THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



Lectors April 20 and 21

SATURDAY, APRIL 13 5:00 EDMUND, ANNA & JAMES MAINE

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE QUINN & 7:00 McCAULEY FAMILY

8:30 **AL & SUE AMORE**

10:00 RALPH BORGESS

11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

1:00 JOHN COPPOLA

5:00 JOHN KIRINCICH

MONDAY, APRIL 15

7:00 DR. OTTO CARABBA

9:00 PAUL DALOIO

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

7:00 THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

FRANCOIS & ANNA SEUBE 9:00

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR SABRINE

FARAGALLAH

9:00 GENNARO A. FISCHETTI & FISCHETTI FAMILY

THURSDAY, APRIL 18

DONALD TARASOVIS

PVT. JOSEPH MERRELL 69TH ANNIVERSARY 9:00

FRIDAY, APRIL 19

7:00 THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

COLEEN McGLYNN LEE 9:00

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

MELODY MOREAU 9:00

5:00 **BRIDGET JORDAN**

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR SR. TERESA MARY

O'CARM & KATHERINE FRIEDEL

8:30 **ELIZABETH BARRY**

10:00 MICHAEL PILLARELLA

11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

1:00 MAKIDA McELRATH

5:00 **HUI ZHEN ZHENG**

The Bread and Wine are in loving memory of Louis Mangiapia III requested by Rose Kozel and Family.

The Sanctuary Candle is for Birthday Wishes for Moira Halligan from her sisters Erin and Bridget.

Saturday, April 20

5:00 Frank Ponterio

Sunday, April 21

7:00 Theresa Zulch

8:30 Kennedy Apoe

10:00 Roy Hansen

11:30 Maria Montuori

1:00 Charles Sullivan

5:00 Bob Mazzuco

Sick Relatives & Friend

Susan Pellecchia, Lois Mazzitelli, Rosanne Mezzacappa, Christopher Luciano, Kathryn Brock, Patricia Repoli, Al Frezio, Meghan Clark, Youlanda Santella, Tim Campagna, Alberto Meranda, Matthew Gleason, Jerry Russo, Ethel Thomas, Ruth Irons, Ian Torello, Anna Parente, James Parente, John Lewis, Gerard Crane, Mimi Norberg, Marianne Garlan, Ruth Manieri, Dawn Meade, Lauren Lam, Rafaella Tierno, Mary Kenny, John C. Marino, Alice Longo, Spc. Bryan Camacho, Michael Rucci, Sylvia Lichtenstein, Cpl Justin Campbell, Roseanne Liveo, Robert Donohue, Ottimia Paradiso, Elizabeth James Timmins, Robert Poggi, USM, Joyce Rusinak, Barbara Brennan, Venera Delamonico, Sam Pezzano, Sheila Jones, Edward B. Hanson, Franco DeGennaro, Robert Gaylord, Emily Baron, Frank Silvestri, Carol Van Manen, Christian Pepo, Frank Juliano

Wedding Banns

II Christine Nugent and Daniel Amamiera

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2013 Cardinal's Appeal

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Goal	\$85,500.00
Pledge	\$54,266.00
Number of Gift	s 105

COMMON! NOT SO COMMON!

When I was a student at Saint Joseph's Seminary, we had a very fine professor by the name of Msgr. William B. Smith. Monsignor taught Moral Theology, which really is the study of what is "right and wrong" in the context of the Catholic Church. At times, when something outlandish morally speaking was unleashed in the media, Monsignor Smith would say, "common sense...it's not so common!"

I thought of his saying when I read recently about United States District Judge Edward Korman's decision to remove the rules prohibiting the sale of abortion inducing drugs ("morning after pill") to girls under 18 years of age without parental notification or a doctor's supervision. The rules regarding the sale of such drugs were called "common sense" rules interestingly enough. Now those rules have been removed. Where is the judge's common sense?

Recently, I saw a cartoon in the *New York Daily News* that highlights such moral insanity on the part of our society. The cartoon pictures an ice cream truck. A little girl is on the line and speaking to the ice cream man, she says, "I'll have sprinkles, gummy bears and a morning after pill" to the guy's natural chagrin. Obviously a child is qualified to make choices when it comes to what type of ice cream they want but not when it comes to a serious thing like an abortifacient drug. It's just common sense isn't it? But then again, common sense is not so common!

The head of the Right to Life Commission here in the Archdiocese of New York, Sean Fieler had an excellent statement in reference to Judge Korman's decision. Mr. Fieler wrote: "As a society, we properly regulate the decisions that children can make on their own,

and so a child can't be given an aspirin without parental supervision, get an ear pierced, or in New York, even use a tanning bed! But now young girls can be given dangerous abortion inducing drugs without a parent's approval..."

These contraceptive drugs are used in order to prevent pregnancy among teens. The presumption in our society is that teenagers must have sex. The idea of sexual self-control and abstinence is ridiculed. A young man giving a presentation on chastity to teenagers was confronted with this statement by some of the kids: "Hey, if we can't have sex, what can we do?" There is no thought on the part of many of our young people that sex is a sacred, intimate act appropriate only within the context of marriage.

Chastity is defined as sexual self-control. It is a virtue and it is difficult but not impossible to attain. It requires self mastery and it desperately needs to be taught to young people today.

People like Judge Korman are not doing our youth any favors by giving them access to morning after pills. In fact, removing the restrictions on such drugs will likely encourage our children to have more sex as they will not have to deal with their parents or any authorities now; they will not have to worry about the "consequences" of sexual activity - a child!

Isn't it about time for some of our "authorities" in our country to wake up and smell the coffee? We are on a "slippery slope" in the United States morally speaking. Children need guidance; they need good role models to encourage them to lead virtuous and moral lives and not cave in to pressure. That is just simple common sense! Sincerely in Christ, Father Jerome



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UPK, Pre-K - Grade 8

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CCD - April Classes - 17, 24

April 15 - Confirmation - 5PM in the church

April 24 - Practice for May 4th

Communion

SAVE THE DATE: JUNE 8TH SACRED HEART FAMILY CAMP OUT - 1PM Kaufmann

Campgrounds. Paddle boats with lifeguards, basketball, baseball field, fire pit. Hamburgers and hotdogs included- \$40 per family. Call Tim O'Halloran 646-206-9374 for information.

SAVE THE DATE: MAY 7TH SACRED HEART EDGER SWEENEY GOLF MEMORIAL - 10AM Golf and food at Silver Lake, \$160 per person. Contact KC Senk or Jennifer Senk 718-720-0960 or Eddie O'Neil 917-796-9479.

WIN A 2013 HYUNDAI ELANTRA. More information to follow.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE APRIL 20 & 21 Saturday, April 20

5:00 Regie Delamasa, Maeve Butler **Sunday, April 21**

- 7:00 Marc Artuz, Sean Hartnett
- 8:30 Kyle Watson, Nick Antonacci
- 10:00 Andrew Johnson, Matthew Miller
- 11:30 Matthew Kalikas, Nicholas Fortunato, Vincenzo Biggins
- 1:00 Joseph Basile, Chris Riccardi, Luisa Montuori
- 5:00 Jonathan Montemayor, Shea Murphy



Portugal Traveling Choir sings today April14
11:30AM Mass. We have one space left for the tour! Come join us!! See Pamela for details!

Spring Brides please come up to the choir loft for your music consultation for your wedding after any 1PM Mass on Sunday-no appointment necessary-just come on up!

Put away a hymnbook!

Please check the back of your hymnbook after Mass and see if it is located in the correct space Left Side Altar Right Side

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Rack # refers to bookrack number not pew number!! Thanks for your help!! Our hymnbooks save \$10,000 a year and are beloved treasures to the families who memorialized them!!

Easter Blessings and Peace! Pamela 442-0058 VM24

Join a Choir today! Buy a CD! Come sing with us in Portugal 2013! Put away a hymnbook!

ANNUAL GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

MASS Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary during 2013 are invited to attend the Wedding Anniversary Mass with Cardinal Dolan at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Sun., June 23rd at 2:00PM. Pre-registration is required. The closing date to register for the Mass is Tues., June 4th. Please call the rectory 718-442-0058 to register.

WAGNER COLLEGE BASEBALL STATEN ISLAND RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY DAY Sun., April 21 - 1:00PM - Wagner vs CCSU at Richmond County Bank Ballpark - ADMISSION IS FREE - Come to the game after Mass!

ASSUMPTION-ST. PAUL BASKET AUCTION

Sun., April 28 at St. Peter-St. Paul School, 129 Clinton Ave. \$5 admission includes coffee, cake and raffle tickets. Doors open 12:30PM. Prizes, lucky date board, 50/50 and more.