

J.M.J.

Dear Parishioners,

I pray that many of you enjoyed our parish mission. Please keep Deacon Califano in your prayers, in thanksgiving. I pray that we will continue to protect and nurture marriage. Marriage and the family is the bedrock of society. Once children are born, through their relationship with their parents they begin to share in a family tradition with even older roots. Together with the gift of life, they receive a whole patrimony of experience. Parents have the right and the inalienable duty to transmit this heritage to their children: to help them find their own identity, to initiate them to the life of society, to foster the responsible exercise of their moral freedom and their ability to love on the basis of their having been loved and, above all, to enable them to encounter God.

Faith, then, is not merely a cultural heritage, but the constant working of the grace of God who calls and our human freedom, which can respond or not to His call. Even if no one can answer for another person, Christian parents are still called to give a credible witness of their Christian faith and hope. The need to ensure that God's call and the good news of Christ will reach their children with the utmost clarity and authenticity.

Jesus Christ is the perfect human being, an example of filial freedom, who teaches us to share with others his own love: "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love" (Jn 15:9). And so the Second Vatican Council teaches that "Christian married couples and parents, following their own way, should support one another in grace all through life with faithful love, and should train their children, lovingly received from God, in Christian doctrine and evangelical virtues. Because in this way they present to all an example of unfailing and generous love, they build up the brotherhood of charity, and they stand as witnesses and cooperators of the fruitfulness of Mother Church, as a sign of and a share in that love with which Christ loved his Bride and gave himself for her" ([Lumen Gentium](#), 41).

The joyful love with which our parents welcomed us and accompanied our first steps in this world is like a sacramental sign and prolongation of the benevolent love of God from which we have come. The experience of being welcomed and loved by God and by our parents is always the firm foundation for authentic human growth and authentic development, helping us to mature on the way towards truth and love, and to move beyond ourselves in order to enter into communion with others and with God.

The Christian family - father, mother and children - is called, then, to do all these things not as a task imposed from without, but rather as a gift of the sacramental grace of marriage poured out upon the spouses. If they remain open to the Spirit and implore His help, He will not fail to bestow on them the love of God the Father made manifest and incarnate in Christ. The presence of the Spirit will help spouses not to lose sight of the source and criterion of their love and self-giving, and to cooperate with Him to make it visible and incarnate in every aspect of their lives. The Spirit will also awaken in them a yearning for the definitive encounter with Christ in the house of His Father and our Father.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Father Newcomb

We congratulate the children of our parish who received First Eucharist last Saturday— Zachary Adamcik, Nicholas Carlozzi, Caroline Centauro, Evan Daliz, Matthew Daliz, Justin Dobbs, Anabella Epps, Michael Fedrizzi, Lukasz Husson, Meghan Lauture, Josalyn Legato, Anna Maley, Josiah Negron, Alysha Philip, Elijah Philip, Angela Scibek, Mikayla Sobolewski, Jarinaira Susquilanda, Kate Tamplin, Elia Trujillo, and Emma Witherow. May they continue to grow in God's love through the Eucharist.

In celebration of our faith and family values, the Archdiocese of NY will be hosting the 1st **Archdiocesan Family Day** on Saturday, June 27th, from 11:30 to 5pm at the San Silverio Shrine in Dover Plains, NY. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Peter Byrne with Cardinal Dolan as homilist. Admission is \$10 per person (3 and under free). Space is limited so please register at [www.archnyfamilyday.eventbrite.com](http://www.archnyfamilyday.eventbrite.com).

GOLF ANYONE? Catholic Charities Community Services of Orange County Monday, July 20 8:30 am check-in, 10 am shotgun start. West Hills Country Club - 121 Golf Links Road - Middletown. Opportunities available for golfers, sponsors, and raffle donations. Be a part of a fun-filled day that supports our neighbors in need in Orange County. To get involved, contact Kristin Jensen at 492.6331/[kristin.jensen@archny.org](mailto:kristin.jensen@archny.org).

From Brother Victor “ *We are grateful to the Archdiocese, to you, and the parishioners for giving us the opportunity to share our Mission. We believe the parishioners have been generous in their support and we thank them for their generosity.* ”

**The Cardinal’s Appeal** is still under way. You may make your donations online at [www.cardinalsappeal.org](http://www.cardinalsappeal.org). Please enter our parish number - **518**.

Our parish has run out of Chapel keys. If you are in possession of one and not able to visit our Chapel, please return it to the parish office.

**F.A.I.T.H.** will be having a planning meeting on Wednesday, June 17th at 6pm in the Little Lambs building. All are invited to join.

*Registrations are now being taken until June 25th for*

**Discovery Canyon Vacation Bible School.**

It will run the week of July 6th through the 10th. We invite all children ages 4 through 12 , to **Explore the Wonders of the World.**

Cost \$10/per family.

For more information call the parish office at 856-8212 or email [office@stmarysportjervis.com](mailto:office@stmarysportjervis.com)



We are blessed to have eight faithful **LADIES OF THE LINENS**, who launder the corporals, finger towels, and purificators which are used during the celebration of Mass. Unfortunately, one of their number is no longer able to assist with this task, so we’d like to invite another parishioner to consider joining their ranks (gentlemen are welcome, too!). If you’d like to learn more, please call the parish office.

**The Ladies Social Night** in conjunction with **C.D.A.**, is working on making pillowcase dresses to be sent to Nepal. Anyone willing to make the dresses or donate are asked to contact Ann Ponds at 845-856-5691.

Join the Deanery Choir at the Milford Musicfest on Sunday, June 28th at 3pm in St. Patrick’s Church, for a program of spiritual and patriotic music, ***In God We Still Trust.*** No tickets or admission fee required!

**Just Energy** is an energy supply company that has been working with our Church. They are currently offering a \$25 cash bonus for new customers. If you would like to save money on your energy supply needs, please contact Miriam Stiefel 845-228-3401 or email [af-finty@justenergy.com](mailto:af-finty@justenergy.com). Mention St. Mary’s Church.

**ANNOUNCED MASSES**

- Monday, June 15**  
9:00am John Onuschak, by Dorean and Jack Reilly
- Tuesday, June 16**  
9:00am Susan Hinkley, by Jim Hinkley and fam.
- Wednesday, June 17**  
9:00am June Livingston, by the Livingston fam. Al Kreckel, by Pauline and fam.
- Thursday, June 18**  
9:00am Michael Carbone, by Anthony and Joan Orr  
Deceased members of the Delaney fam., by the fam.
- Saturday, June 20**  
4:00pm The parishioners of St. Mary’s
- Sunday, June 21**  
8:30am All fathers, living and deceased  
11:30am All fathers, living and deceased

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

Ida Lissner, Joann Wilcox, Jonathan Saletto, Marion Rohner, Nick Moscatiello, Jeff Sauschuck, Anna Onuschak, Jackie Mundy, Theresa Fuller, Kelly Quick, Denise Paz, Sandy Osbourne, Jose Maldonado, Angela Grillo, Amanda Evelech, Anna Jenks, Allan Van Starrex, Donald Wolff, Walter Szpakowicz, Michael Barnes, William Lincoln, Vada Glass, Joe Brennan, Betty Brennan, Owen Brennan, Richard Samek, Agnes Murray, John McKean, Andrea Fedoruk, Betty Corcoran, Lisa Donahue, Charles Fitz-Randolph, Angela Portella, Pauline Portella, Florence Marino, Angela Lilo, Ana-Lucia Stasilli, Jeremiah Stasilli, Radomski family, Hiegle family, Nick Cirillo, Bobby Kochka, Dominic Fontana, Mary Platania, Nicholas Marinaro, and Richard Harford.

The **FIFTH ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC** will be on Sunday, September 20 beginning at 1:00pm at the firehouse in Sparrow Bush. As we’ve done in previous years, the parish will provide hamburgers and hot dogs; those who attend are asked to bring beverages and desserts, snacks, or a salad. There will also be games for the children. Further information is forthcoming.

The collection for June 6/7 was \$6,176  
Thank you for your continued generosity.

***Liturgical Ministers for June 20/21***

MASS	LECTOR	MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS
4:00PM	L. AVELLA	H. ECKES, W. PONDS, J. SENKIEW	J.KLOTZ, S.KLOTZ, D. KLOTZ
8:30AM	M. LATINI	S. RIORDAN, A. STASILLI, N. STASILLI, J. TAYLOR	J. MARCONE, J. LEGATO, J. LEGATO
11:30AM	M. ESLING	H. MARINARO, N. SMITH, J. SNELLINGER	K. EPPS, S. MASCI, S. PHILLIPS