



Mass Intentions For the Week

Monday - April 18

6:55 Carol A. Maloney
9:00 Ann DeCarlo

Tuesday - April 19

6:55 Richard G. Ryan, Jr.
9:00 William A. Bondi

Wednesday - April 20

6:55 Attilio and Rosaria DelGrasso
9:00 Dominick and Mary Donofrio

Thursday - April 21

6:55 Carol A. Maloney
9:00 Joseph Tortorella

Friday - April 22

6:55 Sebastian Dumser
9:00 Aloysius and Walter Vail

Saturday - April 23 - St. George

9:00 John J. Duane
5:15 Alois and Tessie Heindl

Sunday - April 24

7:45 Sobeida Rae Moreno
9:00 Joseph Ceci
9:15 Andrew Guckian
10:30 Joseph DeLeo
11:00 For the People of St. Patrick's
12:30 Michael and Helen Radino
5:00 Deceased Members of the Vorel, Black
and Salerno Families

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

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 APRIL 10, 2005

Tithing Last Year (Easter) \$44,826.91
Tithing This Year
Children's Last Year 944.00
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Thank you for making St. Patrick's a Tithing Parish.

CELEBRANTS

Saturday - April 23

Msgr. Brennan

Sunday - April 24

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

Confessions - Saturday

Msgr. Brennan



Anita Tsen and Jin Pyun

ULTREYA...Join us on Wednesday, April 20th, at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center Meeting Room for witness - and remember the sharing table. Reminder that there is a Women's Cursillo Weekend April 28th to May 1st. For more information please call Barbara at 245-5494.

CHILD AND ADOLESCENT OBESITY...The Health and Fitness Committee of the Yorktown Chamber of Commerce invites you to attend a seminar on Wednesday, April 20th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Sylvan Learning Center (Triangle Center). Presenter Christine L. Williams, MD will discuss the prevalence of obesity in children and their risk of developing high blood pressure, high cholesterol, and diabetes, all of which significantly increase the later risk of heart attack and stroke. For more information, please call 245-4599 or e-mail at staff@yorktownchamber.org.

"COULD YOU NOT SPEND ONE HOUR WITH ME?" The Nocturnal Adoration Society invites you - and a friend - to join them for an hour in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday night, April 18th, from either 8-9:00 or 9-10:00 in the New Church Chapel. Please call 245-7165 for information.

JOIN IN THE WORLDWIDE MISSION OF JESUS...Next weekend you are invited to take part in the worldwide mission of Jesus by your special commitment of prayer and sacrifice through the Propagation of the Faith. A guest speaker will be at all the Masses to enlighten you on the works of the missionary Priests and Sisters. "Our faith in Christ opens our eyes to see beyond our own parish community to the life of the universal Church and the needs of the world around us." - Pope John Paul II.

ST. PATRICK'S SENIORS will meet on April 19th at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Center Hall. Our guest speaker will be Mrs. Darene Thompson speaking on the Blue Cross Senior Plan. Refreshments will be served. Please call 245-6741 for information

The Altar Bread and Wine used in the New Church this week was donated by The Yorktown Senior Citizen Club 2 in memory of:
ADELINE DA RONCO-DA RIN
The Altar Bread and Wine and the Sanctuary Lamp used in the Stone Church this week were donated by William Puiatti and Mr. & Mrs. Philip Aversano in memory of:
STANLEY OLSZEWSKI
The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the New Church this week was donated by the Androsko Family in memory of:
WALTER ANDROSKO, JR.
The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the New Church Chapel this week was donated by The Pizzuco Family in memory of:
DESMOND C. LAWE

UNANNOUNCED MASS.....Deceased: Robert Townsend, Bernard Mullery, Steven Piccolo, Jack McQuillan, Joe McGill, Goerge Pilla (2), Adeline DaRonco-DaRin (2), Teresa Mueller, Barbara Milliken, Geraldine Shanley, Maria Miano, Celso Cassinelli, Teresa A. Doyle, Michael McDonnell.

WEEKLY READINGS

- Monday:** Acts 11: 1-18/Jn 10: 11-18
- Tuesday:** Acts 11: 19-26/Jn 10: 22-30
- Wednesday:** Acts 12: 24-13, 5a/Jn 12: 44-50
- Thursday:** Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13: 16-20
- Friday:** Acts 13: 16-33/Jn 14: 1-6
- Saturday:** Acts 13: 44-52/Jn 14: 7-14
- Sunday:** Acts 6: 1-7/1 Pt 2: 4-9/Jn 14: 1-12

A MOZART PORTRAIT presented by a 30 piece orchestra, 50 voice chorus, vocal and piano soloists , under the direction of Hugh Berberich, will be at St. John's in Mahopac on Friday, April 29th at 8:00 for a Candlelight Concert. Tickets are \$15. Please call 845-628-2006 for information.



Baptisms

April 10, 2005

MICHAEL EDWARD...

Son of Michael and Lisa Aquilino

NICOLE ELIZABETH...

Daughter of Mark and Christine Boccia

ALEKSANDRA KAYLA...

Daughter of Brian and Antonela Goc

AVA MARIE...

Daughter of Jerald and Brenna Kaplan

DELANEY JOANN...

Daughter of Steven and Christine McKeown

ANGELA LEA...

Daughter of Michael and Gina Marconi

VANESSA ALEXA...

Daughter of Cesar and Hilda Sedano

JULIANA CHRISTINE...

Daughter of Kevin and Janet Seaboldt

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Because we are experiencing a steady increase in the number of people attending Mass each Sunday, we are going to make a change in our Mass schedule to allow more time between the last two morning Masses in the New Church. Beginning on the first Sunday of May, the last Mass on Sunday morning will be at **12:45** instead of 12:30. This will allow more time for those who attend the 11:00 Mass to leave the parking lot and more time for those coming to the 12:45 Mass to enter. We will try this schedule for May and June and then decide whether to make it permanent. The Sunday Mass schedule at the New Church will be 7:45, 9:15, 11:00, **12:45** and 5:00. The Stone Church remains the same at 9:00 and 10:30.

ARCHBISHOP STEPINAC HS in White Plains will host the annual Hall of Fame Dinner on Wednesday, May 4th, at 6:00 at the VIP Country Club in New Rochelle. This year's inductees will be Philip Amicone '67, Frank Henderson '81, and Msgr. Joseph C. Krug (posthumously), Founding Principal of Stepinac who served from 1951 to 1957. The Cardinal O'Connor Service Award will be presented to Allan J. Gruet for his extraordinary service to the young men of Stepinac. Tickets are \$150 each. For more information or reservations please call 686-4795.



WE'RE #1! St. Patrick's School was awarded the 1st Place trophy in the Parochial School Division of the St. Patrick's Day parade in Mahopac. Congratulations to all who participated! We would also like to congratulate the girl's Varsity Basketball team who won 1st Place in the St. Bartholomew's tournament. Both trophies are on display at the School office.

A CLUSTER PRAYER MEETING will be held at St. Patrick's Parish Center on Thursday, April 28th at 7:45 p.m. Join us for joyful song, fervent prayer, Scripture readings and sharing what God is doing in our lives. Fr. Bill Cosgrove will speak on "The Spirituality and Culture of Pentecost." All are welcome - and bring a friend! For further information please call 737-4286.

SPRING FESTIVAL...The Franciscan Sisters of Peekskill are holding their annual Spring Festival on Saturday, April 30, from 10-4:00 at the motherhouse in Peekskill (250 South Street). Bring the whole family to this yearly festival for the benefit of the elderly and infirm Sisters. For more information or directions please call Mount St. Francis at 737-3373.

SINCEREST THANKS....Nonnie C. Braddock, Administrator for Beaver Farm Retreat and Conference Center, has written to thank all who contributed to the Holy Thursday collection. She says in part: "...On Holy Thursday you provided a resurrection of sorts - the renewal of hope for some of our needy neighbors. Your generous donation of \$2,641 will supply food and necessities and bring with those gifts a sign of your Christian commitment to the poor and tangible proof of your caring. During this most holy of seasons, may you and all those you love, bask in the joy of our Resurrected Savior as you share the benefits of His unending love."

LOST & FOUND....Found in the New Church: Ladies watch and a school ring. Please call the Rectory.

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From the Pastor's Desk.....

THE POPE: CONSERVATIVE? NO. PROGRESSIVE? NO. ORTHODOX? YES!

Today's media loves to use labels when describing political or religious leaders. In current favor are the two labels that serve to divide and categorize people as "conservative" and "progressive." To begin with, these are two terms that arise from a society in which many leaders base their decisions on principles that are relative, i.e., can be changed to suit the situation. An obvious example is the concept of being "politically correct" which, in the minds of some, has moved from being a principle of action to a virtue to be extolled. If virtue is based on truth, and it is, then being politically correct is no virtue for it is operative only in the minds of those who are more concerned about what people will think of a decision than on whether the decision advances the cause of truth. Jesus was never "politically correct;" He always spoke the *absolute* truth and so must His Church.

By St. Paul's definition, the Church is the Mystical Body of Christ on earth and, therefore, the voice of God in this world just as Jesus described it to His Apostles: "He who hears you hears me." (Luke 10:16) As the Vicar of Christ on earth, the Holy Father, no matter who he is, has as his primary responsibility to put forth the teachings of the Church, that is, the teachings of Jesus, to the world. Therefore, the Pope is bound by his office to continue the teaching that the Church has presented to the world no matter what some people might prefer. He is not free to change it any more than we can believe that God, who is the source of all truth, will, from time to time, "change His mind" and reverse or modify one or more of His revealed truths. History shows that people's morals change. However, *morality*, i.e., the code of conduct revealed to us by God in the Commandments and through the Magisterium (traditional teaching) of the Church does *not* change. The Scriptures and Tradition are equally the sources of our teaching, not just the Scriptures, as is the case for Protestants who believe that each individual has the authority to interpret the Scriptures.

In light of this teaching, then, the Holy Father can be described as neither "conservative" or

"progressive." He is, as all popes are called to be, *orthodox*, that is, he is to teach what the Church teaches. Too many Catholics think that "the Church better catch up with today's society." I can assure you that it's not going to happen nor should we *want* it to happen. Today's society - at least in America - wants everything to be easy, pleasurable and free of responsibility, in short, "liberal", but what has this "liberal" society actually produced? "Freedom of choice" (the alleged "right" of women to choose to kill their children in the womb), "Death with dignity" (euthanasia or hastening the death of someone before God calls them to eternity), "Gay Lifestyle" (homosexual activity), "Capital punishment as justice" (the vindictive ending of one's life before God calls them), "Cohabitation before marriage" (probably the primary reason why 40% of American marriages end in divorce) along with "sexual freedom" (often resulting in marital infidelity, HIV/AIDS, and other sexually transmitted diseases, as well as the break-up of marriages), "Same sex marriage" (which no judge or court can authentically establish since marriage is *God's* creation, not theirs), "Consumerism" (which makes the possession of things more important than personal development), "humanism" (which makes the human person the center of creation instead of God) and "radical individualism" (which attributes to individuals the "right" to decide about those matter which God has already decided).

These are the results of our "liberal" or "progressive" society, one which, when viewed in its totality, is on the road to self-destruction. They are clearly negative influences which lead to decisions that are contrary to the will of God. Therefore, they have no place in the Catholic Church unless we want it to become something other than the Church that Jesus Christ founded. So let's not think that the next Pope will be "liberal" or "conservative." He will be orthodox. Let's just pray that the Holy Spirit will guide the Cardinals to select the Pope that God wants and daily give thanks that we are members of the one true church of Christ. Next to life itself, it is our greatest gift.

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