

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



SATURDAY, MAY 10

5:00 BRIDGET JORDAN

SUNDAY, MAY 11

7:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE QUINN & McCAULEY FAMILIES

8:30 MARGARET MASTERSON

10:00 VELIA ANGELI & CECILIA MORELLI

11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

1:00 VERONICA BUDNICK

5:00 ELLEN TURTON

MONDAY, MAY 12

7:00 OLGA MICKEL

9:00 KARIN MERLINO

TUESDAY, MAY 13

7:00 THERESA B. ZADROSNY

9:00 DOROTHY BLANCHARD

WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

7:00 KARL G. REINA, II 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNIVERSARY

9:00 KARL G. REINA, II

THURSDAY, MAY 15

7:00 MAY SANTAGATA

9:00 JANE & JACK GORDON

FRIDAY, MAY 16

7:00 BRIGID HOWLEY

9:00 ALICE & FRANCIS HEALY

SATURDAY, MAY 17

9:00 JOAN TAYLOR

5:00 EDWARD SMITH

SUNDAY, MAY 18

7:00 WILLIAM & DOROTHY MEAGHER

8:30 VERONICA MELLO TARBOX

10:00 XUE QIAN ZHEN

11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

1:00 JOHN C. PAPOLIA

5:00 ANNE PICCOZZO

Lectors May 17 and 18

Saturday, May 17

5:00 Frank Ponterio

Sunday, May 18

7:00 Theresa Zulch

8:30 Kennedy Apoe

10:00 Roy Hansen

11:30 Maria Montuori

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, 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

*Wedding Banns*

I Melissa Staniland and Michael Cannizzaro

II Christina Greco and Thomas Piluso

II Pia Clemente and Glenn Caddell

II Christine Gleason and Brian Swords

Collection May 4

Regular . . . . . \$8,447.50

Easter . . . . . \$1,003.00

Eastern & Central . . . . . \$1,812.00

**CARDINAL'S APPEAL**

**GOAL** \$83,000.00

**PLEDGE** \$79,328.00

**NUMBER OF GIFTS** 144

The Bread and Wine are in loving memory of Veronica and Anna Budnick and Anna Helewa requested by Richie, Nora and Anthony Bocignone.

The Sanctuary Candle is for Special Intentions requested by Bonnie MacDermott.



## “M” IS FOR THE MILLION THINGS YOU GIVE US...

There was an old song extolling the virtues of a mother that went something like this: “M” is for the million things you gave me; “O” means that you’re getting old!” and so on. The song concludes with the verse: “Mother, a word that means the world to me.”



Today we celebrate Mother's Day and indeed we could truly say that our mothers mean the world to us. What are some of the “million things” they gave us? Well foremost, they gave us the gift of life which is the greatest thing.

A few years ago, a priest friend of mine, Monsignor Guy Massie from Sacred Heart Church/Saint Stephen's Parish in Brooklyn lost his mother. I attended the wake and another priest got up to do a prayer service. In his remarks, the priest reminded the Monsignor and all of us, that the loss of a mother was a tough one. Pointing to the casket he explained the reason why: “You literally came from her!” So mothers are important from the very beginning.

As we were growing up, it was our mothers who fed us, changed us, brought us to the doctor, encouraged us, consoled us in disappointments and helped us in so many ways. The role of a mother is underestimated. Oh, it has never been easy, but perhaps in today's stressful world, it is much more difficult.

I read a story recently about a very harried mother who had three active boys. One summer evening, she was playing cops and robbers with them after dinner. One of the boys “shot” his mother and yelled, “Bang! You're dead!” She slumped to the ground. When she didn't get up right away, a neighbor ran over to see if she had been hurt in the fall.

When the neighbor bent over, the overworked mother opened one eye and said, “Shhh - don't give me away; it's the only chance I've had to rest all day!”

Yes, a mother's job, if taken seriously, is tiring but also rewarding as well. We celebrate Mother's Day in this beautiful month of May. It is the month that is dedicated to the Blessed Mother - the Virgin Mary. As we think of the special role of a mother and how challenging it is in these days, we can reflect a little on the life of Mary which was a very difficult one.

In fact, the Church tells us that Mary had a good deal of sorrow in Her life. In Christian art the Blessed Mother's heart is depicted as being pierced with seven swords



to represent all that she suffered. Of course, along with the sadness, Mary had great joys and one of the greatest was to bring Jesus into this world, to present Him to the world and to see Him resurrected, triumphant over the grave.

On Mother's Day we pray through the intercession of Mary, Mother of God and our Mother, that she especially blesses all our Mothers, living and deceased.

Today as we think of our moms and “the million things” that they have done and continue to do for us, may we be thankful and grateful for their presence in our lives! Sincerely in Christ, Father Jerome

**SACRED HEART PARISH MAY CROWNING** Sunday, May 18 on the front lawn of the rectory following the 11:30AM Mass. All children who received First Holy Communion this year are asked to come in their Communion outfits and participate in this special parish event.





**SACRED HEART SCHOOL** is now accepting Applications for September 2014

Openings in Pre-K 3 & 4  
Kindergarten - Grade 7  
Early Morning Drop-Off and After-School Care until 6:00PM available  
Inquire at school office Mon.-Fri. 8:00AM-3:00PM

**CCD May Classes - May 14<sup>th</sup>**

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following Scouts of **PACK/TROOP 74** upon receiving the

**Ad Altare Dei Award:**

Timothy Donnelly  
Steven Mickel  
Nick Russo  
Joe Dolce  
Dan Dolce  
Santo Tirolosi

**MOTHERS' DAY COLLECTION -CROSS ROAD FOUNDATION** Today, May 11, the Holy Name

men and volunteers from other parish groups will again be asking for your help. In the past, your generosity has been outstanding. We hope you will continue to support this fine cause as you have done on Mothers' Day for so many years.

**SACRED HEART SPARTANS GOLF OUTING**

**RESCHEDULED** The 2<sup>ND</sup> Annual Sacred Heart Edger Sweeney Golf Memorial - Honoring Bruce Delmar - has been rescheduled to Tuesday, June 10 at 8AM. Golf and Lunch at Staaten - \$160 per person, Lunch only - \$60. Please contact KC Senk or Jennifer Senk at 718-720-0960 or Eddie O'Neil at 917-796-9479.

**GOLDEN WEDDING JUBILEE MASS** Couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary during 2014 are invited to attend the Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Sat., June 14 or Sun., June 15 at 2PM. **Pre-registration required** -contact the rectory at 718-442-0058. The closing date to register is May 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Choir News**

Parish Choir sings 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Easter - 11:30AM Mothers' Day!! Don't miss this beautiful music liturgy!!

Thank you Kids Praise Choir for your inspiring singing last Sunday with Family/Traveling Choir and for your beautiful music liturgies all year long!! Hope we see you all summer long first Sunday of every month in the summer - See you June 1<sup>st</sup> 11:30AM Mass!!

The voting lines are open!! If you'd like to travel with the Traveling Choir 2016 - get your vote in regarding your preferred destination by May 18<sup>th</sup>!! What are your choices?? Call me (VM 24) and I'd be happy to discuss them with you - hint! hint!... croissant or gelato or weiner snitzel or goulash for a treat (all with stellar wines/beers!!) Come with Us!! Cast your vote today!!

Easter Blessings!  
Pamela (VM 24)

Join a choir today! Put away a hymn book! Buy a CD! Come on our next International Choir tour 2016!

**ROBERT J. SHAY, JR., MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING** Saturday, June 14 at Silver Lake. Dinner following at The Staaten. Information can be found on the website: [robshayjrgolfouting.com](http://robshayjrgolfouting.com) - email address is [robshayjrgolfouting@gmail.com](mailto:robshayjrgolfouting@gmail.com)

**ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE MAY 17 & 18**

**Saturday May 17**

5:00 Sean Hartnett, Peter LaPeruta

**Sunday, May 18**

7:00 Guillermo Ward, James Esco

8:30 Kathleen, Siobhan & Mary McCafferty

10:00 John Altschuler, Steven Mickel, Jr.

11:30 Danielle & Michael Riccardi, Gabrielle Garcia

1:00 Sarah, Stephen & Megan Lauren

5:00 Maeve Butler, Albert Cardone