

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10
5:00 JAMES SULLIVAN

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11
7:00 DANNY AMBROSE KENNY
8:30 MARY MOORE
10:00 EGIDIO FERANDINO
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:00 JOSEPH W. ROBERTS
5:00 PETER PELLEGRITTO

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12
7:00 SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR ANTHONY BRENNAN
9:00 DAVID SMITH

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13
7:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE DOLAN & LYONS FAMILIES & SOULS IN PURGATORY
9:00 RAFAELLA TIERNO

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14
7:00 SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR EMILY VACARO
9:00 GERARD CRANE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15
7:00 NANCY MCVEY
9:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE DOLAN & LYONS FAMILIES & SOULS IN PURGATORY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16
7:00 JOYCE REISINAK
9:00 ADELAIDA & JESUS PLURAD

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17
9:00 JAMES LONG
5:00 THOMAS KOPF

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18
7:00 ANNA & WILLIAM WILSON
8:30 WILLIAM, ANNA & JAMES MAINE
10:00 VINCENT MECCA-3RD ANNIVERSARY
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE BRANDEFINE FAMILY
5:00 STELLA SUTERA

LECTORS

Saturday, October 17
5:00 Frank Ponterio
Sunday, October 18
7:00 Theresa Zulch
8:30 Kennedy Apoe
10:00 Roy Hansen
11:30 Maria Monyouri
1:00 Charles Sullivan
5:00 Efrain Ortiz

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Anne Siemer
Elizabeth D'Antuonno
Dorothy Tarafa
Ken Wisniewski
Shirley Fennell
Wanda Ortiz



Susan Pellecchia, Lois Mazzitelli, Rosanne Mezzacappa, Christopher Luciano, Patricia Repoli, Tim Campagna, Meghan Clark, Alberto Meranda, Jerry Russo, Anna Parente, James Parente, Ruth Manieri, Mary Kenny, John C. Marino, Michael Rucci, Cpl Justin Campbell, Barbara Brennan, Sam Pezzano, Sheila Jones, Edward B. Hanson, Robert Gaylord, Emily Baron, Frank Silvestri, Carol Van Manen, Frank Juliano, Richard Nagrowski, Theresa Mirante, Barbara Walsh, Christian Pepo, Joe Arrigo, Thomas Coppola II, Terrence Gibbons, Sondra Cronin, Jean Forte, Baby Michael John DiCostanzo, Bill Kiesewetter, JoAnn DiPietro, Frances Bocignone, Sebastian Lattuga, Linda Browne, Linda Powers, Frances Nodar, Robert Pepe

Wedding Banns

III Alicia Rebelo and Andrew Oppenheimer

Collection October 4

Regular \$7,798.00
Monthly \$3,354.00

2016 MASS BOOK is open. For more than 3 Masses please make a list and drop it off at the rectory or in the collection basket; Masses will be booked on, or as close to your dates as possible. Confirmation and payment details will be sent to you.

The Rectory Office will be closed Mon., Oct. 12 in observance of **Columbus Day**.

The Bread and Wine are in loving memory of **Richie Martino**.

The Sanctuary Candle is in loving memory of **Grace Skeele** requested by the Rosetta Messina.

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

The Wise man in the Book of Sirach (Ecclesiasticus) says: *My child, support your father in his old age, do not grieve him during his life. Even if his mind should fail, show him sympathy, do not despise him in your health and strength; for kindness to a father will not be forgotten but will serve as reparation for your sins. On your own day of ordeal God will remember you:*

like frost in sunshine, your sins will melt away.
(Sirach 3:12-15.)

Many Catholics today are caregivers for aging and sick parents. I read a good article recently about caring for an ailing parent. In that piece, an expert in the field recommended that the caregiver look at such a situation as a privilege. I totally agree. When we find ourselves as caregivers to a parent, God is giving us a wonderful opportunity for charity to a person to whom we owe so much, to a person who may be on his way to eternity. A psychologist who was mentioned in the article recommends to the caregiver not to worry about how well she is doing. What matters is that she is there. It can be particularly stressful when siblings criticize the caregiver's decisions. A therapist points out, "I'll always tell the caregiver to quietly say: "Dear siblings, I like the way I'm doing it better than the way you're not." It's also important for the caregiver to recognize that he is being graced by Jesus to be a suffering servant for the family. Jesus will certainly reward the caregiver in this life and in the next. What we do for the least of His brothers and sisters we do for Him. (Cf. Mt. 25). The caregiver should try not to be judgmental toward the siblings who are not doing much to help the sick parent. Not everyone receives the same gifts. Moreover, the caregiver should recognize her own limits. We are not made of steel, but of flesh and blood. Hence, the caregiver needs to take a

break sometimes, even a day off. Recharge your batteries! Furthermore, as the author of the article pointed out, there is nothing morally wrong about admitting that you have reached the point where you have done all that you can. Sometimes people think that they are inept, inadequate or unloving if they decide to put a loved one in a nursing home. If an elderly relative is becoming too difficult to supervise and is becoming a danger to himself it may be the best option to place him in an assisted living care facility. On behalf of the parish, may I say 'thank you' to all the caregivers for aging and sick parents (and other relatives). We're proud of you!

One point of practical interest, there are liturgical items, such as ciboria, that must be refurbished. Moreover, we will need a new sign for the front of the church in light of the new Mass schedule that activates on the First Sunday of Advent. If you are interested in offering a donation and having one of these items memorialized on behalf of a deceased loved one, please let me know.

Lastly, thank you all for the support that you gave Fr. Jerome and his family upon the loss of his dad, Louis Jerome, Sr. It was much appreciated! Please keep them in your prayers, and please keep the parish Outreach Program in your prayers. Tomorrow evening is our big meeting with our separated parishioners who have received our calls to meet and greet the new pastor. It has been awhile since they were last seen on church grounds.

Happy Columbus Day!

Father Eric



SACRED HEART SCHOOL Registration for 2015-2016 is taking place. Grades: Pre-K3, Kindergarten and 1-8. There are 3 seats available in PreK for Free (formerly UPK). Please call the school office for an application and information.

CCD OCTOBER CLASS SCHEDULE

October 14, 21 & 28.

OKTOBERFEST:

The 4th Annual Oktoberfest is rescheduled for Sunday, October 11th.

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.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE OCTOBER 17 & 18

Saturday, Oct. 17

5:00 Matthew & Chris Riccardi

Sunday, Oct. 18

7:00 James Esco & Samantha Baniswal

8:30 Austin Maida & Andrew Fraunberg

10:00 Gabrielle Garcia & Matthew Ahern

11:30 William & Gabriella Fulton

1:00 Sarah & Megan Lauren

5:00 Joseph & Chris Basile

Annual Spaghetti Dinner- St. Mary of the Assumption-Our Lady of Mt. Carmel- St. Benedicta Parish invites you to come and enjoy a delicious Italian meal. A fun filled night of entertainment and raffles. The 75th Annual Spaghetti dinner will be held on Tuesday, October 13, 2015 at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School Cafeteria, 285 Clove Rd, SI, NY 10310. Dinners will be served from 12 Noon until 3:00pm and again from 5:00pm until 8:00pm. Tickets are available at the door. \$12 for adults and \$6 for children under 12 yrs of age. Ample parking and take out dinners are available. For more information, call 718-442-3411.

Choir News

Thank you Family Choir for such a great turnout on Sunday - 3 generations of family joining France Voyager Choir for a rousing 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time! Please say prayers that each of these 15 children will be able to carve out rehearsal time (Wed 5-6) to join Kids Praise Choir which resumes rehearsals Oct. 14th (Chapel across from school) ages 5-grade 5. Hop on Board! Questions? Registration form required! Free!! Pamela (VM24)
Next time for Family Choir - November 1st Feast of All Saints 11:30am Come on up and join us! See you I the loft!
Parish Choir sings today Oct. 11th for 11:30am Mass (28th Sunday in Ordinary Time) Arrive by 11am-come join us!! See you in the loft!!(Next rehearsal Wed., Oct. 21st 8-9:15pm Basement/Rectory)

Fall/Winter Brides Every bride must come to a consultation in the choir loft after any Sunday 1PM Mass, to discuss your music selections for your wedding. You must do so at least 6 weeks prior to your wedding or traditional selections will be made for you. See you in the loft! Questions? Pamela VM24
Which choir are U joining this fall? Join a choir today! Questions? Pamela (718-442-0058) VM 24
Come to France with us! Buy a CD! Join a choir today! Put away a hymnbook!

ATTENTION PARENTS: Are you finding it challenging to raise your children? Do you want to reduce children's problem behavior? Do you want strong, healthy relationships with your children, with all the support, discipline skills and information you could have for living out your calling from God? Explore some real solutions in the Education for Parenting workshop **Common Sense Parenting**, for **parents of children ages 6-16**. CSP will aid you in building good family relationships, preventing and correcting misbehavior, using consequences to improve behavior, teaching self-control and staying calm. The classes explain how to approach discipline as *positive teaching rather than punishment of children*. Improve your child's behavior by using these **tested, proven parenting techniques**. Come join us to learn these effective methods and **practice them, too**. Series of Tuesdays: Oct. 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10, 17 from 7-9PM, **Our Lady of Mount Carmel/St. Benedicta Grammar School**. **Registration is a must**. There is a small fee, please contact Sue DiSisto 646-794-3191 or susan.dsisto@archny.org.