

# 11<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## JUNE 13, 2021

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### FROM OUR PRIESTS' DESKS

Dear Brothers and Sisters of Sacred Heart:

"This is how it is with the Kingdom of God." Jesus was, as has been said so often, an outstanding teacher, and in today's Gospel (Mk. 4:26-34) he was trying to convey the Good News in a way that would be easy for his audience to understand. Over the course of his ministry, Jesus found many objects and activities taken from the day-to-day life and experience of his contemporaries to get his point across—using what we would call similes or parables. The Kingdom of God was like a seed sown in the ground by a farmer; it was like a net cast into the sea by fishermen; the Kingdom of God was like a buried treasure dug up by an explorer; it was like a pearl of great price found in the marketplace by a merchant; it was like a lost coin found by a woman as she cleaned the house. Maybe we can think of other examples ourselves.

The point of a parable is to convey some important truth by telling a story, and by engaging the interest or the curiosity of those who are listening. The great majority of Jesus' parables are about justice, about forgiveness, and, above all, about the Kingdom. For us today the word Kingdom sounds a bit foreign. We have never had a king in the United States, and, as hopefully we know from our history, a major reason for the American Revolution was to deny the authority of the King of England, and to establish an independent nation. For Jesus, however, the image of the King had more to do with leadership than with authority; and as someone once said: the difference between the two is that an authority is about the power to command, whereas leadership is about the power to inspire. When people said that Jesus spoke with authority, they were precisely referring to his charisma: his ability to move others, and his power to touch the hearts of his listeners. We know that Jesus himself spoke about leadership as a ministry of service. "The one who would be first among you," he said, "must be the last, and he who would be great has to be the servant of all."

"To what shall we compare the Kingdom of God?" This is a question that still represents a major challenge to the Church today. In order to fulfill its mission from Jesus, the Church must continue to preach the faith to each generation, and to make that faith understandable to all. One of the ways in which we can see this process most clearly taking place is in our parish's religious education programs and those who dedicate themselves so generously to this ministry as teachers and catechists, sharing their faith with young people, helping them to accept Jesus into their lives,

and to become active and committed members of his Church. Of course, it is not possible to give another person faith, and certainly not to force that person to receive it; only God can bestow faith and only the person can freely accept it. But the Church is called to be the messenger, the Church is called to be the herald of the Good News, and to announce the truths of the faith. And certainly, the most powerful way to move another person to faith--short of performing a miracle--is by good example: in that sense all of us as believing Christians have a responsibility for allowing the light of Christ to shine forth in our lives, by the testimony of our words and by witness of our good deeds.

To what can we compare the Kingdom of God? Perhaps today—between Mothers' and Fathers' Day—we might say that the Kingdom of God is like a family, united in the love of husband and wife for each other, and father and mother with their children, working together, respecting each other, forgiving each other, and striving always to be welcoming and hospitable to others, by make their home a place of friendship, of personal growth, of community, and of faith.

*Fr. John Gruben, OAR*  
*Fr. Michael Rafferty, OAR*  
*Fr. Eric Creencia, OAR*

### *ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:*

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Savior!

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.**

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praise to your name, Most High, to proclaim your kindness at dawn and your faithfulness throughout the night.

**Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.**

They Shall bear fruit even in old age; vigorous and sturdy shall they be, declaring how just is the Lord, my rock, in whom there is no wrong.

### **PLEASE TAKE NOTE: RENEW AND REBUILD STATUS.**

The Renew and Rebuild update given to the parish needs further clarification. The current project for this summer is the bathroom addition only. All further work will not occur in the church until next summer 2022 at the earliest. Masses will continue in the church this summer. Thank you for your support, brothers and sisters.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

2021-2022

For First Grade and New Registrants

Tuesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> – 4pm to 7pm

Wednesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> – 10am-1pm

Baptismal Certificate is required at time of registration for all First Grade and New Registrants.

Registration will be held in the Religious Education Office in the school. Please go to the Clinton Place entrance (the side street) of the school and ring the bell. Thank you.

Please call the Religious Education Office at 357-6044 if you have any questions or to schedule an appointment if you cannot make any of these dates.

Re-registration forms were emailed to the families of children already in our program. Please return them as soon as possible.

### CARDINAL'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2021

**\$18,035 to go!** Please consider donating! As always, we graciously thank all our parishioners for their continued generosity. To date **\$94,465.** has been pledged. Our goal is \$112,500. Your donations help the entire Archdiocese in so many ways. It is only through your generosity that the Archdiocese can help so many, here in our own area and the entire Archdiocese of New York. Even the smallest amount helps.

### DONATING ONLINE WITH WE SHARE!

Have you considered making your contributions online? It is so easy to do and goes a long way to minimize any human errors in accounting and gives you the ability to view your contribution any time. At the end of the year, you still receive a complete accounting of your donations for tax purposes. For the parish it helps with reducing costs associated with sending the envelopes out through our envelope company. So many parishioners forget to use the envelopes. Sometimes people have moved, and the church was not informed and have sent envelopes out already. So please consider donating online. It is so easy. Please visit our website: [www.sacredheartparish.org](http://www.sacredheartparish.org) and look for the donating tab. It truly is easy to sign up. Thank you for considering donating online.

#### SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

**June 6<sup>th</sup> Collection-\$11,006.**

**Last Year's Collection – Pandemic**

**Debt & Deficit Collection – \$3,884.**

**Last year's Collection - Pandemic**

## PARISH CALENDAR

**Sunday, June 13**

**Monday, June 14**

**Tuesday, June 15**

**Wednesday, June 16**

Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Group – 7:30pm  
Church

**Thursday, June 17**

**Friday, June 18**

**Saturday, June 19**

**9:00am**

Holy Rosary – 12:00pm

### OFFICE OF THE VICAR GENERAL ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK CHILD PROTECTION

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to call 212-371-1000 x 2949 or Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via e-mail at [victimassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org). Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, [www.archny.org](http://www.archny.org). In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

Cualquier persona que necesite denunciar algún incidente de abuso sexual de un menor por un sacerdote, diacono, religioso/a, o laico que esté trabajando en la Arquidiócesis de Nueva York, se le pide que, por favor contacte (212) 371-1000 extensión 2949 o con Diácono George J. Coppola en el teléfono 917-861-1762. También se pueden comunicar con ambos por correo electrónico: [victimassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org). Para más información pueden visitar la página en la red de la Arquidiócesis: [www.archny.org](http://www.archny.org). De acuerdo con las normas de la Arquidiócesis respecto al abuso sexual de menores, esta información se proporciona para asegurar que nuestros niños permanecen seguros.

### SISTERS OF LIFE

**Providing Life-affirming choices for women:** If you know someone who is struggling, please urge them to contact: [www.visitationcenterus.org](http://www.visitationcenterus.org) or call (877)777-1277.

**Have you suffered an abortion?** Experience God's love and mercy and begin the journey of healing. Please call the Sisters of Life: 866-575-0075 or e-mail: [hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org](mailto:hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org). For men, call Theresa Bonopartis at Lumina: 877-586-4621 or e-mail: [Lumina@postabortionhelp.org](mailto:Lumina@postabortionhelp.org)

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome into the Roman Catholic Church and our Parish Community the following children who were recently baptized at Sacred Heart:

**ADAM ALEXANDER MORA**

Son of Jenny and Joel

**OWEN FRANCIS GANSSLE**

Son of George and Michaela



*Please pray for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for*

*them:* Jenna Applebaum, Theresa Anselmi, Michael Brady, Angie Clifford, Robert Conly, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, The Cosentino Family, Janet Curcione, Joe Davey, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Mary Discini, John Duffy, David Eckert, Sr., Ginny Figula, William Figundio, Stefanie Gaudelli, Arlene Gentile, Teddy Girvan, Joseph Gilson, Debra Gravina, Senan Halpin, Clement Hayes, Mr. Harris, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Rob Incognoli, Bob Janson, Fran Janson, Eileen Kennedy, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Ginger Listwan, Vasily Lockhart, Roberta Lynch, Laura Mack, Matthew Luludis, Charles Lynch, D. Pat Lynch, Kathy Masserano, Thomas Mathai, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Rosemary McCormick, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Jacob Mendelsohn, Ken Meyer, Florence Mohan, Joyce Miller, Barbara Neilson, Michael Noonan, Robert Nunes, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Pat O'Neill, Nancy Overend, Leona Overend, Gerry Roemer, Joseph Payne, Shace Paljusevic, Frances Petrosky, Noreen Pidgeon, Barbara Procopio, James Procopio, Jerry Rourke, Etta Rooney, Thomas & Phyllis Ross, Rosemarie Scandura, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, (Baby Ty) Reilly, Charles Piccarelli, Michael Shumway, Jean Simons, Roberto Sorgo, Maureen Starke, Lindsey Sterling, Shaun Stein, Patricia Steiper, Janet Tamburro, Richard Vanadio, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Phyllis Varacalli, Kali Villela, Robert Vogt, Fr. Wing.

### FOR OUR ARMED FORCES & FIRST RESPONDERS OF ALL KINDS, AND OUR DOCTORS & NURSES

We pray for all the men and women serving our country AND especially the sons and daughters, grandchildren and loved ones of our parishioners.

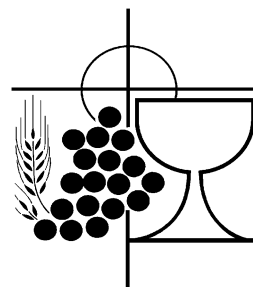
### ALTAR MEMORIALS JUNE 13, 2021

#### SANCTUARY LAMP In Memory of FR. JACK OLDFIELD



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

**Nerina Chersicla, Rita Giampaglia,  
Edward "Jim" O'Reilly**



### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

**9:00AM DAILY- (MONDAY - FRIDAY)  
SUNDAYS**

**8:30AM, 11:30AM, 1:00PM AND 5:30PM  
10:00AM - (SPANISH)**

**LIVE STREAMED ON OUR WEBSITE:  
[WWW.SACREDHEARTPARISH.ORG](http://WWW.SACREDHEARTPARISH.ORG)**

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 12

9:00am - John & Marie Renner  
12:00pm - Holy Rosary

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 12

5:30pm - Andrew Haggerty

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 13

8:30am - Special Intentions Bobby Frank  
10:00am - Spanish  
11:30am - Marie Scarpelli  
1:00pm - Johnny & Peggy McGrath  
5:30pm - Parish Memorial / All Parishioners

#### MONDAY, JUNE 14

9:00am - Dianne Messina

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 15

9:00am - Dirce Bauco

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

9:00am - Margaret Billy

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 17

9:00am - Fr. Jack Oldfield OAR

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 18

9:00am - Jacqueline Zangrilli

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 12

9:00am - Mario Varano  
12:00pm - Holy Rosary

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 19

5:30pm - **Vigil Mass- ALL FATHERS**

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 20 HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

8:30am - ALL FATHERS  
10:00am - Spanish  
11:30am - ALL FATHERS  
1:00pm - ALL FATHERS  
5:30pm - ALL FATHERS

#### BOOSTER CLUB

**WEEK 10 - PATRICK O'BRIEN**