

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



SATURDAY, MAY 24

5:00 THOMAS KOPF

SUNDAY, MAY 25

7:00 MANO J. KUMAR

8:30 AL AMORE

10:00 ONORIO MORELLI

11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

1:00 FILOMENA D'AMATO

5:00 EDITH MODZELEWSKI

MONDAY, MAY 26

7:00 THE ABATE, MARRONE, VITACCO FAMILY

9:00 JOHN AHERN

TUESDAY, MAY 27

7:00 PATRICIA SCHMITT

9:00 YINLIAN CHEN

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28

7:00 JAMES LONG

9:00 JUNE DiLODOVICO

7:00 DEACON ANTHONY LaGOTTA

THURSDAY, MAY 29

7:00 MSGR. ANDREW QUINN

9:00 JUNE DiLODOVICO

12:00 MARY LAZICKI

7:00 SR. TERESE MARY O'CARM &  
KATHERINE FRIFAEAL

FRIDAY, MAY 30

7:00 MICHAEL OLASKIEWICZ

9:00 JOAN TAYLOR

SATURDAY, MAY 31

9:00 ANAZTASIA ANTONCIC

5:00 DANIEL KENNY

SUNDAY, JUNE 1

7:00 MARIE D. CARNEGIE

8:30 BEN ZARRELLI

10:00 TODD JIMMERSON

11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

1:00 FRANK DeCATALDO

5:00 MARION DeROSA

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

William O'Connell

Rose Romano

Rita O'Connor

The Bread and Wine are for Special Intentions requested by  
Bonnie MacDermott.

Lectors May 31 and June 1

Saturday, May 31

5:00 Bill Jones

Sunday, June 1

7:00 Vincent Tarasovis

8:30 Charles Romanelli

10:00 Roy Hansen

11:30 Ken Wisniewski

1:00 Stephen Brown

5:00 Sacred Heart Youth Group



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

III Melissa Staniland and Michael Cannizzaro

Collection May 18

Regular ..... \$7,375.50

Budget Deficit ..... \$1,421.00

Next weekend there is a special collection for the Pastoral  
Solidarity Fund for Church in Africa

The Rectory Office will be closed Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup> in  
observance of Memorial Day.



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD,  
Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup> is a Holy Day of  
Obligation. The Mass schedule is:  
Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> -7PM  
Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup> -7 and 9AM,  
12 Noon and 7PM

## FATHER CAPODANNO...NOT JUST A BOULEVARD...

Just recently, a very fine seminarian from the Diocese of Brooklyn by the name of Mark Bristol told me that he had been on Staten Island - in fact he had visited Saint Peter's Cemetery. I told him that this was very near my parish of Sacred Heart and I asked why he had made the trip over. He replied that he was doing research for a paper that he was doing on Father Vincent Capodanno, the heroic Navy Chaplain who sacrificed his life in the Vietnam War back in 1967. Mark told me that Father Capodanno was buried up at St. Peter's which was something that I did not know even though I grew up in the neighborhood!

The last time I was at St. Peter's Cemetery, therefore, I made it a point to visit the priest's very simple grave. Actually, Fr. Capodanno was buried with his parents and there was nothing special on his tombstone to identify him. Funds were raised last year to construct a new gravestone which tells something of his extraordinary valor. The stone reads: "Father Vincent Capodanno, M.M. 1929-1967; Marine Chaplain, Vietnam; Medal of Honor; Purple Heart; Bronze Star."

Now some people might say, "Father Capodanno? Isn't that a boulevard down near South Beach?" Perhaps not many Staten Islanders even know about this Catholic priest's extraordinary life. On this Memorial Day weekend when we stop to remember all those in our Armed Services who made such great sacrifices, it is appropriate to write about this heroic man and priest.

Vincent Robert Capodanno was born here on Staten Island on February 13, 1929, the last of ten children. He was baptized at Saint Michael's Church in Mariner's Harbor, attended PS 44 and then later on graduated from Curtis High School. He came from a very religious family and young Vincent attended daily Mass at our Lady of Good Counsel Church.

After a short stint as an underwriter clerk for an insurance company down on Maiden Lane in Manhattan, Vincent decided to enter the Maryknoll Seminary in Ossining, New York. Maryknoll is an

order founded to train missionaries to go overseas and preach the Catholic faith. A Maryknoll priest who served here at Sacred Heart for many years after being in China was Father Allan Dennis.

Vincent Capodanno was attracted to the missionary zeal of the Maryknoll Order and after studies, he was ordained a priest on June 14, 1958. Father Capodanno's life might have been a quiet, peaceful one as a missionary. He was first assigned to Taiwan and then later on to Hong Kong. However, his life abruptly changed when he volunteered to serve as a Naval/Marine Corps Chaplain in Vietnam in 1966.

In this very tough assignment, Father found his true parish and his vocation. He ministered to the "Grunts," those marines who were especially exposed to death, suffering and sacrifice. For his extraordinary dedication to these men, Father Capodanno was nicknamed the "Grunt Padre."

On September 4, 1967, during fierce fighting, the priest spotted a wounded corpsman who had been hit by a burst of automatic fire and unable to move. Father ran to his assistance and began to minister to his needs. At this point, the Vietcong opened fire. Capodanno was hit by 27 bullets in his spine, neck and head and was killed instantly. To quote the words of Saint John's Gospel, "Greater love than this no man has, than he lay down his life for a friend."

On May 21, 2006, this heroic priest was named, "Servant of God" the first step on the road to sainthood. On Memorial Day, let us remember in a special way his courage and bravery in the line of duty. We thank Father Capodanno and all those who made the supreme sacrifice for our country so that we could all be free!  
Sincerely in Christ, Father Jerome



Memorial  
Day

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**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

**CONGRATULATIONS** to our children who have received the **Sacrament of Communion** this year. The children received their religious instruction from the following places Sacred Heart School, CCD, St. Joseph Hill Academy and Notre Dame Academy. A special thank you goes to our catechists, who have volunteered to teach the children of Sacred Heart Parish religion this year:

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|-------------|---------------------|
| A. Gould    | D. Watson           |
| J. Buscemi  | A. Siemer           |
| M. Montuori | A. Montuori         |
| M. Weaver   | E. Biggins-DiSimone |
| M. Fegeley  | T. Montuori         |
| J. Emery    | J. Ihne             |
| B. Fox      | K. Sullivan-Heath   |
| T. Lisanti  |                     |

**CCD REGISTRATION** In House Registration for the 2014-2015 school year will take place on Wed., June 4<sup>th</sup> in the school cafeteria 7-9PM. New registrants need to bring a copy of their Baptismal and Communion certificates. The fee for the year is \$150 if paid by June 30 otherwise the fee is \$155.

**BOY SCOUT TROOP 74 OF SACRED HEART CAR WASH FUNDRAISER** Sun, June 1 in the school parking lot following the 8:30, 10:00, 11:30AM and 1PM Masses. No cost, by donation only.

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

**CARDINAL'S APPEAL**

<b>GOAL</b>	\$83,000.00
<b>PLEDGE</b>	\$82,848.00
<b>NUMBER OF GIFTS</b>	156

## Choir News

Traveling Choir sings June 1<sup>st</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (assisting the Family Choir). This is a great time to come on up to the loft and "test the waters" for traveling and singing Masses!! Our International Destination will soon be decided-once we have chosen a location, we begin the plans of learning Masses in that language (and Latin of course!) Now is the time to hop on board when the trip price is at its lowest and you have the most time to save and build your vocal capabilities.... See you in the Loft 10:45 AM June 1<sup>st</sup>- Check us out!! (P.S. Alternately you can come as a "supporter"-sightsee, shop & cheer us on!!)

Come on up!!  
Parish Choir ends their singing season with 11:30AM Mass June 22, 2014 Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ-Such a Glorious Mass!! Mark your calendars!! Don't miss it!! Family Choir/Kids Praise Choir - See you in the loft June 1<sup>st</sup> 11:30AM Mass!! Bring the entire family! Prizes!! Treats!! Coffee!!  
Easter Blessings! Pamela (Voicemail 24)  
Join a choir today! Put away a hymn book! Buy a CD! Come on our next International Choir tour 2016!

**THE ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY** will gather for the 10AM Mass Sunday, June 1 and afterward have their monthly meeting at The Arms. Please contact Theresa Cunningham at 718-981-8047 with any questions.

**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)

**SACRED HEART YOUTH GROUP** The next Mass and General Meeting is Sunday, June 1 - 5PM Mass. The meeting follows after the Mass.

### ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE MAY 31 & JUNE 1

#### Saturday, May 31

5:00 Kyle & Kevin Watson

#### Sunday, June 1

7:00 Matthew Riccardi, Jack Lotito

8:30 Chris Riccardi, Nick Antonacci

10:00 Margaret Donovan, Giovanni Ercolano

11:30 Luisa Montuori, Vicky Bruno, Patrick Buzzard

1:00 Ryan & Kelly O'Neil, Nicholas Fortunato

5:00 Deidre & John McCafferty