



Mass Intentions for the Week

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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

4th 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 noon - 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 FEBRUARY 20, 2005

Tithing Last Year \$26,964.00
Tithing This Year 23,790.00
Children's Last Year 386.00
Children's This Year 364.00

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

Monday - February 28

6:55 Gene Braddock
9:00 Catherine Duane
12:00 Dorothy Doucet

Tuesday - March 1

6:55 William Kilgallon
9:00 Diane G. Cabrielle
12:00 Carmine Aprea

Wednesday - March 2

6:55 Joan Cassidy
9:00 Camille Bonelli
12:00 Amelia Gasperino

Thursday - March 3 - St. Katherine Drexel

6:55 Jack Nicolais
9:00 Bobby Hunt
12:00 Joseph Donohue

Friday - March 4 - World Day of Prayer

6:55 Deceased Members of the Laudadio Family
9:00 Arthur Maddock
12:00 Lucy and Anthony Bonelli

Saturday - March 5

9:00 Florence Ellingworth
5:15 William Counihan

Sunday - March 6

7:45 Margaret Kersten
9:00 Barbara Hall
9:15 For the People of St. Patrick's
10:30 George Fleming
11:00 Richard Conkling
12:30 Teresa Gallo
5:00 Catherine Reilly

CELEBRANTS

Saturday - March 5

Fr. Herb

Sunday - March 6

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

Confessions - Saturday

Fr. Herb

WEEKLY READINGS

- Monday: 2Kgs 5: 1-5ab/Lk 4:24-30
- Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35
- Wednesday: Deut 4: 1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19
- Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23
- Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34
- Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Lk18:9-14
- Sunday: 1Sm 16:1b,6-7,10-13a/Eph 5:8-14/
Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1-6,13-17,34-38



Banns of Marriage

Christy Harford and Charles Ingalls

ST. PATRICK’S LIBRARY will continue the video series of talks *Seek First the Kingdom* by inspiring author and TV personality Fr. Benedict Groeschel. This week Fr. Groeschel will discuss the desire for life after death, a belief which most people in the world share. According to a study, 92% of American people believe that after death you stand before God to render an account of your service. Join us on Tuesday, March 1st, after the 9:00 Mass and Rosary for this enlightening talk.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK....The Peter’s Pence collection which will be taken next weekend is to support the charities of the Holy Father. With the funds realized in this collection, Pope John Paul II will be able to assist those most in need in every corner of the globe. Please be as generous as your means allow.

CATECHETICAL CLASSCCD is sponsoring a Catechetical level 1 class titled “Planning a Lesson” on Monday, February 28th from 7-9:00 p.m. in the Family Education Center and a Catechetical Level 2 class titled “Multi-Cultural Catechesis.” This class is scheduled to meet in the Education Center on four consecutive Wednesday evenings (3/2 to 3/23) from 7-9:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend and no pre-registration is required. Please call 962-05586 for more information.

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

ROSA BUCCIERO

The Altar Bread and Wine used in the Stone Church this week was donated by Michele Curran as:

**A SPECIAL INTENTION FOR
MARTIN & BERNADETTE CURRAN**

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Stone Church this week was donated by Rene DeGiovanni in loving memory of her husband:

REMO DE GIOVANNI

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the New Church Chapel this week was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lambert in memory of:

MAE MEADE

UNANNOUNCED MASS.....Deceased: Desmond C. Lawe (4), John Sorgi, Thomas Meehan (2), Jack McQuillan, John Razickas, James Monahan, Richard Bianco (3), Giovanni DeLuca (2), Sharon Driver (2), Harold Burnes, William H. Fox (2), Robert Lohman, Barbara Palmieri, Dorothy Bradley, Helen Lowe (3), Michael Tracy, Joseph Sullivan. **Special Intention:** Noreen O’Callaghan & Family, Richard Herrle, Claire Lee, Robert E. Lee, Jeremiah Dineen, Noelle & Matt Healy.

PARISH WEBSITE....Please review our Parish Website for updated information. You will find photos, news/events, Lenten workshop, past Bulletins and other items to assist you.

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR FAITH? We are offering five sessions on “The Catechism of the Catholic Church” presented by Fr. Frances Corry. Sessions will be held on Thursday evenings, April 7, 14, 18 and May 12, 26 from 7:30 to 9:00. To register for the sessions or for more information, please call Deacon Michael at the Rectory or e-mail devivo@stpatricks-yorktown.org. More information available on the flyers and at the website.

A SCHOOL MAINTENANCE PERSON is needed in our parish school. It is a full time position involving routine tasks with benefits, health plan, pension, flexible hours, beginning ASAP. If interested please call Sal Greco, Facilities Manager, at the Rectory.

ST. PATRICK'S WIDOW/WIDOWERS SUPPORT CLUB will meet on Tuesday evening, March 1st, at 7:30 in the Parish Center. For information please call 845-628-4279.

CIRCOLO DA VINCI ORGANIZATION invites you to their monthly dinner meeting at Miraggio's on Thursday evening, March 3rd, at 7:00. The featured speaker will be Frank Giuliano, RLA and winner of the NLD Award presented at the White House. He will be speaking on his life experiences as an Italian American in Georgia. Dinner is \$25 per person. Snow date is March 10. Please call Dorothy LaScala at 245-2316 for information.



BLOOD DRIVE....Our semi-annual Blood Drive, sponsored by the Yorktown Volunteer Ambulance Corp. and Hudson Valley Blood

Services, will take place in the Parish Center from 8:30 to 2:00 on Sunday, March 13. They are in hopes of reaching their goal of 100 donations. Donors must be between the ages of 17 and 75, weigh at least 110 lbs., not have donated blood within the last 56 days, know their social security number, and have a picture I.D. Please consider giving this gift of life - it's painless and takes less than an hour of your time.

HEALING MASS will be celebrated at Holy Rosary Church in Hawthorne on Monday, March 7th at 8:00 p.m. Fr. Dan Davies, O.P. will be the celebrant. Please call 769-4067 for information or directions.

THE DEATH OF A CHILD....On Saturday, April 16 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Gregory Floyd, author of *A Grief Unveiled - One Father's Journey Through the Death of a Child* and his wife, Maureen, will share their experience of faith and healing after the death of their son. The day will include presentations, music and Mass celebrated by Fr. Andrew Apostoli, CFR, at St. John the Baptist in Yonkers. A \$10 donation is suggested and lunch is provided. For more information please call 212-371-1011 ext. 3187.



YORKTOWN HELP continues their food drive for the Easter Baskets going to needy families in our community. This week they are requesting donations of canned

fruits, vegetables, peanut butter, jelly/jam. Donations of these items, and any other non-perishable items, may be left in the vestibule of the Church throughout the week. We thank you for your continued support of this important community ministry

EARN (Employment Assistance & Resource Network) will host its monthly meeting this Thursday night, March 3rd, starting at 7:45 in the Parish Center. Expect to gain valuable insights into job search issues from our guest speaker, learn about job leads and area seminars and to network. All are welcome.

POST ABORTION DAY OF PRAYER AND HEALING FOR MEN will be held on March 19th at the Trinity Retreat House in Larchmont. The Franciscan Friars of the Renewal will host this one day retreat for men who are suffering from a past abortion. For information and confidential reservation please call Lumina - Hope and Healing After Abortion at 877-586-4621.

SOMERS PARKS & RECREATION will be holding registration for summer day camp and tot time camp beginning Monday, March 21st from 5-7:00 p.m. at Somers High School cafeteria. Please call the Recreation office at 232-8441 for more information.

GOOD NEWS FOR WOMEN...What new science of women's health care is 2-3 times more effective than IVF at helping infertile couples? 79% effective at helping women have successful pregnancies after repeated miscarriages? 95% effective at treating PMS? Is a more effective and satisfying method of family planning that "the pill"? NaPro Technology! For more information on NaPro attend a free seminar on Wednesday, March 9th at 7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Loretto School in Cold Spring. Please call 845-265-2385 for more information or to register.

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 February 28th and experience a sense of belonging. You are not alone! Call Terry at 962-4303 or Pat at 245-8257 for more information.

From the desk of Fr. Herb.....

JOURNIES ARE GOOD

I enjoy journeys, especially when I travel. There is something about venturing out and even if there is a plan for the journey, anticipating at times with some anxiety, if the plans I make turn out the way I want or if a wrench was thrown into it. For the most part, my journeys have been successful, at times where the plans didn't go my way, the journey turned out even better than I would ever had expected.

Last Monday, I journeyed back to my home parish for a sad occasion. A wonderful person, a man I had come to admire and respect passed away suddenly and I returned to my stomping grounds in the Bronx for his funeral. Ronald was for the past twenty four years the one maintenance man for my home parish. He began working there the summer after my first year of high school, and I had a summer job that dealt mostly with mowing the yard, cleaning up the grounds and painting or what ever else needed to be done in the school to make it ready for the new year in September.

The funeral, although sad, was also a time to recall the gift of this man and his kindness to the parish over the years. Although he had set hours of work, there were many times he would be there before and stayed long after his hours were up on any giving day. Meanwhile, my summer job there, I could remember keeping my eye on the clock so I could get home and have some fun with friends until I had to be back at work the next day.

There was always a smile on his face especially with the constant "Ron, could you take a moment and look at this", or "Ron one of the windows in the eight grade is broken". No matter what was asked of him he did it.

Listening to the homily at Ron's funeral, the pastor gave a wonderful aspect of Ron's faith and love for the Church and especially the school children being that his office was in the school.

Ron's life was a journey of faith, and in that faith filled journey he brought out the person of Jesus in his constant giving of himself. Knowing him, his wife and seven children over the years, not only was that example shown at work to the staff and parishioners, but I am certain even more so to his family.

Ron's journey last week came to an end. I truly believe he is receiving his reward with the gift of eternal life. I also realize that my journey, that OUR journey continues. This journey of faith, of discipleship in Jesus Christ, a journey more important and meaningful than any journey taken. We continue this journey especially in this season of Lent truly centering our lives on what Christ is doing for us in the desert.

This journey that we are now on together is our time of to make ourselves ready for the glory of Easter. This season of self denial, sacrifice, fasting and abstinence and reconciliation, that we all began a few weeks ago will truly prepare and make us ready and worthy of celebrating the joy of Easter. Not by counting the days like I did watching the clock those summer days, but truly submerging ourselves in his season of grace.

On one of his journeys, Jesus came to a town in Samaria and met a woman at the well. The gospel today tells us what happened with that woman just from a few minutes of conversing with Christ. Jesus, speaks to us each and every day, like the woman at the well, we yearn for that same water that will never thirst again. As we continue on our journey of faith, one day that gift will be ours.

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