

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

5:00 MARY & JOHN KIRINCICH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

7:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE QUINN & McCAULEY FAMILY  
8:30 MICHAEL DaROCHA  
10:00 ROSALIE DOCKETT  
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
1:00 SPECIAL INTENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF ATHENA SPA  
5:00 PATRICIA CHIASERA

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24

7:00 BASILIA PAULO  
9:00 DOUGLAS & BLANCHE CARNEGIE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

7:00 THOMAS KOLAN  
9:00 THOMAS J. WALSH

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

7:00 JACK & GRACE MURPHY  
9:00 CARL & FLORENCE LESCH

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27

7:00 FOR ALL CATHOLICS  
9:00 THOMAS H. McDONOUGH

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

7:00 EILEEN BLACK  
9:00 ANTHONY ATELLA

SATURDAY, MARCH 1

9:00 CHRISTOPHER MEAGHER  
5:00 SALLY SOLLAZZO 1<sup>ST</sup> ANNIVERSARY

SUNDAY, MARCH 2

7:00 JOAN M. PRENTY  
8:30 BEN ZARRELLI  
10:00 OLGA HAIN  
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
1:00 THE HONORABLE JOSEPH H. McLAUGHLIN  
5:00 CHARLES LINDSAY

In the charity of your prayers please pray for the soul of Margaret Weiler

The Bread and Wine are in loving memory of Peter J. Saldi 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary requested by the Mooney and Saldi Family.

The Sanctuary Candle is for the Parishioners of Sacred Heart.

Lectors March 1 and 2

Saturday, March 1

5:00 Frank Ponterio

Sunday, March 2

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

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, 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, Robert Gaylord, Emily Baron, Frank Silvestri, Carol Van Manen, Frank Juliano, Theresa Brier, Richard Nagrowski, Luella Page, Theresa Mirante, Diane Gregorio

*Wedding Banns*

I Mary McLaughlin and Joseph Kavanagh  
III Mary Louise McCarroll and Kevin Whyte

Collection February 16

Regular ..... \$6,073.00  
Budget Deficit ..... \$1,137.00

2014 Cardinals Appeal \$8,750,000 of the funds raised through the Appeal helps needy schools and parishes throughout the Archdiocese. While continuing the great tradition of educating our youth and providing spiritual refuge and enlightenment, many of our parishes and schools need assistance to meet their day to day requirements. Invest in your faith and parish community and make your gift to the 2014 Cardinals Appeal.

## THE BAD WEATHER OF OUR LIVES...

As I drive around town and speak with people, I suppose the most prominent topic of conversation is the winter we have been having this year! Snow storm on top of snow storm every few days have tested the patience of all of us across the metropolitan area. An old pastor of mine, Father John Brinn during the cold, snowy winters in Poughkeepsie, used to cross country ski across the golf course. He said that was an excellent exercise to keep in shape. It's sure safer than running on black ice!

Well, winter is not an easy season to get through. As I drove through the parking lot the other day on North Burgher Avenue, besides the "bulge" in the fence caused by a mountain of the white stuff, I noticed that some kids had made a really nice snow man near the corner of the lot! That reminded me of that old saying, "when life gives you lemons, make lemonade."

So when the winter sends a lot of snow make a snow man or snow woman! In other words, make the best of each situation, the best of each season, and the best of each day! But we fail to do that. It seems that we are always looking ahead and thinking about tomorrow. Certainly all of us are anticipating the warmer days of the spring that will soon be coming our way. Yes it will arrive. But the point is that God has given us this moment, this hour in which we are now living as stormy and cold as it might be. So we need to appreciate it!

Seems to me, that many of us make a fundamental error in life. Either we are looking back to the past and thinking of mistakes that we made or bad decisions and we ruminate on how things "might have been." But this kind of thinking can cause anxiety and sadness. Then

conversely, there are people who are always looking to the future, what tomorrow might be like, reflecting on what might come. This too can be a source of stress. In fact, we don't know if we will even have a tomorrow!

"Going back" over the past or anticipating an imaginary tomorrow really results in so much wasted psychic energy. Therefore we need to treasure the precious present moment that God has given us in life - snow and all! Jesus reminds us in the Gospel of Saint Matthew, "Do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will take care of itself. Each day has enough troubles of its own." How true our Lord's words are!

Jesus does not say that we can't think or plan for the future or utilize the mistakes that we made in the past to do better, but he tells us to avoid useless anxiety and worry. Such lack of confidence erodes our relationship with God. So let's not fret or complain about the weather because in a few months we will be complaining about the heat and humidity!

Maurice Chevalier, the French singer in one of his movies sang a song with these lyrics:

"Why cry about bad weather enjoy it!  
Each moment is a treasure enjoy it!  
We are travelers on life's highway enjoy  
the trip...  
Each lovely twist and byway each bump  
and dip.  
If there's a complication enjoy it;  
You've got imagination employ it!  
And you'll see roses in the snow -  
Joie de vivre will make them grow.  
Voila - that's life enjoy it!"

Have a good week!

Sincerely in Christ, Father Jerome



**Sacred Heart School** is now accepting Applications for September 2014 Openings in Pre-K 3& 4, Universal UPK

(full day)with extended day Kindergarten - Grade 7 Early Morning Drop-Off and After-School Care until 6:00PM available Inquire at school office Monday-Friday 8:00AM-3:00PM



**CCD Class - February 26**



**SAVE THE DATE:** Saint Monica's Mothers Guild Fashion Show Thursday, April 10, 2014.

**CALLING ALL SACRED HEART**

**FAMILIES AND PARISHIONERS** The **SMMG** April 2014 Fashion Show is coming upon us and as a school fundraiser we rely on donations in order to make the Fashion Show the huge success that it is! There are many different ways to help in this effort. You can donate a basket of your own, team up with other families, or donate a new item to be used to create a general, super or grand basket. Whatever you decide is totally up to you. If you are not sure how or what items are needed please feel free to reach out to Peggy Maida 917-301-6822 or Lisa Hartnett 347-553-5549. Thanks so very much for your generosity and support!! The Fashion Show Committee

**ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE MARCH 1 & 2**

**Saturday, March 1**

5:00 William Hollnsteiner, John Paul Hoey

**Sunday, March 2**

7:00 Bernard Daniels, Jr., Vincent Caprio  
8:30 Siobhan, Mary & Kathleen McCafferty  
10:00 Matthew Kalikas, Andrew Johnson  
11:30 Joseph Basile, Giovanni Ercolano, Kyle Watson  
1:00 Sean Hartnett, Laura Laureano, Jonathan Montemayor  
5:00 Victoria Bruno, Thomas Laub

Parish Choir sings today, 7th Sunday Ordinary Time!! Feb. 23, 2014 - Arrive by 10:45AM to choir loft, and join us as Melody Choir!!

Family Choir sings March 2, 2014 - Bring your aunts, uncles, cousins, up to the loft and sing along with the whole family for Mass!! Arrive by 11:15AM and come on up!!! Prizes!! Treats!! Coffee!!

Kids Praise Choir resumes rehearsals Feb. 26, 2014 5-6PM Chapel - See you there!! (Registration is free - form required for new members!!)

Mark Your Calendars!!

Traveling Choir sings on March 2, 2014 for the 11:30 Mass!. People so often say to me, "Oh I wish I would have gone with you to sing in \_ \_ \_" - this happens after every trip!! Now is the time to hop on board and be a part of the process as we select a location - work on liturgies in other languages... last but not least sample the wines from the countries we wish to visit!!

It all starts now with no commitment, initially no money - just come for a Mass of inspiration and fun, as we explore the possibilities for our next adventure - See you March. 2 for 11:30AM Mass (with Family Choir)!! Questions??Pamela 442-0058 (VM24)

Portugal Tour: check out:

www.youtube.com/watch?V=hZw8EZYCSco  
more to follow from this trip!!

Join a choir today! Put away a Hymnbook!!Buy a CD!! Come on our next International Choir tour/Pilgrimage to..!!

**THE ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY** will gather for the 10AM Mass Sunday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> and **WILL NOT** meet afterward due to the Staten Island St. Patrick's Day Parade later that morning. Please contact Theresa Cunningham at 718-981-8047 with any questions.

**Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident** of sexual abuse of a minor by priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P. at 212-371-1000 x 2949 or Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via [victimassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org). Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, [archny.org](http://archny.org). In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.