

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER



SATURDAY, APRIL 6

5:00 JOSEPH ABATE

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

7:00 MARIE D. CARNEGIE
8:30 BEN ZARRELLI
10:00 ARLENE CUNNINGHAM
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:00 ANDREW DONNELLY
5:00 JOSEPH MEGLIO

MONDAY, APRIL 8

7:00 ROLLINS FAMILY
9:00 DUTCH & VERA COONEY

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

7:00 TADEUSZ MARCINEK
9:00 RICHARD BRADLEY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

7:00 JOSEPH KENNEDY
9:00 CHARLES & MARY DONOHUE & CHARLES DONOHUE

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

7:00 JOHN LYNCH
9:00 CLAIRE VAN COTT

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

7:00 THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES
9:00 ELIZABETH BARRY

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

9:00 THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES
5:00 EDMUND, ANNA & JAMES MAINE

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

7:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE QUINN & 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

In the Charity of your Prayers, please pray for the soul of
Joseph Walsh
Carol Massaro

The Bread and Wine are in loving memory of Anthony Budnick
requested by Nora Bocignone and Family.

The Sanctuary Candle is in loving memory of Anna Degan
requested by her Family.

Lectors April 13 and 14

Saturday, April 13

5:00 Mary Rosso

Sunday, April 14

7:00 Joe Meagher
8:30 Don O'Shea
10:00 Frank DiSalvo
11:30 Ken Wisniewski
1:00 Charles Sullivan
5:00 Sacred Heart Youth Group

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

I April Fish and Jeffrey Gatlin
I Christine Nugent and Daniel Amamiera

Collection for March 24

Regular \$10,222.00

Collection for March 31 Easter

Regular \$8,146.50
Easter \$22,440.40
Holy Land \$1,958.00
Easter Flowers \$3,508.00
50/50 \$515.00

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Kliesch on winning the March 50/50 drawing.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - Today, in honor of Divine Mercy Sunday, we will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 3:00PM, followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet and concluding with Benediction at 4:55PM.

THE GREAT MERCY OF GOD...

Today, the Second Sunday after Easter, has become known as “Divine Mercy Sunday.” The Divine Mercy Devotion traces its roots back to a Polish nun by the name of Sister Faustina Kowalska who died in 1938.



Divine Mercy

Sister Faustina was privileged to receive a vision of our Lord Jesus who pointed to His chest. There then appeared two rays, one red, the other white. The red represented the Blood of Christ and the white the water flowing from the Lord’s side as He hung upon the cross.

Sister Faustina was instructed to have this image published with the inscription: “Jesus, I trust in You.”

The portrait of Divine Mercy is one that is perhaps familiar to us; there is a painting of it in the church. What does Divine Mercy mean? Well, the idea of mercy brings to mind compassion, grace and forbearance. The picture of Jesus painted for us in the Gospels is one of merciful love for sinners.

The scripture says, “For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world but to save it.” The Lord desires all of us to be happy with Him in Heaven someday and so He is incredibly merciful to all of us miserable sinners. Many people have a conception of God as an angry, vengeful God waiting to “pounce” upon them for any infraction of the Moral Law. Of course, that is not the case.

The story is told of Saint John Vianney, the Holy Cure (parish priest) of Ars, France. One time a woman came to Saint John Vianney distraught because her husband had committed suicide by jumping off a bridge. The lady cried out, “My husband is lost, he is damned eternally!” “Not so,” replied the saint. “Between the parapet of the bridge and river, he managed to say an Act of Contrition and so

is saved!” That is the mercy of God.

Whenever I think of the Divine Mercy, I always think about the good thief on the cross. He was a murderer and a robber. Yet, the Lord pardoned and saved him: “Today, you will be with me in paradise!” So there is hope for all of us.

Recently, at a General Audience, Pope Francis had a beautiful description of the mercy of God. The Pope said, “Brothers and sisters, God’s face is the face of a merciful Father who is always patient. Have you thought about God’s patience, the patience He has with each one of us? That is His mercy.” Something for us to reflect upon on this day. It is true to say that we are so often impatient with ourselves, others and the Lord Himself!

Today at 3PM, the hour that Jesus died for us sinners, we shall expose the Blessed Sacrament in the church and pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet. In this prayer we repeat over and over again, “Have mercy upon us and on the whole world.” Yes, there are an infinite amount of sins that are committed each and every day, yet the mercy of the Lord is greater than all the sins combined and it lasts forever!

As we celebrate this Divine Mercy Sunday may we always give thanks to the Lord “for His mercy endures forever!”
Sincerely in Christ, Father Jerome

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

Thanks to all who made our Holy Week Services a beautiful and tremendous success - our priests: Fr. Maurice, Fr. Reilly, Msgr. Mustaciuolo; Pamela Witre and our spectacular Choir, special Ministers of the Eucharist, Lectors, Altar Servers and ladies of the Altar Rosary Society. Congratulations also to our RCIA Catechumens and Candidates who made their Sacraments:

Amy Moschella
Ross Decker
Miguel Colon
Matthew Kahn
Ernesto Rigby
Christopher Smith
Gabriel Pacheco

Happy Easter Season, Father Jerome

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 - April Classes - 10, 17, 24

April 15 - **Confirmation** - 5PM in the church

April 24 - Practice for May 4th Communion

HOLY NAME SOCIETY meets Sun., April 14 at the 8:30AM Mass with a breakfast immediately following in the school cafeteria. All men of the parish are encouraged to attend.

YOUTH GROUP meets Sun., April 14. All high school students are welcome. Please join us at the 5:00PM Mass. The meeting follows immediately after Mass.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE APRIL 13 & 14

Saturday, April 13

5:00 Andrea & Donald Regan

Sunday, April 14

7:00 Laura Laureno, James Esco

8:30 Steven Mickel, John Paul Hoey

10:00 Deidre & John McCafferty

11:30 Sam Medina, Nick & Steven Bivona

1:00 Albert Cardone, Rudy Merlino, John Altschuler

5:00 Peter LaPeruta, Emma Newgarden



Family Choir sings today April 7, 11:30AM! Aunts, Uncles, Cousin Joe, Grandma Jean - come on up to the choir loft and help us sing for Mass - Prizes! Treats! Coffee! Bring the whole family! Portugal Traveling Choir sings next week April 14 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!

A Million Thanks!! Lent and Holy Week present many musical challenges and joys-I am deeply grateful to the efforts of so many people who work so hard to make our music liturgies beautiful and inspiring- Kids Praise Choir, Portugal Choir, Parish Choir, all the donations of coffee, treats, prizes, Parish Choir donations for strings and Stuart - too, too many names to mention but ever so appreciated!!! And the icing on our cake is the song leadership by our beloved Pastor, Father Jerome and Father Maurice. We are especially fortunate to have such powerful and prayerful singing from our priests-thanks be to God for the glorious musical efforts of Sacred Heart Parishioners!!

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 hymn book!

ENTER TO WIN A 2013 HYUNDAI ELANTRA.

See the flyer in today's bulletin.

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.