



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 OCTOBER 9, 2005

Tithing Last Year \$24,603.00
Tithing This Year 23,902.50
Children's Last Year 342.00
Children's This Year 492.50

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

Monday - October 17 - St. Ignatius of Antioch

6:55 Rose DeFalco

9:00 Bu Pen

Tuesday - October 18 - St. Luke

6:55 Charles L. Wallace

9:00 Madeline Ponticello

Wednesday - October 19 - St. John de Brebeuf

6:55 Michael Howe

9:00 Oliva and Emil Goetz

Thursday - October 20 - St. Paul of the Cross

6:55 Maria DeVivo

9:00 Attilio and Rosaria DelGrasso

Friday - October 21

6:55 Alfred Fitzgerald

9:00 Philip Joseph Sclafani

Saturday - October 22

9:00 Dominick and Mary Donofrio

5:15 In Honor of St. Jude and St. Peregrine

Sunday - October 23

7:45 Bernadette Peters

9:00 Sobeida Rae Moreno

9:15 For the People of St. Patrick's

10:30 Joseph DeLeo

11:00 Gaetano Gentile

12:30 Asuncion Maceiras

5:00 Edward Kane

CELEBRANTS

Saturday - October 22

Fr. Jim

Sunday - October 23

7:45 Fr. Martin 11:00 Fr. Herb

9:00 Fr. Bisignano 12:30 Fr. Herb

9:15 Fr. Martin 5:00 Fr. Jim

10:30 Fr. Bisignano

Confessions - Saturday

Fr. Jim

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Rom 4: 20-25/Lk 12: 13-21

Tuesday: 2 Tm 4: 10-17b/Lk 10: 1-9

Wednesday: Rom 6: 12-18/Lk 12: 39-48

Thursday: Rom 6: 19-23/Lk 12: 49-53

Friday: Rom 7: 18-25a/Lk 19: 54-59

Saturday: Rom 8: 1-11/Lk 13: 1-9

Sunday: Ex 22: 20-26/1 Thes 1: 5c-10/Mt 22: 34-40



Crystal Cote and Steve McIntosh

Weddings

Saturday - October 22, 2005

11:00 - Stone Church

Erica Fennelly and Jake Steinmann

3:00 - Stone Church

Crystal Cote and Steve McIntosh

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY...The Church will be celebrating World Mission Sunday next weekend to remind us of our obligation to pray for missionaries across the globe and to support their endeavors generously. The success of our Missions depends on each and every one of us. Please be as generous as your means allow for our second collection next weekend and continue to pray for the missionary activities.

SENIORS - YOU'RE INVITED!



The 5th Grade class of St. Patrick's School will host their Annual Senior Citizen Tea this Wednesday, October 19th, from 12-1:30 in the School Auditorium. Plan to be there! Please call the school at 962-2211 for more information.

PRE-NATAL BLESSING...



To honor women who are pregnant and ask God's blessing for a safe delivery, parents expecting birth or adoption and their families and friends are invited to attend the 12:30 Mass on Sunday, October 30th. Each mother-to-be receives a hands-on blessing along with a blessed medal. A brief reception in the Parish Center follows the Mass and all are invited. Please **register in advance** by calling Eileen Murphy at the Rectory by the previous Friday. Please leave your name, phone number and the number of people attending.

The Altar Bread and Wine used in the New Church this week was donated by The Guerci Family in loving memory of:

LOUIS GUERCI

The Altar Bread and Wine used in the Stone Church this week was donated by Victor & Veronica Granchelli in memory of:

ROBERT RAPHAEL, JR.

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the New Church this week was donated by Marie Sclafani in loving memory of her son:

PHILIP JOSEPH SCLAFANI

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

FRANK ZUPCAK

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the New Church Chapel this week was donated by friends in memory of:

ROBERT BRENNAN

UNANNOUNCED MASS.....Deceased: Jack McQuillan, Elaine Nimtz, Paul Mozeleski (2) Ed Spurvey (2), Irene Grandfield, Gail Arco, John Mulherne, Philomena Vertucci, Margaret Bernashina, Kaare Numme, Sr., Martin Voelkel, Larissa Vassari, Clara Coschigano, Angus Douglass, Luigi Esposito, Clara Palma, Joseph Starr, Robert Lynca (2). **Special Intention:** Giovanna Cavasotto, The Kellerman Family.

ALL SOULS NOVENA...If you would like to remember your deceased loved ones in a Novena of Masses to begin on Wednesday, November 3rd, please complete the remembrance envelope in your monthly packet and return it to the Rectory by November 1st. If you do not receive monthly envelopes there are additional envelopes available in the Church vestibule.

ALL SOULS DAY MASS...In addition to our normal weekday Masses of 6:55 and 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 2nd, we will be offering a 7:30 p.m. Mass in remembrance of our deceased loved ones for those parishioner unable to attend the morning Masses.

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TEACHINGS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

with Fr. Francis Corry - Life in Christ - Four Thursday evenings from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m. in the Family Education Center - Rooms 107/108. The topics Fr. Corry will cover will be:

October 20: You Shall Love the Lord Your God With All Your Heart, and With All Your Soul, and With All Your Mind.

November 3: You Shall Love Your Neighbor as Yourself - Part 1

November 10: - You Shall Love Your Neighbor as Yourself - Part 2

Please register to ensure purchase of Catechism and proper number of session materials. Please call Deacon Michael at the Rectory or you may e-mail him at devivomichael@optonline.net.

“If the being that was within its mother’s womb is an innocent human being with an inalienable right to live one minute after it leaves its mother’s womb, what would make anyone think it was other than an innocent human being with an inalienable right to live one minute before it leaves its mother’s womb, or one month before, or even nine months before?”

-Edward Cardinal Egan, Catholic New York 9-04

A CLUSTER PRAYER MEETING will be held in the Parish Center on Thursday, October 27th, at 7:45 p.m. Join in joyful songs, hearing God’s word in scripture, and sharing how God is working in our lives Fr. Steve Norton, President of John F. Kennedy Catholic High School, will speak on “The Eucharist as the Source of Our Lives.” All are welcome. Bring a friend! For further information please call 737-4286.

THE ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS will be selling raffle tickets next weekend after all Masses. As in the past, the drive is to benefit Rosary Hill Cancer Home and Hospice of Northern Westchester/Putnam, both of whom care for terminally ill patients. If you would like further information, please call Jim McHugh, Chairman, at 232-376..



IS GOD CALLING YOU TO A CLOSER RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM?

“Come, then, return to me and learn to know me as your Father, who repays good for evil, love for injury,

and boundless charity for piercing wounds.” If you have considered becoming a member of the Catholic Faith, or you are a Baptized Catholic who has not completed the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist, then please contact Deacon Michael at the Rectory to explore this relationship with God.

REMEMBER OUR BELOVED DECEASED....

If you have lost a loved one this past year (November 1, 2004 through October 31, 2005) you are invited to attend a special Mass in their honor on Saturday, November 5th, at 11:00 in the New Church.

SENIORS MEETING will be on October 18th at 10:00 in the Parish Center. Refreshments will be served. For more information please call 962-3252.

LOST & FOUND...Please check out the Lost & Found box in the usher’s room at the New Church if you have lost any items. We have earrings, eyeglasses, books, bracelets, etc. that are all going unclaimed.

DISCERNMENT DAYS designed to assist men who are thinking about the priesthood and want more information are being offered at St. Joseph’s Seminary from October 2005 through February 2006. Men in good health from 18 years old to 40 years old are invited. This is specifically for men thinking about entering the seminary but are not ready at this time to leave their work. Please call 914-968-1340 or email at vocations@archny.org for more information.



YOUTH GROUP HALLOWEEN PARTY/DANCE

will be held on Saturday, October 29th, from 7-10:00 p.m. at the Parish Center. Music by Tony DJ Fresh and refreshments

served. All students in grades 9-12 are invited - \$6.00 per person. For more information, please call Joanne Niece at 243-9562.

From the Desk of Gregory Osgood.....



From its earliest beginnings, the Church recognized the place of deacons in service of the Christian Community. Proclaiming the Word of God and assisting at the Eucharistic celebration are

part of the deacon's role. One important responsibility of the deacon is to work with bishops and priests to see to the needs of the people in practical ways. Charitable works are the particular focus of diaconal activity. It is in this way that deacons have especially devoted themselves to God and to the church.

In our Roman Catholic tradition (but not in the Eastern Catholic traditions in union with the Pope), ordination to the diaconate eventually became one step in the process of entering the priesthood. Men aspiring to the priesthood today are still ordained to the diaconate. This state is often called the transitional diaconate to indicate their intention to become priests. Among the fruits of the Second Vatican Council was the re-establishment of the Permanent Diaconate with an emphasis on the ministry of service. Thus, the Church has seen the Permanent Diaconate as a separate call, distinct from that of the priesthood.

Prior to receiving Holy Orders, deacons (both those continuing on to the priesthood and Permanent Deacons as well) must be installed as lectors and as acolytes. Lectors, of course, proclaim God's Word during the Mass, and most Catholics think of acolytes as the young people who do a superb job as our altar servers. But acolytes have a long and significant part in Church history.

So exactly what is an acolyte? We get the term from a Greek word meaning to *follow* or to *accompany*.

Before Vatican II an acolyte was a man who had specific duties in the celebration of the Mass. Usually this included lighting candles and carrying them in procession, helping to prepare the altar and taking care of the water and wine. Their most obvious purpose was to assist the bishop or priest during liturgies, so it is easy to see how we created the name.

But, acolytes were also charged with bringing the Eucharist to those who could not attend Mass. This often meant visiting the faithful who were imprisoned for practicing their faith. So acolytes had both ritual tasks and spiritual ministries as well. They were the custodians of light for liturgies and the bearers of true Light to those who couldn't worship with the community. Thus, acolytes were ordained but they did not receive Holy Orders as a bishop, priest or deacon does.

However, in 1972 the office of acolyte became a lay ministry open to all men, not necessarily just to men thinking of becoming clergy. Now, acolytes are *instituted* by a bishop, they are not ordained. Altar servers can do most everything an acolyte can except that acolytes are formal extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, even outside the celebration of Mass in the parish. So today, to be an acolyte is to serve the people, much like they did in the early Church.

Last year, Kevin Byrne and I received the ministry of lector. On Friday, October 21st, we will be instituted acolytes as the next step in our formation for the Permanent Diaconate.

Please pray for us as we seek God's will for our lives. Know that we keep all of you in our prayers.

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