

**MASS INTENTIONS  
TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Sunday, August 14**

5:00pm (Sat. Evening Vigil) Catherine Benke  
8:00 Byron & Ellen Letson  
10:00 Paul & Mark Kelly  
12:00 Rocco Carlucci

**Monday, August 15 – The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

*(Because feast day falls on Monday, it is not a day of obligation)*

9:00 Alexander J. Risoli

**Tuesday, August 16**

9:00 Robert W. Murnane

**Wednesday, August 17**

9:00 People of Holy Spirit Parish

**Thursday, August 18**

9:00 Thomas John Cesta

**Friday, August 19**

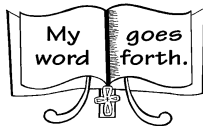
9:00 Thomas McCarthy

**Saturday, August 20 – St. Bernard**

9:00 Alexander J. Risoli

**Sunday, August 21**

5:00pm (Sat. Evening Vigil) Mary & Francis Grogan  
8:00 Daniel Penzo  
10:00 Michael John Soehnlein  
12:00 Mary Ann Tamas



First Reading	Jeremiah 38:4-10
Second Reading	Hebrews 12:1-4
Gospel	Luke 12:49-53

**RESPONSE**

Lord, come to my aid!

**PRAYER INTENTIONS**

For our Blessed Mother

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

Isaiah 66:18-21  
Hebrews 12:5-13  
Luke 13:22-30

**CELEBRANT SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEKEND**

**Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup>**

5:00pm Fr. Vernon

**Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup>**

8:00am Fr. Mahendra

10:00am Fr. Vernon

12:00noon Fr. Francis

**Thank you for your generosity**

**Offering**

\$8,918

**Latin America & Home Missions**

\$1,142

*Please mark your envelope with the amount of your contribution, your name and address, so that we are able to record it for your year-end statement. If you are not a registered Parishioner we will gladly send you a registration form.*



Next weekend, August 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>, we will collect for our Church's Summer Energy costs. Thank you for your generosity.



The sick are comforted just knowing that we pray for them. Please remember these members of our Parish Family, who are ill, in your prayers: **Bernice Sutch, Bob Sorrentino, Shawn Harrison, John Patonovic, Helen Acebal, Madison Frost, Lisa Pitry, Marie Friedel and Doreen Anderson.** Please also remember the deceased members of our Parish Family in your prayers: **Sr. Petra Zanghi.**

**The Grotto - Pray the Rosary**



A group of parishioners has initiated saying the Rosary at the Grotto each **Thursday evening at 7:00pm** during the good weather months. All are invited to join them. Many graces are ours because of the prayers said to Our Lady.

## From the Desk of Fr. John

### RCIA--

#### Rite of Christian of Adults Classes to begin in the Fall -

I'm delighted that once again this fall we will offer this opportunity to those adults who would like to become Catholics or are in need of completing the Sacraments of Holy Communion and/or Confirmation. We invite all parishioners to invite family members and friends to join us. If you or someone you know needs the Sacraments, please call the Parish Office to register for the classes. Classes are usually held on Sundays a couple of times a month from 1:30pm to 3pm. Join us for this journey of faith.

Candidates will receive their Sacraments at the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday.



#### Sister Arlene to speak at Mass August 27/28

Sister Arlene Flaherty, O.P., a Dominican Sister of Blauvelt, will be speaking at all of the masses on the weekend of August 27/28 on behalf of the Dominican Sisters of St. Catherine of Siena/Iraq. These remarkable Sisters, who themselves are refugees having fled from Mosul because of ISIS, are assisting other displaced and suffering Christians in the Kurdish area of Iraq. Last year alone they have built schools, infirmaries and housing and were able to prepare 500 children for their First Communion, all while in constant danger from further ISIS incursions. Sister Arlene has visited these intrepid sisters and is anxious to convey the extent of their piety and resourcefulness in this dangerous region.

I am grateful to a group of concerned parishioners who have led the way in responding to the needs of fellow Christians. These volunteers will be in attendance with Sister Arlene at all the Masses to ask for your support as you leave the Church. The proceeds are going directly to their work. Please be as generous as possible.

#### Cardinal's Appeal Update –

This year we raised over \$48,000. This represents more than double from a couple of years ago and the most we have ever raised in the history of the Appeal. Thanks to all for your enormous generosity.

#### Seniors Group at Holy Spirit -

Thanks to all who have already responded to our request for volunteers as we look to start up a Seniors Group here at Holy Spirit. Sr. Lisa from Mt. St. Francis has graciously volunteered to lead the planning. At this time we are seeking a few volunteers to assist Sr. Lisa. The Seniors Group will provide some social time, various refreshments, informational services related to healthcare and legal matters, arts and crafts etc. Please call the Parish Office if you would like to volunteer to help.

We hope to have the group in place sometime in the Fall.

I look forward to supporting this new venture for our parish as I believe it can be of great benefit to the many seniors who live in our community. Please know of my continual prayers for all of you. God Bless. **Fr. John**



**Day of Recollection at the Don Bosco Retreat Center in Rockland County on Saturday September 17<sup>th</sup>.** Be sure to join us. More information and reservation forms are at the church doors, parish office and on our website.

**Blessing of the Animals ... Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:30pm**

**Golf Outing and Dinner ... Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at Hollow Brook Golf Club**

**Columbus Day Italian Mass ... Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am followed by Italian pastries and espresso**

# Midnight Run

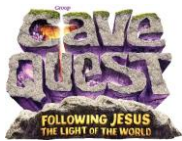
The time is rapidly approaching for our next “Midnight Run” on September 30th. As you know, this is our Parish’s way of bringing food and clothing to homeless people living on the streets of NYC.

For those willing to donate items we have simplified the process.

You can go directly to the parish website, ([www.holyspirit-cortlandtmanor.org](http://www.holyspirit-cortlandtmanor.org)), Click on the Midnight Run symbol, and directly link to “signup.com” where you can view the list of items needed and make your selection(s). All donated items will be collected before the Masses on the weekend prior to the run, September 24-25th. If you don’t have internet access, or have any questions or problems with donating, please feel free to contact John Beck at 914-737-8863 or [jwbeck@optonline.net](mailto:jwbeck@optonline.net).

## Vacation Bible School

This amazing adventure will help kids begin to deepen their faith by exploring who Jesus is—the light of the world! At Cave Quest VBS, kids will explore the rock-solid foundation of Jesus’ love. Cave Quest is filled with faith learning experiences kids see, hear, touch and event taste. Team-building games, cool Bible songs and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life. Plus, we’ll help kids discover how to see evidence of God in everyday life, something we call God Sightings. Mark your calendars: the fun starts August 22 through 26. Call the Religious Education Office for more information.



## **A Source of Grace**

Prayer isn’t a luxury—it’s a vital source of grace and strength. Making time for daily prayer is especially important when we’re busy. In the morning, commit your day to God’s care and service. If something causes you worry, anger, or happiness, say a quick prayer. Thank God for His help at the end of the day.

*“Whatever you ask for in prayer with faith, you will receive” (Matthew 21:22).*

- Growing in Faith

## **Attention 30- and 40-somethings!**

Here's what Catholic in Real Life has in store for you this summer. We hope to see you there!

### **Post-Mass picnic**

Sunday, 8/21/16 at 2pm

Cold Spring Riverfront Park

Pack a lunch, go to mass, then join us for an afternoon picnic!

E-mail us for exact location.

Kids welcome.

### **3rd Annual CiRL Friday Night BBQ**

Friday, 9/9/16 at 7pm

Church of the Holy Spirit Rectory Patio

Bring your favorite side dish and/or beverage to share!

RSVP to [CatholicinRealLife@gmail.com](mailto:CatholicinRealLife@gmail.com) or

[Meetup.com/Catholic-in-Real-Life](https://www.meetup.com/Catholic-in-Real-Life)

## **Parish History Book**

You are invited to bring pictures and/or share a story about your time here at Holy Spirit Parish. These will be shared with fellow parishioners and possibly included in the History Book.

You can also help to sponsor the publication of the book by placing a listing in the book with your family name or business. There are various levels of sponsorship available.

You can do the above by filling out the forms that are available in the Church, at the parish office and on our website. All who place a listing will be guaranteed a complimentary copy of the book.

Thanks to all who have already placed a listing and shared their story.

## **Praise Life! Save lives!**

**Birthright** of Peekskill will be training new volunteers in September. If you can give one morning/afternoon/evening per week in our office to meet women in a crisis pregnancy, please call (914)737-0344.

Also

Little boys clothing needed! Sizes 9 - 24 months. Please call our Peekskill office (914) 737-0344. Praise Life! And lets all praise the mothers of these little boys!