

MASS INTENTIONS
SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, February 19

5:00pm (Sat. Eve. Vigil) Mark Joseph Travis
8:00 Rose Giordano
10:00 Margaret Trojan
12:00 Raimund Stock

Monday, February 20

9:00 Ann McDonough

Tuesday, February 21

9:00 Bridget Higgins

Wednesday, February 22 – The Chair of St. Peter

9:00 George Marone

Thursday, February 23 – St. Polycarp

9:00 Frank Carpentieri

Friday, February 24

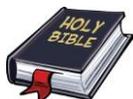
9:00 People Holy Spirit Parish

Saturday, February 25

9:00 Edward Capone

Sunday, February 26

5:00pm (Sat. Eve. Vigil) Daniel Mahoney
8:00 Deodato Siquerra
10:00 Ed Shuka
12:00 Dawm Ann Margatta



READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY

First Reading	Leviticus 19:1-18
Second Reading	1 Corinthians 2:6-10
Gospel	Matthew 5:38-48

RESPONSE

The Lord is kind and merciful!

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For courage

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Isaiah 49:14-15
1 Corinthians 4:1-5
Matthew 6:24-34

Please note that the office is closed on Monday, February 20th in observance of President's Day. Thank you.

CELEBRANT SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday, February 25th

5:00pm Fr. DeBellis

Sunday, February 26th

8:00am Fr. Vernon
10:00am Fr. DeBellis
12:00 noon Fr. Vernon

Thank you for your generosity

Offering (Snow Day)

\$6,184

Buildings and Grounds Maintenance

\$1,613

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.

The 2016 tax contribution statements are available. **Please call** the Parish Office to request your copy, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. You may also fax or e-mail us as well. Thank you.



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: **Karen Ellsworth, Judi Lynn Risenhoover, Mary Lou Salicco, Edwina Smith, Angela Caucci, Catherine Ocskasy, Filomena Diulio, Betsy Myers, Bob Sorrentino, Ella Jordan McGee, Audrey Grace Egan and Barbara Ravoli.** Please also remember the deceased members of our Parish Family in your prayers **Evelynne Wickrematunge.**

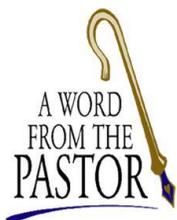


At our baptismal font, new life through water and the Holy Spirit came to:

Gabriel Dominick Cuccia



The people of Holy Spirit Parish welcome the newly baptized into our Christian community. Congratulations!



From the Desk of Fr. John

As the cold and ice of winter eventually gives way to the warmth of summer days, so does the Passion of Christ give way to the glory of the Resurrection. We will soon enter the holy Season of Lent, the Church gives us pause to see more clearly and live more effectively the pattern of Christ in our lives, to go from darkness into light; from death to life.

The Season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 1st. Next week, I will publish the full Lenten Calendar of Services and Events in which you are encouraged to participate. Whether in the discipline of giving something up, giving to charity, participating more in the Liturgy and the Sacraments, I invite all our parishioners to make this a Season that is meaningful and grace-filled. Christ truly does live in us and Lent can help us uncover the great mystery of life that resides in each of us. The Lord awaits to turn our winter into glorious summer.

Below, I am reprinting some of last week's announcements since many could not join us because of the snowy and icy weather. Have a holy week.... God Bless... **Fr. John**

Souvenir History Book

Some have been asking about the Souvenir History Book and I'm grateful for your interest. It has taken a bit of time to complete but I can happily say that it is currently at the printer and we hope to see it published in the next few weeks. Jeff Canning, our resident historian along with a crew of volunteers have done a marvelous job working on the book. I also thank all who, whether vendor or parishioner, have by their financial support made this project possible. Stay tuned, we hope to have the book out to you very soon.

The Bereavement Support Group

As I announced last week, the Bereavement Support Group will hold its Spring series of meetings starting on April 25th and continuing for 4 weeks thereafter. More info on registering for the meetings will follow.

The Cardinal's Appeal

With the Cardinal's Appeal underway only for a couple of weeks, we have already raised close to \$13,000. Our goal this year is \$84,000. That number can appear somewhat daunting. Yet, over the past few years more people have participated and last year we raised close to \$50,000, a historical all-time high.

I always invite those who have been unable to make a pledge in the recent past to consider making one this year. With your participation, we can exceed last year's total and perhaps even reach our goal.

The Midnight Run

The Midnight Run will be held on Friday evening, March 3rd. Twice a year, a group of dedicated parish volunteers bring needed food and supplies to the homeless of NYC. They provide a great service to them. For information on volunteering and donating, please see the info at the doors and/or visit our website.



Midnight Run

Next weekend is the Midnight Run “drop-off” time and there will be folks outside the church before each Mass to accept the items you have signed up to contribute. If you haven’t yet signed up, there is still time and still a need for additional items. Just go to the Holy Spirit website and follow the Midnight Run link to the “Signup.com” website where needed items of food, clothing, and personal hygiene products are listed. Monetary gifts (personal check made payable to Holy Spirit Church with Midnight Run in the memo section or cash in an envelope indicating your name and Midnight Run donation) are also greatly appreciated.



The Cardinal’s Appeal Supports Our Works of Charity With \$2.5 Million

Answer God’s call to serve our brothers and sisters who are less fortunate. Jesus reminds us what it is to be a disciple of God, to act with mercy, compassion, and love. The Appeal assists with the well-being of our brothers and sisters who are less fortunate through our charity efforts across the ten counties of the archdiocese.

In 2015 alone, with the help of generous friends like you, the appeal served countless people in need through 90 affiliated organizations all across New York City.

MAKE AN ONLINE GIFT TODAY!

www.cardinalsappeal.org

**Lenten Retreat Day
Monday, March 13, 2017
10am – 2:30pm**

Mt. St. Francis

250 South Street, Peekskill, NY 10566

**Reserve your spot at (914) 737-3373 with Sr.
Sheila or Sr. Laura.**

**Bring your own lunch; dessert and beverages
provided.**

Suggested donation: \$15.00

Attention:

30- & 40- Somethings!

**Catholic in Real Life has 3 great events
for you this winter and spring:**

**Saturday, 3/18/17 at 6:00pm: 4th Annual
Lenten Faith Sharing and Potluck in the
Parish Activity Center. Join us for a film,
followed by discussion, dinner and
socializing**

**Coming up in May: Our first Theology on
Tap-style talk, with Fr. John as our speaker!
Details to follow - Open to ALL adults 21
and up**

Fran Boylan – Holy Spirit Food Pantry News

The Fran Boylan – Holy Spirit Food Pantry is thankful to the parishioners of Holy Spirit Church for your ongoing support. During the month of January, we gave food to 113 households which consisted of 205 adults, 206 children, and 43 senior citizens.

The food pantry relies on your continued support throughout the year for your donation of shelf stable food items. We are asking for the donation of cereal, oatmeal, juice, pancake mix and syrup, shelf stable milk, cans of fruit and tuna. **(please make sure that these items have not expired)** We also have many clients with infants and get requests for diapers, wipes and formula. Any of these items can be left in the children’s liturgy room. Also, monetary donations or gift cards can be left in the collection box in the back of the church.

Thank you again for your continued support of our ministry.

The next food distribution dates are Monday, February 20th from 6:30-8:00pm and Wednesday, February 22nd from 10:00am-12:00 noon.