

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 27, 2017

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners:

It is hard to believe that Labor Day Weekend is next week, a sure sign that Summer is coming to an end. Another sign of the end of Summer is that we say good-bye to Father Javier and Father Benedict as they return home this week. What a blessing they are to our Parish. I thank them personally for their friendship, and for their love for and service to this Parish. They are the finest priests I know, along with Fr. Innocent who we are blessed to have all year long. We look forward to Fr. Javier's and Fr. Benedict's return to us, God willing, next Summer.

"Who do you say that I am," Jesus asks His disciples in today's Gospel. He is not just asking what people are saying about Him or about His teaching, but about His very identity. Who Jesus *is*, even before what He said and did, is the very foundation of our faith. It was Peter who blurted out, "*You are the Christ the Son of the Living God.*" And so Jesus declares that Peter is the Rock upon whom He would build His Church, the Rock who will keep the faith of the Church solid throughout the ages.

What a great gift Jesus gave us in giving us the Pope, or what we call the Petrine Ministry. There is so much confusion today about what is true, about what is right and wrong. Jesus gave a great gift to the Church in Peter and His Successors right down to Pope Francis today. Jesus knew that we need a visible sign of unity and authority if we are not to be led astray by the whims of the modern age. How blessed we are to have somewhere to look for an assurance of what is true, of what has been revealed to us by God for our salvation. This has been entrusted to Peter and the Apostles, to the Pope and the Bishops union with him, to be passed on throughout the ages free from error and corruption by the protection of the Holy Spirit. Our trust is not in the Pope as a man, but in the promise of Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit who Jesus promised would never allow the Church to be led into error regarding matters of faith and morals.

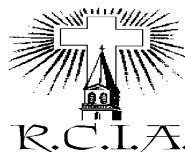
The foundation for the authority Jesus gave to Peter and his successors is the faith professed by Peter in the Gospel: "*You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.*" The Pope is first and foremost a believer, a disciple of Christ, a friend of Jesus. In this we are all the same. And so each one of us must hear Jesus' question addressed to him or her

personally: "*Who do you say that I am.*" We can know what the Catechism says, what the Creed says, but what do I say in depth of my own heart? Do I know Jesus personally?

To know Jesus personally and His closeness to us at every moment is the secret to our happiness and our strength in dealing with whatever life throws our way. If we truly know and love Him, we will love His Church and keep His Commandments. May all of us, and in particular our young people seeking God's plan for their lives, realize that Jesus is the answer to all our questions. May God bless us all.

Sincerely in Christ,

Rev. Matthew J. Furey



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

If you or someone you know have not been baptized or have not received the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation, and would like to, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is meant for you. The RCIA is the process by which the Church receives new members into our Catholic community through the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist). It consists of instruction sessions and liturgical celebrations meant to inform individuals of the teachings of the Catholic faith, to help them discern whether they wish to become Catholic and to prepare them to be received into the Church at Easter. **These classes are also open to adult parishioners who would like to be more informed about their faith or prepare for Confirmation.**

If you are interested in participating please call the Rectory (357-0035). The first session will start late in September. Sessions will be held once a week from 7:00 - 8:00pm in the Rectory. Those interested will be contacted with the exact starting date.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL

Sacred Heart Preschool 3 year old program has limited openings for Fall, 2017. Please contact the school's main office at 845-357-1684 for more information.

The School is also in search of those interested in a part-time position working with the After School Program 2:30pm to 6:00pm weekdays (flexible hours). Please contact the Principal Mrs. Grande – 845-357-1684

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

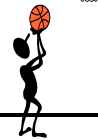
20th Sunday Collection – \$13,438.
Last Year's Collection - \$14,212.

Propagation of the Faith Collection– 4,884.
Last Year's Collection-\$3,872.

CYO BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

Boys and Girls: Clinic Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd Grades/
3rd thru 8th Grades

Tuesday, September 12th: 6-7:30pm
Wednesday, September 13th: 6-7:30pm
(In the school cafeteria)



PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, August 28

Novena – 7:15pm

Tuesday, August 29

Wednesday, August 30

Hispanic Prayer Group – 8pm in the Church

Thursday, August 31

Friday, September 1

Saturday, September 2

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

Sunday, September 3

PRAYER GROUP OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS
SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

The first meeting of a New prayer group here at Sacred Heart will begin on September 12th at 7:30pm in the Rectory Chapel. Everyone is Welcome!

SAVE THE DATE!!

UPCOMING EVENT
HONORING THE
150TH ANNIVERSARY
YEAR OF CELEBRATION

FALL HARVEST WEEKEND
OCTOBER 20, 21, 22, 2017

Pumpkin decorating, pie baking contest, games and a petting zoo will be featured. Stay tuned for more details.

Please be sure to visit our online store for memorabilia honoring our 150th Anniversary! www.sacredheartparish.org and look for the online store link in the **About Tab**.

NEEDED!!

As you all are aware we are celebrating the 150th Year of our Parish. Many events have been planned in celebration and we need volunteers to assist us in bringing these events to life.

- 1st - We need man power to construct a large cross and outdoor stage.
- 2nd – Volunteers to be part of an re-enactment of the Passion and Live Stations of the Cross
- 3rd - We need help to decorate a flatbed truck for the Village Christmas Parade
- 4th–Volunteers to help at the Fall Harvest Weekend October 20-22.

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF BLAUVELT

The Sisters wish to thank all the parishioners for their generosity and for the warm welcome given to Sister Mechtilde and Rose Andrew. The Sisters raised \$1,138 in Raffle sales. Thank you!!

St. Zita's Villa Adult Home for Women -
Open House & Family Fun Day Saturday,
September 16

St. Zita's Villa, a Rockland County, Catholic owned and operated adult home for mature women, invites everyone to join them for its annual Open House and Gala Family Fun Day on Saturday, September 16, from 11am to 4pm. Co-sponsored by Catholic Daughters Court John Paul II, the festivities will include a Fall Bazaar, Chinese Auction, Bake Sale, Games and fun-filled activities for the entire family. The barbeque will be hosted by Knights of Columbus Joyce Kilmer Council 1177. **Prospective residents and their families are encouraged to visit and experience the spirit of St. Zita's.** In case of heavy rain, festivities will be held on Sunday, September 17 (same times). St. Zita's is located at 50 Saddle River Rd, Monsey, NY. For information, contact Sr. Maureen (845) 356-2011.

Memorial Service for Aborted Children at The Marian Shrine, Stony Point, NY.

On Saturday, September 9, pro-life Americans throughout the country will gather at the gravesites of aborted babies and other memorial sites dedicated in their honor for the fifth annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children.

More Info: Call Betty Golemba at 914-450-4759 or e-mail RachelMinister1@aol.com

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The St. Vincent de Paul Pantry is closed for the summer, and will reopen Wednesday, September 13, 2017. **For food emergencies please call the rectory at 357-0035.**

ANUNCIOS

El Grupo de Oración en Español, que tiene lugar habitualmente los miércoles; se suspenderá durante el mes de Agosto, para reanudarse el 6 de Septiembre.

Los próximos bautizos en español tendrán lugar el 19 de agosto 2017 a la 1pm. Contactar en el 357-0035.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome into the Roman Catholic Faith and our Parish Community, the following child who was recently baptized at Sacred Heart:

FRANCESCA GLADYS PARTRIDGE
Daughter of Jonathan and Carol

ANGELINA VALENTINA ASCENCIO GOMEZ
Daughter of Marvin and Gladis

GRACE ELLEN POLIFRONE
Daughter of Drew and Michele



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

them: **Merrie Alfieri, Frank Paul Allegretti, Luciano Antonucci, Jenna Applebaum, Helen Bauer, Michael Brady, Harris Brownstein, Lisa Eckert Brownstein, Annette Burbridge, Dolores Cangelose, Frank Calfa, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Lorraine Cortez, Robert Cosenza, Joe Davey, Lilla DiBerardino, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Mary Discini, Florence Downey, Lucy Donlon, John Duffy, Nicholas Eckert, Peter Eckert, Jamie Erwin, Denise Ferrara, Gerrie Freeman, Stefanie Gaudelli, Tia Gardner, Arlene Gentile, Mark Goldman, Debra Gravina, Roy Harris, Carrin Holborn, Sarah Hyman, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Susan Jarkiewicz, Adrienne Kelly, Mary Kiernan, Jon Kip, Anthony Kulik, Marion Lauterborn, Jay Leone, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Vasily Lockhart, Laura Mack, Donna Manthey, Marie Marasuilo, Thomas Mathai, Barbara Mazza, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Ken Meyer, Florence Mohan, Joe Mondello, Fr. Estella Morales, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Fr. Jack Oldfield, Deana Olsen, Tina Osika, Shace Paljusevic, Joseph Pasculli, Bill Peden, Patricia Plotkin, Adolf Radeljic, Etta Rooney, Mary Russo, Virginia Ryan, Daniel Sammarone, Nicholas Salzman, Eleanor Scelza, Erica Scully, Ruth Schwetz, William R. Sichel, Jr., Jean Simons, Aurelia Sorgo, Claudia Spano, Claudia Spallanzani, Kate Stack, Maureen Starke, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Margaret Szaro, Fr. Peter Tarantino, SA, Phyllis Varacalli, Carol Van Vandt, Millie Vazquez and Fr. Wing.**

ALTAR MEMORIALS AUGUST 27, 2017

Altar Wines, Altar Breads & Altar Candles
In Memory of

ALLEN BULAON

Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of

JAMES TONER

BOOSTER CLUB
WEEK 14- DONALD KARAS

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

9:00am – MaryAnn Depolito

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS FOR SUNDAY

5:30pm – Antonio Russo

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

7:00am – Parish Memorial Society

8:30am – Ruth Varano

10:00am – John & Catherine Plewak

11:30am – Catherine Howard / Francis McAdams

1:00pm – All Parishioners

5:30pm – Ramona Zuño

MONDAY, AUGUST 28

7:00am – Andrew Tina

9:00am – Jim Reece & David Reece

7:15pm - **Novena**

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

7:00am – James Halloran

9:00am – Robert & Thomas Fisher

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

7:00am – Verna & Joseph Jarkiewicz

9:00am – Richard Lynch Jr.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

7:00am -Janet Brennan

9:00am – Michael Costello

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

7:00am – Delia Villaneuva

9:00am – Frances Howley

1:00pm – Exposition

7:00pm – Holy Hour

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

9:00am – Philippe & Joan Mauroux

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS FOR SUNDAY

5:30pm – Robert O. Colbath

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

7:00am – Parish Memorial Society

8:30am – Patricia Diamond

10:00am – Nancy D'Anna

11:30am – Rose & Joseph Formichella

1:00pm – All Parishioners

5:30pm – Tony Russo



Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, family members and loved ones. **Especially:**

Angelo Antonio Pilla
Thomas P. Giampino
Michelle Klein