

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Sunday	January 15th	
8:00 AM	Joyce Ragonese requested by Joseph Ragonese	
9:00 AM	Zotia Glinkowska requested by her family	POLISH
10:30 AM	Barbara Buonanno requested by OLQP Parish	CHOIR
12:00 PM	Donald Williams requested by Joan Williams and Edward Sciler	CANTOR
Monday	January 16th	
9:00 AM	Kate Cunningham and Tom Donohue (Living) requested by Frances Bough and Family	
Tuesday	January 17th	
8:30 AM	Roque A. Manalo requested by F. Imelda Flores Manalo	
Wednesday	January 18th	
8:30 AM	Iran Brown requested by Lucille and Dave Harden	
Thursday	January 19th	
8:30 AM	People of the Parish	
Friday	January 20th	
8:30 AM	Mario Talamino requested by the Talamino Family	
Saturday	January 21st	
8:30 AM	Mary Cricco requested by Jill and Mike Kane	
5:00 PM	Robert S. Holtman requested by Mary Vitale	
Sunday	January 22nd	
8:00 AM	Ed Cerino (Living) requested by OLQP Food Pantry	
9:00 AM	Galowicz Family (Living) requested by the family	POLISH
10:30 AM	Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Brown requested by Fran and Pat Sarnella	CHOIR
12:00 PM	Robert Caravella requested by Joan Goll	CANTOR

FROM THE DESK OF FR. MICHAEL IT'S TIME TO END THE HATE!

With the Inauguration of the new President, I hope that some discourse in our country can take place. I also hope that the frightful and racist acts that have taken place will come to an end. In particular the killing of the Churchgoers in South Carolina and the racist attack on a handicapped man in Chicago are not the best that this country has to offer.

First, may I address the inauguration and the Presidency of the United States. After eight years of President Obama, President-elect Trump will be sworn into office Friday. Without question, it was a very bruising, mean, and unholy campaign that took place last year among the candidates. As President Obama said, it is time for a smooth transition of power because this is America. Likewise, it's time to put away the anger, disgust, or ill will that was displayed during the election. It is time to wish President Obama the best in his future, and we pray that President Trump has much success, for we as Americans succeed if he succeeds in public policy in our nation. We

pray that he keeps his promises to uphold religious freedom, and to appoint judges that will respect the Church, and the right to life for every child, including the unborn.

This past week, we have seen racism at its highest, evil pinnacle. First, the trial and conviction of Dylann Roof for killing nine Church members attending a prayer study at Church in Charleston, South Carolina on June 17, 2015. Roof. At 22 years old he offered no apology for the killing of these parishioners that welcomed him into the Church to pray and study the Bible. He simply attacked them because they were black. Are you kidding me? The taking of life is never justifiable, and the hate of someone because of their skin color is evil. Roof, proclaimed to be a white supremacist, said that he wanted to ignite a race war.

About two weeks ago, around the New Year, another racial and evil act took place. Four young black people brutally attacked a handicap white teenager, filming it live on Facebook, as they scalped his head, punched and kicked, and hurled racial insults at him, while denouncing President-Elect Trump. The four have been arrested and are charged with a hate crime, as well as a series of other charges.

The fact that these two incidents of hate have occurred after a series of other hate crimes, and with the heightened dislike among the races as evidenced in polls, shows that this nation, is not only divided on political lines, but on racial as well.

You are well aware that I spent nearly 10 years working in politics, for state legislators. When I was in Trenton in the 90's, elected officials and staff had their dispute about policy, sometimes very strongly disagreeing, but we never ended the day or thought on how we are going to destroy the other person, or how we can show our dislike publicly. Listening to a recent program on New Jersey Television (WMJM), I heard two long time legislators that I know and worked with say that the statehouse is volatile, and comradery is gone. These two legislators, though from opposing parties, agreed that going to dinner with others from opposing parties is unheard of today.

The simple facts that everyone is ignoring are as follows: First, we all bleed red. Like it or not, God created us equal, and the same inside. He created us to love, know, and serve Him, and in doing so to respect the greatest commandments of loving God, and one another. Secondly, we need to take the plank out of our eye before we take the spec out of someone else's eye. Third, we must agree to disagree, but still respect, and to work together.

Hate, racism, and political stonewalling have no place in our world anymore. We must adopt a willingness to work together, and do something for the good of this nation, and its people. We need to be people who speak loudly, present our case without hate, and work to solve the ills of society together.

So, as we await a new President, may we start to work together, and may we see the end of hate and racism? I hope you join me in prayer that this occurs for the betterment of all, and for the love of this country, that so many have died for, so that each of us may continue to enjoy have the freedoms we have today. May God bless this country, and may we let the words of JFK live on: Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country. I add: a country that is made up of you and me, under one God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

Father Michael

PASTOR NOTES



March for Life

Last call for those interested in participating in this year's March for Life. All registration forms are due this Friday.

Precious Blood/ Sign of Peace

Once again, we are unable to give the go ahead to offer the Precious Blood at Mass. We are still receiving inordinate number of reports of people who have either the stomach flu, or upper respiratory infection and flu. We are hoping to begin distribution of the Precious Blood by the end of January, or in February, once reports begin to subside.

Likewise, we are asking for people to simply give a wave at the sign of peace if you are not feeling well.

For our part, we are washing and sanitizing door handles, and pews weekly so that our place of worship does not become a carrier of illness. Let us pray for those who are sick, and hope that despite the great swings of weather, sickness does not spread.

Our School Building

As you are aware, our OLQP School is fully utilized. First we have our Early Childcare Academy utilizing the first floor. The program for children 2 ½ to 6 years old, with a before and aftercare program is doing very well. The program is comprehensive, educational, and fun for the little ones, and I encourage parishioners to spread the word about the program here at the parish.

The upstairs houses the West Milford Township Public School Highlander Academy. Though we do not carry any responsibilities for that program, I'm glad to report that the relationship between the parish and the Highlander Program has been a success.

Parish Festival

We had our first parish festival committee meeting last week. It went very well, and I was very pleased by the participation of the leaders of the different activities associated with the festival. We are looking to do some more enhancements this year which will be a benefit to everyone who participates. Please put it in your calendar, the week after Mother's Day as the week the festival comes to Our Lady Queen of Peace. (May 18, 19, 20 and 21) Look forward to a whole lot of information in the coming weeks.

No Knights Breakfast in January

The monthly breakfast sponsored by the Knights of Columbus will **not** be held in January. It will resume in February.

Enhancing God's Home

We have just received our new candles, and yes they are real, for the new Saints room. We are pleased to announce the opening of the room and the coming of the Bishop to bless the new glass doors and room. This will take place on February 26th. More details are to follow.

Free Throw Contest Children Ages 9-14 Today

The Knights of Columbus will host their annual Free Throw Championship on Sunday, January 15 in the Parish Education Center gym from 12 noon to 4 PM. Children ages 9-14 are invited to participate and must be accompanied by an adult. Refreshments will be served. Winners in their age group will advance to the regional and potentially state level competitions. For more information email Mark Baczewski at markbavi@me.com or call 201-376-2730.

OLQP Academy Employment Opportunity:

The Academy is currently seeking someone to assist with the opening shift. This is a temporary to possible permanent position. 6:30 AM - 9:00 AM Monday-Friday plus placement on September employment and substitute teacher list. Paid training and background checks. Please contact the director, Mercedes Debrecki, at 973-503-7533 for more information.

Help Needed Tuesday Afternoon

Office Volunteer needed for the religious education program on Tuesday afternoons from 4:30 – 6:00 PM. If you can help call Gail at 973-728-8162, ext. 308.

ALTAR CLEANING



Week of January 15, 2017
Team 3 – Sr. Barbara Kowalik and Alice Lyko

READINGS FOR January 22, 2017



Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 8:23—9:3
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10—13, 17
Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, January 15th

Women's Afternoon of Reflection—12 PM—Church/Annex
Free Throw Contest —12-4 PM—Education Center Gym
AA — 7:30 PM — Cafeteria
Al Anon — 7:30 PM — Gathering Space

Monday, January 16th

Morning Mass — 9:00 AM — Church
What Comes Next? — 7:00 PM — MP Room

Tuesday, January 17th

Children's Choir — 5:45 PM — Church
Adult Choir — 7:00 PM — Church

Wednesday, January 18th

Adult Enrichment Planning — 1:00 PM - Library
Boy Scout Troop — 6:30 PM — Gym

Thursday, January 19th

Bible Study — 7:00 PM — Library

Friday, January 20th

Saturday, January 21st

Legion of Mary — 9:00 AM —Library
AA — 2:00 PM — Library
Confessions — 4:00 PM — Church

Sunday, January 22nd

CCD Classes grade K-4 — 9:00 AM—Education Center
Festival Planning Meeting — 9:00 AM — Library
RCIA — 11:30 AM — Library
Confirmation I and II Mass — 12:00 PM — Church
Confirmation I & II Class—1:00 PM—Education Center
Baptisms — 2:00 PM — Church
AA — 7:30 PM — Cafeteria
Al Anon — 7:30 PM — Gathering Space

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Sunday Donations

January 8, 2017	\$6,495
Diocesan Assessment	\$1,359

Donation For Loved One

**Altar Bread, Candle and Wine
for Week of January 21-27**
In Memory of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Brown
Requested by Fran and Pat Sarnella

SHOP-RITE GIFT CARDS

Week Ending January 8, 2017

Sold — \$1,445.00
Profit — \$72.25
Total Profit since July 1 — \$3,949.00

FOOD PANTRY ITEM



Tuna

PRAYERS REQUESTED



Please remember in your prayers the following:

Tom Baron, Wilma Caldwell, Jeanne Chacon, Doris Colborn, Joan Dundorf, Pat Hajek, Barbara Jawson, Suzanne Kahaly, Infant Gabriella Mann, Margaret Mateus, Evelyn McCabe, Dave McClellan, Mac McCormick, Sissy Aho, Babies Ryne Onarato and Mia Onarato, Frank Pellegrino, Gemma Felice Podwol, Genevieve Puso, Nicholas Salleroli Sr., Sylvia Schlesinger, Joann Somma, John Tenhula, Ursula Torella, Joe Verboys, Ann Vogel, Barbara Zaccaro.

Please also pray for those who have gone before us and are now at rest: Marion Hartmann, Philip

Tripodi, Madeleine Pollack.

WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO ANNOUNCE

Free Eye Screening

The New Jersey Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired and the Passaic County Department of Health with the support of the West Milford Health Department are holding a free eye screening on Tuesday January 31, 2017 from 10 AM until 2 PM at West Milford Town Hall 1480 Union Valley Rd., West Milford. This is open to all New Jersey Residents. To make an appointment, please contact the Passaic County Department of Health at [973-881-4396](tel:973-881-4396). Please see flyer in attachment. We hope that you will post this flyer. Thank you.

St. Paul Inside the Wall

Advocati Christi - Outreach to Catholic Lawyers

Presentation by **Professor Robert George** of Princeton University. Go to www.insidethewalls.org to register and for more information. **Madison, Wednesday, February 15**

Speaking of Faith - Fr. Manning talks with **Christopher Bell**, founder of *Good Counsel: Homes + Hope for Babies + Mothers* about his encounter with and response to God and the integration of faith into work and life.

Madison, Wednesday, February 22 from 7:30-9:00 p.m.



March for Life Trip to Washington, DC

When: Friday, January 27, 2017

Time: Departure 5:30 AM

Return 10:30 PM

Mass on Capitol Hill at the Church of St. Peters
March for the voiceless, children aborted, parents involved in
abortion, and for an end to abortion.

Those interested are asked to return the following form to the parish office by January 19, 2017. Tickets are first come, first serve. Please do not delay.

March for Life – January 27, 2017 – trip to Washington, DC

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Town _____

Adults (\$40) _____ # Students (\$15) _____

Please complete and return before January 19th