERMITTED.**  
[www.saintjosephregional.org](http://www.saintjosephregional.org)

**Iona College Rockland Graduate Center** – An MBA information Session will be held on Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at our campus located at 2 Blue Hill Plaza in Pearl River, New York. Please call (845) 620-1350 or register online at [ionaevents.org](http://ionaevents.org).

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

*James Manzione & Nicole Diaz (III)*

**YOUR SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

**Collection October 9, 2016 was: \$ 7,077**

**Collection October 10, 2015 was: \$ 7,036**

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