

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 16**

5:00 JOSEPH SYKES & MARY SYKES  
FROTHINGHAN

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 17**

7:00 JOHN C. MARSHALL  
8:30 SUE AMORE  
10:00 XUE QIAN ZHENG  
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
1:00 ALICE PERRY 18<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
5:00 SR. THERESE MARY O’CARM & KATHERINE  
FRIFAEAL

**MONDAY, AUGUST 18**

7:00 JOHN PURTILL  
9:00 MARIA MUNOZ

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 19**

7:00 JOHN PURTILL  
9:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE DOLAN,  
LYONS FAMILIES & SOULS IN PURGATORY

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20**

7:00 THERESE O’SHEA 6<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
9:00 DONALD & JOHN BAKER

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 21**

7:00 ANNA-MARIE HELEWA  
9:00 WILLIAM & RITA WILSON

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 22**

7:00 FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES  
9:00 BRENDAN J. HOEY

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 23**

9:00 MICHAEL RICCIARDI  
5:00 MAZZITELLI & FRESSOLA FAMILIES

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 24**

7:00 PHILIPPE THURNEYSSSEN  
8:30 HELEN GUIDO  
10:00 STANLEY MODZELEWSKI  
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
1:00 MAE & JOHN McCUE  
5:00 DAWN WALSH

The **Bread and Wine** are for the 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for **Alex Degan** requested by Iris Mahoney.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is in loving memory of **Anne L. DeMeo** requested by Evelyn and Gerard Lacagnino.

**Flowers on the Altar** are donated by the Forte Family in **Thanksgiving** for the recovery of **Albert Forte**.

**LECTORS**

5:00 Bill Jones

7:00 Vincent Tarasovis

8:30 Charles Romanelli

10:00 Roy Hansen

11:30 Ken Wisniewski

1:00 Stephen Brown

5:00 Bob Mazzucco

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**Saturday, August 23**

Theresa Hudik

**Sunday, August 24**

Mary Romanelli

Mary Ann Gambardella

Theresa Cunningham

Dorothy Tarafa

Wanda Ortiz



Susan Pellecchia, Lois Mazzitelli, Rosanne Mezzacappa, Christopher Luciano, Kathryn Brock, Patricia Repoli, Al Frezio, Meghan Clark, Tim Campagna, Alberto Meranda, Jerry Russo, Anna Parente, James Parente, Gerard Crane, Ruth Manieri, Rafaella Tierno, Mary Kenny, John C. Marino, Michael Rucci, Cpl Justin Campbell, Joyce Rusinak, Barbara Brennan, Sam Pezzano, Sheila Jones, Edward B. Hanson, Robert Gaylord, Emily Baron, Frank Silvestri, Carol Van Manen, Frank Juliano, Richard Nagrowski, Theresa Mirante, Diane Gregorio, Barbara Walsh, Ruth Irons, Christian Pepo, Jim McGinley, Luella Page

**Wedding Banns**

I Kimberly Fago and Jason Boxer

**Collection August 10**

Regular . . . . . \$5,630.50  
Monthly . . . . . \$2,348.00  
A/C . . . . . \$710.00  
Next weekend the Daughters of St. Paul will have a Book Sale after each Mass.

## PASSPORT TO PARADISE...

One of my favorite times in the parish (besides Christmas) is First Holy Communion. Each year our second grade children whether in Sacred Heart School or in CCD receive the Eucharistic Lord for the very first time. All the children are very excited and so happy to celebrate their First Holy Communion Day. At times, there are some funny moments at the Masses.

Usually each year I ask the kids this question: "Today is your First Holy Communion; now when is your second Holy Communion?" The answer of course is "Tomorrow!" because it would be a Sunday. Well, one time a boy raised his hand and in answer to that question replied, "Father, that would be in eighth grade!" Well, the whole congregation laughed. He thought I meant the next sacrament. I got a lot of mileage out of the story through the years.

I thought about First Holy Communion this week, because it was brought to my attention recently that we are celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Pope Saint Pius X (August 20, 1914). Saint Pius X, born Giuseppe Sarto, was known as the "Pope of the Eucharist."

The future saint came from a very poor Italian family and was the oldest of eight children. At the age of ten, he expressed the desire to become a priest. Financially, this was impossible for the Sarto family. They were dirt poor - peasant farmers. But his parish priest arranged for his schooling and he was ordained on September 18, 1858.

After serving in parish work, Father Sarto became a professor at the seminary, then Bishop of Mantua and then finally, he was chosen by Pope Leo XIII to become the Cardinal Patriarch of Venice. When he became a Cardinal, he showed his beautiful cardinal's ring to his mother. She in turn, showed him her wedding ring and said, "Beppi (his nickname) remember something - if it weren't for this ring you wouldn't have that one!"

When Pope Leo XIII died in 1903, the Cardinals in Conclave chose Sarto to be the new Pope much against his will. He chose the name "Pius" and his motto as Pope was "To restore all

things in Christ." While Pope Saint Pius had many achievements in his eleven year reign as Head of the Church, I believe that one of his greatest of all was the lowering of the age for First Holy Communion.

During the early twentieth century, most children did not receive the Eucharist until they were at least twelve years old or more. Pius X could not understand why the young people should have to wait so long in order to receive Jesus. In line with that, one time a woman came to the Vatican to have an audience with the Pope. She had brought her little son with her.

The boy looked at the Pope and smiled. The Pope asked the mother how old he was. She replied, "He's five years old and in several years I hope that he will make his First Communion."

The Pope then asked the boy, "Tell me something, whom do you receive in Holy Communion?" He answered, "Jesus Christ." "And who is Jesus Christ?" the Pope continued. "Jesus Christ is God," the boy replied. With that Pope Pius turned to the mother and said, "Bring him to me tomorrow and I will give him Holy Communion myself!" The Pope then decreed that Holy Communion should be received at the age of reason - usually seven years old.

Perhaps the young children who receive First Communion could teach all of us something - priests included - about the reverence and awe we should have when we approach the altar to receive the Body of the Lord any day! It is a great and wonderful privilege. May we be thankful for it.

Saint Pius X called Holy Communion the "Passport to Paradise" because it is the shortest and the surest route to Heaven!

Sincerely in Christ, Father Jerome





## SACRED HEART SCHOOL accepting Applications for September 2014

Limited Openings for UPK Sept. 2014  
Office Hours Monday - Wednesday 8:30-12:30. By  
Appointment Only!! Please call the office at 718-  
442-0347 to schedule an appointment. If no  
answer please leave a message. Messages are  
checked daily.

**BIBLE STUDY GROUP** meets the first and third  
Tuesday of every month at 7PM in  
the rectory. If you are interested in  
joining contact the rectory at 718-  
442-0058.



**FLOWER DONATIONS** Total cost of two flower  
arrangements for the Altar is \$80.00, and flowers  
may be donated in memory of a loved one, to  
celebrate anniversaries or other special occasions,  
or for special intentions. Please call Theresa  
Cunningham at 718-981-8047 for further details.

**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 347-210-1127.

### ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE AUGUST 23 & 24

#### Saturday, August 23

5:00 Maeve Butler, Peter LaPeruta

#### Sunday, August 24

7:00 Andrew Fraunberg, Christopher Basile

8:30 James Esco, Vincent Caprio

10:00 John Altschuler, Albert Cardone

11:30 Daniel Ramirez, Emma Newgarden

1:00 Stephen & Megan Laureno

5:00 Elizabeth Althoff, Rudy Merlino



### Gloria In Excelsis Deo!

Ah!! Summer!! What a wonderful time to expand  
our musical repertoire - experiencing familiar and  
not so familiar Catholic music from our  
hymnbooks, we can incorporate into special  
Masses all year long!! To that end, Fr. Jerome and  
I have decided that one Mass a weekend (during  
the summer months) we will sing the Gloria in  
Latin (pg. 176 hymnbooks). At which Mass will  
this be sung?? A different Mass every weekend!!  
So let's see if sometime this summer you happen  
into the Mass celebrating the Gloria sung in  
Latin!!(pg. 176 hymnbooks)

Traveling Choir 2016/Family Choir sings 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Sunday in Ordinary Time Sept. 7, 2014 11:30AM  
Mass. Calling all families, kids and curious  
travelers to the loft to create this joyfilled music  
liturgy!! (Where is Traveling Choir's next trip  
destination??)

The vote has been cast ...oo-la-la!!! France it is!!  
Singing in Notre Dame Cathedral, Chartres Cathedral -  
visiting Liseux for choral offering in between crepes,  
baguettes, white Vermouth, champagne...Oh don't miss  
this one!! Deposits due ASAP to secure this price!!  
Come up to the loft on Sept. 7 at 10:45AM and check  
out our itinerary!! Singers and Cathedral chasers alike  
- hop on board as Traveling Choir treks off to Great  
Cathedrals of France Feb 16-23, 2016!! Questions??  
Pamela (Voicemail 24)

Happy Summer!! Pamela

Join a choir today! Put away a hymnbook! Buy a CD! Come  
on our next International Choir tour Feb. 16-23, 2016:  
Great Cathedrals France!!

### **SACRED HEART SOCCER - FALL 2014 AND**

**SPRING 2015** PreK4 - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade. Season starts  
weekend of September 13<sup>th</sup>. For information  
please call John or Keri Mullen 718-442-2109 or  
646-919-1542.

**RECTORY OFFICE SUMMER HOURS** Monday to  
Friday from 9AM to 4PM. The Office Assistant is  
in the office from 4PM to 8PM.