

June 27, 2021
Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Dear friends,

I can't believe that thirteen years have gone by since I first arrived here at Saint Columba. Your kind and generous welcome set a beautiful tone for all the days gone forward. So many of you invited me into your homes offering support, sharing your wisdom and talent. United together at the altar in word and sacrament, we have embraced the Good News of Jesus in small and great ways.

I am grateful to the staff. Their dedication and hard work helped me serve the needs of the parish every day. Each member of the staff is integral to the life of the parish. Thank you to all of you for your willingness to answer the call to ministry. Your service as lectors, eucharistic ministers, ushers, catechists, counters, altar servers and choir are inspirational. The growth of the Faith First program continues to provide a valuable service to families. The trustees, parish council, finance committee, Ladies Auxiliary and Knights of Columbus have assisted me and our community in so many ways. Our coming together to confront the challenges of the past year is a great testament to the power of parish life. Thank you so much for everything.

Throughout these many years, we have lived lives strengthened by our faith in a loving and merciful God. You and I have laughed, rejoiced, celebrated, learned, prayed, struggled and cried together. Like some of you, I experienced personal loss and grief. Losing my mom, best friend Fr. Charlie and cherished dog were difficult. Your kind words, silent consolation and genuine concern helped me live forward one day at a time. I am truly grateful.

It is often said that *"all good things must come to an end."* Despite my time at the parish coming to a close, the memories of these years will be cherished for years to come. It has been a privilege and honor to serve each of you as your Pastor. Please pray for me as I begin a new chapter of priestly service. Pray too for your new Pastor. Father Christopher Argano is a holy priest wise beyond his years. I know that you will welcome him with great joy.

Please be assured of my prayers for all of you. May God bless us all with health and happiness as we Seek to live lives inspired by his Son, Jesus. Farewell.

In Christ,

Fr. John



FATHER JOHN. . .
 Thank you from a grateful parish. May God bless you as you start your new assignment. We wish you all the best. You will always be in our prayers.

SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

During June, July and August, Mass is Saturday 5:00pm
 Sunday 9:00am and 10:30am

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 26

5pm **Annalisa Scalia**; family

SUNDAY 27

9am **Angela Zani**; Carbonara family
 10:30 **Ann & James Briscese**; son, James

MONDAY 28

8:15 **Joseph Garvilla Jr.**; brothers & sisters

TUESDAY 29

8:15 **John & Rose Carbonara**; Carbonara family

WEDNESDAY 30

8:15 **Joseph S. Roman**; family

THURSDAY 1

8:15 **James J. Kelly**; Verbert family

FRIDAY 2

8:15 **In Memory of Military families**; Judy & Allan Barry

SATURDAY 3

8:15 **Barry Hall**; Peggy & John Boyle
 5pm **Dec mem of Mascarelli family**; Bailey family

SUNDAY 4

9am **Karen Bonomi**; Janice Marion
 10:30 **Barbara Spina**; Jean Johnson

ALL MASSES LIVE STREAMED ON YouTube

MASK & SOCIAL DISTANCING UPDATE

According to the CDC and New York State, for those vaccinated, masks & social distancing, inside and outside, are no longer required.

In our Church, the left side and the chapel are for those vaccinated and are not required to wear a mask. If you choose to follow social distancing, please sit on the right side of the Church, and continue to wear a mask.

Thank you for your cooperation regarding this new protocol.

TWO GRAND CLUB SERIES

Congratulation to the winners for this week:
 #14 Bob Allen and #138 Kathy Szulwach

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY FROM
 OUR COMMUNITY IN THE MILITARY,
 BOTH HERE AND ABROAD
 SAINT MICHAEL . . . PLEASE KEEP THEM SAFE.**



Siobhan Higgins, Vincent, Pungello, James Davis Jr., Rocco Church, Tyler Correa, Alex Davis, Mark Gonzalez, Michael Grasso, Erin Johnson, Alex Kaczor, Kayla Marion Katt, Mark Lawlor, Lauren Lucena, Matthew Mackay, Draven Mena, Ryan Michaels, Evan Pacer, Michael Polanski, Cory Seipp, Josh Truman

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Mark Mayol, Natacha Porchette, Michael Burke, Fr. Tom Lynch, Bennet Berry, Gina Rosen, Robert Palumbo, JoAnn Traina, Anthony Pastore, Thelma Figueroa, Carmen Tumbaga, Tom Jimenez, Olivia Picnicky, Mary Luciana, Janet Begnoche, Moquete, Christianna Scrobe, Maritza Montes, John Mattera, Benjamin Howard, Connie Yacenda, Carmen Almirol, Daria Bekersky, Katie Rogan, Joan Bonomi, Teresa Patruno, Mila Werlitz, Andrew Upson, James Fox, Nancy Rhodes Mayo, Justin Holland, Patrick Finley, Marie Tobin, Jon Sezack, Ruth Rivera, Vilma Rosario, John Schiano Jr, Claire Scunziano, Sean Devlin, Robert Scunziano, Brenden Hedding, Lorraine Kalafut, Gabe Fritz, Laura Favorule, Susan Zikoyanis, Mary Ackerman, Valerie Moore, Sylvia Muccio, Joe Kennedy, Kim Salotti, Charles Youngberg, Alice Verlizzo, Cecilia Rivera, Allison Florio, Vinnie Greco, Donna Fagan, Nikita Zanichowsky, Karlene Gray, Rosa Maria Ramos, Ricky Calderin, Bob Gatt, Emily Scrobe, Marian McDonald

FAITH FIRST EARLY LEARNING CENTER @ ST COLUMBA

Nursery / Pre - School - Registration is ongoing.
 Offering AM & PM classes

This faith-based program is for 3 & 4-year-old children. Classes will have a certified teacher and an aide. For more information contact: Susan Munks, Director of Religious Education; 845 469-9503; stcolumbareligion@gmail.com

MEMORIALS & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

ALTAR CANDLES are burning this week in loving memory:
Joseph Collin; req: family

HOST & WINE are dedicated this week in loving memory:
Marian, Jeff, Frank Desharnais; req: Stravale family

BLUE VIGIL LIGHT is burning this week in loving memory:
Helen Fisher; req: family

**FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, SANCTUARY LIGHTS ARE
 BURNING IN LOVING MEMORY OF:**

Red: **Louis Allen**; Mom & Dad
 White: **Steven Sloan**; family
 Blessed Sacrament: **Maria Gabor**; daughter, Maria