

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear St. Joseph Parish Family,

It's a slow news week– the scaffolding is down, and on Monday the roof and facade repair work begins. Looking further ahead, by the end of this year work will begin renovating Casserly Hall and this Fall work we will begin on the school building to repaint the exterior walls.

This Wednesday is the feast day of Guardian Angels. Many often don't think about their guardian angels, but every person has an angel assigned to them to protect and watch over them (see Psalm 91:10-12 and Matthew 18:10).

Try to speak with your guardian angel– ask him to watch over you and help you. In fact, they are willing to help you even in mundane ways. For example, whenever I have to wake up at an unusually early hour for something important, I ask my guardian angel to help me wake up. Even when my alarm clock has failed to go off, after this prayer I've woken up on time! Here's a traditional prayer to one's guardian angel: "Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day be at my side, to light and guard, rule and guide. Amen."

Mass Tidbit:

At the center of the sanctuary is the **tabernacle**. The word comes from the Latin word *tabernaculum*, which signifies a tent. Thus, it harkens back to the Ark of the Covenant from ancient Israel, which traveled in a tent until the building of the Temple in Jerusalem by King Solomon. The tent was built on divine specifications, as outlined in Book of Exodus.

The tent, and later the Temple, were a place where God was uniquely present, where the divine was closest to us. The Ark contained the holiest of items– the tablets on which were carved the 10 Commandments, carved by the finger of God, some manna, which was the bread from heaven, and the rod of Aaron. These items were sacred in that they were linked to God in a special way and thus were holy, somewhat like relics today.

All of this prefigures the Eucharist– God Himself present in a unique way, and which is reserved in a tabernacle. The Eucharist, the Body of Christ, is far more holy than what was held in the Ark– rather than being touched by God, the Eucharist is God. Thus, when entering a church it is proper to genuflect to the tabernacle because one is genuflecting to God. A sanctuary lamp is left by the tabernacle, and when it is lit it signifies God's presence in the tabernacle (ie: that the Eucharist is currently being reserved in it).

Our tabernacle in St. Joseph's points to these ancient prefigurements of Christ and the Eucharist– the green knobs on it represent the breastplate of Aaron, a ceremonial breastplate worn by the high priest of Israel and containing various stones. (Ex 28:15-30)

In Christ,

Fr. Boniface Endorf, O.P



Weekly Collection

September 21st and September 22nd

Masses Total -----	\$4,812
WeShare-----	\$460
Faith Street-----	\$1,055
Grand Total-----	6,327



PRAYER REQUEST



Please pray for:

Geraldine Arbuiso

Camille Moglia-D'Onofrio

Paul Gallagher

Helen Gehm

Stephen Grillo

Poppy Kate Kent

Luisa Latorre

Albert Latorre

Mary "Peggy" Milus

Dennis Quinn

Barbra Rose

Zoila Vallo



If you would like to include someone on our prayer list, please call the church office to submit their names. Names on the prayer list will remain for four (4) weeks. If you wish to leave them on longer, please call the church office, weekdays 9am - 5pm.

@Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr: Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs: BVM

12:10 pm

5:30 pm Paul Gallagher

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

9:00 am People of the Parish

11:30 am Michael Fay

6:00 pm Antonia Spinelli

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

12:10 pm Meghan Rothwell

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

12:10 pm Anny Li and Maria Lu (living)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2

The Holy Guardian Angels

12:10 pm Jim Sentilles (living)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

12:10 pm Janet Nolan

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

Saint Francis of Assisi

12:10 pm Gregory Winn (living)

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THE CARDINAL'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

CONSIDER YOUR GIFT

The Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal has served the people and parishes of our 10 counties for 40 years.

To date our parish has received: **79** pledges, totaling **\$88,340** towards our goal of **\$104,500**

Mercy Through Mary

First and third Mondays of the month at 7:30pm

Join fellow St. Joseph parishioners as we trace the origin of Divine Mercy from Creation to the revelations to Saint Faustina. Discover Mary's role in Divine Mercy.

We will follow the book
"7 Seven Secrets of Divine Mercy."

If you are interested please contact Gene Zannetti and David Annunziato at zspiritualstrength@gmail.com

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH HOLY HOUR MONDAY OCTOBER 7TH @ 7:30 pm

The entire parish community are invited to a Holy Hour as we celebrate the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.

The opportunity to attend the sacrament of confession will be offered.

Join in building the parish community in prayer and fellowship! **This event is open to the all ages no RSVP is required.**

For more information, email to Trevor at sorensen.trevor@gmail.com.

Second Collection

St. Joseph's Seminary

There will be a 2nd collection at all masses this weekend **September 28th-29th** for *St. Joseph's Seminary*.

Your donation will go towards the education and formation of candidates at St. Joseph's and in our college and pre-theology program in Douglaston, Queens.

St. Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers is the major seminary of the Archdiocese of New York. Its primary mission is to serve the Church by forming men for the Catholic priesthood.

Please join in praying for our young men who are studying for the Priesthood in our Archdiocese.

SAVE THE DATE: ERIC GENUIS CONCERT FOR HOPE TUESDAY OCTOBER 29TH AT 7PM

Don't miss the chance to experience the master pianist, composer, and world renown performer **Eric Genuis live in concert on Tuesday October 29th at 7pm at St. Joseph's Church!**

Eric will perform all original pieces that are sure to inspire. Eric will be joined by a world-class violinist, cellist, and vocalist. ***A suggested \$10 donation at the door*** will help raise funds for Eric's charitable effort, *Concerts For Hope*.

Through *Concerts for Hope*, Eric helps to bring beauty and dignity back to the imprisoned and marginalized by performing in prisons, youth detention facilities, schools, rehabilitation and crisis centers. He believes music has the power to mitigate situations of human difficulty, uplifting even the most burdened souls, and instilling hope.

For more information visit <https://www.ericgenuis.com/>

The Academy of St. Joseph Open House

The Academy of St. Joseph invites you to visit our school to meet our faculty, tour the facility, and learn more about our programs.

Please join us for one of the following Open House Dates:

September 26 *PreK, K, 1*

October 3 *Lower School: PreK-4th grade*

October 17 *All grades (6:00p.m. to 7:30p.m.)*

November 7 *Upper School: 5th-8th grade*

November 14 *Lower School: PreK-4th grade*

April 23, 2020 *All grades*

Please call the school office to confirm your attendance.

Any questions please contact Angela Coombs at acoombs@aosj.us or 212-243-5420

**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

First Reading: Amos 6:1a 4-7

Amos denounces the selfish attitude of those who surround themselves with luxuries with no concern for others. He goes on to warn that because these people lacked interest in the state of their society, they would be the first to be exiled.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6:11-16

Paul tells Timothy to seek integrity, faith and love. Paul urges him to attain everlasting life by maintaining strong faith in Jesus and in God until Jesus returns.

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Jesus tells of a rich man who feasted daily, while a beggar named Lazarus went hungry outside his gates. When both men died, Lazarus was taken to Abraham, but the rich man was in torment. When he begged for mercy, Abraham reminded him that Lazarus had lived in torment, while the rich man lived in selfish luxury. The man then asked if Lazarus could be sent to his brothers to warn them. But Abraham said if they had not heeded Moses or the prophets, they would ignore even the warning of one risen from the dead.

**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
DAILY READINGS**

Sunday

Am 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

Monday

Zec 8:1-8; Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday

Zec 8:20-23; Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday

Neh 2:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Thursday

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Lk 10:1-12

First Friday

Bar 1:15-22; Lk 10:13-16

First Saturday

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Lk 10:17-24

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