

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

5:00 VENANIRO I. RAMIREZ

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

7:00 IN CELEBRATION OF KEN WISNIEWSKI
75TH BIRTHDAY

8:30 AL & SUE AMORE

10:00 THOMAS KOPF

11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

1:00 MARGARET MASTERSON

5:00 VELIA ANGELI

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20

7:00 CARMELLA TIMARI

9:00 BRENDAN J. HOEY

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

7:00 JOSEPHINE VAN WORKUM

9:00 MICHAEL & VINCENZA NICOLAIS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

7:00 NICHOLAS & ADELINA CARDUCCI

9:00 BEN ZARRELLI

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

7:00 CHARLES M. BLAICH

9:00 FRANK & BETTY BARRY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24

7:00 ELIZABETH HOEY

9:00 CORINNE A. O'BRIEN & JOSEPH O'BRIEN

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

9:00 JOHN PATRICK MALLEN

5:00 WILLIAM FRICKENSTEIN

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

7:00 LANA COCUZZA

8:30 STANLEY MODZELEWSKI

10:00 MARION DeROSA

11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

1:00 MARION DeROSA

5:00 SR. THERESE MARY, O'CARM &
KATHERINE FRIFAEL

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

The Bread and Wine are in Celebration of Ken Wisniewski's
75th Birthday requested by his Family.

The Sanctuary Candle is in Celebration of Ken Wisniewski's
75th Birthday requested by his Family.

LECTORS

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, October 25

5:00 Bill Jones Theresa Hudik

Sunday, October 26

7:00 Vincent Tarasovis
8:30 Charles Romanelli Mary Romanelli
10:00 Roy Hansen Mary Ann Gambardella
11:30 Ken Wisniewski Theresa Cunningham
1:00 Stephen Brown Dorothy Tarafa
5:00 Bob Mazzucco Wanda Ortiz

Sick Relatives & Friends

Susan Pellecchia, Lois Mazzitelli, Rosanne Mezzacappa, Christopher Luciano, Patricia Repoli, 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, Jim McGinley, Luella Page, Joe Arrigo

Wedding Banns

I ToniAnn Perosi and Philip DeFonte
II Jessica Montenegro and Christopher Contardo
III Gabriella Celestino and Anthony D'Onofrio

Newly Baptized

Richard Galaz
Miles Andres Leykam

Collection October 12

Regular \$7,743.50
Budget \$956.00

This weekend there will be a special collection for
Mission Sunday

FATHER BENEDICT'S WONDERFUL LIFE...

Last Friday, I had the chance to concelebrate the funeral of a truly holy priest by the name of Father Benedict Groeschel, CFR. I don't know how many of you have heard of Father Groeschel, but actually, he was quite famous in church circles because he appeared regularly on television on the Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN). He was the author of more than 43 books on the religious and spiritual life.

Father Benedict was a Capuchin Franciscan Priest of the Renewal. He wore a beat up old grey robe tied with a cord and sandals. This priest, like all followers of the good St. Francis, espoused the vow of poverty and he lived a very simple life and had few possessions. He was very rich though in his giving to others especially in counseling and the confessional.

The funeral for Father Benedict was held in the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Newark, New Jersey. This is an enormous Basilica and it was packed with lay people, religious sisters, three hundred priests, six bishops and two cardinals. I thought to myself, what a tremendous reception for a simple humble priest!

But is also struck me during the funeral of the good that just one person can do in this life. The life of this devoted friar touched thousands of thousands of people in a very positive and profound way. He made a difference for the better during his eighty-one years on this earth.

Remember the old movie, *It's a Wonderful Life*? It was directed by Frank Capra and starred Jimmy Stewart. In the movie, Stewart portrayed George Bailey, a deeply compassionate but frustrated businessman who was visited by an angel who shows him what life would have been like had he never been born. As it turned out, life would have been the worse if he hadn't lived! The angel

tells him, "You see George; you really have had a wonderful life."

Each of us has the potential to live "a wonderful life" too when we think more about others than ourselves.

Imagine if a Father Groeschel, or a Mother Teresa, or Pope John Paul II never lived. Think of all the good that would be left undone! We have a chance to make our "mark" on this earth not by our power, prestige or possessions but rather by our service and goodness to others. Isn't that the most important thing? My prayer is that we might have many more priests and religious like Father Benedict to continue God's work in this Twenty-first Century. Please pray for vocations!

The other day as Father Benedict's simple casket was being taken out of the Cathedral for burial, all the people there started applauding. They were applauding a life well lived in the love of God and the love of neighbor. It was very moving and a vindication of a life lived solely for the Lord and His Church.

Father Solanus Casey, another holy Franciscan priest, once wrote this little prayer which is worth our reflection this week:

"Life is to live and life is to give and talents are to use for good if you choose. Do not pray for easy lives. Pray to be stronger. Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers. Pray for powers equal to your tasks. Then the doing of your work shall be no miracle. Every day you will wonder at yourself - at the richness of life which has come to you by the Grace of God!"

Sincerely in Christ, Father Jerome



SACRED HEART SCHOOL
accepting Applications for
2014 K-8. Office Hours Mon. -

Fri. 7AM-3PM. Please call the office at 718-442-0347 to schedule an appointment.

CCD - Classes for October - 22, 29

TACHS EXAM For entrance to most Catholic High Schools, 8th grade students must take the TACHS-Test for Admission into Catholic High School. The exam is Fri., Nov. 7, 2014. Applications must be submitted by TOMORROW, Mon., Oct. 20th. Catholic school pupils receive applications in their school. Public school pupils may obtain applications from Catholic High Schools participating in the program, parish elementary schools or religious education programs. Students may also register 7 days a week online at tachsinfo.com or by phone at 866-618-2247 from 8AM to 7PM.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY NEEDS TO RESTOCK ITS FOOD PANTRY Please donate one or more of the following non-perishable food items: Canned Soups, Canned Vegetables, Canned or Jar Fruit, Tuna Fish, Pasta, Rice, Tomato Sauce, Peanut Butter & Jelly, Cereal, Canned Broth and Canned or Bottled Juices. Donations can be dropped off in the church vestibule. **Please check expiration dates on all donated food. We cannot distribute expired food.** Thank you, St. Vincent de Paul Society.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE OCTOBER 25 & 26

Saturday, October 25

5:00 John & Deirdre McCafferty

Sunday, October 26

7:00 Jack Lotito, Matthew Riccardi
8:30 Vincent Caprio, Christopher Basile
10:00 David Albro, Daniel Ramirez
11:30 Margaret Donovan, Rudy Merlino
1:00 Stephen, Sarah & Megan Laureno
5:00 Patrick & Keifer Regan

Choir News ♪

Kids Praise Choir (grades K-5) Come on kids!! It's Kool to sing in Kids Praise Choir!! We rehearse Wed's 5-6PM Chapel - we practice fun music to sing for Mass in addition to parties & snacks & treats!! (Free - Registration forms required) See you 5-6PM in the school chapel Oct. 15, 2014!!!

Questions?? Pam 442-0058 (VM 24)

Traveling Choir - The Vote has Been Cast

The vote has been cast ...oo-la-la!!! France it is!! Singing in Notre Dame Cathedral, Chartres Cathedral - visiting Liseux for choral offering in between crepes, baguettes, white Vermouth, champagne...Oh don't miss this one!! Deposits due ASAP to secure this price!!

Singers and Cathedral chasers alike - hop on board as Traveling Choir treks off to Great Cathedrals of France Feb.16-23,2016!!Questions??Pam (VM 24)

Parish Choir sings Oct. 26, 2014 11:30AM Mass!! 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time!!

Kids Praise Choir sings with Family Choir/France Traveling Choir Nov. 2, 2014 11:30AM Mass!! Feast All Souls!!

Join a choir today!

Pamela 442-0058 (VM 24)

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5F5VwD0SHzI!](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5F5VwD0SHzI)
Join a choir today! Put away a hymnbook! Buy a CD! Come on our next International Choir tour Feb. 16-23, 2016: Great Cathedrals France!!

BIBLE STUDY GROUP meets the first and third Tuesday of every month at 7PM in the rectory. If you are interested in joining contact the rectory at 718-442-0058.



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.

OPEN HOUSE Notre Dame Academy High School Oct. 26th 1 to 4PM

FYI - New City-wide Speed Limit will be implemented Nov. 7, 2014.