

TWENTY-Ninth SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, October 15:

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

Monday, October 17:

7:00 George Sasso

9:00 In Memory of Jesus & Adelaida Plurad

Tuesday, October 18:

7:00 Anna & William Wilson

9:00 Mary Romanelli

Wednesday, October 19:

7:00 Sr. Mary Therese O'Carm.

9:00 Stella, Joseph & Anthony Sutera

Thursday, October 20:

7:00 Nancy McVey

9:00 Patricia M. Silvestri

Friday, October 21:

7:00 Maryann Fair

9:00 Nicolais & Fischetti Families

Saturday, October 22:

9:00 Thomas Kopf

5:00 Nicholas & Adeline Carducci

Sunday, October 23:

7:00 Marian Cestaro

9:00 William, Anna & James Maine

11:00 People of the Parish

1:00 Petronila Rosario, 1st Anniv.

5:00 Fred Fischer

Saturday, October 22:

5:00 Bill Jones

Theresa Hudik

Sunday, October 23:

7:00 Joan Prenty

9:00 Vincent O'Grady

Maryanne Gambardella

11:00 Ken Wisniewski

Pat Jezycki

1:00 Stephen Brown

Dorothy Tarafa

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 9: \$6,382

Monthly Collection \$2,300

St. Peter's Boys High School: St. Peter's Boys High School will have its annual Open House on Sunday, October 30th from 1-4 P.M.

Newly Baptized:

Christopher Riley Masciana
Damian Tadeo Guadarrama
Judith Guadarrama
Stella Chiara Cosentino
Gabiella Ann Cicero
Gianna Rose Cicero
Jadiel Isaias Trinidad

NOTE FROM THE PASTOR:

Dear Parishioners:

Angela Greiling Keane wrote an article a while back entitled, “US Presidents Can Have Everything—Except The Car Keys.” (*The Sydney Morning Herald*, May 6, 2014). I found it interesting. Keane points out that after JFK was assassinated presidential security changed forever. Handing over the car keys is now part of the “bubble” that includes personal chefs, constant security, and aides to handle every simple chore. On official business both in Washington and away, US presidents ride in an armored Cadillac limousine known as “The Beast.” Over the past fifty years the size of the presidential vehicle and the blocks-long motorcade in which it rides has grown.

This bubble continues even after presidents leave the job. Former President Bill Clinton has said that one of the biggest drawbacks of his position is losing driving privileges. “For the most part, the Secret Service’s preference would be to drive the former presidents at all times,” said Mickey Nelson, who retired in 2012 as the Secret Service assistant director of protective operations. The threat to top US officials is continuous, and the agents who drive current and former presidents are trained in evasive and defensive driving maneuvers. Presidents still angle to find ways to get their hands on the wheel—even if it’s a mere golf cart on the links or an off-road trip on private property. The agents assigned to protect them are usually quite concerned about this.

The late President Ronald Reagan, restricted from driving on public roads, enjoyed a pair of older four-wheel drive Jeeps on his 688-acre Rancho del Cielo near Santa Barbara, California, his home away from the White House. “He’d be in the driver’s seat and I’d be in the passenger seat and I’d have a death grip,” former Secret Service agent Stephen Colo said. “Everything was completely open. No seat belts,” Colo recalled. “He’s driving and I’m

thinking: If we go over the edge, how I’m going to drag him out of that car?”

Mike McCurry, Bill Clinton’s former press secretary, recalls that one time the president took the wheel, and it didn’t make the Secret Service happy. Clinton was visiting the late King Hussein at his compound in Jordan when the monarch wanted to show off his new high-end Mercedes. First, the king invited Clinton to ride along in the passenger seat, McCurry said. The Secret Service started to worry when Hussein said “Bill, you drive.” To the relief of the agents, the \$150,000 car had a manual transmission, and Clinton didn’t know how to use it, McCurry said.

All of this has a parallel to the spiritual life, I suppose. The president recognizes that if he really wants to lead—if he really wants that kind of power, then he has to let someone else do the driving. That someone else is an expert in safety, security and protection. Similarly, if we really want the power in our lives that comes from peace of mind, we must let Someone else drive (notice the capital S!). He is the ultimate and eternal expert in safety, security and protection. If God is your co-pilot, switch seats.

God bless you!

Father Eric

Bible Study : Father Eric is offering an eight week Bible series on the Gospel of St. Matthew. The group meets on Sunday evenings from 6:30 to 8 P.M. in the school cafeteria and will run 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 frrapaglia@yahoo.com or at the rectory (718) 442-0058

Independent Reconciliation and Compensation

Program: This past week Timothy Cardinal Dolan announced the creation of The Independent Reconciliation and Compensation Program which strives to bring healing to those people who have suffered abuse at the hands of clergy members. The group is headed by Mr. Kenneth Feinberg and Ms. Camille Biros and in this “*Year of Mercy*” it is very important that we try to heal and make amends with those who have felt alienated by the Church. If you have been a victim or have an allegation please contact the victim assistance coordinator at victimassistance@archny.org.

Sacred Heart Youth Group: The Sacred Heart Youth Group will be having a bake sale as part of the annual Oktoberfest on the school grounds, not outside the Church after the Masses.

Sacred Heart Annual Pep Rally: This Saturday, October 15th immediately after the 5 P.M. Mass the annual CYO Pep Rally will commence in the school gymnasium. This event marks the beginning of the basketball season and Spartan Basketball is indeed a time honored tradition here at Sacred Heart. Come and cheer our children’s teams on to another successful season.

Bereavement Mass: The annual Sacred Heart Bereavement Mass will be held on Sunday November 6, 2016 at 11 A.M. Each of our recently departed parishioners (September 2015 - August 2016) will be announced by name and their families will come to the altar where a memorial candle will be lit. Refreshments will follow in the school cafeteria.

Oktoberfest 2016: Due to weather our fifth annual Oktoberfest and Car Show was cancelled last week. The event will take place on October 16th from 11-3 P.M.. It is a fun time filled with German food, entertainment, classic cars and fall fare.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 22:

5:00 Siobhan & Ann McCafferty

Sunday, October 23:

7:00 Margaret Donovan & Kelly Shashaty

9:00 Eric & Timothy Koleci

11:00 John Paul Hoey & Angela Buscemi

1:00 Elizabeth Eadiciccio & Gabrielle Garcia

5:00 Matthew & Julia Ahern

Join a Choir Today

Il Viaggiare Coro 2018 (traveling choir) : October 23rd 10:30 A.M. (11 A.M. Mass)

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

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 to any Choir!! Any questions please contact Pamela at (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!!!

Calling all reasonably priced Bookbinders!! As part of our “hymnbook research” I need to speak with a “volume bookbinder”!! Please leave a name and number in the office!! Thanks so much!! Pamela & The Choirs (718 442-0058) (message for Pamela-Music Director).

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