

TWENTY-Eighth SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, October 8:

5:00 Joseph & Grace Abate

Sunday, October 9:

7:00 Elaine Murphy  
9:00 Clarence Graves  
11:00 People of the Parish  
1:00 Jack McGarry  
5:00 Margaret & Edward McCauley

Monday, October 10:

7:00 Charles M, Mary & Charles Donohue  
9:00 Richard Bradley

Tuesday, October 11:

7:00 Daniel Fitzpatrick  
9:00 Anne Marie Denisi

Wednesday, October 12:

7:00 Marie D. Carnegie  
9:00 Matthew Pavis

Thursday, October 13:

7:00 Elizabeth Sullivan  
9:00 Mary Romanelli

Friday, October 14:

7:00 Frank Polizzi  
9:00 The Francis Family

Saturday, October 15:

9:00 Rita & Raymond Sykes  
5:00 Margherita & Philip Frabotta

Sunday, October 16:

7:00 Deceased members of The Quinn & McCauley Families & Souls in Purgatory  
9:00 Sue & Al Amore  
11:00 People of the Parish  
1:00 Mary Mahoney Spitzer  
5:00 Josephine De Fina

Saturday, October 15:

5:00 Frank Ponterio

Anne Siemer

Sunday, October 16:

7:00 Theresa Zulch  
9:00 Kennedy Apoe Elizabeth D'Antuonno  
11:00 Ken Wisniewski Dorothy Tarafa  
1:00 Charles Sullivan John Mooney  
5:00 Bob Mazzucco Efrain 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, Terrence Gibbons, Jean Forte, Baby Michael John DiCostanzo, JoAnn DiPietro, Robert Williams, Sebastian Lattuga, Linda Browne, Linda Powers, Frances Nodar, Tina Russo, Nathaniel Sasha, Kathryn Capofari

**Collections:**

Regular October 2: . . . . . \$7,309  
St. Joseph's Seminary..... \$1,857

The Bread and Wine this week are donated by Patrick and Kate McCarthy in honor of St. Bernard's Memorare.

**St. Joseph by The Sea Open House:** The open houses will be on Sunday, October 16 from 1-4 P.M. for girls and Sunday, October 23 from 1-4 for boys.

**St. Joseph Hill Academy:** St Joseph Hill Academy will be having their annual open house on Sunday October 30th from 11:30 A.M. to 2:30 P.M.s

## NOTE FROM THE PASTOR:

Dear Parishioners:

Tomorrow is Columbus Day. According to the *Catholic Encyclopedia*, Columbus was born in Genoa about 1451. At the beginning of 1492, he wanted to find the East Indies. On his way to Cordoba, Spain, with the intention of going to France or England to get approval and financing for his proposed expedition, he reached the Dominican convent of La Rábida. He was penniless and barefoot. Columbus begged the friar who acted as door-keeper to let his tired son rest at the convent over night. A short time later, he met Father Juan Perez, the confessor of Queen Isabella, who was the wife of King Ferdinand of Spain. After providing for his immediate needs Father Perez took him to his cell, where Columbus told him all about his hopes. The result was that Father Perez hurried to the queen to discuss the proposed undertaking of the Italian navigator. She said yes. Even before his journey, we see the influence of Catholicism in the discovery of America.

The squadron with which Columbus set out on his first voyage consisted of three vessels with 120 sailors: the Niña, the Pinta, and the Santa Maria. Before leaving, Columbus and his crew received the Sacraments of Penance and Holy Eucharist. At 2 a.m. on October 12, 1492, Columbus landed on what is now called Watling's Island in the Bahamas. The discoverers named the island San Salvador, in English, Holy Savior. The island was named after Jesus. Again, we see the influence of Catholicism. On the third voyage, he would name an island after the Blessed Trinity: Trinidad. The results of the first voyage include partial recognition of the Bahamas, the discovery and exploration of a part of Cuba and the establishment of a Spanish settlement on the coast of what is now the Island of Haiti or Santo Domingo. There would be three other expeditions.

Eventually, Columbus found himself unpopular among certain factions in the lands of his discoveries, territory in which he kept power as the viceroy of King Ferdinand. There were accusations of mistreatment of the natives. Scholars debate about how much of this was to be blamed on Columbus himself, rather than his underlings in government. Anxious to be just, the queen decided to initiate an investigation into the administration of Columbus in the West Indies. The investigation was led by Francisco de Bobadilla, who landed at Santo Domingo on August 24, 1500. As *visitador* he had absolute authority to do as he thought best, especially against rebels. Since Columbus was not there when he landed, his brother Diego refused to submit to Bobadilla's authority until his brother returned. Bobadilla saw the refusal as an act of insubordination. A short time later, Columbus and

his two brothers were imprisoned. When they returned to Spain in irons the queen was indignant. Bobadilla had exceeded his authority. Columbus was set free.

A fourth voyage of exploration at the expense of the Spanish Government was conceded to Columbus. There were some misgivings in regard to his physical and mental condition at this time. By all accounts, the fourth voyage was disastrous. Violent storms continually harassed the little squadron, two ships had been lost, and the material, political and spiritual benefits of the journey were very small. From the point of view of government, Columbus had become useless due to his unpopularity. Most of the colonists would not tolerate his presence. The only practical course was to take him back to Spain directly and remove him forever from the lands the discovery of which had made him immortal. Columbus landed in Spain on November 7, 1504. He died May 20, 1506 in Valladolid, Spain.

Columbus is considered to be a man of genius, in spite of his faults. He was a bold, skillful navigator, and a man of original ideas who was persistent in carrying them out. The impression he made on those with whom he came in contact, including Queen Isabella herself, shows that he was very magnetic and persuasive. Moreover, his success in overcoming the obstacles to his expeditions show him to be a man of unflinching determination.

Columbus was also deeply religious. He never failed to insist on the conversion of the pagan peoples that he encountered. This would change the Americas forever and link millions of souls to Jesus Christ, the light of the world, and do away with morally repulsive practices prevalent on both continents before Columbus, such as cannibalism, infanticide and human sacrifice.

In short, from the Catholic perspective, Christopher Columbus seems worthy of celebration in the form of a national holiday. Happy Columbus Day!

God bless you!

Father Eric

**Bible Study :** Father Eric is offering an eight week Bible series on the Gospel of St. Matthew. The series will be on Sunday evenings from 6:30 to 8 P.M. in the school cafeteria and will run from October 2 to November 20. The Gospel is featured throughout the next liturgical year at Sunday Mass beginning with the first Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2016. This series is designed to help our parishioners enrich their Sunday worship by experience while expanding their knowledge of Sacred Scripture. No Charge. For further information please contact Father Eric at [frapaglia@yahoo.com](mailto:frapaglia@yahoo.com) or at the rectory (718) 442 -0058

**Sacred Heart CYO High School Basketball:** Sacred Heart will be having registration for their High School Basketball team on October 26, November 2 and November 9 in the school cafeteria from 7-8 P.M. Boys and girls grades 9-12 may register and the fee is \$250 including the cost of a jersey and \$225 if the player already has a jersey.

**Annual Italian Spaghetti Dinner:** Our Lady of Mount Carmel/St. Mary of the Assumption Parish invites all to come to their 76th annual Spaghetti Dinner on Tuesday, October 11th. Lunch will be served from 12-3 P.M. and dinner will take place from 5-8 P.M. Both will be in the school cafeteria located at 285 Clove Road. Tickets are available at the door. Prices are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children under 12 years of age.

**Saint Francis Catholic Singles:** Saint Francis Catholic Singles for those in their 30's, 40's and 50's will meet at Holy Family on Saturday October 29th at 1:15 P.M. The Reverend David Rider will host an afternoon retreat in which those attending will explore new ways to grow in the faith. The afternoon will also include prayer, talk, faith sharing, confessions and conclude with 5 P.M. Mass. At 6:15 P.M. an optional dinner will take place at Kings Pizzeria on 2212 Victory Blvd, the cost of dinner is \$15. RSVP by Monday October 24th and for more information visit [Fb/StFrancisCatholicSingles](#).

**Bereavement Support Group :** The Parishes of Sts. Peter & Paul & Assumption are offering a support group for any adult who wishes to have a travel companion on the road through grief. The group will meet each Thursday evening in October at 7:30 P.M. at 15 Webster Avenue between Brighton and Castleton. If interested call (718) 727-2672 and leave your name and number so the organizers can contact you will details.

**Goretti Group:** The next meeting for the Goretti Group will be at Sacred Heart on Friday October 14th from 6:30-9:30 P.M. Mass will take place at 7 P.M. after which Solomon Carina will speak about his post abortion healing and experiences.

## **ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, October: 15:**

5:00 Noel Ehrseman & Matthew Kalikas

**Sunday, October 16:**

7:00 Anne & Siobhan McCafferty

9:00 James Esco & Samantha Braniswal

11:00 Elizabeth Eadicicco & Margaret Donovan

1:00 Marc Artuz & Bernard Daniels

5:00 John Paul Hoey & Kevin Postler

## **Join a Choir Today**

**Il Viaggiare Coro 2018 (traveling choir) :** October 16th 10:30 A.M. (11 A.M. Mass)

**Parish Choir (ages 10 –110) :** Rehearsal October 19th 7:30 - 8:30 P.M (11 A.M. Mass on Oct 23rd.)

**Kids Praise Choir ( ages 5—grade 5):** Rehearsal Oct. 19th 5 - 6 PM in the Chapel, registration is required. Prizes!! Treats!! Hop on Board!!!

**Family Choir :** November 6th 10:45 A.M. In the Choir loft. Bring the entire family. Newcomers are most welcome and greatly appreciated. If you have any questions please call Pamela. (VM 24). Prizes!! Treats!! Coffee!! Come on up!!

Newcomers are Most Welcome and Greatly Appreciated!! Any questions please contact Pamela at (718) 442 –0058 (VM 24).

Come join us!! Bring a friend, a daughter, a son, a grandma— your husband!! See you October 5th at seventy thirty in the basement hall. Questions??? Call Pamela (718) 442-0058 (VM 24)

Who is the Kids Praise Choir? Kids Praise Choir is a children's choir of CCD children, parishioner's, and school children ages 5-grade 5. They rehearse from 5-6 on Wednesday in the Chapel preparing music to sing at Mass. Join Us!! Prizes!! Treats!! Rehearsals begin October 19 at 5 P.M. in the Chapel across from The Gym. Free!! Registration required, forms are found in the back of the Church. Join a Choir today!!!

Serve a choir today! Put away a hymnbook!  
Purchase a CD! Come with us on our next