

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT FEBRUARY 21, 2016

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

Some parishes are busier than ours with more groups and activities, but there is hardly ever a day here at Sacred Heart when nothing goes on. Even on President's Day, when it snowed much of the day, we had a successful blood drive, with some of our parish staff and students doing service hours helping out. In these notes, I simply want to look ahead to some special events coming up, in addition to the usual full parish schedule.

Reconciliation Monday is March 21st. Confessions (in every church) from 3pm till 9pm. This in preparation for all the Easter celebrations.

On Wednesday, March 30th we will be having a preparation session for new Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers in the evening.

On April 8th, there will be a Cornerstone Reunion Dinner. (Remember those Cornerstone Retreats?)

On April 14th, we will have a gathering (prayer and social) of new and veteran Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers.

May will bring First Holy Communion, 25th & 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass, and our Corpus Christi procession around the property.

June 3rd is the Feast of the Sacred Heart this year, with a special Mass and the drawing of the \$10,000. Raffle. There will also be Sacred Heart School Graduation on June 11, and a Mass in Italian on June 13th for St. Anthony.

There are many regular activities taking place in between, but looking way ahead, the parish Festival this year will take place just after Labor Day, September 8th – 11th.

I wish we could also announce that we had a Parish Mission planned but it has not been possible to plan one in years. The Archdiocese is trying to help organize Missions in every cluster of parishes, but I will also keep trying to set up one for Sacred Heart.

These are some of the main events that we are planning. Of course, the main purpose of the Parish is to celebrate the sacraments and to teach and help us live our faith. Join with me in thanking God for our parish and our faith.

Blessed Lent!

Sincerely in Christ,

Monsignor Giandurco



2016 CARDINAL'S APPEAL

The 2016 Cardinal's Appeal is ongoing. **Next weekend is Commitment Weekend.** At all Masses you will have an opportunity to make your commitment to the Appeal. As children of Christ we are called to serve others out of gratitude to God. Please consider a sacrificial pledge to the 2016 Appeal. Our goal is \$121,000. Thank you!

LENTEN OBSERVANCES

*****SPECIAL LENTEN MASSES*****

Mondays at 7:30pm (Except 2/15/16)
Novena Prayers will be held at 7:15pm
February 22nd, 29th
March 7th, 14th, 2016

RECONCILIATION MONDAY CONFESSIONS

March 21 / 3pm to 9pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS at 8:00pm

February 26th
March 4th (Holy Hour 7-8pm)
11th, 18th, 25th

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

February 14th, Collection –\$13,731.
Frigid Cold Weather
Last Year's Collection - \$12,464.

Ash Wednesday- \$5,698.
Last Year's Collection-\$5,263.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

March 5 & 6, 2015

A **second collection** for the Catholic Relief Services which helps those in urgent need, will be taken on the weekend of March 5th and 6th. Please be as generous as possible in this charitable cause.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, February 21 2nd Sunday of Lent

CYO – 2 to 5pm

Monday, February 22

Religious Education CCD – Grade 6 – 4:30-6pm

Religious Education CCD – Grade 7 – 7 to 8:30pm

CYO – 5-9pm in the gym

Novena – 7:15pm Prayers Only

Mass- 7:30pm

Tuesday, February 23

Religious Education– Grades 3-5 – 4:30pm in the school

CYO – 5-9pm in the gym

Religious Education – Grade 8 – 7:00pm in the school

Wednesday, February 24

CYO – 5-9pm in the gym

RCIA – 7:30pm in the rectory

Hispanic Prayer Group – 8pm in the cafeteria

Thursday, February 25

CYO – 5-9pm in the gym

Friday, February 26 First Friday

CYO Games – 6:30pm the gym

Stations of the Cross – 8pm

Saturday, February 20

St. Joseph Group – 7:30am in the Rectory

Rel. Ed. Grades 1 & 2 – 9:30am in the school

CYO -11am – to 4pm in the gym

Sunday, February 28 3rd Sunday of Lent

CYO – 2 to 5pm

SACRED HEART CHURCH \$10,000.00 RAFFLE

TICKETS \$100 EACH (1 IN 250 CHANCE TO WIN)

Available at the Rectory

Monday to Friday - 9am to 5pm

1ST PRIZE - \$10,000.00

2ND PRIZE - \$1,000.00

3RD PRIZE - \$500.00

Winning tickets will be drawn at 8:30pm in the school gymnasium on Friday, June 3, 2016 on the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

PLEASE HELP SUPPORT OUR PARISH

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL EASTER BASKETS

The St. Vincent DePaul Society of Sacred Heart Parish is once again asking for donations of hams and non-perishable foods for our Easter Baskets. Due to high demand and the difficult economic conditions of so many people, we must limit our baskets to our regular recipients and those Sacred Heart parishioners who find themselves in true need. **Easter Baskets will be distributed on Wednesday March 23, 2016 from 10am to 12 noon. Deadline: March 20th.**

POPE FRANCIS AND THE WORKS OF MERCY

“These works remind us that faith finds expression in concrete everyday actions meant to help our neighbors in body and spirit: by feeding, visiting, comforting, and instructing them. On such things, we will be judged”

2016 CARDINAL’S APPEAL DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The Cardinal’s Appeal supports the Department of Education, which serves more than 88,000 students from pre-K through twelfth grade. Our youth are taught coursework in Catholic religious and sacramental preparation and are also provided with service opportunities. In addition, our catechetical programs allow for over 90,000 young people and adults to shape, strengthen and fully recognize their bond with the Lord and His Church. Please join your fellow parishioners and make a commitment to the *Cardinal’s Appeal* today. **Your commitment will help us reach our parish goal of \$121,000.**

CATHOLIC CHARITIES COMMUNITY SERVICES OF ROCKLAND (CCCSR)

Did you know that Catholic Charities Community Services of Rockland (CCCSR) was established by the 18 parishes to alleviate poverty and to serve as a “safety and support net” for all our county residents who have either lived in poverty all their lives or fallen into poverty due to unexpected circumstances?

You can help make a difference in the lives of some of our most vulnerable families **by picking up a Lenten Mite box this weekend.** Your donations will help to prevent evictions, feed the hungry and address basic emergency needs in Rockland. You can return the boxes later in Lent.

COLD AND FLU SEASON

In this season of colds and flu, please remember that you may give and receive the sign of peace with a simple wave of the hand or nod of the head. No insult is intended if anyone does not want to shake hands.

CRISIS PREGNANCY HOTLINE GOOD COUNSEL HOMES

For Pregnancy emergencies call
Any time of day: 1-800-723-8331
www.goodcounselhomes.org

ANUNCIOS

El Grupo de Oración en Español tiene lugar habitualmente los miércoles, a las 8 de la noche en la cafetería.

Los próximos bautizos en español tendrán lugar el 19 de marzo, 2016 a la 1pm. Contactar en el 357-0035.



We pray for all those serving in the **Armed Forces** and for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them:

Larry Adler, Keith Alanis, Daniel Albarelli, Frank Paul Allegretti, Jenna Applebaum, Harris Brownstein, Lisa Eckert Brownstein, Annette Burbridge, Frank Calfa, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Lorraine Cortez, Lilla DiBerardino, Teresa Davey, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Mary Discini, Joan Donahue, Florence Downey, John Duffy, Nicholas Eckert, Peter Eckert, Jamie Erwin, Denise Ferrara, Stefanie Gaudelli, Tia Gardner, Arlene Gentile, Debra Gravina, John Grasso, Anne Hart, Frances Hunter, Sarah Hyman, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Susan Jarkiewicz, Mary Kierman, Anthony Kulik, Jay Leone, Elizabeth Lempka, Nick Liso, Laura Mack, Thomas Mathai, Barbara Mazza, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMenamin, Ken Meyer, Florence Mohan, Chic Nappo, Betty O'Brien, Jennifer O'Hara, Fr. Jack Oldfield, Stacey Olayan, Tina Osika, Patricia Plotkin, Adolf Radeljic, Etta Rooney, Mary Russo, Virginia Ryan, Daniel Sammarone, Nicholas Salzman, Susan Saladino, Erica Scully, Frank Schwarz, Ruth Schwetz, Claudia Spano, Claudia Spallanzani, Maureen Starke, Phyllis Varacalli, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Margaret Szaro, Carol Van Vandt, Kenneth Vanadio, and Millie Vazquez.



Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, friends, benefactors, relatives, priests, religious and especially **James S. Zadroga and Verna Jarkiewicz.**

ALTAR MEMORIALS

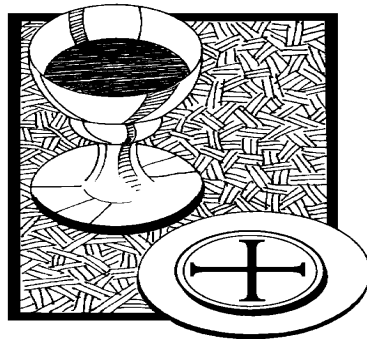
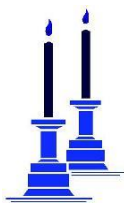
FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 21, 2016

Altar Breads, Altar Candles and Altar Candles
In Memory of

CATALINA BULAON

Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of

MARY & LUCIANO ANTONUCCI



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20

9:00am – Bill Halloran

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASSES FOR SUNDAY

6:00pm – Peggy McGrath

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21 2nd Sunday of Lent

7:00am – Domingo Lipa

8:30am – Parish Memorial Society

10:00am – Helen & Paul Roth

11:30am – Bob Hayden

1:00pm – Jerry Byrnes

5:30pm – All Parishioners

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

7:00am – Special Intentions of Olive DeFilippi

9:00am – Steve Jones

7:15pm – Novena Prayers

7:30pm – Msgr. Robert Ford

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

7:00am – Dianne Messina

9:00am – Richard McKiever

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

7:00am – Dolores Juliano

9:00am – Thomas E. Duffy

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

7:00am – Jim Halloran

9:00am – Andrew L. Kravic

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

7:00am – Olga Zelem

9:00am – Guy Monose

8:00pm – Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

9:00am – Thomas Howard

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASSES FOR SUNDAY

6:00pm – Bernard O'Neill

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28 3RD Sunday of Lent

7:00am – Ann Marie Aviles

8:30am – Parish Memorial Society

10:00am – Mary McGillycuddy

11:30am – Millicent De Rosa

1:00pm – Mary-Lou Lamb

5:30pm – All Parishioners