



# Mass Intentions for the Week

## PARISH STAFF

School Principal  
Nan Gollogly. . . . . 962-2211  
C.C.D. Director  
Susan Wallace . . . . . 962-5586  
Faith Formation Director  
Deacon Michael DeVivo. . . . . 962-5050  
Parenting Education  
Eileen Murphy . . . . . 962-5050  
Music Ministry  
Kathey Lewis, Director . . . . . 962-5050  
Barbara Castrataro, Organist  
Youth Ministry  
Joanne Niece . . . . . 243-9562  
Facilities Manager  
Sal Greco . . . . . 962-5051  
Parish Secretary  
Dawn E. Granchelli . . . . . 962-5050

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday through Friday  
7:30 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. - New Church Chapel

## MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Monday - 7:30 P.M. - Stone Church

## NOCTURNAL ADORATION

Third Monday of the Month  
8:00 to 10:00 P.M. - New Church Chapel

## PRAYER GROUP

Thursday - 8:00 P.M. - Parish Center Meeting Room

## EARLY BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Tuesday - 6:00 P.M. - Parish Center Library

## PARISH COUNCIL

4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the Month - 8:15 P.M. - Parish Center

## ST. PATRICK'S LIBRARY

Parish Center  
Sunday 10:15 to 12:30  
Tuesday 9:30 to 11:00 A.M.

## THE TRINITY GIFT SHOP

Parish Center  
Weekdays - 9:30 to 12:00 noon  
Saturdays - 9:30 to 9:00 - 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.  
Sundays 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

## GABRIEL PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER

1500 Front St. - Suite D - Yorktown - 962-8337

\*\*\*\*\*

## COLLECTION FOR JANUARY 16, 2005

Tithing Last Year . . . . . \$17,084.00  
Tithing This Year . . . . . 23,901.00  
Children's Last Year . . . . . 205.00  
Children's This Year . . . . . 520.50

Thank you for making St. Patrick's a Tithing Parish.

**Monday** - January 24 - St. Francis de Sales  
6:55 Sobeida Rae Morena  
9:00 Elmer "Chots" Radcliffe  
**Tuesday** - January 25 - Conversion of St. Paul  
6:55 Msgr. Daniel Daley  
9:00 Oliva & Emil Goetz  
**Wednesday** - January 26 - Ss Timothy and Titus  
6:55 Robert Dunn  
9:00 Anita C. Benedetto  
**Thursday** - January 27 - St. Angela Merici  
6:55 Betty Starnella  
9:00 Philip Joseph Sclafani  
**Friday** - January 28 - St. Thomas Aquinas  
6:55 Vincenzo Bauco  
9:00 Dominick and Mary Donofrio  
**Saturday** - January 29  
9:00 Thomas Jay Parrell  
5:15 Josephine and Louis Mastropierro  
**Sunday** - January 30  
7:45 Deceased Members of the Grealish  
and Keegan Families  
9:00 Catherine Behan  
9:15 Caroline Burroni  
10:30 Gregory Brooks  
11:00 Jason Foley  
12:30 For the People of St. Patrick's  
5:00 Martin J. Walsh

## CELEBRANTS

**Saturday - January 29**

Fr. Jim

**Sunday - January 30**

7:45	Msgr. Brennan	11:00	Fr. Criscitelli
9:00	Fr. Smith	12:30	Fr. Herb
9:15	Msgr. Brennan	5:00	Fr. Jim
10:30	Fr. Smith		

**Confessions - Saturday**

Fr. Jim

## WEEKLY READINGS

**Monday:** Heb 9: 15, 24-28/Mk 3: 22-30  
**Tuesday:** Acts 22: 3-16 or 9: 1-22/Mk 16: 15-18  
**Wednesday:** 2 Tm 1: 1-8/Lk 10: 1-9  
**Thursday:** Heb 10: 19-25/Mk 4: 21-25  
**Friday:** Heb 10: 32-39/Mk 4: 26-34  
**Saturday:** Heb 11: 1-2, 8-19/Mk 4: 35-41  
**Sunday:** Zep 2: 3, 3-19-13/1 Cor 1: 26-31  
Mt 5: 1-12a

**! Weddings !**

Sunday - January 30, 2005

2:00 - Stone Church

**Lisa Grasso and Richard Mangini**

\*\*\*\*\*

**A NIGHT AT THE RACES!**

Beat the winter blahs!! St. Patrick's HSA is hosting a *Night at the Races* on Saturday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center. There is a \$5.00 admission charge which includes light refreshments. Advance registration is suggested. Book your baby sitter now! Plan to join us for a great night of fun! Please call 245-1872 for more information.

\*\*\*\*\*

**SDRC...**A support group for all **separated** and **divorced** people meets on the second and fourth Monday of each month in the Family Education Center from 7-8:30 p.m. Please join us on January 24<sup>th</sup> and experience a sense of belonging. You are not alone! Call Terry at 962-4303 or Pat at 245-8257 for more information.

\*\*\*\*\*



**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK** begins next Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup>. You are invited to join the friends and families of St. Patrick's School to celebrate the Liturgy at the 9:15 Mass that day. The celebration will continue after Mass in the

Parish Center with a Continental Breakfast. **Special "Sneak-Preview"** for Pre-K and Kindergarten families will be held at the school following the breakfast from 11-2:00. New families are invited to the Open House at the School on Monday or Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> or February 1<sup>st</sup> from 9-1:00. For in-school families, Open House will be on Wednesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Registration forms for next September (grades Pre-K through 8) may be obtained at the Open House. Registration will begin on Tuesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. For further information call the School at 962-2211.

\*\*\*\*\*

**CAPUCHIN YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRIES** is offering a "Spiritual Get-a-Way" for married couples on Saturday, February 5<sup>th</sup> from 10-3:00.; Registration fee of \$50 per couple includes hot lunch and materials. Please call 845-424-3609 for more information.

The Altar Bread and Wine and the Sanctuary Lamp used in the New Church this week were donated by friends in memory of:

**CAROL A. MALONEY**

The Altar Bread and Wine used in the Stone Church this week was donated by Jeanne & Hugh Lynch in memory of:

**RONALD F. CHALLMAN**

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Stone Church this week was donated by The Gentile Family in memory of:

**ELVIRA "VERA" GENTILE**

the Sanctuary lamp burning in the New Church Chapel this week was donated by Frank & Rosemarie Bulzacchelli in memory of:

**JOHN CURRAN**

**UNANNOUNCED MASS.....Deceased:** Jean Mante, Mary Farrell (5), May Sciortino, Theresa Marra, Robert L. Hartman, Joseph Ernest Daigle, George Vickers, Elizabeth Daly (2), Daisey Oates, Francis DelVecchio, Frances Powers, Margaret Schoomaker, Mary Germain, Domenica Riccio. **Special Intention:** Bernice Kelly, Carmella Laura, John & Marion Murphy, Marge McCarrick, Desmond C. Lawe, Sean Lynch, Tabatha Lawe, Tom & Mary Meehan, Larry Doucet, Barbara Stofk(2), Leo Rehfeld.

\*\*\*\*\*

**OVERNIGHT RETREAT FOR 7<sup>TH</sup> & 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS** will be offered at Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries in Garrison on Saturday, February 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 to Sunday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 3:00. Theme is "Let's Talk About Love - Tuning In To Relationships." Fee of \$65 includes room, meals and materials. For more information please call 845-424-3609 or contact them at [www.cyfm.org](http://www.cyfm.org).

\*\*\*\*\*

**ACADEMY OF OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL** in White Plains, an all-girls, private Catholic school, will host an Open House on Saturday, February 5<sup>th</sup> from 12-2:00. Please contact them at [gcadmissions@goodcounsel.pvt.k12.ny.us](mailto:gcadmissions@goodcounsel.pvt.k12.ny.us) or call 949-0178 for more information.



*Baptisms*  
January 16, 2005

**MIA DONGRAO...**

Daughter of Paul and Jane Brazeau

**MOLLY SUE...**

Daughter of Austin and Judith Decker

\*\*\*\*\*

**ST. PATRICK'S LIBRARY** will continue the video series of talks *Seek First the Kingdom* by popular TV personality Fr. Benedict Groeschel. This week Father speaks about two of the dynamisms, or energy systems, in a person's life: the desire to truly live and the desire to be happy. Father Groeschel also gives us insights into the spirituality of Mother Teresa, whom he knew for many years. Join us on Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, after the 9:00 Mass and Rosary.

\*\*\*\*\*

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING...** There will be a free introductory session on the Creighton Model of Natural Family Planning on February 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Loretto School in Cold Spring. This scientifically advanced method of NFP is 99.5% effective for avoiding pregnancy and helps couples conceive when they want to. They also offer new hope for couples with infertility - it's two to three times more effective than IVF. To register or for more information, please call Anna McFadden at 845-265-2385 or contact her at [anna@catholicculture.com](mailto:anna@catholicculture.com).

\*\*\*\*\*

**PROJECT IRAQ...** Last week, St. Patrick's School 8<sup>th</sup> graders worked with parishioners to pack over 500 lbs. of supplies donated for our troops in Iraq. Funding for postage (\$600.00) was split between the school's Student Council and a parish benefactor. Special thanks to the Yorktown Post Office staff who voluntarily worked 45 minutes beyond closing time to process the 25 boxes of donations. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

\*\*\*\*\*

**THE MONTFORT ACADEMY** (St. Mary's School in Katonah) will hold an Auction of Fine Art and Memorabilia on Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. Live auction, silent auction, raffle, and more. Preview is from 7-8:00 and the live auction at 8:00. Hors d'oeuvres, wine and cheese and other refreshments will be served. Please call 767-0325 for tickets and information.



**ST. PATRICK'S PARISH COUNCIL**

invites you and your family to a  
Spaghetti Dinner - With Entertainment!  
Msgr. Brennan's Wonderful World of Magic

Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup>.  
Dinner will follow in the Parish Center Hall  
immediately after the 5:15 Mass.

Cost is \$5.00 a person  
(\$20 per family maximum - children under 4 free)  
Includes spaghetti, meatballs, salad, bread,  
dessert, soda, water, coffee, tea.

Please return the tear-off below to the Rectory no  
later than January 31<sup>st</sup>.

For more information please call  
Adele at 962-8062 or Barbara at 962-7682.

---

**SPAGHETTI DINNER RESERVATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of people age five and over: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of children four years and under: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ (not to exceed \$20)

Would you be willing to volunteer to:

Set up \_\_\_\_\_ Clean up \_\_\_\_\_ Cook \_\_\_\_\_ Serve \_\_\_\_\_

## From the Pastor's Desk.....

### SOME THOUGHTS ABOUT ABORTION, COMPASSION AND HEALING

January 22<sup>nd</sup> marks the 33<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the infamous Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision which made abortion legal in every State of our nation. Since that time, over forty million children have been aborted in the womb or, in the heinous practice called "partial birth abortion," just before they are to be born. It is our hope that our nation is beginning to experience a moral rebirth which will lead to the reversal of Roe v. Wade and the restoration of the right for every child in the womb to be born.

Having said that, it is important for us to speak about the compassion and healing that the Church offers to those women who have had abortions and to the men who would have been the fathers of those children. To begin, while having an abortion is seriously sinful, the Church recognizes that many abortions are obtained under enormous stress. The mother's parents and friends can pressure her by emphasizing the radical change that can occur in their life if the child is brought to full term. The fear of abandonment by those closest to the pregnant woman can clearly influence her choice. The father can often, though not always, urge the abortion and even pay for it in an attempt to be delivered of the role he played in the conception for which he is also responsible. All of these mitigating circumstances can effectively diminish the woman's guilt and affect the degree of her responsibility. *In all cases, abortion can always be forgiven in sacramental Confession.*

Unfortunately, even after this forgiveness is sought and granted, many women continue to carry with them a heavy sense of guilt for what they have done. They know in their mind that they have been forgiven; they just find it difficult to forgive themselves. They feel that they are alone in their shame. They need to understand that prayer and trust in the constancy of God's mercy, granted readily in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, can help to diminish and then eradicate that awful sense of shame and guilt.

It is to that end that we must be very clear in speaking of abortions and those who have had them. We cannot accept the sin but we must always be ready to forgive the sinner simply because God is always compassionate toward those who seek His forgiveness. Therefore, we, who claim to be disciples of Jesus, must also be ready to forgive as He is and provide support, consolation and healing in whatever way we can.

To that end, the Sisters of Life, who lead our Respect Life Office in the archdiocese, are offering regular Days of Prayer and Healing for those suffering the effects of abortion on February 5<sup>th</sup>, April 9<sup>th</sup> and May 7<sup>th</sup>, as well as a Weekend Retreat April 15-17. These will be non-judgmental, compassionate and guided by God's constant love which he extends to all of us who are sinners. They will provide support, understanding and healing

Let me quote from two women who have taken advantage of these opportunities. One wrote, *"I experienced God's love and mercy in a very profound way. In my head I knew I was forgiven before this past weekend but on this retreat, for the first time, I felt it in my heart."* Another wrote, *"This weekend has meant much more than I thought it would. I didn't think I really needed much healing...but as usual, Our Lord knew better and paved the way for me to have this encounter with Him."*

The love of God for each of us is constant. Surely this is shown to all of us by His Crucifixion, Death and Resurrection, all of which were done for us sinners. I urge all those women and men who have participated in an abortion to take advantage of these wonderful opportunities to be healed.

For further information about these programs for healing, call the Sisters of Life at 718-325-9002. It's a call that could change your life.

411-St. Patrick's

