

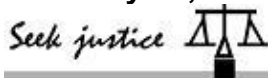
# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



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| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>January 22<sup>nd</sup></b>                                    |        |
| 8:00 AM          | Ed Cerino (Living)<br>requested by OLQP Food Pantry               |        |
| 9:00 AM          | Galowicz Family (Living)<br>requested by the family               | POLISH |
| 10:30 AM         | Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Brown<br>requested by Fran and Pat Sarnella | CHOIR  |
| 12:00 PM         | Robert Caravella<br>requested by Joan Goll                        | CANTOR |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>January 23<sup>rd</sup></b>                                    |        |
| 8:30 AM          | Michael Dowski<br>requested by his daughter                       |        |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>January 24<sup>th</sup></b>                                    |        |
| 8:30 AM          | Gary Leighton<br>requested by Lucille and Dave Hardin             |        |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>January 25<sup>th</sup></b>                                    |        |
| 8:30 AM          | Paul Bryan<br>requested by Lucille and Dave Hardin                |        |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>January 26<sup>th</sup></b>                                    |        |
| 8:30 AM          | Vito Cali<br>requested by Jacqueline Peck                         |        |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>January 27<sup>th</sup></b>                                    |        |
| 8:30 AM          | People of the Parish  |        |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>January 28<sup>th</sup></b>                                    |        |
| 5:00 PM          | Paul Thomas Seitz<br>requested by Bea and Phil Randazzo           |        |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>January 29<sup>th</sup></b>                                    |        |
| 8:00 AM          | Edwin Lane<br>requested by K of C #6139                           |        |
| 9:00 AM          | Father Jan Wodziak (Living)<br>OLQP Parish Family                 | POLISH |
| 10:30 AM         | Gene Jacobs<br>requested by Pat Golczewski                        | CHOIR  |
| 12:00 PM         | Robert Caravella<br>requested by Dorothy Opiel                    | CANTOR |

## READINGS FOR January 29, 2017



### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First Reading:** Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

**Gospel:** Matthew 5:1-12a

## FROM THE DESK OF FR. MICHAEL 63,000,000 AND COUNTING LET'S END ABORTION NOW!

Today marks the 44<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the *Roe v Wade* decision that legalized abortion through a woman's right to privacy. In the landmark ruling, the Supreme Court said in part: if the personhood of a pre-born child is established

the abortion case collapses, because the fetus' right to life is then guaranteed specifically by the Constitution. Simply the justices didn't recognize human personhood beginning at fertilization nor did they recognize that the fetus has the Right to Life. Their decision was void for the fetus, and only considered the mother. But did it really consider the woman?

Abortion is not a cure for the mother, but rather a curse, for it has many lasting effects.

Contrary to the claims by abortion providers that women are able to live a normal life after the abortion, women are deeply troubled and have lasting pain and hurt. They experience guilt, anger, rage, depression, and low self-esteem. The effects of the abortion have caused some to attempt or commit suicide, or engage in alcohol or drug abuse. Simply, abortion is not a procedure but a life altering action.

The Church offers help to any woman seeking assistance with a pregnancy. We also will assist any woman who has made the decision for abortion by healing through Project Rachel. Women, you do have a resource and it's God and His Church, and not an abortionist.

To defeat the misguided belief that it is acceptable to destroy these young children in the womb, we need to take three steps: Pray, Educate, Advocate.

Like all things, we need to start with prayer. Through prayer, all things are possible. We need to dedicate a prayer a day to end abortion, and spend time praying in front of the Blessed Sacrament for life. Through prayer, we can end this scourge.

We need to educate our fellow brothers and sisters to the importance of life. We need to educate expectant mothers about the joy of motherhood and that every child deserves to live. A society based on marginalizing the unborn is absent of both love and moral truth.

Our advocacy must take the form of letter writing and calling our elected representatives to support life. We need to educate them that there is life in the womb and not some tissue and that there are some 26 operations that can be performed on children in the womb that can bring about healing from various conditions. These children also suffer pain when they are killed through an abortion procedure.

We also hope that a new administration with a President who promised to support life will appoint justices who will support a strict interpretation of the Constitution, and call for Life to be the law of the land.

This Friday, I will be the main celebrant at St. Peters Church on Capitol Hill. Prior to the march, I will offer Mass for the unborn, encourage the congregation to be Pro-life, and seek people's understanding of the importance to respect human life. I ask you to please do the same on Friday. Please take a moment and offer a prayer for the voiceless 63 million lives who never had a chance to live their dream. Let them not die in vain, but rather live in our hearts. Pray for these children that are now resting with God!

*Father Michael*

## **PASTOR NOTES**



### **Farewell to Father Jan**

We will wish Fr. Jan farewell and good luck in his new assignment next weekend after all the Masses. The Polish Community will have a special get together after the 9 AM Mass in the cafeteria.

### **Big THANK YOU**

THANK YOU to all those who lent a hand to take down and put away the Christmas decorations, as well as clean-up pine needles. Your assistance was greatly appreciated. May God bless you!

### **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 Childhood 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.

### **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 26<sup>th</sup>. More details are to follow.

### **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.

### **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.

## **ALTAR CLEANING**



**Week of January 22, 2017**  
**Team 5 – Mary Schouten and Cecilia Casella**



**THE POWER OF ONE**  
**MARCH**  
**FOR LIFE**  
**2017**

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

### Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>

CCD Classes grade K-4 – 9:00 AM-Education Center  
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

### Monday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>

What Comes Next? – 7:00 PM – MP Room

### Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>

CCD Classes grade 1-4 – 4:30 PM-Education Center  
Children's Choir – 5:45 PM – Church  
Adult Choir – 7:00 PM – Church  
CCD Classes grade 5-8 – 7:00 PM-Education Center

### Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>

Boy Scout Troop – 6:30 PM – Gym

### Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup>

Pocketbook Bingo – 6:30 PM – Gym  
Bible Study – 7:00 PM – Library  
Troop Committee – 7:00 PM – Annex  
Women's Cornerstone – 7:00 PM – Church

### Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup>

MARCH FOR LIFE to Washington DC

### Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup>

Legion of Mary – 9:00 AM –Library  
AA – 2:00 PM – Library  
Confessions – 4:00 PM – Church  
Farewell for Father Jan – following all Masses

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CCD Classes grade K-4 – 9:00 AM-Education Center  
Oplatek and Farewell for Fr. Jan – 10:00 AM – Cafeteria  
RCIA – 11:30 AM – Library  
AA – 7:30 PM – Cafeteria  
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## FINANCIAL UPDATE

### Sunday Donations

January 15, 2017

\$6,830

### 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 15, 2017**

Sold – \$2,490.00

Profit – \$124.50

Total Profit since July 1 – \$4,073.50

## FOOD PANTRY ITEM



**Jars of Tomato Sauce**

## PRAYERS REQUESTED



**Please remember in your prayers the following:**

Tom Baron, Wilma Caldwell, Mary Lou Canino, Jeanne Chacon, Doris Colborn, Joan Dundorf, Ann Fitzpatrick, Pat Hajek, Barbara Jawson, Clara Jozwiak, 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, Ruth Wiedemann, 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

### Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

The diocese of Paterson is offering a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat on the weekend January 27 to 29. This retreat is for women and men, who find they are seeking to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts that have been broken by an abortion. It offers a supportive, confidential and non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile painful post-abortion emotions and begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing. For information call Marie Ryan at 973-377-1004, ext. 425. All calls will be held in the strictest confidence.

### 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

**205 Madison Avenue**

**Madison, NJ 07940**

Phone: 973-377-1004

### **Advocati Christi**

#### **Outreach to Catholic Lawyers**

Presentation by **Professor Robert George** of Princeton University. Go to [www.insidethewalls.org](http://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. Go to [www.insidethewalls.org](http://www.insidethewalls.org) to register and for more information.

**Madison,**

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



January 12, 2017 by **Richard A. Sokerka**

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If you made a New Year's resolution for 2017 to make a difference in the pro-life cause, one way to do that is through our prayers and sacrifices.

As the infamous anniversary of the Roe vs Wade decision, which legalized abortion in our nation in 1973, takes place on Jan. 22, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) is asking all Catholics to take part in its "9 Days for Life," a period of prayer and action for life Jan. 21-29.

Each day of the novena provides a different intercession, reflection, information item and suggested action. The novena is available in English and Spanish, and can be received in four ways: a free mobile app, text message, email, or social media.

Undertaking this novena is a prayerful and sacrificial journey for a special intention — the protection and respect of all life.

The novena is much needed because in the 44 years that abortion has been legal, more than 57 million children's lives have been ended, and their parents, grandparents, siblings and many others have suffered greatly in the aftermath.

The novena will also ask us to petition God to protect, not only the unborn but also the hungry, those without shelter, persons with disabilities, and all who are vulnerable.

Pray also during the novena that bills legalizing doctor-assisted suicide, such as the one in our state legislature, will not become law and pray that all those nearing the end of their lives may receive care that respects the sanctity of their lives.

Always remember that the Church recognizes and joyfully proclaims that each person's life has value — from conception to natural death.

To participate in this novena, visit [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com) and sign up for daily alerts (accessible via email, text message, or an app) or download and print the novena.

Together, let all Catholics unite in prayer for the protection of life at all stages.