

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

5:00 MARGARET & GEORGE KOPF

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**

7:00 MARIE D. CARNEGIE  
 8:30 ALEX ROSKOWINSKI  
 10:00 FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES  
 11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
 1:00 LEE COSCIA  
 5:00 EGIDIO FERRANDINO

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**

7:00 FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES  
 9:00 MARGARET KIERNAN

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**

7:00 WILLIAM E. WALSH  
 9:00 RAYMOND RAGUCCI

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5**

7:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE DOLAN &  
 LYONS FAMILY & SOULS IN PURGATORY  
 9:00 GRACE & JOSEPH ABATE

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**

7:00 WALTER A. MEAGHER 12<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
 9:00 ANNETTE SCARPACI

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**

7:00 CATHERINE L. DANNEMANN  
 9:00 AIDA LUZ RODRIGUEZ

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**

9:00 BRENDAN J. HOEY  
 5:00 JOSEPHINE & JOSEPH DeMEO &  
 MARY EVANGELISTA

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9**

7:00 IRIS GLASGOW  
 8:30 BEN ZARRELLI  
 10:00 NED THOMPSON  
 11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
 1:00 BARBARA TANACHION  
 5:00 MARY NOONE

The Bread and Wine are in loving memory of **Jeanne Benedetto** requested by Debra Hyland.

The Sanctuary Candle is in loving memory of **Pop Gaudino** requested by the Bifulco Family.

Flowers on the Altar in loving memory of **William E. Walsh** donated by his Family.

Flowers at the Sacred Heart in loving memory of **Laura Elizabeth O'Hanlon** donated by Andrew Ostrowski.

**Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers**

**Weekend of September 8 and 9**

**Saturday, September 8**

5:00 Mary Rosso Mary Ann Gambardella

**Sunday, September 9**

7:00 Joe Meagher  
 8:30 Don O'Shea Dorothy Tarafa  
 10:00 Frank DiSalvo Evelyn Bilotto  
 11:30 Ken Wisniewski John Caban  
 1:00 Charles Sullivan Theresa Cunningham  
 5:00 Fred Maley Maureen Driscoll

**Sick Relatives & Friends**

Susan Pellecchia, Lois Mazzitelli, Rosanne Mezzacappa, Christopher Luciano, Kathryn Brock, Patricia Repoli, Al Frezio, Meghan Clark, Youlanda Santella, Tim Campagna, Alberto Meranda, Matthew Gleason, Jerry Russo, Ethel Thomas, Ruth Irons, Ian Torello, Anna Parente, James Parente, John Lewis, Gerard Crane, Mimi Norberg, Marianne Garlan, Ruth Manieri, Dawn Meade, Lauren Lam, Rafaella Tierno, Mary Kenney, John C. Marino, Alice Longo, Spc. Bryan Camacho, Michael Rucci, Sylvia Lichtenstein, Cpl Justin Campbell, Grace Ford Seamans, Roseanne Liveo, Robert Donohue, Ottimia Paradiso, Elizabeth James Timmins, Robert Poggi, USM, Joyce Rusinak, Barbara Brennan, Venera Delamonico, Sam Pezzano, Sheila Jones, Edward B. Hanson, Franco DeGennaro, Robert Gaylord, Elizabeth Wilson, Emily Baron, Frank Silvestri, Sheila Allen, Carol Van Manen

**Wedding Banns**

I Jennine Maiello and Christian Belger  
 II Katherine Reeder and Timothy Hill

**Collection for August 26**

Regular . . . . . \$6,040.00  
 50/50 . . . . . \$635.00  
 Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blaich on winning the August 50/50 drawing.

This Friday, September 7, we will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament starting at 11AM (barring any funerals) and ending with Benediction at 5 PM. Please come and spend an hour with our Lord.



The Rectory Office will be closed Monday, September 3 in observance of Labor Day. On Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>, the Rectory Office will resume its normal hours of 9 AM to 5 PM. The Office Assistant will be in the office from 5 PM to 9 PM. Just a reminder, the office is closed for lunch from 12:30 PM to 1:15 PM.

## WHAT DOES SUNDAY MEAN TO YOU?

Every so often when I go over to Saint Patrick's Parish in Brooklyn, I pick up a copy of their excellent Diocesan newspaper, *The Tablet*. I always like to look and see what "the competition" is doing! I was pleasantly surprised to read that one of our young parishioners from Sacred Heart, Robert Buzzard, was interviewed for the youth column in *The Tablet*.

This question was put to five students from Xaverian High School: "What does Sunday mean to you?" Robert answered the question beautifully - as befitting his Sacred Heart training. Robert said, "Sunday is important because I serve Mass... Sunday is also my time to rest, just like God did on the seventh day."

Excellent Robert! That is a perfect summation of what the Third Commandment means for us as Catholics. We might recall the Third Commandment: "Keep Holy God's Day." The Catechism of the Church in elaborating on this commandment of God reminds us: "The Sunday Eucharist is the foundation and confirmation of all Christian practice. For this reason, the faithful are obliged to participate in the Eucharist on Days of Obligation unless excused for a serious reason." (Catechism #2181)

A serious reason would be an illness or taking care of a baby for instance. I think that we can readily assert with Mass attendance now down to 25% of baptized Catholics, that many people do not have "serious reasons" for missing Mass on Sunday. For some it is just that they are too lazy. For others, their Sunday is incredibly busy with projects, sports, or job concerns.

However if we are too busy for the Lord, then we are really "too busy." We certainly make time for all the things that we consider valuable in this life. But what is more valuable than the living presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist?

Also, Sunday should be a day where there is some "down time." The Lord' Day can be a time for us to enjoy some adequate leisure and rest to "recharge" our spiritual and physical batteries.

Naturally, there are some people who do have to work on Sundays such as police personnel, firefighters, nurses and others. However, generally speaking, we should all of us, strive to maintain Sunday as a day of rest from our usual activities - a day to appreciate our families, our friends and our God. Unfortunately for some in our society, Sunday has just become another day and has lost its unique character as "the Lord's Day."

A priest that I know recently spoke to me about Sundays when he was growing up. He told me that the family always went to Mass together and then immediately after the Mass, they would head over to the bakery for rolls and buns and then have a leisurely breakfast together. That was a special time for his family both at the table of the Lord in church and then gathered around the family table in the home.

Today many families on Sunday are running in several different directions and this kind of a scenario might be difficult to achieve. But let us remember that the Holy Mass is the most important activity of all and let us make time for it.

What does Sunday mean to me and to you? Hopefully it is a day where we are restored in mind, body and spirit. Let us not be afraid to give our time to Christ!  
Sincerely in Christ, Father Jerome

**FLOWER DONATIONS** The 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.



**SACRED HEART SCHOOL** is now accepting applications for the 2012-2013 academic year. A private tour

of the school can be arranged by appointment only. For additional information please call the school office at 718-442-0347.

**GOOD NEWS! Sacred Heart School has been approved for a free UPK program in September!** School resumes September 5th.

**SACRED HEART CHURCH AND SCHOOL**



**ANNOUNCES ITS FIRST ANNUAL OKTOBERFEST, FALL FESTIVAL AND CAR SHOW** Bakers, crafters, vendors of all sorts and Farmer's Markets needed for Sacred Heart's

First Annual Oktoberfest, Fall Festival and Car Show to be held on the Sacred Heart School Grounds on October 14, 2012 from 11AM to 5 PM. Questions call Tim Donnelly 718-816-7606, Peter Buscemi 516-987-5187.



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** begins Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>. If you have not yet re-registered please send in your forms. New registrants call the CCD Office at 718-448-1536. In person registration will be held on Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>.

**SACRED HEART SOCCER** We have limited player availability for the 2012 fall/2013 spring season. PreK 4-8<sup>th</sup> Grade. For information call Coordinators: Girls - John & Kerri Mullen (718) 442-2109 Boys - Jon Field (917) 478-3264

**ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 8 & 9**

- Saturday September 8<sup>th</sup>
- 5:00 Michael & Danielle Riccardi
- Sunday September 9<sup>th</sup>
- 7:00 Margaret Donovan, Maeve Butler
- 8:30 Donald & Andrea Regan
- 10:00 Nicholas Fortunato, Andrew Johnson
- 11:30 Juan Cruz, Caitlin Gould
- 1:00 Vincenzo Biggins, Jackie Sullivan
- 5:00 Vicky Bruno, Patrick Buzzard



Grandpa Joe! Auntie Em! Calling all families to the choir loft to sing today Sept. 2, 2012 11:30 AM Mass!! Prizes!! Treats!! Coffee!! Grand Prize for the oldest choir member!!! See you there!!

Portugal Traveling Choir sings today Sun., Sept 2, 2012 11:30AM Mass -(in preparation for singing Masses in Portugal Thanksgiving 2013) Join Us!!

Mark your Calendars!! It's Hymnbooks Time!! Time to sort out our beloved Hymnbooks & return them to their proper places, in preparation for another year of prayer & worship!! TODAY!! See you immediately following 11:30AM Mass front of the church. Better yet come up to the loft & sing with us!! And then...help sort the Hymnbooks with us!!

Many thanks for your help & support!!  
Pamela 442-0058 (VM 24)

**THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY** will meet on Sunday, September 9 at the 8:30AM Mass with a breakfast immediately following in the school cafeteria. All men of the parish are encouraged to attend and become a member of the Holy Name Society and help in continuing and expanding one of the oldest and most traditional parish societies in Sacred Heart.



**SACRED HEART PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR** will be held on **Sun., Dec. 2, 2012.** We are

looking for parishioners or vendors who would like to rent a table and for all crafters who can make items or donate a raffle basket or sponsor a basket. Please call the rectory at 718-442-0058.

**ST. RITA SCHOOL THIRD ANNUAL ALUMNI BRUNCH** - October 6, 2012 11 AM to 3 PM. For further information and reservations call 718-761-2504.



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## **SACRED HEART REMEMBERS 9/11**

On Sunday, September 9th at the 11:30 AM Mass we will remember all those who died that fateful day.

Following the Mass we will process out to the 9/11 Memorial Garden to lay a wreath and have a Prayer Ceremony.