

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE PRAY FOR:

SATURDAY, JUNE 25

5:00 CORINNE A. O'BRIEN & FLORENCE KENNEDY

SUNDAY, JUNE 26

7:00 DECEASED OF QUINN & MCCAULEY FAMILY

8:30 RAYMOND SYKES

10:00 CORINNE A. O'BRIEN & CHARLES (DICK) KENNEDY

11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

1:00 BRENDAN HOEY

5:00 SHANNON TOBIN MACHADO 1ST ANNIV.

MONDAY, JUNE 27

7:00 KATHLEEN CULLEN

9:00 SHANNON TOBIN MACHADO

TUESDAY, JUNE 28

7:00 MARY TARASOVIS

9:00 PASCAL TIERNO

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29

7:00 FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES

9:00 MARY H. TARASOVIS

THURSDAY, JUNE 30

7:00 JEAN ROBITZSKI

9:00 COLEEN MCGLYNN LEE

FRIDAY, JULY 1

7:00 ANTONIA ALTAGRACIA PEIGNE

9:00 FOR THE DECKER FAMILY LIVING & DECEASED

SATURDAY, JULY 2

9:00 MARGARET WALSH

5:00 DOROTHY HADLEY

SUNDAY, JULY 3

7:00 MARIE D. CARNEGIE

8:30 LARRY MELITO

10:00 JAMES TIMMINS

11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

1:00 JOHN J. SULLIVAN

5:00 VIRGINIA & EDWARD MCGLYNN

Susan Pellecchia	Lois Mazzitelli	Rosanne Mezzacappa
Christopher Luciano	Rick Curley	Kathryn Brock
Margaret Shay	Patricia Repoli	Al Frezio
Julie Hunting	Meghan Clark	Mary DiSalvo
Youlanda Santella	Mary DiCostanzo	Mary Fitzgerald
Tim Campagna	Alberto Meranda	Matthew Gleason
Jerry Russo	Ethel Thomas	Aurora David
Gordon C. Gladden	Ian Torello	Anna Parente
James Parente	Ruth Irons	John Lewis
Gerard Crane	Mimi Norberg	Marianne Garlan
Ruth Manieri	Tommy Baratta	Dawn Meade
Rev. Thomas Blessin S.J	Lauren Lam	John Keogh
Mary Kenney	John C Marino	Rafaella Tierno
Alice Longo	Spc. Bryan Camacho	Rose Bradley
Gabrielle Plumy	Michael Rucci	Patsy Jackson
Cpl Justin Campbell	Robert Poggi U.S.M.	Sylvia Lichtenstein
Bernard D NidusMD	Joyce Rusinak	Tom Kopf
Barbara Brennan	Colleen Callahan	Jeffrey Schnorbus
Sam Pezzano	Edward B. Hanson	Venera Delamonico
Christian Pepo	Joan Romano	Roseanne Liveo
Grace Ford Seamans	Sheila Jones	Daniel Gomes
Elizabeth James Timmins	Beverly Andrews	Christina Scott

BANNS

I Mary Paliotta and Matthew Whyte
II Suzanne Apicos and Sean Trainer

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Weekend of July 2-3

Saturday, July 2

5:00 Frank Ponterio Barbara Kelly

Sunday, July 3

7:00 Sr Iraida
8:30 Charles Romanelli Mary Romanelli
10:00 Frank DiSalvo Pat Hoey
11:30 Stephen Brown Ken Wisniewski
1:00 Charles Sullivan John Caban
5:00 John Gurrieri

Collection for June 19

Collection.....	\$7,743.00
Father's Day.....	\$350.00
<u>School Collection for June 19</u>	
School Building Fund	\$46.00
Budget Deficit	\$124.00

Stewardship Appeal

Goal	\$72,800.00
Pledge	\$62,697.00
Number of Gifts	159
Date	June 17, 2011

STARTING ON MONDAY, JUNE 27TH THE RECTORY WILL BE GOING TO IT'S SUMMER HOURS. THE OFFICE WILL BE OPEN FROM 9AM TO 4PM AND AN OFFICE ASSISTANT WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM 4 TO 8PM.



This Friday we will have Exposition starting at 11AM and ending with Benediction at 5PM. Please come spend an hour with our Lord.

ST. THOMAS MORE, POLITICIANS AND GAY MARRIAGE...

As I write these words (June 22nd), we are celebrating the Feast of a great saint, a man by the name of St. Thomas More. Now St. Thomas More lived a very long time ago in the Sixteenth Century. It was long before jet planes, computers, iPhones and information technology. But even though it was a very long time ago, human nature was still the same and the problems were similar.

Thomas More lived in England during the days of King Henry VIII. From our history we remember that he was the man who had seven wives. King Henry's first wife was a lady by the name of Catherine of Aragon. She failed to bear the king a son and an heir to the British throne. For that reason, King Henry sought to divorce her and marry Anne Boelyn.

Of course, when the King petitioned the Pope to grant the divorce, the Pope would not allow it, pointing out rightfully so, that the marriage was a valid union. Because the Pope would not grant the dissolution of the marriage, Henry became enraged; he did something very modern; he "did his own thing" and became a law unto himself. He gave up the Catholic faith, declared himself the Head of the Church of England and took himself a new wife.

During all this, Thomas More was the Lord Chancellor of England. He was a very holy man and an honest man. The King knew that and desperately wanted Thomas' support for his marriage and also for his headship of the Church in England. But St. Thomas would not agree despite pressure and would not sign the oath of succession.

Friends of Thomas More could not understand his position; they had all "given in", signed the oath, and agreed to the King's marriage. But Thomas More was a sincere and dedicated Catholic who was not concerned about political and personal expediency.

As the story goes, Thomas's friend, the Duke of Norfolk, tried to reason with him. The Duke said to him, "Oh confound all this. I'm not a scholar, I don't know whether the marriage was lawful or not, but dammit, look at those names! Why can't you do as I did and come with us for fellowship?" And supposedly St. Thomas More replied, "and when we die, and you are sent to heaven for doing your conscience and I am

sent to hell for not doing mine, will you also come along with me for fellowship?"

Now fast forward almost six hundred years later and the venue is not England but the State of New York. An issue is now being debated up in the State Senate in Albany concerning "Gay Marriage". According to one estimate, the Senators are only a few votes away from approving and enshrining in law a perverse lifestyle.

Our own Governor here in the State of New York is supposedly a Catholic. He supports the gay marriage initiative! Perhaps there are other Catholic Legislators who have sold their faith and principles down the river because they want to maintain power and position. Many of our Catholic politicians cave in on moral issues because of "fellowship's sake". They court popularity not integrity.

The "Marriage Equality Act" now being debated in Albany would redefine marriage radically. But Jesus tells us in the Gospel, "From the beginning, God made them **MALE** and **FEMALE**; for this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and the two shall become as one..."

The Lord states the obvious plainly and completely. Same sex couples obviously cannot have children in the normal way. The church's teaching therefore is based not only on the bible and doctrine but also on common sense as well!

St Thomas More died a martyr because he sincerely followed his Catholic principles. Let us pray that many of our so-called "Catholic" leaders will have the courage to stand up and witness to the moral truths of their faith!

Sincerely in Christ! Father Jerome



CCD registration for the school year 2011-2012 will be on going on all summer long. For further information please call the CCD office at 718-448-1536 and leave a message. Please send your re-registration forms in.



Sacred Heart Basketball Clinic - a free basketball clinic will be offered to all boys and girls in grades 3-8 on Thursdays from June 30th until Aug 4th. The girls clinic will run from 5-

6:30PM and the boys clinic will run from 6:30-8PM. If you have an questions please feel free to visit our brand new website at www.sacredheartbasketball.com

C.Y.O. News

If you are interested in coaching a **Sacred Heart CYO** basketball team next season (2011-2012) please contact Mike Sanborn msanborndd@aol.com or Jeff Franzreb jefffranzreb@aol.com for a coach's application.



Sacred Heart goes to the Holy Land!

Fr Deo asks all parishioners to join him on this fantastic once-in-a-lifetime pilgrimage! The tour will be in July or August of 2012 for 7 days. Please see the flyer in today's bulletin for more detailed information or call Fr Deo at the rectory.

Staten Island Vicariate Life Chain - a life chain will be held on Sunday, June 26th from 2:30-3:30 at Hylan Blvd and New Dorp Lane. Sponsored by the Vicariate of Staten Island, the life chain is composed of people who hold up signs with a three-word message which succinctly gives the message of the church: "Abortion Kills Children." The Parish Respect Life Committee welcomes all parishioners who can attend even if it is only for part of the hour.

Annual All Night Vigil of Reparation, honoring the Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart will be held on July 1-2 at St Clare Chapel, Nelson Ave, Great Kills beginning at 9PM (10PM Mass) and concluding with the 5AM Mass. For more information call 984-6139.

Professional Space for Rent - Forest/Greenleaf - 6 rooms set up as Medical Office \$1500 +. For more information call Wetlesen Reality 448-1618.

St Sylvester School Alumni gathering will be held on Sunday July 10th. For more information call the parish office at 727-4639.




- Kids Praise Choir:** (grades 1-5) See you July 3rd 11:30AM Loft!
- Family Choir** (ages Newborn - 120) July 3rd 11:30AM Mass Loft Bring the entire family!
- Parish Choir:** (ages 10-120) Surprise me! You know the formula!
- Melody Choir:** (ages 10-120) no rehearsals! Just come on up & help sing the glorious melodies of our liturgies...see you July 3rd - loft 11:15AM
- Traveling Choir** (ages 8-100) Grazie Mille for the beautiful music/liturgy for the Archbishop!

Brides! Grooms! Come plan your 2011 musical Wedding liturgies at least 6 weeks prior to the wedding - come up to the loft after any 1PM mass! Pamela 442-0058 VM 24

Put Away a Hymnbook Tis the season to put away a hymnbook! What does that mean? Look inside the back cover of the book to the small label at the top that says which pew, & rack the book goes (rack one is on pew # 2) - be aware of left side/right side (facing altar). Heads up about the Hymnbook Party sometime in August or September to bring many of us together to organize all the rows - "many hands, light work!" See you there!

Parish Choir even though you are on summer break, I give you a challenge - you know the formula! Where are you? I have your DVD gift from MCI - come sing for your supper (DVD)! See you 10:45 AM any Sunday in June! Join a Choir! Buy a CD! Put away a hymnbook! Fill your jar

Save the Date !



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Sacred Heart Alumni Dinner Dance will be held on Friday, September 30th from 7:30 - 11:30PM at the Staaten. Please join fellow

classmates for as night out together to remember our great memories of Sacred Heart School. For further information or to make reservations contact Sheila Whalen Watson at 718-815-5977 or Sheila.watson23@hotmail.com