

Dear Friends in Christ,

“Exult, let them exult, the hosts of heaven, exult, let Angel ministers of God exult, let the trumpet of salvation sound aloud our mighty King’s triumph! Be glad, let earth be glad, as glory floods her, ablaze with light from her eternal King, let all corners of the earth be glad, knowing an end to gloom and darkness.”

Those words began the most glorious mass of the year in the Catholic Church. Christ indeed has risen, the gift of eternal life, not death, is ours. The darkness of sin has been broken by the light of glory. The cross, which we worshipped two days ago, has been glorified, no longer a symbol of death but one of hope. This is what we have fasted, prayed and reconciled for this Lent.

We want to shout out like Mary Magdalene in the gospel this morning. “HE HAS RISEN!” It is the joy of Christ’s resurrection that fills our hearts today. The empty, barren feeling many of us had because of our Lenten journey of fasting and self-sacrifice has been rewarded. Like the

emptiness of the tomb, there is no more death but life, life eternal.

On behalf of Deacon Phil Marino and Deacon John Sadowski and our Parish Staff, I wish to extend to all of you and your families a blessed Easter. May this Easter season be a time of joy and peace for all of us. May the promise of eternal life strengthen our resolve to be faithful imitators of the risen Christ.

A blessed Easter to you all,

- Rev. Herbert T. DeGaris



As of Friday, April 7th, our parish has pledged \$30,070.00. This amount comes from 132 individual gifts. This puts us at 56% of our goal of \$54,000.00.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

All Communion and Confirmation paperwork and fees are now due.

We are looking forward to our students returning for classes starting on April 18.

2nd grade: Please make sure that your calendar is marked for your mini-retreat on April 29th at 1:00 in our church.

Registration for the 2017-2018 Year

Religious Education Program will be determined shortly. Please watch the Bulletin for details.

ANNOUNCED MASSES

A beautiful way to remember someone on an anniversary, if they are ill, or if they have died. We do encourage you to consider having a mass offered for them. Many times we forget that Mass can also be offered for the living or on the occasion of a special moment in their life receiving a Sacrament (First Communion, Confirmation) when they are sick. These are called “Spiritual Bouquets” General offering for an announced parish mass is \$15.00 and \$20.00 on Sunday. **Intentions are available almost immediately.**

MOTHER'S DAY FOR BIRTHRIGHT

Mother's Day is Sunday, May 14th and our parish will have the opportunity to support those mothers who choose life for their babies by donating a new baby gift to Birthright. Any and all new baby items are most welcome, especially disposable diapers and baby wipes. This year we would also like to ask for donations of new packs of yarn that is used to make baby blankets. Our Girl Scouts will be helping out with this worthy drive. Please bring your unwrapped baby items to Mass and leave it in the boxes provided in the vestibule of the Stony Point church. If you prefer to make a donation checks should be made out to Birthright of Rockland. **We will be collecting these items for the month of May. Thank you for your support.**

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY
PANCAKE BREAKFAST
MAY 14TH

Our Hospitality Sunday will be held on Sunday, May 14th after the 9:30 Mass and 11:30 a.m.. The Midnight Run Ministry and the Stony Point Girl Scouts will be hosting a **Mother’s Day Pancake Breakfast. Breakfast will include Pancakes, Sausage, Bacon, pastries, juice, tea and coffee..** Please join us as we celebrate Mothers in our School Auditorium.

**MEN'S CLUB MEETING
FRIDAY APRIL 21ST**

8:30 P.M.

Men's Club Meeting, Friday, April 21st at 8:30 PM in Fr. Keenan Hall. The Club is looking for new members. We cannot continue doing all we do without new members. Please come up and see what we are about. I think you will be surprised. All men of the parish are invited to attend. As always, bring a friend.

**THANK YOU
FROM THE MEN'S CLUB**

The Men's Club would like to thank everyone who attended our Roast Beef Dinner. The Dinner was a great success. We hope everyone had a good time and plenty to eat. Once again. Thank You.

**AID TO THE CHURCH IN
CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE
SECOND COLLECTION**

APRIL 30TH

At the request of the Holy Father, Pope Francis, the Archdiocese of New York will take up a special Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe to support essential unmet pastoral needs in that sector of the Lord's vineyard formerly under Soviet control. Our assistance is vital to the growth and strength of the Church in these regions. **Please be generous in this week's second collection.**

BAPTISM CLASS

The dates for the next Baptism Classes are: **April 24th and May 22nd.** 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 dates for our next Baptisms are: **May 7th and May 21st.** 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.

***THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED
GENEROSITY***

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

All those who are ill at home, in the hospital and in nursing homes, especially: **Warren Sayre, Sr., Ed & Ann Hanus, William & Geraldine Neary, Judy Stroup, Billy Keenan, Michael Hayes.**

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, APRIL 15TH – Holy Saturday

9:00 Tenebrae

8:00 Vigil Lauren Bunyan Gould

(req. by The Hoffman Family)

SUNDAY, APRIL 16TH – Easter Sunday

7:30 Robert Reagan (req. family)

9:30 Walter Rose (req. by The Sullivan Family)

11:30 James Faherty III (req. by family)

MONDAY, APRIL 17TH

7:30 Nora Boyle (req. by Jim & Nan Normoyle)

8:30 Frank & Geraldine Hoyer (req. by Anne Hoyer)

TUESDAY, APRIL 18TH

8:30 Lina Giulio & Fina Trulli (req. by family)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19TH

7:30 Billy McGroarty (req. by Jim & Nan Normoyle)

8:30 Michael Costello

(req. by Debbie, Howard & Jennifer Annunziata)

THURSDAY, APRIL 20th

8:30 a.m. Michael Celenza Sr. (req. by family)

FRIDAY, APRIL 21st

7:30 Higinio Baez (req. by Joe & Norma Rodriguez)

8:30 Lydia Gavan (req. by Pat Gavan & Family)

SATURDAY, APRIL 22ND

8:30 Mimi Stefanese (req. by Daughter)

5:30 Anne & John Ryan (req. by family)

SUNDAY, APRIL 23RD

7:30 *For the People of the Parish*

9:30 Michael & Catherine Looby (req. by family)

11:30 Rita Quirk (req. by John & Judi Pidgeon)

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Prize</u>	<u>Ticket</u>	<u>Winner</u>
4/12	\$50	569	Alysia Frank
4/13	\$25	2336	Bridie Murray
4/14	\$100	1235	Michael Malone
4/15	\$50	181	A. Harm
4/16	\$25	2172	Nicole Talamini
4/17	\$25	100	Nancy Selesky
4/18	\$75	673	Gina Tirri

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
SUNDAY, APRIL 23RD
MARIAN SHRINE

Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated at the Marian Shrine, Stony Point on April 23rd from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Mass is at 10:00 a.m. Celebrant and homilist is Father Tom Ruckert. After lunch (a hot lunch is available for \$10.00), there will be a talk by Father Patenaude followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction. Please join us on this special day of praise and thanksgiving. For information call 548-6729.

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2017 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Sunday, June 11th at 2:00 p.m. Pre-registration is required. Please contact the Rectory for registration **The closing date to register for the Mass is Friday, May 12th, 2017.** This event is sponsored by the Family Life Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.

NEWS OF INTEREST

The Sisters of Saint Dominic of Blauvelt, NY – will be hosting the third annual Nun Run 5K Run/Walk at the St. Dominic Convent on May 13th to celebrate our third year; we will be launching the first ever Parish Cup Invitational. We hope to make this an annual tradition. The Check In will be at 8:00 a.m. and the Race will begin at 9:00 a.m. Hope to see you there!

Christian Lady – Available for Senior Care – Help with Personal Hygiene, Haircare including Haircuts, coloring styling. Healthy Meal Preparation, Household chores, Appointments, shopping, outings.

34 years experience Good references. Available Monday – Friday 10-2. Call Alice (845) 641-3223.

Albertus Magnus High School – will be celebrating their 60th Anniversary. A Mass and Reception to commemorate the occasion will be held at Albertus Magnus Gym on February 12th at 4:30 p.m. with a reception in the Rotunda immediately following Mass. A 60th Anniversary Gala will be held on April 28th at the Pearl River Hilton. Details and Registration are available on www.albertusmagnus.net, under ALUMNI, Special Events or by contacting the AM Development Office at 623-8842, extension 229.

H.A.N.D.S. – (Healing and Nurturing Distraught Survivors) sponsors a bereavement support group for parents who have lost a child. **All Groups meet from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at H.A.N.D.S. International Headquarters, 9 Scott Drive, New City, New York 10956. The meeting this month is April 18th. For more information call Ann 634-6706. Services are free of charge.**

H.A.N.D.S. has a Widows and Widowers Group facilitated by Ann Carucci, who lost her husband. These meetings are held every Monday evening at the H.A.N.D.S. International Headquarters, 9 Scott Drive, New City, New York 10956.

Adoption – Baby Girls in China need homes. Infants and toddlers available. Older parents welcome. For more information call Barbara Salvesen at 623-5277.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Nicholas Patrikis & Jennifer Anselmi (III)

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sunday Collection April 9, 2017 was: \$ 9,163
Sunday Collection April 11, 2016 was: \$ 7,557

*Please remember Immaculate Conception
In your will.*