



Padre's Corner

July 22, 2018

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Baron de Holbach : “ Religion has ever filled the mind of man with darkness and kept him in ignorance of the real duties of true interests. It is only by dispelling these clouds and phantoms of religion, that we shall discover Truth, Reason, and Morality. Religion diverts us from the causes of evil, and from the remedies which nature prescribes; far from curing, it only aggravates, multiplies, and perpetuates them. “ This hostile and unfair assessment of religion and its influence pervades our modern times, where spiritual viewpoints are mocked on talk shows and politicians promote so-called human rights such as the execution of the unborn child in the womb knowing how such attitudes are opposed by the commands of God. How a political leader of either party can defend such a barbaric act against humanity is beyond comprehension, and puts them in league with the atrocities of nazi concentration camps during World War II. Believe me this senior citizens with health problems and advanced age face the same ethical/moral lapses in the decade ahead as health care plans cut costs and the resultant lives impacted. If the defenseless unborn child can be so callously dismissed, humans on the other side of the age spectrum face similar attitudes. 220 years ago the French Revolution ushered in the precursor attitudes of religious faith hostility that govern the thought processes of many today in 2018. France had a history of Saint Joan of Arc several centuries before that animated a positive relationship between Church and citizens, quickly erased by the revolutionary governments that began rule in 1789. Joan died in 1431, and was described by famed author Mark Twain as the “ most extraordinary person the human race has ever produced. “ Parish properties were seized and diluted by taxation, which may one day happen in America. Denying the powers of the Pope over priests accelerated on July 12, 1790 with “ The Civil Constitution of the Clergy, “ which further subjugated the priests to the powers of the government. The edict of the “ Law of Suspects “ on September 17, 1793 subject priests to death plus those protecting them while ordering the removal/destruction from churches of crosses, statues, plaques, icons, and bells. **Two months later, on November 10** in Paris, Notre Dame Cathedral was desecrated with human acts of orgy in front of statues of the renowned secular philosophers that were esteemed then by the masses of citizenry. This “ Reign of Terror “ executed King Louis XVI on January 21, 1793 with the guillotine as it did with sixteen religious sisters of the Carmelite Convent of Compiegne on July 17, 1794.

Despite the imperfections of humanity within the annals of organized religion history, the overall thrust of spiritual faith has done much to ferment the positive growth of world history. Consider the Caribbean country of Jamaica, which is immersed with the underpinnings of faith. Christopher Columbus, under the badge of Catholicism for Spain, landed on the island May 5, 1494. In the 1700's sugar cultivation expanded under English rule, fostering the forced slavery of many from Africa. A Baptist missionary named William Knibb came to Jamaica from England in 1824, with his wife Mary Watkins Knibb. They and other Baptist ministers pushed for emancipation of the slaves, which was granted as law in 1834. This resulted in many of the slaves joining the Baptist Church in gratitude. Another ecumenical example is that of televangelist Billy Graham who died at the age of 99 on February 21, 2018. A Southern Baptist, Graham began his spiritual ministry during 1949 in Los Angeles, California. Visiting 185 countries with his message during five active decades of travel, Billy began with a humble start on a family dairy farm near Charlotte, North Carolina. Taught at the Florida Bible Institute in Tampa, his notoriety started in 1954 during a crusade in London, England. Later the pastor of the presidents, including Ronald Reagan after the 1981 presidential assassination attempt, Graham led the country during the terrorist attacks of 2001 to a spiritual place of reflection. Battling Parkinson's disease in his later years led to this quotation from him : “ I'll be glad when the moment comes when the Lord calls me to heaven. I get tired down here sometimes. “ In his 2012 book “The Heaven Answer Book, “ this good man reflected a heavenly viewpoint conveying the good powers of organized religion : “ I am convinced that we will never be prepared to live until we are prepared to die. God has a plan for us right now, and life's greatest joy comes from knowing Him and living for Him each day. “ The Carmelite Sisters who were martyred in 1794 know this message of heaven like the slaves and missionaries of Jamaica, as eloquently expressed by Billy Graham. Religion is a force for good, as our parishes of Sacred Heart and Saint Francis of Assisi are for the gritty city neighborhoods of Newburgh. God has the same message throughout the diverse centuries to the entire worldwide community. Belief in Him is wonderful, though the sacraments and prayers of our faith.

Father Bill

SACRED HEART

Monday, July 23

9:00 am **Health and Blessings for Pat Garzione**
By St. Vincent de Paul Society

**Sacred Heart Weekly Collection
July 14-15**

**1st Coll: \$5214
2nd Coll: \$1288
TOTAL \$6502**

Tuesday, July 24

9:00 am **The Parishioners of Sacred Heart St Francis**



Tuesday, July 24

7:00 am **Vocations**
12:00 **Francis Rich**
By Rich Family

Wednesday, July 25

9:00 am **James Birkenstock**
By Deacon Tom & Maureen Neppel

**Sacred Heart Mass Attendance
July 14-15**

**5:30 95
7:30 66
10:00 119
12:00 133
TOTAL 413**

Wednesday, July 25

7:00 am **The Unborn**
12:00 **David J Herbison**
By Family

Thursday, July 26

9:00 am **Health & Blessing for Deacon Peter Haight**



Thursday, July 26

7:00 am **Mark Anthony Michon**
By Aunt Chris
12:00 **Thelma Meehan**
By Jackie

Friday, July 27

9:00 am **For those serving in the Military**

**Saint Francis Weekly Collection
July 14 – 15**

**1st Coll: \$ 5,941.00
2nd Coll: \$ 1,341.00
TOTAL \$ 7,282.00**

Friday, July 27

7:00 am **Susan Randall**
By Mary Randall
12:00 **Our Young Adults**

Saturday, July 28

9:00 am **For the Priests Serving Sacred Heart St. Francis Church**
5:30 pm **Eddineth Monroy 1st Anniv**
By Marie Corrado
Ruth Ronsini
By Ann Fabiano
Mary Venticinque
By Pat Porvaznik

**Saint Francis Mass Attendance
July 14 – 15**

**4:30 168
8:30 148
11:00 152
1:00 105
TOTAL 573**

Saturday, July 28

12:00 **Sacred Heart St. Francis Parish Families**
4:30 pm **John & Nancy Squillini**
Vincent Lombardi, Jr.
34th Anniv. In Heaven
By Steve Immitt

Sunday, July 29

7:30 am **Parishioners of Sacred Heart St. Francis Church**
10:00 am **Shirley Policano**
By The Joe Ponessi Family
12:00 **For the Living and Deceased Members of Sacred Heart Church**

The 2nd Collection for this weekend is for Air Conditioning

Sunday, July 29

8:30 am **Andrea Murphy**
By Food Pantry Volunteers
11:00am **Andrea Murphy**
By Dan & Helene Kerin
John J. Crudele
By Family

TODAY

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

In this passage, God denounces false leaders who have scattered his people. He promises that they will be reunited and led by one who is just and wise.

Second Reading: Ephesians 2:13-18

Paul explains that through Jesus Christ, there is no longer hostility between Gentile and Jew. Instead, through the Spirit of Christ, both groups become one body and are equal in the eyes of God.

Gospel: Mark 6:30-34

The apostles returned after their first mission and told Jesus what they had done and taught. He told them to rest, but the people kept coming to them. So they went to find a private place, but the people learned where they were going and arrived first. Jesus felt sorry for them and decided to teach them instead of resting.

- Monday
Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday
Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday
2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28
Thursday
Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Mt 13:10-17
Friday
Jer 3:14-17; Mt 13:18-23
Saturday
Jer 7:1-11; Mt 13:24-30

PARISH DEVOTIONS

St. Francis Church

Chaplet of Divine Mercy is recited every Sunday at 10:40 am
Weekly Miraculous Medal Novena following the Noon Mass every Tuesday

Weekly Adoration Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Wednesdays 5:00 pm - 6:00pm. This Wednesday is for the Unborn

Sacred Heart

Rosary prayed following the 9:00 am Mass. Monday through Saturday in the Chapel.

Sacred Heart - First Friday Adoration is cancelled for the months of July & August.

Adoration will resume Friday, September 7, 2018

Members of the Armed Services - Please remember the following members of the armed service in your prayers.

- LCpl Nick Kozlik - US Marines
Sgt. C.J.Kozlik - US Army
LT Thomas O. Mennerich USN
LCDR Abby K. Mennerich USN
Keith O'Connor US Army
Sgt. Anthony Colotti US Army
Nicholos M. Pisani US Navy
Capt. Bryan Malone

If you know of someone deployed overseas, let us know.

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PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Vincenza Secor, Aaron Stagliano, Marie Wiejak, Ashley Barco, Agnes Casey, Rose Marie Michalowski, Carol Brown, Luzia Araujo, Celio Thomaz, Rosalie Nogay, Rose Jurik, Robert & Helen Osborn, Rachael Neugebauer, Maureen Kelly, James R. Purpura, Jane Pustola, Frances Dolan, Parker, Jane Holloway, Donna Delconte, Joan Ponesse, Jim Taylor, Marilyn Lennox, Bruno Marchatta, Anne McClellan, Louis Arbia, Dottie Rodriguez, Maureen Sullivan, Frank D'amario, Amanda Keane, Tom (Manay) Conroy, Gertrude Poland, Rita Froehlich, Brian Scott Monahan, Chelsea Dunderdale, Mary Hollenbeck, Donnie Ruckdeschel, Patrick Comyns, John Marullo, Jaddon Johnson, Rina & Richard Bozzone, Rebecca Pacella, Lena Biasini Zullo, Pam Kunert, Janet Coiteux, Vincent Mc Parkland and Family, Jozef Froniewski, Teresa Centeno, Bobbi Hull, Emily Cooley, Frank Celeste, Amy Finnegan, Brian Hanrahan, Toni Loparco Shepardson, Donald (Leed) Zubawicz, Louise McHugh, Alex Galant, Evelyn Kawula, Taylor Fogel, Paul Neugebauer, Julia Vecchio, Vanessa Rivera and Elizabeth Rich-Provenzano, Jim Formato, Paul O'Herron, Michelle Ryan, and Abigail Means, Jean Kardel, Michael Peter Antonelli, Joann Fayo-Perry, Catherine Fossella, Pat Garziona, Deacon Peter Haight, Tom Hare, Frances Marino, Tom Marino, Beth Marshall, Jean Mendoza, Beulah Politi, Gloria Presutti, David Vandermast, Mary Venticinque, Mark Verlinger, Patricia Young, Jean Kardel, Patricia Rifenburg, Jeffry Mauro, Cynthia Cannon, and Rita O'Shea



Food Pantry Hours:

Friday 9:00am to 12noon

Saturday 9:00am to 12noon

Located at The Msgr. Valastro Activity Center
319 Broadway in Newburgh

In your goodness please bring Personal Care Items to Church next weekend to be distributed to the less fortunate in our area thru our Food Pantry.

If you are involved in a church and/or Newburgh School program and your child needs volunteer hours, the Food Pantry will coordinate service hours through Curt Bourdage at 845-863-6504. All students need to pre-register with Mr. Bourdage before showing up at the pantry, please.

HELP SUPPORT OUR DEACON JACK SEYMOUR FOOD PANTRY

Raffle tickets are now available \$20 each. Tickets are available for purchase at the rectory, or call Colleen Corizzo at 845-561-7905 for any questions regarding sale of raffles.

Tickets will also be available after all Sacred Heart Masses of July 21&22
Drawing is September 9.

THIS IS OUR ONLY BIG FUNDRAISER FOR THE WHOLE YEAR.



Lest We Forget.

POPPIES

Members of the Catholic War Veterans will be at all St. Francis masses July 21-22 and the Masses at Sacred Heart on July 28-29 distributing poppies to remember all those who have given their lives in battle for our freedom.

Sacred Heart – St. Francis Religious Education Program News

We will start classes for Wednesday sessions on September 12, 2018. Wednesday session is from 6:00 pm-7:30 pm Grades are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8.

We will start classes for Tuesday sessions on September 18, 2018. Tuesday session is from 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm. Grades are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and Intermediate 1. Intermediate 1 is for all those who have not made first communion and are in Grades 3 through 6.

If you have not received a registration form in the mail or would like one, please stop at the St. Francis Rectory between 9 am and 2 pm or Sacred Heart Rectory between 1 pm and 4 pm. To pick up one or email the Religious Education REP office for a form. Email:

REPSHSFnewburgh@gmail.com

Any questions, please email the REP office or call Sister Laura at 347-207-5020

HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

Students in grades 9-12 who have not made Confirmation and would like to do so, please contact Sister Laura at 347-2075020

Sacred Heart – St. Francis Youth Ministry News

Join us for the pre kick off of Youth Ministry with Movie night. **On August 4, 2018**, we will have Youth-Family Movie Night. After the 4:30 pm Mass at St. Francis Church, join us in the **St. Francis Rectory Parking Lot**, off the prayer garden, for outdoor movie fun. **(time 6:00 pm)** Bring your picnic supper. We will supply snacks, drinks, and dessert. **Admission is free for all.** Free raffle/door prizes. Popcorn and Cotton Candy will be \$1 each.

Remember Kick-off for Youth Ministry is September 16, 2018 with Youth-Family Catechetical Sunday Mass at 10:00 am in Sacred Heart Church and Grand Ice Cream sign up Social (youth and parents) at 6:30 pm in O'Connor Hall of St. Francis Church, Benkard Ave.

Sacred Heart School, New Windsor is looking for a part time Maintenance worker. For inquiries, please contact the school at msheathershs@gmail.com.

Mary Ann McGivney (former Sacred Heart School Principal) (or rep) will be speaking at all the Masses to encourage enrollment at Sacred Heart School on July 21 & 22 at St. Francis.

MOVIE NIGHT - SATURDAY, July 21 at 6 pm in St. Francis O'Connor Hall. This month we will be showing "Wonder" An incredibly inspiring story of August Pullman, A boy with facial differences attending mainstream schooling for the first time. Starring Julia Roberts.

For pizza and refreshment ordering purposes, please RSVP by July 20 to Jeannine McCauley at jeansey50@yahoo.com or call 914-263-0572.

Service Saturdays

Many people have asked what they could do to help out around the Parish at Sacred Heart. We have begun a program called Service Saturdays. This will be the third Saturday of every month. Anyone interested in helping out around the Church, Rectory, and School should come to 9 am Mass on the third Saturday morning of the month. We will meet in the Sacred Heart rectory for coffee and bagels/donuts at about 9:30, at which time we would team up or break out individually for specific projects around the Church, Rectory, and School. Any skill level you have is great, even if it's minimal. This is a GREAT opportunity for individuals or families to get involved and foster a spirit of service in support of your Parish.

For more info, call Joe Bilello at 914-715-9196.

THERE IS ONE CONCERT DATE LEFT
Please come to enjoy and support our

Positive Parish Activities 

FREE CONCERT!!

SUNDAY, JULY 22 - 5 pm at St. Francis.

The Halo Youth Group from the Doves of the Desert Church Choir in Glendale, AZ contacted Fr. Bill and he has invited this wonderful youth group to sing at our churches!



NOTES FROM FROM "THE LOFT" ... during the summer months, we will be reciting the Gloria and the Lord's Prayer for the Saturday/Sunday Masses during 'Ordinary Time'. In the fall we will return to singing all the parts of the Mass.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

Congratulations to Charles Smith – new new Grand Knight for Monsignor Henery O'Carroll Council #444 of the Knights of Columbus and our own Richard Irons who is the new Faithfull Navigator for the 4th Degree.

New members all also welcome. For more info, please call Rich Irons at 845-565-5045.

AND

FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY PROGRAM

Sponsor by the Knights of Columbus

A Rosary Service for the 5th Sunday in July will be held here at St. Francis of Assisi, Church following the 11:00 am Mass on Sunday, July 29, 2018. All are invited to attend. Bring your prayer requests. This program is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, Msgr. Henry O'Carroll Council #444.

PARISH ACTIVITIES AT A GLANCE

July 21	Movie Night - "Wonder" St. Francis - 6 pm
July 22	Halo Youth Group Concert St. Francis - 5 pm
July 29	Fifth Sunday Rosary after 11 am Mass St. Francis
Aug. 1	Senior Meeting O' Connor Hall - 12:30 pm
Aug. 4	Outdoor Movie Night 6pm St. Francis (in the parking lot)
Aug. 8	Catholic Daughters Meeting Msgr Valasco Activity Ctr - 7 pm
Sept. 9	St. Francis Picnic
Sept. 16	Grand Ice Cream Social and Signup St. Francis - 6:30 pm
Oct. 13	Monticello Casino Trip

*Vocations don't just happen -
Ask somebody*

**** ATTENTION ****

The Church names of Sacred Heart and Saint Francis of Assisi will remain in the merger. However, Cardinal Dolan wishes that a new parish name be selected to further signify the unity of both churches.

A recent parish meeting with parish representatives came up with the following names. Three of these following names will be sent to Cardinal Dolan.

Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Mother Cabrini

Padre Pio

Holy Family

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Saint John Paul II

On August 1, the three top selections will be sent to the Cardinal Dolan for his final decision. Thank you for your interest in the Merger Process.

MARY'S HOPE

The Staff at Mary's Hope would like to thank the Sacred Heart Community for all the food you have donated to help us feed the people of Newburgh. Your continued support is much appreciated.

Items needed for the months ahead:

Complete Pancake Mix - Mac N Cheese

Rice Small and Medium Bags

Pork & Beans - Pasta in a Can - Tuna

Hamburger Helper - Stuffing & Gravy

Rice-a-Roni - Pasta & Spaghetti

Soups (Tomas & Chicken Noodle)

Canned Veggies (Peas, Carrots, & Mixed Vegetables)

This Month's Parish Food Drive will be held

July 28 & 29

**Vacation Bible School for this Summer has
been cancelled.**

UPCOMING PILGRIMAGES

Hosted By:
Father Bill Damroth

ICELAND'S MAGICAL NORTHERN LIGHTS
February 14-20, 2019

HIGHLIGHTS OF ENGLAND & SCOTLAND
Visiting Stonehenge, Salisbury, Bristol,
Bath, Stratford Lake District, Edinburgh,
York Oxford and London
March 11-21, 2019

TROPICAL COSTA RICA
Visiting San Jose, Coffee Plantation, Guanacaste,
Monteverde, Cloud Forest and Zarcero
October 5-13, 2019

GREEK ISLES CRUISE & EUROPE
Including The Passion Play of Oberammergau
May 13-23, 2020

**The Deacon Dominick Casadone Chapter
Of the St. Vincent de Paul Society
of Sacred Heart Church
is sponsoring a
BABY OUTREACH CENTER
Tuesdays 9 - 12
At the Sacred Heart School
Ann Street Entrance**

Items that will be available on an as needed basis
Diapers and wipes, Hygiene items, Baby Clothes (NB to
2T) and Layette sets. For more information contact
Susan Conner at 845-562-3947.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls.
Amen

BECOME A MEMBER OF OUR PARISH FAMILY TODAY

YES! I want to register as a member and receive
offertory envelopes for:

Sacred Heart Church St Francis Church

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Town: _____

Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

Fill out and drop in the
Offertory Collection or mail to...
St. Francis of Assisi Church
145 Benkard Avenue
Newburgh, NY 12550

.....and *Welcome*



TWO PARISHES
ROOTED IN THE LOVE OF GOD
NOW ONE PARISH FAMILY