Dear Friends in Christ,

Today we celebrate Trinity Sunday, we honor God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Three in one, one and three. In our infinite minds, we can never truly comprehend this, but by surrendering to faith, we at least can embrace some understanding. It is with this understanding, that we honor our Patroness with many titles, one being 'Mother of God'. The Patron of the Archdiocese of New York, Saint Patrick, taught about the Trinity by using the image of the shamrock to help the faithful to come to an understanding of three (the clovers) but one (the shamrock). May the gift of the Trinity strengthen us in our lives as disciples of Christ.

This past week we opened the Mass Book for the months of July, August and September. Over the past months, I received requests if at times we can have intentions other than the traditional "For the People of the Parish" at the weekly 7:30 mass. I do agree with this request. As a matter of fact, the many parishes follow this practice. Starting on July 19th, this intention will rotate each week to each scheduled mass. It comes from The Code of Cannon Law that this "Pro Populo" mass must be offered each weekend at every church throughout the world for the intentions of the people of that particular parish. Having this intention moved each week to a different mass will allow the whole parish community to benefit from the graces offered at this weekly intentioned mass.

A reminder that on Sunday, June 5th at the 11:30 mass, I will be the celebrant to commemorate my 25th Anniversary of Ordination. After mass, there will be a celebration in the

auditorium with a light collation for all of us to enjoy. Because of that, the regular Sunday Hospitality after the 9:30 mass will not take place. I invite all the Sunday Hospitality 'regulars' to join in the celebration after the 11:30 mass.

June 19th is Father's Day. In your latest envelope mailing there is an envelope for the remembrance of mothers, living or deceased. We also have Father's Day Spiritual Bouquet Cards. This card can be given to a father which will include that person in the novena of masses. Please return either envelope in the regular Sunday collection in the coming weekends. All envelopes will be placed on the altar for Father's Day and will remain on the altar for the rest of the month of June.

May God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit lead and guide us to the fullness of life!

- Fr. Herbert T. DeGaris



As of Friday, May 20, 2016, our parish has pledged \$35,050.00. This amount comes from 168 individual gifts. This puts us at 70% of our goal of \$50,500.00

MEMORIAL DAY MONDAY, MAY 30TH

Office closed for ordinary business. Mass is at 8:30 a.m. In an emergency please call 786-2742. Our office re-opens on Tuesday, at 9:00 a.m.

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The family of Lucia and Cosimo Corvasce have very generously set up a scholarship for a young person who will be entering his/her first year of college this coming September, 2016 from Immaculate Conception Church. If you are interested, please send me an essay on how you are planning on continuing your Catholic faith as you embark on a new journey in your life on your college campus, in your community and in your spiritual life.

Please send all essays to Lynne DeVuono, CRE Immaculate Conception School of Religion, 24 East Main Street, Stony Point, NY 10980 and I will be sure to forward them to the family.

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2016-2017

We are currently accepting registrations for the upcoming 2016-2017 Religious Education School Year. If you missed our in-person registration week, please call the Religious Education office as soon as possible at 786-5298 to arrange a time to come into the office to register. After June 30 there will be a \$25.00 late registration fee added to the tuition. All students returning in September must be registered before the end of the religious education year in order to be placed in a class in September. There are a few classes closed already on Tuesday. If you will be registering a first grader or a new student, please bring a copy of the child's baptismal certificate.

If financial circumstances make it impossible to pay the registration fee in full, please do not let that prevent you from registering. Call us to make arrangements. The parish is always happy to extend this courtesy.

WEDDING JUBILEES FOR COUPLES CELEBRATING THEIR 25TH OR 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY ANYTIME DURING 2016

Wedding Jubilees for couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary anytime during 2016. Golden Jubilarians will be honored by Cardinal Dolan on Saturday, June 25th at 1:30 p.m. and Sunday, June 26th at 2:00 p.m, Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Please call the parish office at 786-2742, if you are planning to attend. As in tradition, we will have our own celebration at our own Parish in the Fall.

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

For the month of May, the Food Pantry is collecting Cereal. If you are able to contribute, please leave your donations in the food bin in the vestibule of the Church. Thank you so much for your generosity.

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

Date	<u>Prize</u>	<u>Ticket</u>	Winner
5/15	\$50	620	Carmelo Riolo
5/16	\$25	1126	Fred Smath
5/17	\$25	853	Erika Bookman
5/18	\$75	242	John Bender
5/19	\$25	1214	Joanne Chicatelli
5/20	\$25	921	Mary McCarthy
5/21	\$25	12	June Jakubowski

MOTHER'S DAY FOR BIRTHRIGHT

Our parish will have the opportunity to support those mothers who choose life for their babies by donating a new baby gift to Birthright. Any and all new baby items are most welcome, especially disposable diapers and baby wipes. Our Girl Scouts will be helping out with this worthy drive. Please bring an unwrapped baby gift to Mass and leave it in the vestibule of the Stony Point church. If you prefer to make a donation checks should be made out to Birthright of Rockland. We will be collecting these items for the month of May. Thank you for your support.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

Any young person, boy or girl, in our parish from 4th grade and older can join this important liturgical ministry. Altar servers play a large part in insuring that our worship is complete and that participation is full and active from the entire community. Training will be provided and a schedule prepared so there will be no questions about which Mass to attend. Serving at Mass is a wonderful way to earn service hours. For more information about becoming an altar server or to sign up for this ministry, please contact either Deacon John Sadowski 786 5759 or the rectory 786 2742.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

All those who are ill at home, in the hospital and in nursing homes, especially: Gladys Margosian, Pat Reilly, Margaret McElroy, William & Geraldine Neary, Judy Stroup, Billy Keenan, Ed Onderdonk, Danielle Sack, Louis Pezzola, James Molloy, Gerald Kilduff,

Our recently deceased: Daniel Shafarsky.

We will announce at the Mass on Sunday for a period of one month the intentions of those who are sick and then we will print them for one month. After that we ask that you will please contact us to make sure that they are placed on the list again for another cycle. It is the only way we know if someone has recovered. We thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, MAY 2ST

8:30 Stephen Griffin (req. by family)

5:30 Vigil Rose & Josef Hagen (reg. by family)

SUNDAY, MAY 22ND

7:30 For the People of the Parish

9:30 Evelyn Mariani (req. by family)

11:30 Ugo & Mary Antonini (req. by family)

MONDAY, MAY 23RD

7:30 Eileen O'Brien

(req. by the Hayest & Salter Families)

8:30 Mildred & Horace Degliantoi (req. by family)

TUESDAY, MAY 24TH

8:30 Barbara Walsh (req. by Family)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25TH

7:30 Intention Available

8:30 Sr. Mary McLaughlin

THURSDAY, MAY 26TH

8:30 William R. Conner (req. by Gates Family)

FRIDAY, MAY 27TH

7:30 Mary Droney (req. Ed & Ellen Goggin)

8:30 Eileen O'Brien

(req. by Maureen & Eugene Rogers)

SATURDAY, MAY 28TH

8:30 Geri Hickey (req. by Marie & Joe Porrovechio)

5:30 p.m. **Vigil** Rudolph Morris (req. by family)

SUNDAY, MAY 29TH

7:30 For the People of the Parish

9:30 Michelle Gonoud (req. by Mary Gonoud)

11:30 Marguerite Cristantello (req. by family)

Celebrants for Masses (Subject to Change)

May 28th/May 29th

5:30 p.m. **Vigil** Fr. Bejoy 7:30 a.m. Fr. Herb 9:30 a.m. Fr. Bejoy 11:30 a.m. Fr. Herb

BOY SCOUTS BLOOD DRIVE SUNDAY, JUNE 12TH

The Blood supply in our area is very low and as summer arrives it is imperative that the supply grows to help our community. Please donate to our blood drive on Sunday, June 12th at Immaculate Conception Church auditorium between 8:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Mark the date! Don't forget to bring a photo ID. For more information, email Joyce Castronovo at (914) 645-1411

THE MASS BOOK HAS OPENED FOR JULY, AUGUST, & SEPTEMBER

Please stop by the Rectory so you can arrange your masses on Monday - Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Exact change would be most appreciated.

<u>Father's Day Novena</u> <u>JUNE 19TH</u>

On Father's Day, June 19th, we will begin a Novena of Masses for fathers, living and deceased. If you would like to have loved ones remembered during theses Masses, please return the envelope from your monthly packet or pick up one at the entrance to the Church. There are also Father's Day cards for the living available at the entrance to the church. Envelopes are available on the tables in the vestibules. Father's Day Novena envelopes may be dropped in any of our collections prior to Father's Day.

CALENDAR REQUESTS FROM ALL PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

All persons responsible for scheduling their parish organizations' meetings and special events for next year must submit their requests for use of parish facilities and the time needed to the Rectory NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, JUNE 10TH. Requests should be dropped off at the Rectory. Thank You.

FRIDAY, JUNE 3RD EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 9A.M. - 12 NOON

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Friday, June 3rd. The Blessed Sacrament will remain exposed in the Chapel until 12 Noon. Hopefully this will allow more people to spend a 1/2 hour in prayer in the Chapel. The Exposition will conclude with a Prayer Service and Benediction. We invite you to spend some time before the Blessed Sacrament exposed on the altar to pray for stability and peace in our world.

Eucharistic Adoration will resume in September.

NEWS OF INTEREST

The Rachel Ministry - is confidential and free help for those who have lost a baby at birth or prior to birth. The help takes place every 3rd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Marian Shrine. For more information e-mail Rachel Minister1@aol.com or call 492-6709. The next meeting will be on May 16th at 7:00 p.m.

Pro-Life Mass - celebrated every 1st Monday night of the month at 7:30 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Church 128 Parrot Road in West Nyack. <u>The next</u> Pro Life Mass will be on Monday, June 6th.

Adoption - Baby girls and boys in China need homes. Infants and toddlers available. Call Barbara Salvesen at 623-5277.

The Catholic Widow & Widowers Club of Rockland
- will be meeting on July 17th at 6:30 p.m. at St.
Augustine's Church (downstairs). Dessert and coffee will be served. Guests are welcome. For information call Dotty at 623-1739.

Console Me." World Apostolate of Fatima, Blue Army Shrine, 674 Mt. View Rd., Washington, NJ, 07882 invites all. Honor Our Lady's plea of Dec. 10, 1925 requesting Five Consecutive First Saturdays of Reparation. Special Guest Speaker/Celebrant Fr. Nicholas Bozza. Confessions 10:30 am; 11:30 Rosary w/15 minute meditation; 12:00 Holy Mass; 1:30 Benediction; 2:00 Holy House: Confessions, Children's Video, Talk on Last Vision of Fatima; 3:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet. Bring your family and friends to answer the call of the Child Jesus: "And have you spread through the world what our heavenly Mother requested of you?" www.bluearmy.com 908-689-1700 Ext 210

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