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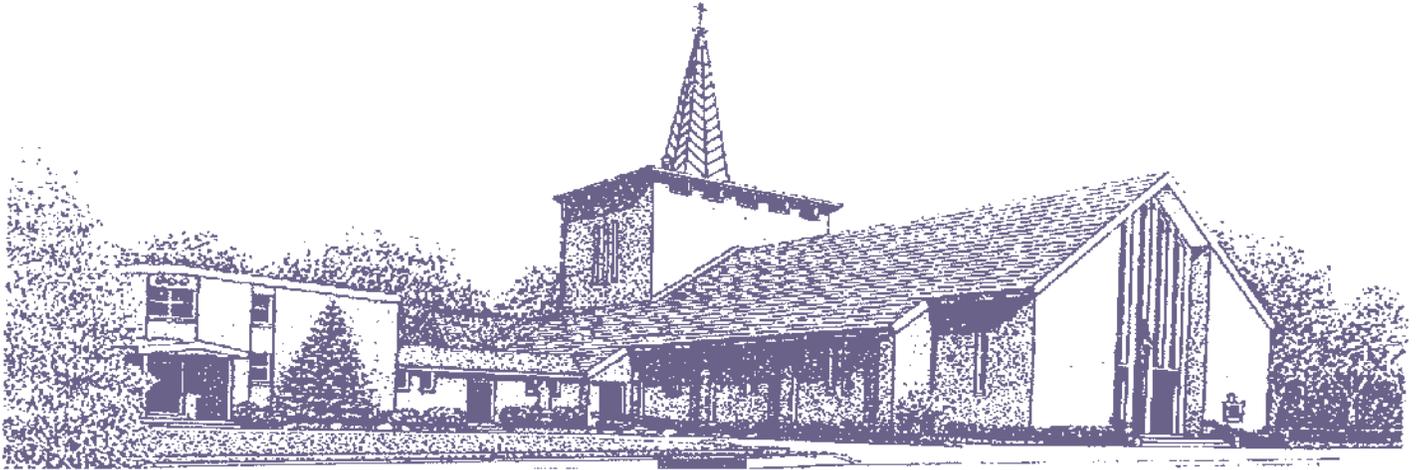
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SUNDAY MASSES:

SATURDAY EVENING: 5:00PM

SUNDAY MORNING: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, AND 12:00 NOON

WEEKDAY MASSES:

MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, 9:00AM

WEDNESDAY, 4:00PM

FIRST FRIDAY, 9:00AM AND 12:10PM

SATURDAY:

9:00AM

CONFESSIONS:

SATURDAY: 4:00PM TO 4:45PM

OR BY APPOINTMENT IN THE RECTORY.

BAPTISM:

ARRANGEMENTS MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE BY CONTACTING A PRIEST OF THE PARISH. AN INSTRUCTION CLASS IS HELD BEFORE THE SACRAMENT. PARENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BE REGISTERED IN THE PARISH AND ENCOURAGED TO BECOME PARTICIPATING MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY FOR AT LEAST THREE MONTHS BEFORE THE BAPTISM.

MARRIAGE:

ARRANGED SIX MONTHS IN ADVANCE. SPECIAL CONDITIONS APPLY FOR NON-PARISHIONERS. PRE-CANA REQUIRED.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:

CALL THE RECTORY ANYTIME.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:

MS. TINA DELAURENTIS-GARCIA, DIRECTOR, 965-5535
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GRADES 1-7, SUNDAYS 8:30AM-11:00AM

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

EVERY FAMILY AND SINGLE ADULT SHOULD BE PROPERLY REGISTERED IN THE PARISH AND RECEIVING A MONTHLY SET OF ENVELOPES. NEW PARISHIONERS, WHO WISH TO REGISTER, CAN DO SO AT THE RECTORY.

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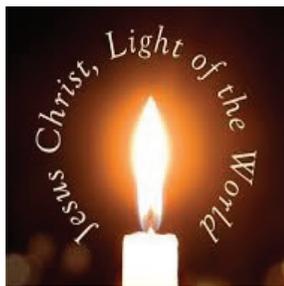
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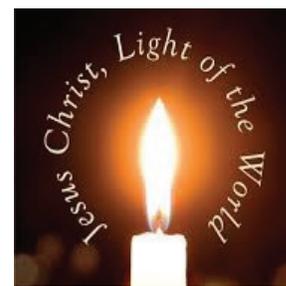
Mr. Kenneth Corneille, Director of Music and Organist



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 9, 2020

"I am light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will have the light of life."



Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 8 *Vigil: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00pm Eleanor Elders

Sunday, February 9 *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00am Bea Pilkington

10:00am Antionette Cacciatore

12:00noon Barbara A. Nesor

Monday, February 10 *St. Scholastica*

9:00am Joseph Puthiyamadam

Tuesday, February 11 *Our Lady of Lourdes*

9:00am Antoinette Fitzpatrick

Wednesday, February 12 *Weekday*

4:00pm People of St. Anthony

Thursday, February 13 *Weekday*

9:00am Kathleen Lynch

Friday, February 14 *Sts. Cyril and Methodius*

9:00am Ted Moschitta

Saturday, February 15 *Saturday of Our Lady*

9:00am Deceased Members
of the Ryan & Cody Families

Saturday, February 15 *Vigil: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00pm John Shemeta

Sunday, February 16 *Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00am Bud Daniels

10:00am Ettore Santini

12:00noon Lorraine Marchionni



**The Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of
Josephine & Robert Miliani**

*** STEWARDSHIP ***

Last Weekend's Collection \$ 7,623.00

Same Weekend Last Year \$ 6,503.00

Attendance 555

[We have 869 registered families in our Parish. 242 Church envelopes were used last weekend.]

Your continuous support and generosity to the Parish both financially and spiritually and all that it does for others is greatly appreciated.

ALTAR BREAD AND WINE

February 9-15

In Memory of

Anthony A. Kleinlercher



Call the rectory (965-2733) to reserve a specific week for a loved one or special occasion.

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OUR LADY OF LOURDES

February 11

The Story of Bernadette Soubirous

Shot on location in France, this film is highly recommended by the Vatican and was chosen to be shown daily at the shrine in Lourdes to retell the epic story.



HAPPY ST. VALENTINE'S DAY

February 14th

OUTREACH TO THE POOR

This weekend is
Loaves and Fishes Sunday.
Please be generous.



A Special New Project: *"Soldiers of Christ"*

We all know that there are a lot of hurting and needy people in our communities and in our parishes. Jesus was sent into the world by God the Father to bind up the wounds of God's children who are suffering and to heal the broken-hearted. In turn, Jesus sends each one of us—the baptized— into the world to continue that same mission in His name.

Last year's small group of candidates in our RCIA Program began - before their reception into the Church at the Easter Vigil Service of 2019 - to foment an idea that they wanted to act on after they received the sacraments. They shared their idea with me. At that time, they were on fire with love for the Gospel and excitement about their reception into the Catholic Church. They wanted to know how -after they became full-fledged members of Saint Anthony Parish- they could be of practical assistance to some of the people who are hurting in our parish. After all, this was what Jesus did, and they were about to become a new presence of Jesus in the world. They suggested, "We can be Soldiers of Christ, literally touching the lives of God's suffering children in His name."

I took it with a grain of salt. This zealous enthusiasm will wear off, I thought. Besides, the complicated society in which we live makes it very difficult to reach out practically to those in need. There are liability issues! Obviously, I myself was not experiencing their zealous desire to be more like Jesus. I should have recognized it in them as a gift of the Holy Spirit.

Time passed, and they continued to raise the idea. I told them I was still thinking about it. Then I received a call from a former parishioner of my last parish in Rockland County. I remembered him, like the two men of our parish, to be zealous for reaching out to people in Christian charity. "Father, what can I do for someone in need in the parish? Is there a 'shut-in' who needs help with grocery shopping? Or snow shoveling? Or a repair around the house?" Yes, it was the same kind of zeal!

But this time, the gentleman from my former parish was calling me with yet another new idea. He completed his studies both in the advanced technology field and the business field. His idea is to implement an internet platform which could be used by any organization such as our parish to 'connect' individuals such as our parishioners who 'need a hand' with individuals such as our parishioners wanting to 'offer a hand'. Sort of like how UBER connects drivers with people who need a ride! Only with this platform, there will be no charge for the services.

You must excuse my inability to properly describe what this fellow has in mind since I am somewhat technologically illiterate. But I think he might be on to something! The internet has a lot of good points and a lot of bad points. But it is a powerful tool for connecting people. Could we make better use of this technological platform in our acts of kindness here at Saint Anthony's?

First off, could we develop a group of individuals who would be willing to answer various practical needs that so many people often have? If this 'technological platform' is developed, can we use this platform to assist in recruiting the 'soldiers' who will go out to do battle for the Gospel?

Some may be 'put off' by the idea of calling this initiative 'Soldiers of Christ'. Too militaristic! But there is no time for political correctness here. The name came from the same inspiration of the Holy Spirit, it would seem. So we will go with it.

If you are interested in learning more about this 'dream' and of maybe becoming, one day, a 'soldier' yourself, then join us at a brainstorming meeting on Wednesday evening March 11 at 7 pm in the School Hall. We are only on the 'ground floor' of this idea. If you would want to help us 'build', then please consider joining us on March 11th!

Father Mastrolia

WE NEED YOUR HELP

St. Anthony's is in the process of increasing our usher base. Are you 18 years of age or older and a registered and actively church-going parishioner? Would you be willing to serve the church during the celebration of Sunday mass as an usher? In light of the horrific events at Houses of Worship in recent times, we are planning to introduce entirely new safety procedures for our Sunday masses and congregations. This will require the considered attention of a serious group of people to assist with our ushers who are already in place. We need your help! Please see Father Mastrolia or call the Rectory Office for further details.

ST. ANTHONY GIFT SHOP

As the sacramental season approaches, know that we will have some beautiful gifts and cards available for purchase in our parish gift shop! Keep this in mind for those who will be receiving First Holy Communion and Confirmation this year. Also, we will soon be taking orders for Palm Crosses once again! The gift shop is open after most masses and the profits from this endeavor go to support the Youth Ministry of St. Anthony Parish!

February 11 is **World Day of the Sick**, an observation started by Pope John Paul II as a way for believers to offer prayers for those suffering from illnesses. The day coincides with the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes.



Mark Your Calendar

Friday, February 14th

St. Valentine's Day

Wednesday, February 26th

Ash Wednesday

Friday, February 28th

Stations of the Cross are prayed, 6:00pm

Saturday, February 29th

Family Fun BINGO

Friday, March 6th

First Friday—Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament -12:45pm-1:45pm, closing with Benediction

Friday, March 13th

Pasta with the Pastor

Friday, March 20th

Pasta with the Pastor

Saturday, March 28th

Family Fun BINGO

Friday, April 3rd

Pasta with the Pastor

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK

We pray for all the sick of our Parish, especially:

- Drew Aaron · Gianna Colao · Maggie Coleman ·
- James Collins · Bridget Conlon · Kevin Corneille ·
- Bessie Cortes · Laura DeSantis ·
- Mark DeSantis · Kathleen Doherty ·
- Mary Hasbrouck · Maria Iacotini · Marge Kleinlercher ·
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- Felice Palma · Barbara Popovic · Ulla Rattenni ·
- Baby Aaron John Rivera · Carmelita Santos ·
- Susan Schiavone · Michael Treacy ·

UPCOMING OFFERTORY SCHEDULE

February 16	ONE COLLECTION
February 23	ONE COLLECTION
March 1	ONE COLLECTION
March 8	ONE COLLECTION
March 15	TWO COLLECTIONS Catholic Relief Services

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL GENEROSITY!!!

Offering of Altar Bread and Wine

We would like to offer the opportunity to memorialize the bread and wine used at Mass for a specific week. We already have the custom of memorializing the vigil lamp by the Tabernacle. So, we would like to offer the opportunity of memorializing the bread and wine as well.

We request an offering of \$25.00. If you are interested, please enclose the following information in an envelope marked "Bread and Wine Offering":

1. The date of the Sunday-Saturday which you are requesting
2. Name of the deceased person who you would like to memorialize
3. Your name and contact number
4. Your offering (cash or check)

You should call the Rectory Office (965-2733) to see if the requested date is available. Once the week is reserved, please either drop this envelope into the Offertory Basket, mail it to the Rectory or drop it off in person.

You may also want to have the Offerings of Bread and Wine for another intention: in gratitude or on the occasion of a birthday, a birth or a special anniversary or date that you would like to remember.

The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers is a social, religious and bereavement organization which helps to meet the needs of its membership. We meet on the third Thursday of each month at St. Ann's Church, Father Anthony Hall, 31 College Place, Yonkers, at **1:00pm**. Their next meeting will take place, **Thursday, Feb 20, 2020**. For more info, call 423-5331. New members are welcome.

CAMP VERITAS 2020

Camp Veritas is a one-week play-and-pray sleep away summer camp for teens going into 7th to 12th grades. It will be held at five locations in 2020: June 29-July 4 at Clongowes Wood College in Ireland; July 19-25 at Mount Saint Mary College in Newburgh, NY; July 26-Aug 1 in Emmitsburg, MD; Aug 2-7 in Lake Placid, FL and Aug 16-22 at Camp Lakota in Wurtsboro, NY. Enrollment opened 1/1/2020 and enrollment for each week is only \$400 per camper. Early bird rates (before 4/1/2020) are \$400 and \$450 after that. More details can be found at www.campveritas.com.

ANTICIPATED SUNDAY MASS PRESIDERS

February 15th/16th

5pm Msgr. LaMorte

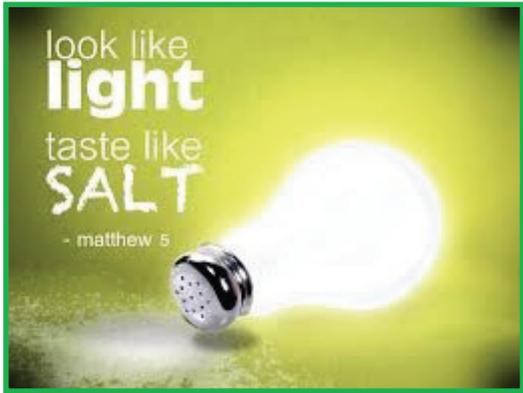
8am Father Yesu

10am Capuchin Father

12 noon Father Yesu

We want to use this column to give ourselves a much needed review of our religious knowledge. It will be an 'on-going' column and will follow the three year cycle of readings at Mass.

Reading I: Isaiah 58:7-10
Responsorial Psalm: 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
Reading II: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5
Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16



Who Are We?

This Sunday Jesus begins to instruct the disciples about how to be his followers. In the Gospels of previous Sundays we have been following the story of his early career. He went to be baptized. Then, when he heard that John the Baptist had been murdered, he moved from Galilee to Capernaum. He chose his apostles there. Last Sunday we reminisced about his "presentation" as an infant, which itself looked forward to his suffering.

In this week's Gospel he tells them to "be what you are." He gives images. If you are like salt, then don't lose your flavor. If you are like a lamp then don't put a basket over yourself where no one can see your light. Consoling advice.

But would the disciples have followed Jesus if they had known what it really would mean to "be what you are"? The First Reading says it means to share your bread with the hungry, to shelter the oppressed and the homeless. Clothe the naked. Do not turn away from your own. This is how you let your light shine in the darkness. It is the meaning of "becoming yourself." A big assignment.

And in our own day, "I just want to be me," sounds selfish.

"I can get whatever I want whenever I want it."
 "Take care of number one."
 "If it feels good, do it."

And so on. In the older culture of the United States, one of the classic songs made popular by Frank Sinatra was "I Did It My Way":

I planned each charted course,
 each careful step, along the byway,
 and more, much more than this,
*I did it my way.**

And so on.

The main message is that "I" have succeeded in life because it is mine. Me! No one dared to interfere with me because I did everything "my way."

There is a backdrop of fear in these lyrics, something about not being free to be myself, about having to do everything according to someone else's will.

Aren't we are just cogs in a giant, international, industrial wheel? The world and its population are very, very large, no surprise that mass production, mass advertising and mass purchasing give us the feeling that we are worth very little in ourselves other than contributing to the market, doing and buying what it dictates. Maybe we should at last face down the great machine and defy it outright. In the USA our coming election(s) and the surprising impeachment seem to hover around the same polarities.

But the scriptures assume just the opposite. They suppose that every human being is created with an unrepeatable, deep, interior shape. Rather than having to fight others in order to do my own will, I need to allow the Spirit of God to find a home deep within the interior space that is me. This Spirit will not invade me because it is the essence of respect, of forgiveness, of loving.

It is God.

You and I are built to be at one with this Spirit. "Becoming myself" means becoming what I was built to be, a home for the Spirit of Jesus and of God.

God's love becomes us.

John Foley, SJ

* See: the complete [Lyrics](#).
 They include,

not the words of one who kneels.
 The record shows I took the blows
 And did it my way.

Ok, but Jesus revealed what it means to kneel.
 And to be myself!

CHURCH CLEANING			
Team	Captain	Phone #	Date & Time
5	Anita Dharmay	646-938-8151	Th, Feb 13, 5pm
6	Agnes Hernandez	476-8583	Th, Feb 20, 10am
1	Gail O'Rourke	715-6035	Th, Feb27,11:30am
2	Angela Marranzino	457-0303	Fri, Mar 6, 10am
3	Nina Miller	965-0498	Fri, Mar 13, 10am
4	Doris Ciufu	963-1991	Fri, Mar 20, 10am

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