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MASS INTENTIONS

5:00 p.m. Marlene Patricia Peters †
Sunday, July 5: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 a.m.
9:30 a.m. Eugene Hunter †
11:30 a.m. John “Jay” McCloskey †
5:00 p.m.

Monday, July 6: Weekday

7:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners
9:00 a.m. Robert DePippo †

Tuesday, July 7: Weekday

7:00 a.m. Dudley F. Smith †
9:00 a.m. Isabel Sweeny †

Wednesday, July 8: Weekday

7:00 a.m. Maria, Andres, Rosaura Rodriguez
& All Souls in Purgatory †
9:00 a.m. Clara Bush †

Thursday, July 9: Weekday

7:00 a.m. John S. Kaman †
9:00 a.m. Jeanne Pepin & Mary-Anne Sippel †

Friday, July 10: Weekday

7:00 a.m. Maria, Andres, Rosaura Rodriguez
& All Souls in Purgatory †
9:00 a.m. Henry J. Bruck, Sr. †

Saturday, July 11: St. Benedict, Abbot

8:00 a.m. John Smith †
5:00 p.m. Elizabeth C. (Michales) Bruck †

Sunday, July 12: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Mary & Robert Netter
50th Wedding Anniversary
9:30 a.m. Mary McArdle †
11:30 a.m. John & Amelia Buchnan †
5:00 p.m. Melville J. Allan †

SCRIPTURE READINGS JULY 12

First Reading—Isaiah 55:10-11. God’s Fruitful Word
Responsorial—Psalm 65.
Second Reading—Romans 8:18-23. Future Redemption of the Body
Gospel—Matthew 13:1-23. Parable of the Sower

The Lectionary (book of readings) and the Book of Gospels open the rich treasure of God’s word from the Jewish and Christian Scriptures.



PRAYER IS POWERFUL!

Pray for the Sick of Our Parish John Manfro, Tony Caprotti and for all our parishioners who are homebound, in healthcare facilities or who are seriously sick.



IN LOVING MEMORY...John “Jack” Schonger, Jackie VanEtten, Sondro Velez, Frances B. Kelly, and all who have died recently.

PARISH COLLECTION REPORT

Due to an early submission requirement, the collection report is not available.

Thank you for your ongoing generosity during these challenging days!

CARDINAL’S APPEAL UPDATE

St. Joseph’s Parish Goal \$51,500.00

Pledged or paid \$39,790.10 from 100 gifts
Thank you for your generosity in helping our parish reach its goal.

OFFICE FOR THE AGING

The Ulster County Office for the Aging remains open from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. However, you must call (845-340-3456) before you stop in as many issues can be resolved without having to leave the safety of your home. They are not, as yet, open for regular business so please do not stop by and expect to see staff. When they do reopen, staff and visitors will be required to use masks, barriers will be in place, and meetings will be in a more open space. Thank you.

COVID-19 Archived webinar—Why COVID-19 is especially dangerous to older adults: <https://www.giaging.org/news-events/tester/archived-webinar/why-covid-19-preys-on-older-adults-what-the-science-says-and-doesn't-say/>

MILITARY SERVICE

Army—Lt. Col. Kevin Doherty, Fort Knox, KY
Army—SPC Joseph Tanksley, Deployed
Army—CW2 Justin Wanat, D.C.
Army—Pvt. 1st Class Todd Caswell, Afghanistan
Army—Sgt. 1st Class, Kristin Chandler, Ft. Hood
Navy—SA Tyler C. Petro, Groton, CT
Marines—Lance Corporal Baily Emerton
Air Force—CPT David R. Beberwyk, Deployed
Air Force—1st LT Jacqueline Beberwyk, Alaska
Air Force MAJ Blaine Stewart, D.C.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS—*First Holy Communion*: at this time we will wait to schedule “group” First Holy Communions in September. If any family wants to have their child receive their First Holy Communion earlier, we will arrange that it is done in a special way at one of our Sunday Masses. Please contact Msgr. Desmond for this at: desoc@juno.com

Registrations: forms have been sent to all families. Please return these as soon as possible. Any new family or family of a first grader should contact the Religious Education Office at: (845)663-2116 for a registration form. Obviously, we, like everyone else, are waiting to see what decisions are made for children returning to school in September. If they return with the 6 foot social and physical distancing requirement, we are blessed with large classrooms. However, this would require an additional session on Tuesday evenings to assure no more than 10 children are in any classroom. Changes to our entry, exit, and restroom use procedures will be adjusted to meet the current best practice norms.

Need for Catechists and Volunteers: We need a couple of Catechists for Wednesday evening; and if we have to add the Tuesday session, we will need several Catechists for that session. Please pray about this and consider volunteering. Please contact Joan Corton, Religious Education Office (845)663-2116 or Msgr. Desmond if you have any questions about this. Volunteers will, also, be needed to assist with the new procedures.



ARCHDIOCESE ABUSE NOTICE

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 contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P., at 212-371-1000 x2949. She may be reached via email at victimsassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website 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.

FROM OUR PASTOR—we opened officially for Masses on the Feast of Corpus Christi with our regular Mass schedule. It was wonderful to “officially” open and see people again. The rules remain in place so that we can have only 100-125 people in the church, everyone must wear a mask, social/physical distancing must be maintained, and Communion will be distributed at the end of Mass as people leave.

There are blue tape marks on the pews that people must sit on in order to maintain the correct distancing. All in all, it worked very well, and I was pleased. I continue to suggest that those who are able to attend daily Mass do so and leave the Sunday Masses for those unable to attend during the week.

Please be aware that the obligation is lifted for anyone older, with a health risk, or just nervous about attending Mass at this time.

Volunteers are needed to count people as they enter from the Wall Street ramp and then to seat them. Teens worked very well doing the seating. **PLEASE** call (845-481-4560) if you are able to do this for the 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Masses on Sunday. The ushers can do this at the other Masses, but extra help is always appreciated.

We continue to pray for all those affected by this pandemic, their caregivers, those feeling emotional and financial strain, and for an easing of tensions as we as Christians are called to see Christ in every person.

God bless all,
Msgr. Desmond



A PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY—O Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Mercy, at this most critical time, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care. Most Holy Mother, we beg you to reclaim this land for the glory of your Son. Overwhelmed with the burden of the sins of our nation, we cry to you from the depths of our hearts and seek refuge in your motherly protection. Look down with mercy upon us and touch the hearts of our people. Open our minds to the great worth of human life and to the responsibilities that accompany human freedom. Free us from the falsehoods that lead to the evil of abortion and threaten the sanctity of family life. Grant our country the wisdom to proclaim that God’s law is the foundation on which this nation was founded and that He alone is the True Source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. O Merciful Mother, give us the courage to reject the culture of death and the strength to build a new Culture of Life. Amen