



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 27, 2005

Tithing Last Year \$27,1723.87
Tithing This Year 28,016.50
Children's Last Year 385.00
Children's This Year 514.50
Thank you for making St. Patrick's a Tithing Parish.

Monday - March 7 - Sts Perpetua and Felicity

6:55 John Burns
9:00 Mary Bauccio
12:00 Marie Iodice

Tuesday - March 8 - St. John of God

6:55 Gilda and Eugene McCormack
9:00 Mary McKenna
12:00 Marie J. Iodice

Wednesday - March 9 - St. Frances of Rome

6:55 Joan Cassidy
9:00 Dominick Mastroddi
12:00 Joan Papa

Thursday - March 10

6:55 Edward L. Kane
9:00 Arthur and Neil Maddock
12:00 Loretta Gagliardi

Friday - March 11

6:55 Frank Iovieno
9:00 Jack V. Nicolais, Jr.
12:00 Anna Criscitelli

Saturday - March 12

9:00 Norman Leo Brennan
5:15 Palma Ferri

Sunday - March 13

7:45 Deceased Members Manzella and
and Ruggerio Families
9:00 Richard Seaboldt
9:15 Margaret Tesoriero
10:30 Claudia and Thomas Hudson
11:00 For the People of St. Patrick's
12:30 Leonora and William Bonelli
5:00 Helen Ward

CELEBRANTS

Saturday - March 12

Fr. Jim

Sunday - March 13

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

Confessions - Saturday

Fr. Jim



Christy Harford and Charles Ingall

! Weddings !

Saturday - March 12, 2005

5:00 - Stone Church

Nicole Cummaro and Jason Klopotoski

PLAN TO JOIN US....More than 1000 Catholics from across NYS will meet in Albany for the 2005 Public Policy Day on Tuesday, March 8th. Cardinal Egan, bishops and priests will be celebrating Mass and welcoming us. The Keynote speaker is Detective Steven MacDonald, who was shot and paralyzed while on duty. He gives uplifting talks and will speak on moral issues of our Catholic Faith. Some topics on the agenda will be abortion, parental consent, stem cell research and health care. We will have a bus leaving from the parking lot at 6:45 a.m. and will return approximately 6:00 p.m. There is no bus charge. Please call the Rectory to reserve your seat. For more information please call Maria at 962-1815.

ST. PATRICK'S LIBRARY has added eight animated children's videos, beautifully portraying the life of Jesus. This brings to 134 the number of entertaining, educational and inspiring tapes for children. Why settle for what TV has to offer? Come in this week and choose from our wide and varied collection.

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.

The Altar Bread and Wine used in the New Church this week was donated by The Androsko Family in memory of:
WALTER ANDROSKO, JR.
The Altar Bread and Wine used in the Stone Church this week was donated by Arthur Sciubba in memory of:
MICHAEL NICOSIA, SR.
The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the New Church this week was donated by friends in memory of:
ESTHER COLANTUONO
The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Stone Church this week was donated by Sue and Joe Rella in memory of:
MARJORIE CRONIN
The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the New Church Chapel this week was donated by friends in memory of:
ROBERT NEWCOMER

UNANNOUNCED MASS.....Deceased: Pat J. Federico, Maryann & Jim Murray, Bea & Jini Cororan, Nora & Thomas Holleran, Catherine Walsh, Frances Carrozza, Beatrice Gleason, Lena Poellot, Marian Francois, Therese Ghazel, Jack McQuillan, Desmond C. Lawe, Bernadette Donohue, Clementina Ribeiro, Martha Corrado, Arthur Sichling, Bill Roethal, Vincent Caporale, Mae Higgins, John Cosgrove (4), Vincent Carpenter, Daniel J. Scwoletto.
Special Intention: Family of Michael Arciola, Jim Curran.

"PASSION OF THE CHRIST".... This movie will be shown in our Family Education Center on the evening of Palm Sunday, March 20th, beginning at 7:00. Please note this movie is rated "R". Plan to join us and invite your family, friends and neighbors! Seating is limited to 80 people so please contact Deacon Michael at the Rectory if you plan to attend.

ST. PATRICK'S LIBRARY... The Tuesday morning Film Festival will continue the video series of talks Seek First the Kingdom by inspiring author and TV personality Fr. Benedict Groeschel. Join us on Tuesday, March 8th, after the 9:00 Mass and Rosary.

WEEKLY READINGS

- Monday:** Is 65: 17-21/Jn 4: 43-54
- Tuesday:** Ez 47: 1-9, 12/Jn 5: 1-16
- Wednesday:** Is 49: 8-15/Jn 5: 1-16
- Thursday:** Ez 32: 7-14/Jn 5: 31-47
- Friday:** Wis 2: 1a, 12-22/Jn 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30
- Saturday:** Jer 11: 18-20/Jn 7: 40-53
- Sunday:** Ez 37: 10-14/Rom 8: 8-11/Jn 11: 1-45
or Jn 11: 3-7, 14, 20-27, 33b-45

IMPORTANT NOTICE...Anyone who deeds to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York, is asked to contact Msgr. Desmond O'Connor at 212-371-1000 ext. 2931 or Sister Eileen Clifford at ext. 2949. Both may also be reached via e-mail at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, <http://www.ny-archdiocese.org>. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

YORKTOWN HELP continues their food drive for the Easter Baskets going to needy families in our community. This week they are requesting donations of paper products such as napkins, paper towels, tissues, and toilet paper.



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

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES...Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary any time during 2005 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Egan at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, April 10th, at 2:00. **Pre-registration is required no later than Tuesday, March 29th.** Call the Rectory for reservations.

ST. PATRICK'S SHARING COMMUNITY invites you to share in the celebration of their Fourth Anniversary by attending a Mass celebrated by Fr. Duffell (co-founder of the Yonkers Sharing Community) and Msgr. Brennan at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, March 7th at the Stone Church. All are welcome to learn more about our ministry. Refreshments will be served in the Lower Church.



WE NEED A SACRISTAN!

Scott Bernitt, who has served so well as one of our sacristans for several years, is moving on and we need someone to replace him. The position calls for opening both churches on Saturday morning at 8:30, setting up and being present for the 9:00 a.m. and 5:15 p.m. Masses on Saturday and being available during Saturday for any scheduled weddings or funerals. It also includes doing the set-ups in the Stone Church on Sunday morning for the 9:00 and 10:30 Masses and then helping out at the 12:30 Mass in the New Church. It is not difficult work but requires someone who is dependable, punctual and can see a need and respond to it quickly. To achieve a smooth transition, it would help if this person is available soon to assist with the Holy Week liturgies. The salary is negotiable depending on age and experience. If interested, please call Msgr. Brennan.

DON'T FORGET! OUR SEMI-ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE



sponsored by the Yorktown Volunteer Ambulance Corp. and Hudson Valley Blood Services, will be held **NEXT SUNDAY,**

MARCH 13TH, in the Parish Center from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 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.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE AND DINNER DANCE

in Mt. Kisco will be held on March 12th. The parade begins at 2:00 on Main Street and the Dinner Dance is 7:00 at the American Legion. \$35 per person includes hot food, beer, wine, soda, music, dancing and entertainment. Contact Dan Hickey at 536-9991 for information.

VOICE OF THE FAITHFUL will have a meeting on Wednesday, March 16th at 7:30 p.m. at St. Ann's Church in Ossining. All are welcome. Please call 941-4686 or 941-6286 for more information.

From the Pastor's Desk.....

WE HAVE QUESTIONS AND WE HAVE ANSWERS

May we have a clarification, please? Some confusion has developed concerning the proper posture for the congregation during the celebrant's invitation to "Pray, brothers and sisters..." and the people's response to it. The correct posture of the congregation is to sit during the priest's invitation, "Pray, brothers and sisters..." and then to *stand when they begin their response*, "May the Lord accept..." The reason for this change is that the traditional posture for responses in the liturgy is standing. This is an ancient posture in the Church assumed during the response to an invitation by the priest celebrant. It signifies the readiness of mind and heart on the part of those present to engage in the action requested in the invitation.

Was there really a movie about the Passion of Christ? A recent article in a local paper stated that this year's Academy Awards celebration will lack a blockbuster movie this year. What a strange statement in light of the fact that "The Passion of the Christ" broke all box office records for a film in its first week and throughout the time of its showing. I wonder what they consider a "blockbuster". Could it be that the total ignoring of this landmark film by ALL the award shows indicates a definite anti-Christian sentiment in the film industry? Duh!

How about an anti-God attitude? There are those who deny such a sentiment among our lawmakers. Then how do they account for the continuing attempts to have the Ten Commandments erased from our public viewing? (Will they paint out those that are sculpted over the heads of the judges of the Supreme Court?) And what about those individual judges who are now assuming the role of law makers (a *legislative* function, not a judicial one) by upholding same-sex marriage (which is contrary to the natural law) while labeling partial-birth abortion unconstitutional even though the Congress and the President voted it into law? Can we have some consistency, please? And next "holiday" season,

will we have to campaign not just to keep Christ in Christmas but to keep *Christmas* in Christmas?

Distinction? What distinction? When will the media start making a distinction between Embryonic stem cell research and Adult stem cell research? The first is opposed by the Church for two reasons: because it causes the death of a living person (the embryo) and because there is no proof whatsoever of it providing any help in curing any illness. Adult stem cell research is approved because it involves cells usually taken from the sick person him/herself and this process has been shown to assist in providing a cure for that person. So this is just one more attempt by those who are pro-death to turn back the growing realization among increasingly large numbers of people that abortion *does* take a human life.

Where is the reality in the Reality Shows? There are now over a hundred "reality shows" on TV and one has to wonder where is the "reality" in them? I always thought that reality was what went on in one's everyday life. Instead we are blitzed with show after show that puts people into the most unreal, bizarre, death-defying, revolting and dehumanizing situations leading to shame, embarrassment and instant dismissal for those who lose but a large money prize for the "winner". Once again, money becomes the only goal worth pursuing. For a truly REAL "reality show", try watching "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition" and witness the joy that is given to a truly deserving family by a team of professionals who work *together*, not *against* one another, to bring real joy, not only to the family but to themselves. This is the reality that Jesus calls us to because it teaches that the only true joy in life is in doing for others, especially for those who have less.

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