

THIS WEEK AT

# The Church Of St. Anthony

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## MASSES

### SUNDAY MASSES:

SHRINE CHURCH - 7:00 & 10:30AM

PARISH CHURCH - 9:00, 10:15, 11:30AM,

12:45 and 7:00PM

### SATURDAY MASS VIGIL:

PARISH CHURCH - 5:00PM

(Fulfills Sunday Obligation)

### CONFESSIONS:

SHRINE CHURCH - Saturday 4:30-5:30pm

### DAILY MASSES:

#### SHRINE CHURCH

6:30 & 9:00AM Monday ~ Friday

9:00AM ~ Saturday

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 22, 2018

On this fourth Sunday of the Easter season, the focus shifts from recalling the appearances of the resurrected Jesus toward considering Jesus in light of primary images in scripture. In the Gospel, Jesus describes the intimate bond between the Good Shepherd and the flock and how they know and recognize each other. The Letter of John describes the intimacy of God as Father and humanity as God's children, who recognize and love each other. In our reading from Acts, Peter tells of the religious leaders who didn't know or recognize their God when they encountered Jesus, and so crucified him. Our readings invite us to listen for our God, active in our daily lives, and to open ourselves to the intimacy that our Good Shepherd seeks with us. God also empowers us to then extend this intimacy out into the world, through our care for others.

### LAY DOWN MY LIFE

In the Old Testament, God is described many times as the shepherd of the people of Israel. So when Jesus claims this image of God to describe himself, it is startling even to his disciples. In today's Gospel, he takes the image one step beyond the Old Testament: as the Good Shepherd, he is to "lay down his life." This phrase is stated, with slight variation, five times in today's short passage. Jesus is describing the meaning of his life and of his death.

With firm roots in the story of Israel and their God, Jesus is now starting a new chapter. He is helping his disciples make sense of his death on the cross, and to describe how to follow this particular shepherd. When Jesus lays down his life, he is revealing the infinite love that he and the Father have for the flock. To follow Jesus, to be a part of Jesus' flock, means participating in that same sacrificial love.

Today's Readings: Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18 (Worship Pgs. 1086)

**ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR  
SATURDAY, APRIL 21**

**PARISH CHURCH 5:00 PM**  
ANN & GEORGE GYETKO

**ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR  
SUNDAY, APRIL 22**

**SHRINE CHURCH 7:00AM**  
TOM MORAN

**PARISH CHURCH 9:00AM**  
OWEN, ALICE, OWEN JR. & TIMOTHY HANRATTY

**PARISH CHURCH 10:15AM**  
RON BROUSSARD

**SHRINE CHURCH 10:30AM**  
GRACE CARMELA LUPPINO

**PARISH CHURCH 11:30AM**  
MISSA PRO POPULO

**PARISH CHURCH 12:45PM**  
BONNIE WALSH

**PARISH CHURCH 7:00PM**  
MARY HECTOR & ANA TORRES &  
ANTHONY TORRENTS

**MONDAY**

6:30 AM FRANK RIZZUTI  
9:00 AM JOHN MENDICINO

**TUESDAY**

6:30 AM JOHN COSTELLO  
9:00 AM FRANCISCO DIAZ

**WEDNESDAY**

6:30 AM EUGENE MALONEY  
9:00 AM HARRY PERKINS

**THURSDAY**

6:30 AM MARION & JOHN ZAMBRI  
9:00 AM JOSEPH DiMEO

**FRIDAY**

6:30 AM JAMES COFFEY  
9:00 AM KATHLEEN & PAT CARBERRY

**SATURDAY**

9:00 AM ANTONIO & ROSA VOLPE &  
ROSALEE BUONAIUTO  
5:00 PM ANNA & FRANK MASTROMARINO

**ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR  
SUNDAY, APRIL 29**

**SHRINE CHURCH 7:00AM**  
BRIDIE SHINE

**PARISH CHURCH 9:00AM**  
HELEN, BOB & JIM EDSALL

**PARISH CHURCH 10:15AM**  
JOHN DONAHUE

**SHRINE CHURCH 10:30AM**  
PETER LYNCH

**PARISH CHURCH 11:30AM**  
MISSA PRO POPULO

**PARISH CHURCH 12:45PM**  
CESAR GARCIA

**PARISH CHURCH 7:00PM**  
ROSE & CHARLIE ARCHUL



**ST. ANTHONY'S YOUTH GROUP**

St. Anthony's Youth Group is preparing for a Midnight Run to help the less fortunate. We need your help! There will be bins in the Parish Church and in the Shrine beginning this weekend through May 6<sup>th</sup>. Please donate Men's and Women's New undergarments and socks; gently used or new plain t-shirts (no writing), sweatshirts, sweat pants, hoodies, jeans, sneakers; gift cards to Target, Walmart, Kohl's, Bed Bath & Beyond, Stop & Shop or Shop Rite. *"It is in giving that we receive...."* May God reward your generosity! For more information, please email St. Anthony's Youth Ministry at: [st.anthonys.yg@gmail.com](mailto:st.anthonys.yg@gmail.com)

**COFFEE AFTER MASS SUNDAY, APRIL 29TH**

Coffee, tea and more will be served after the 9:00, 10:15 and 10:30am Masses, Sunday, April 29 sponsored by the Parish Players. All parishioners are welcome.

**PENTECOST SUNDAY CHILDREN  
PARTICIPATION SIGN UP**

On Sunday 5/06/18 there will be sign up for Pentecost Sunday which is May 20th (birthday of the church) after the 9:00 am & 10:15 am masses in the Shrine Hall. The children will participate in the procession carrying paper flames, bring up the gifts (bread wine & water), take up the collection (with usher Guidance), hand out childrens bulletins & adult bulletins. All parishioners will be invited after mass for refreshments in the Shrine Hall. There will be a short practice on Friday 5/18/18 at 5:30pm.

**ALL PARISHIONERS**

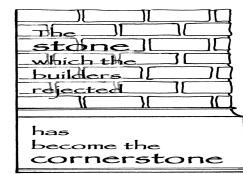
Please notify the Rectory of any change of address. Your envelopes or any letters from the Parish will not get forwarded. Every parishioner should be registered. If you are not, we cannot serve you by issuing testimonial letters for the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. We cannot give recommendations or character references if we do not know you.

**PARISH PAY/LPI**

If you are interested in a new way to electronically contribute each week to St. Anthony's, you can sign-up with this new program. You may do so by visiting our website at [www.thechurchofstanthony.com](http://www.thechurchofstanthony.com) or calling 1-866-PARISH1 or LPI's number 1-800-950-9952 and dial 1 for "We Share Customer Support".

**MOTHER'S DAY MASS CARDS**

Mother's Day is May 13<sup>th</sup>. Cards are available in both the Parish and Shrine Churches. Please return them to the Rectory **no later than Wednesday, May 9th**, to assure that all Mothers will be remembered in the Mother's Day Masses. The large cards are for the living and the small envelopes are for the names of the deceased. (note: they can be dropped off in the rectory mail slot).





We have begun planning for our *Annual Novena & St. Anthony's Feast 12:45PM Mass and International Picnic on Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>*. I thank those who are making this happen! We can always use more help! Come & join us at our next planning meeting on **Monday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM** in the Media Center of the School. It

is a great group and a lot of fun!

Our "Renew & Rebuild" projects – Shrine Handicap Access Project and School Roofs are moving forward. We have parishioner consultants who are providing great expertise!

With Prayer and Deep Gratitude, *Fr. Jerry*

**TITHING NEWS:** Last week our collection totaled \$20,454.00.

Last year this Sunday was Easter Sunday therefore there is no comparable number. Thank you!

**BOY SCOUT TROOP 78 PANCAKE BREAKFAST TODAY**

Boy Scout Troop 78 Invites the Community to our Annual Pancake Breakfast/Basket Raffle today Sunday April 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00am to 12:30pm at St. Anthony's School Cafeteria. Please come & enjoy pancakes, sausages, OJ, coffee & tea. Many great items will be raffled off including a Big Screen TV, a Mountain Bike & many more great prizes. **Tickets are \$6.00 in advance, \$7.00 at the door.** Children 13years old and younger \$3.00. Tickets will be sold after all Masses.

**ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH PLAYERS PRESENT "ANNIE"**

This spring's production of "*Annie*," based upon the popular comic strip, "Little Orphan Annie" first came to Broadway in 1977. The Parish Players are thrilled to bring this former Tony winner to our stage this year. Three performances will be presented in the St. Anthony School Auditorium – Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 8 pm; and Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm. Tickets can be ordered by telephone by calling 845-634-0153 or by emailing [rfar.parityplayers@yahoo.com](mailto:rfar.parityplayers@yahoo.com). Purchase price for tickets is: \$12 (Adults), \$10 (Seniors/Children 12 and under).

**BAPTISMS:** First and Fourth Sundays of the month at 2:00 PM. Instructions for parents of children to be Baptized must be arranged with the Priests of the Parish. Only instructed Catholics should be invited as Godparents. A copy of the child's birth certificate and sponsor certificates for the Godparents are required when you meet with the priest.

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday afternoon 4:30 - 5:30 PM in the Shrine Church.

**MARRIAGES:** Arrangements should be made at least six months before the marriage takes place.

**SICK CALLS:** Any time. Do not neglect to call a priest to a person seriously ill (while the person is conscious, if possible).

**NOCTURNAL ADORATION:** Each First Friday 7:00pm until 8:00pm in the Shrine Church.

**NOVENAS:** To St. Anthony: Tuesdays after the 9AM Mass; Miraculous Medal: Monday at 8PM in the Shrine Church.

**HOLY HOUR - EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, BENEDICTION:** on Tuesdays from 7:00-8:00pm in the Shrine Church.

**SOCIETIES:**

**BLESSED MOTHER'S SODALITY:** Meeting on Monday after 3rd Sunday, at 7:30 PM in the School Cafeteria.

**SHRINE TO THE UNBORN AT ST. ANTHONY'S** - A Shrine to the Unborn is installed in St. Anthony's Shrine Church. The centerpiece of the shrine is an image of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. A Book of Life is enshrined there. Those who have suffered the loss of an unborn child, through stillbirth, miscarriage or abortion, or of a child who lived for just a short time, may have his or her name inscribed in the Book. If you wish to have an unborn child included; applications are available at St. Anthony's Church office 623-2138 between 8:30am & 3:30pm. There is no fee but donations will be received with gratitude.

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**TODAY:** **BOY SCOUT PANCAKE BREAKFAST** at 9:00am to 12:30pm in the School Cafeteria.  
**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD** at the 9:00 & 10:15am Masses will be for Kindergarten thru 4<sup>th</sup> Grade.  
**JUNIOR CHOIR REHEARSAL** from 2:00pm- 3:00pm in the Parish Church.  
**YOUTH GROUP MEETING** at 5:15pm in the Shrine Church Hall.

**MONDAY:** **MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA** at 8:00pm in the Shrine Church.

**TUESDAY:** **NOVENA TO ST. ANTHONY** following the 9:00am Mass in the Shrine Church.  
**HOLY HOUR** from 7:00-8:00pm in the Shrine Church.  
**P.R.E.P. Classes** for 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> year students from 7:00 - 8:30pm.  
**P.R.E.P. Classes** for 8<sup>th</sup> year students ~ sign-in before 6:20pm (doors will be lock at 6:20pm).

**WEDNESDAY:** **SENIOR CLUB MEETING** from 12:00pm - 3:00pm in the Shrine Church Hall.  
**P.R.E.P. Classes** for 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> year students from 7:00 - 8:30pm.  
**ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL** at 7:30pm in the Parish Church.

**THURSDAY:** **BIBLE STUDY** from 10:00- 11:00am in the Rectory.

**SATURDAY:** **P.R.E.P. Classes** for 1<sup>st</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> year students from 9:00 - 10:30am.  
**CONFESSIONS** from 4:30 to 5:30pm in the Shrine Church.

**NEXT SUNDAY:** **SECOND COLLECTION** will be for Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe.  
**50<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES** celebrated at the 10:15am Mass in the Parish Church.  
**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD** at the 9:00 & 10:15am Masses will be for Kindergarten thru 4<sup>th</sup> Grade.  
**JUNIOR CHOIR REHEARSAL** from 2:00pm- 3:00pm in the Parish Church.  
**COFFEE AFTER MASS** after the 9:00, 10:15 and 10:30am Masses in Shrine Church Hall sponsored by the Parish Players.

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### **PRIEST - CELEBRANTS FOR APRIL 28 & 29**

<u>SCHEDULE:</u>		<u>MASS SCHEDULE:</u>	
<u>SATURDAY, APRIL 28</u>		<u>SUNDAY, APRIL 29</u>	
<b>CONFESSIONS:</b>	4:30 -5:30PM FR. RONELO FR. JERRY	SHRINE CHURCH 7:00AM FR. ED PARISH CHURCH 9:00AM FR. ED PARISH CHURCH 10:15AM FR. JERRY	
<b>MASS SCHEDULE:</b>		SHRINE CHURCH 10:30AM FR. RONELO PARISH CHURCH 11:30AM FR. JOE PARISH CHURCH 12:45PM FR. JOE PARISH CHURCH 7:00PM FR. JERRY	
PARISH CHURCH	5:00PM FR. CRESUS		

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#### **MASS BOOK 2019**

After the week of scheduled appointments, masses can be booked by a first come/first serve basis starting **Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>** from 9:00am to Noon and 1pm to 3:30pm. Thank you for your cooperation!  
**(The customary offering for each announced mass is \$15.00. Thank you.)**

#### **SILVER AND GOLD ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

Couples celebrating their **50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary** anytime during 2018 are invited to attend the **Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in New York on Sunday, June 3rd at 2:15pm.**

~ **Pre-Registration is required and encouraged to be done early as there is limited seating** ~

Please call the Rectory (623-2138 ext. 6 between 9:30am-3pm; Monday thru Friday **only**) with your name, address and phone number and the number of people attending with you..

**(\*\*Closing date for Cathedral registration is Friday, May 11th\*\*)**

This event is sponsored by the Family Life/Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York ~ 646-794-3190.

**LETTER FROM THE CARDINAL**

**SECOND COLLECTION FOR CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE ON APRIL 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>**

Dear friends in the Lord,

As you know, every year we here in the Archdiocese of New York take up a special collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. During the time of communist reign in many countries, practicing the faith become illegal, church buildings were confiscated, and people were forced to hide and secretly share the truths of the Gospel. After decades of institutional oppression and persecution, Catholics still struggle to rebuild not only their physical places of worship, but also their church ministries and communities. With your support of this collection, the Church is providing resources to these communities to breathe new life into the faith once again.

For example, the nation of Albania is nestled north of Greece on the Adriatic Sea. This small country suffered greatly under communist rule. In the capital of Tirana, located in the middle of the country, the Church is continuing to restore not only its structures, but also the spirituality of the faithful after years of oppression. In 1996, the congregation of sisters known as the Company of Mary Our Lady founded a kindergarten, the first Catholic school in the entire capital city. Since then, they have opened a school for grades 1-9 and a daily activity center for children. These sisters are now serving over 700 children daily from all different backgrounds, faiths, and ethnic groups.

With your support of Church in Central and Eastern Europe, these sisters will be able to make critical repairs to their building to continue their service. Your generosity helps them to continue teaching children and equips the congregation to provide a space to build peaceful communities.

Be assured that your donations make a difference for those still struggling in the aftermath of communism so, please prayerfully consider how you can support this special collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe

Thank you for your help to restore the Church and build the future in Central and Eastern Europe.

With prayerful best wishes, I am,

Faithfully in Christ,  
+Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan  
Archbishop of New York

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**CATHOLIC CHARITIES COMMUNITY SERVICES**

CCCSR will host the Annual Blessing of the Soil Event with guest of honor **His Eminence, Archbishop Timothy Cardinal Dolan**. The event will take place on Saturday, April 28, 2018 at noon at 78 Hudson Avenue, Haverstraw, NY 10927. This is a special event running from 12PM to 3PM. There will be activities for the entire family and refreshments.

**LECTURE AT DOMINICAN SISTERS OF SPARKILL**

On Wednesday evening, April 25, the Sisters will host a lecture by **Robert Ellsberg**, publisher of Orbis Books and award-winning author, entitled *"Dorothy Day, Oscar Romero, and New Faces of Holiness Today."* On the heels of the recent Vatican announcement that Archbishop Oscar Romero will be canonized, we anticipate increasing interest in his spirituality. In the lecture, Mr. Ellsberg will discuss the meaning of sainthood and share his insights on specific figures who have inspired him. The event is free and open to the public. A book signing will follow. Registration is required at [sparkill.org/events](http://sparkill.org/events) or call 845-359-413. Thank you very much and we hope to see you there!

**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER AND PROTEST AGAINST PLANNED PARENTHOOD**

Come and pray the rosary with us on April 28 and be a loving witness outside Planned Parenthood, an organization that oversees the destruction of over a quarter million unborn children a year by abortion. The National Day of Prayer and Protest Against Planned Parenthood will be observed as a peaceful, prayerful vigil in Rockland County on public property on Perlman Drive in Spring Valley from 11am to Noon on Saturday, April 28. For more information, please call 845-492-6709.

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP - SPRING 2018**

When: April 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Time: 7:00 PM. Place: Rader Hall, Room #6. Please call the St. Francis Rectory at 634-4957 to register. If you have lost a loved one, come for discussion, understanding and faith in healing.

**ONE TO ONE LEARNING GALA**

The annual GALA conducted by One to One Learning, a program sponsored by the Dominican Sisters of Sparkill, will take place on May 4, 2018, at the Nyack Seaport, 21 Burd Street in Nyack. One of the honorees is St. Francis of Assisi Parish in West Nyack, of which Rev. Robert McKeon is Pastor. Admission ticket price is \$125.00 and there will be a limited Raffle at \$100.00 per chance with 300 raffle tickets being sold. For information regarding ticket purchase, raffle, donations or journal ads, please call 845-512-8176, or visit [www.one2one-learning.org](http://www.one2one-learning.org)

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES COMMUNITY SERVICES SENIOR RETREAT**

Wednesday, May 9, 2018, 9:45am to 3:00pm, at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in West Nyack. Registration forms will be available in all the parishes in April. Forms will be mailed to all previous participants. More details will follow. Catholic Charities Community Services of Rockland, 845-942-5791 ext. 17.

**ALBERTUS MAGNUS HIGH SCHOOL**

We recently welcomed our largest freshman class in more than 25 years, and we look forward to the new wave of AM Falcons, Class of 2022. Spring Open House: Thursday, April 26, 2018. Tours begin at 6:30 p.m. Presentation at 7:15 p.m.

**ST. JOSEPH'S REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL**

**OPEN HOUSE:** On Wednesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 6:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., Saint Joseph Regional H.S., Montvale, NJ will be hosting an Open House for prospective students (6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys) and their families to gain more information concerning St. Joseph Regional, its programs & the people who make up the SJR community. SJR students will provide tours (starting promptly at 6:30 p.m.) and guests will have the opportunity to speak with SJR faculty, administrators & parents. For more information & directions please call the school at 201-391-3300 or pre-register at [www.sjrnj.org](http://www.sjrnj.org).

**DOMINICAN COLLEGE OPEN HOUSE**

Dominican College is hosting an Open House for High School and Transfer students and their families on Saturday, April 28 at 10:00am. The event will be held in our Hennessy Center. Please visit our website at: [www.dc.edu](http://www.dc.edu) for more information.

**ST. ZITA'S VILLA FOR WOMEN**

When your loved one needs a Home away from Home. NYS certified St. Zita's Villa for women in Monsey NY, provides private rooms with three meals a day, in a clean and comfortable environment. Catholic setting with housekeeping and some medical assistance. Please call 845-356-2011.

**DON BOSCO PREP HOLDS SPRING OPEN HOUSE**

Don Bosco Prep will host its spring Open House for prospective and transfer students and their families on Thursday, April 26, 2018, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Come and get a tour of the campus and hear about our exciting programs, classes, clubs, activities, sports teams, and financial aid opportunities. To register, visit [www.donboscoprep.org](http://www.donboscoprep.org)

**IMMACULATE HEART ACADEMY – OPEN HOUSE**

Immaculate Heart Academy's Spring Open House will be held May 2, 2018 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tour the state-of-the-art building; meet IHA's incredible faculty, staff, students, and coaches; and learn about the challenging college prep academic program. Join IHA's 10,000+ alumnae by making your home @theheart! Register online at [www.ihanj.com](http://www.ihanj.com) or call 201.445.6800. Walk-ins welcome. IHA is located at 500 Van Emburgh Ave., Township of Washington, NJ 07676.

**OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP**

St. Aedan's Church hosts a cancer support group (Our Lady Queen of Peace csg) every second (2nd) Tuesday of each month (excluding inclement weather). Our facilitator is Margie and can be reached at any time by phone at 845-323-9665, text or email ([sjems7@gmail.com](mailto:sjems7@gmail.com)). We meet at 7pm in the parish meeting room. This horrific disease affects more than the cancer warrior - it affects all those around them. The group is opened to victims, survivors, family members, friends or anyone who is hurting because of this dreadful disease.

**MARYDELL FAITH & LIFE CENTER COMMUNITY YARD SALE**

On Saturday May 19<sup>th</sup> (Rain or Shine) from 8:00am -3:00pm there will be a Community Yard Sale at the Marydell Faith & Life Center. Cost of table is \$25.00. If interested in a table please call Maria or Roxana @ 845-358-5399 [marydellflc@gmail.com](mailto:marydellflc@gmail.com).

**H.A.N.D.S. (Healing and Nurturing Distraught Survivors)**

H.A.N.D.S. sponsors a **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP** for parents who have lost a child. It is facilitated by Ann Carucci, founder of H.A.N.D.S. who lost her son & daughter-in-law in a boating accident. Their bodies were never recovered. All groups meet from 6:30 to 8:00pm. The next meetings are May 2<sup>nd</sup> & May 15<sup>th</sup>. It will be held at International Headquarters, 9 Scott Drive, New City, NY 10956. Services are free of charge. Ann is also available for personal one-on-one counseling sessions.

H.A.N.D.S. also now has a **WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS GROUP** facilitated by Ann Carucci, who lost her husband. These meetings are held every Monday at 9 Scott Drive, New City. For further information please contact Ann Carucci at 634-6706.

**THE RACHEL MINISTRY**

Every 20 seconds an unborn child is aborted in the United States. In the 30 years since Roe vs. Wade, the U.S. Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion on demand, the death toll has reached over 55 million. But the statistics do not document the other casualties: the mothers, fathers, grandparents and friends who are emotionally and spiritually affected. The Rachel ministry is a CONFIDENTIAL ministry for those scarred by abortion, miscarriage or stillbirth. Come and heal every third Monday of the month at the Marian Shrine in the Cafeteria Building in West Haverstraw, at 7:00pm. The next meeting is on May 21<sup>st</sup>. For more information call 845-429-2077 or the Marian Shrine at 845-947-2200.

**PARISH COUNSELING NETWORK**

**SOMEONE WHO CAN LISTEN** Everyone goes through crises sometimes. When that is happening, we can benefit from a conversation with an experienced professional counselor who shares our Catholic perspective. Our parish can make a connection for you through the archdiocese's PARISH COUNSELING NETWORK. Our parishioners can make an appointment to meet with a professional counselor in Rockland County or anyplace in the archdiocese for up to six meetings, with only a \$10 co-pay per session. Tell Father that you want to talk with a counselor. He will contact the appointment desk on your behalf and then you can call and arrange your first visit.

**ARCHCARE (THE CONTINUING CARE COMMUNITY OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK)**

Need help caring for yourself or someone else, but not sure where to turn with questions about: Housing for seniors and disabled persons, Access to healthcare, Health-related legal and financial issues, Dementia care, Transportation options, Caregiver support groups, Food and nutrition, Volunteer opportunities. Call ArchCare. We'll Answer. ArchCare Care Navigation Center 855-951-CARE (TTY/TDD): 711). Our Care Navigator are here to help you from 8:00am to 8:00pm., seven days a week. Help from a Care Navigator is totally free.