

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Lectors August 10 and 11



SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

5:00 GRACE & JOE HYLAND

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

7:00 MARIE D. CARNEGIE
8:30 BEN ZARRELLI
10:00 MARY McGRATH
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:00 VICTORIA EDERA
5:00 DIANA KISTO

MONDAY, AUGUST 5

7:00 KARL REINA II
9:00 JOSEPH ABATE

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

7:00 SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR SR. TERESE MARY O'CARM & KATHERINE FRIEDEL
9:00 ALICE PERRY

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

7:00 SOPHIE SEMCHYN
9:00 ANGELO SANTORO

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8

7:00 FOR THE SINLESS HEART OF MARY
9:00 JOHN KUBASEK

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9

7:00 RAYMOND H. DANNEMANN
9:00 BARBARA SCHNEIDER

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

9:00 CHARLES & MARY & CHARLES DONOHUE
5:00 JOHN A. KUBASEK & FRANK SOVA

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11

7:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE QUINN & McCAULEY FAMILY
8:30 SUE AMORE
10:00 JOSEPHINE & JOSEPH DeMEO & MARY ANN DeMEO
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:00 JOHN J. SULLIVAN
5:00 RITA THATCHER

Saturday, August 10

5:00 Mary Rosso

Sunday

7:00 Joe Meagher
8:30 Don O'Shea
10:00 Frank DiSalvo
11:30 Ken Wisniewski
1:00 Charles Sullivan
5:00 Fred Maley



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, 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, Elizabeth James Timmins, Robert Poggi, USM, Joyce Rusinak, Barbara Brennan, Sam Pezzano, Sheila Jones, Edward B. Hanson, Franco DeGennaro, Robert Gaylord, Emily Baron, Frank Silvestri, Carol Van Manen, Frank Juliano, Theresa Brier, Richard Nagrowski, Robert Pepe, Luella Page, Theresa Mirante, Frank Mirante

Wedding Banns

III Kelley Gorman and Joseph Reginella
III Madusha Wijesinghe and Angelo Weerasinghe

Collection for July 21

Regular \$6239.00

Collection for July 28

Regular \$6982.00
50-50 \$460.00

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Frank Donadio for winning the July 50-50.

There will be a special collection this weekend for Latin America Home Missions

Next Thursday, August 15th, is The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a Holy Day of Obligation.

The Mass Schedule will be:

Wednesday, August 14 - 7:00 PM
Thursday, August 15 - 7:00, 9:00 AM,
12 Noon and 7:00 PM

The Bread and Wine are in loving memory of Lucille Albanese, requested by Maria-Elena and Vincent Graziano.

The Sanctuary Candle is in loving memory of Karl Reina II requested by Betty Ann, Karl and Michele Reina.

Flowers on the Altar are in loving memory of Lillian Mae Mangiapia donated by her husband Louis and her daughters Donna and Arlene.

IN GOD WE TRUST....

The use of "In God We Trust" by the citizens of America as the country's motto makes me love America even more. A country where citizens trust in God.

Three months ago precisely in May, a devastating Tornado raked across Central Oklahoma which unfortunately killed about 24 people and flattened a whole city destroying properties worth billions of dollars beyond repair. After the storm an Ace Journalist with CNN, Wolf Blitzer interviewed one of the survivors of the storm, name withheld, who shocked many Christian's world over with her denial of God's existence.

This is how the interview went, "you did a great job", Blitzer said to her who escaped from her home with her 19 month old son. "You gotta thank the Lord right?" " Did you thank the Lord?" This lady hesitated for a moment and smiled. Then she said "I- I am actually an atheist." That really sounded awkward in a country with the motto "In God We Trust."

Two months after that interview with the Oklahoma storm survivor who denied the existence of the omnipotent God, NASA is reported to have announced that its Curiosity Rover has found an unambiguous message from God written on tablets in a Martian Cave on the planet Mars. According to an official release, two giant stone slabs, the size of a small elephant were located deep inside a cavern. On the tablet is written a copy of the Ten Commandments and the text of John 3:16 written in 12 languages. On the other tablet is a simple message in English reading; " I am real".

Even though the authenticity of the supposed NASA report is highly disputed, the message is very clear. The bottom line is God Exists and He is Real.

I was quite sad when I read that the U.S.A. continues to record a serious drop in religiosity. This has been proven by a WIN-Gallup Poll which conducted a survey and published their findings last year that America experienced a 13 percent drop in religiosity between 2005 and 2012. It does not reflect on the motto; "In God We Trust". Now many Catholic Churches and Schools are

closing down. Many Churches are no more enjoying the presence of the youth. Vocations have fallen drastically and continue to fall. Not much importance is attached to the reception of the Sacraments anymore. Many Catholic parents have refused to have their children Baptized and Confirmed. God Parents have betrayed their obligations. Patronage for the Sacrament of Reconciliation(Confessions) has been relegated to the bottom and yet every time something brings us to the church we all receive Communion.

Though not explicit atheist as the Oklahoma Tornado survivor, most of us, by our attitude and actions, have become implicit atheist. We deny the existence of God without knowing we are doing so. We need to change.

A principle of natural logic states, that by their fruit we shall know them. Pope Francis has said, that our faith, prayer and actions must always be profoundly united. When the fruit we bear correspond to the faith we profess, we can surely make an impact in a world where religiosity is going down. Pope Francis closed his week long visit to Brazil for the World Youth Day by calling on all Catholics to go out from our Parishes and evangelize among the indifferent. His comments were made while saying Mass on Rio de Janeiro's Copa Cabana Beach. God Bless Sacred Heart and God Bless America. Peace and Love, Father Lawrence



**SACRED HEART SCHOOL OFFICE
SUMMER HOURS:
School Office is closed
July 12th-Aug 11th**

The school office will reopen August 12th. Limited late applications for Pre-K to grade 7 now being reviewed. Please call the school office for information: 718-442-0347.

Enjoy a happy and healthy summer!

Bible Study



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



**REGISTRATION FOR ACADEMIC YEAR
2013-2014**

Any questions please call the Religious Education Office at 718-448-1536.

Children attending Catholic Academies and wish to register for the Sacraments this year please call the Religious Education Office.

THE ARCHDIOCESAN CATECHETICAL OFFICE is offering you an opportunity to win \$1000. There will be One-First Prize of \$1000; Two-Second prizes of \$100. Plus there will be Four weekly drawings of \$50. Drawings will be on September 6, 13, 20 and 27. For information contact Mrs. Rizzuto at 718-448-1536.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Spend a weekend letting the Holy Spirit more fully into your vocation of marriage at the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter August 9-11. Call toll free 877-NYS-WWME ext. 3 for information.



MILITARY REVIEW Sacred Heart is proud to renew the *Military Review*. All parishioners with family members in the Armed Services are invited to provide the rectory with the name and military address of their family member on active duty.

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.



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Choir News

Family Choir/Portugal Choir sings August 4, 2013 11:30 AM Mass 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Uncle Joe, Aunt Matilda Baby Zeus - come on up with the entire family and sing with us! Prizes! Treats! Coffee! Come to the white door in the Church Vestibule, carefully walk up spiral stairs and come on in! Special Prizes for Kids from Kids Praise Choir (who bring their families!) See you there!

Mark Your Calendars!

Portugal Choir sings for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, August 15, 2013 7PM Mass. Some of the music for this mass will be sung in Basilica at Fatima in November during their Great Cathedrals of Portugal Choir Tour- don't miss it!

Put away a Hymnbook!

Please take a minute at the end of the mass to put the Hymnbook you are using in its proper location. If you look inside the back cover, there as a small label at the top telling you the correct side; correct rack number (not pew number), and correct position number. Many hands-light work!! **IF EVERY PERSON** returned the book they were using during mass, to its correct location- **A MIRACLE!** All the Hymnbooks would be in their correct locations! Thanks for your help!

Happy Summer

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

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE AUGUST 10 & 11

Saturday, August 10

5:00 Kelly & Ryan O'Neil

Sunday, August 11

7:00 Gabrielle Garcia, Sean Hartnett

8:30 Kyle Watson, Peter LaPeruta

10:00 Maeve Butler, Andrew Johnson

11:30 Andrea & Donald Regan

1:00 Sam Medina, Patrick Buzzard

5:00 Olivia & Anthony Scanni