

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



**SATURDAY, APRIL 27**

5:00 BRIDGET JORDAN

**SUNDAY, APRIL 28**

7:00 LOUIS VAZQUEZ  
8:30 ELEANOR MITCHELL  
10:00 MARIE & FRANK BARNARD  
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
1:00 VICTORIA EDERA  
5:00 ROSINA PETRECCA & NATALINA PAONE

**MONDAY, APRIL 29**

7:00 LUCY DiBIASE  
9:00 MARGARET NEWMAN

**TUESDAY, APRIL 30**

7:00 GENE VIGNEC  
9:00 HENRY APPELT

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 1**

7:00 THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES  
9:00 FR. JOHN SHERIDAN

**THURSDAY, MAY 2**

7:00 CHARLES DONOHUE  
9:00 ANGELO SANTORO

**FRIDAY, MAY 3**

7:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE DOLAN & LYONS  
FAMILY & THE SOULS IN PURGATORY  
9:00 KATHLEEN REILLY

**SATURDAY, MAY 4**

9:00 SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR SABRINE  
FARAGALLAH  
5:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE SOVA FAMILY

**SUNDAY, MAY 5**

7:00 MARIE D. CARNEGIE  
8:30 BEN ZARRELLI  
10:00 KARL G. REINA II  
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
1:00 ELEANOR GROSS  
5:00 HUI ZHEN ZHENG

**Lectors May 4 and 5**

**Saturday, May 4**

5:00 Frank Ponterio

**Sunday, May 5**

7:00 Sr. Iraida  
8:30 Charles Romanelli  
10:00 Frank DiSalvo  
11:30 Stephen Brown  
1:00 Charles Sullivan  
5:00 Jane Coyle

**Sick Relatives & Friends**

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 Carinn Casey and Sean Dasaro

**Collection for April 21**

Regular ..... \$8,683.50  
Next week the second collection is for Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe.

**2013 Cardinal's Appeal**

Goal \$85,500.00  
Pledge \$60,821.00  
Number of Gifts 121

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

The Sanctuary Candle is in loving memory of **Dr. John Addrizzo** requested by Elizabeth and Richard Merenda.



Friday, May 3, is First Friday. We will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament starting at 11AM (barring any funerals) and ending with Benediction at 5PM. Please come and spend an hour with our Lord.

## OUR "POSITION" IN THE CHURCH

There was a priest I knew by the name of Father Ryan. Father enjoyed a round of Golf from time to time with some of his parishioners. He was not however, particularly good at the game. One time, a friend by the name of Bill tried to give the Padre some advice about Golf. He said to him, "Father, In Golf you have to watch your posture, your stance—It is very important!" The priest was very grateful and said that from then on he would try to improve his stance.

The next Sunday, Father Ryan met his golfing buddy outside of church after mass. "Bill," he said, "the other day you told me about how position is so important for the game of Golf and how without it I will never be a good golfer..." "That's right, Father." "Well, Bill," the priest went on, "position is also very important in church!" "What do you mean Father?" Father Ryan explained, "Well. I noticed how you knelt or half-knelt in church. You did not glance at your prayer book and did not keep your eye on the Altar... Unless you do those things you will never be at good prayer!" His friend said, "Father, you've got something there. I never thought of it that way...Just watch me the next time!"

We are attentive to many things in this life but as far as spiritual realities are concerned, we often do not give it a second thought. *In the Gospel of Saint John*, Jesus spoke of himself as the "Bread of Life." Yes he had performed a great miracle when he multiplied the Loaves and the Fishes. But the far greater miracle is that of the Eucharist, "the living bread come down from Heaven."

The Eucharist is everything for us as Catholics. However, sometimes today we find some people who like the golfer in the story, have lost reverence for the Blessed Sacrament. They may be poorly taught or informed. They might say, "I received a piece of bread at mass

or sip of wine at communion." In many of our churches today we lost the consciousness of our God in our midst. Often there is considerable talking and a general lack of focus on the one important thing which is the Sacrament of Our Lord's Body and Blood.

Now, there really are two sides to the Lord's Eucharistic presence. It is both a Banquet and a Sacrifice. First, Holy Communion as a Banquet. Our Lord referred to himself in the Gospel as "the Bread of Life." Just the way we need food and drink to sustain our bodies in the natural order, so too do we need the spiritual food of the Eucharist to sustain our souls. "Unless you eat the flesh of the son of man and drink his blood you have no life in you." Cut off from this Sacramental food we are pushovers for the world, the flesh and the devil. It is therefore so very, very important that we come to Mass on Sunday.

You know, believe it or not, sometimes parishioners will comment about us Priests! Oh, I guess the chief complaint is about the boring homilies... Well not everyone is Fulton J. Sheen! Sometimes, I remind them of the real reason they come to Mass and that is to worship God and to receive Holy Communion. It is not the priest that we focus on but rather Christ.

As we receive Jesus in Holy Communion this Sunday let us thank him for the Eucharist, the greatest of all his gifts, the source and summit of our entire Christian Life!

Sincerely in Christ, Father Jerome

**THE ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY** will gather for the 10 AM Mass Sunday, May 5, and have their monthly meeting at 11AM at The Arms. Please contact Theresa Cunningham at 718-981-8047 for further details.



## SACRED HEART SCHOOL

Accepting applications  
for 2013-2014 UPK, Pre-K - Grade 8

You are invited to tour our outstanding school and meet Mrs. Lacagnino, Principal, faculty, staff, parents, and our students.  
Call 718-442-0347.



**CCD May Classes-** 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29  
**CCD First Communion** - Sat., May 4 at 11:00AM

### SAVE THE DATE: JUNE 8<sup>TH</sup> 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 7<sup>TH</sup> 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.

**PASTORAL COUNSELING** is a combination of psychological and spiritual counseling, a clinical approach to unite the whole person - both mind and soul. Vera Sabella, a Pastoral Counselor, has made herself available for Sacred Heart parishioners. A sliding scale fee will be assessed and counseling sessions will be held in parish facilities. For referral, please call 347-210-7088.

### ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE MAY 4 and 5

#### Saturday, May 4

5:00 Deirdre & John McCafferty

#### Sunday, May 5

7:00 Matthew Kalikas, William Hollnsteiner

8:30 Kyle Watson, Elizabeth Althoff

10:00 Kristen Gilbride, Andrew Johnson

11:30 Margaret Donovan, Andrea & Donald Regan

1:00 Steven Mickel, Jonathan Montemayor,  
Nicholas Fortunato

5:00 Matthew Miller, Nick Antonacci



Parish/Portugal Choirs sing today April 28, 2013 11:30AM Mass!!

Kids Praise/Family Choirs sing next week May 5, 2013 11:30AM Mass.

All are welcome!! Come on up and join us today!! Prizes!! Treats!! Coffee!!

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

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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!

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

**ENTER FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN A BRAND NEW 2013 HYUNDAI ELANTRA** Chances are sold after each Mass on Sunday. For details call 347-861-5702.

**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 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00PM. Pre-registration is required. **The closing date to register for the Mass is Tues., June 4<sup>th</sup>.** Please call the rectory 718-442-0058 to register.

**RICHMOND CHORAL SOCIETY/RICHMOND CHORAL SOCIETY YOUTH CHORUS** present Divine Light, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 8PM at St. Clare's Church. Call 718-448-3656 for information.