

Parish of St. Sylvester

**4th Sunday
in Ordinary Time**
January 28, 2018



*Come, let us bow down
in worship;
let us kneel before the LORD
who made us.*

-- Psalm 95:6



Liturgies and Intentions for the Week

Saturday, Jan. 27 - Vigil Mass for 4th Sunday of Ord. Time

4:00 p.m. = Joseph Dicks (*happy birthday in heaven*)

Sunday, Jan. 28- 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. = Ann and Frank Murphy

10:00 a.m. = _____

12:00 noon = _____

Monday, Jan. 29 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. = _____

Tuesday, Jan. 30 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. = _____

Wednesday, Jan. 31- St. John Bosco, Priest

8:30 a.m. = _____

7:00 p.m. = HOUR OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday, Feb. 1 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. = Marion Reilly

1st Friday, Feb. 2 - THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

8:30 a.m. = *Happy B'day. & good health for Virgilio Orinon*

BLESSING OF THROATS at both Masses on Saturday

**1st Saturday, , Feb. 3 - St. Blaise, Bishop & Martyr;
St. Ansgar, Bishop**

9:00 a.m. = Heroína Garido

Saturday, , Feb. 3 - Vigil Mass for 5th Sunday of Ord. Time

4:00 p.m. = Elba L. Cedrés

Sunday, , Feb. 4 - 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. = Brian Keller

10:00 a.m. = Peter Uzzo

12:00 noon = John Ippolito



Weekly Collections

Our Parish Family's
Support on . . .

January 21 - \$4,455.00

Reserve Fund - \$1,028.00

*Lord, hold our troops safe in your
loving hands . . .*



Seaman Daniel Brennan - U. S. Navy
SR Francis S. Cummings - U. S. Navy
SR Michael J. Cummings - U. S. Navy
Col. Jeffrey N. Davila, MD - U. S. Air Force
Lucia Di Simone-Biggins - U. S. M.C.
Ryan Foley - U.S. M.C.
Alvin S. Joseph II - U. S. Navy
Lt. Col. Jay Le Pore - U. S. Air Force in Japan
Col. Patrick J. Mahoney, Jr. - U. S. Army
Prescod Montgomery - U. S. Army in Iraq
Ens. II Steven Pasignajen-Trimble - U.S. Navy/Persian Gulf
Samuel Rios - U. S. Air Force
Darrin Sack
Joseph Soma - U. S. Marine Corps
Major Michael Volpe - U. S. Army

*Has someone here been transferred, demobilized, discharged,
retired? Please let us know.*

PLEASE PRAY . . . *for those anticipating a
hospital stay, recuperating, and
the homebound in our parish and in our families. Please
keep this list near the place where you pray each day so that
you remember them throughout the week.*

**Victor Andrea, Joseph Bertolini, Cecilia Brennan,
Nancy J. Bushman, Antonia Carlino,
Karen Chardavoyne, Lucille Chatznoff,
Frances Cirincione, Stephen Cucci, Robert Golden,
Neil Hartnett, Dr. Nicolas C. Lansigan, Jr.,
Thomas Galvin, Connie Garbarino, Richard Hassel,
Bridget Kehley, Frank Labano, Louis Matos,
George Moresca, Delia Murguia, Amy O'Donnell,
Linda Orber, Lee Poyntz, Carmela Rogan,
Alice Santamays, Phyllis Savarese,
Annette Scardigno, Louise Stanley,
John and Ann Vincenzo**

*Please let us know if anyone for whom we are praying has
recovered from illness/surgery so that we may
rejoice with you and then make room for others in need of
prayer. Thank you.*



*This week the Sanctuary Lamp burning
before the tabernacle is offered
in memory of*
Marjorie T. English Mulligan
*requested by her daughter,
Patricia Mulligan De Respino*

*Bread and Wine at all the Masses
this week are offered in memory of*
Robert V. Koeth, Sr.

*requested by
his wife, Theresa Koeth*





**Pastor's
Corner**

My Dear Parishioners,

While watching the "Catholic Channel" (*Verizon ch. 48*) a few evenings ago I heard Cardinal Dolan mention the monthly dedications on their Chancery Office calendar (*January - the month of the Holy Name of Jesus, February dedicated to the Holy Family, etc.*) and I recalled that this year is dedicated to St. Paul.

One of the most visited churches of Rome is also one of the most beautiful: the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls. Its history might interest you. . . Like so many other churches, it was founded by the master-builder (or financier) Emperor Constantine about the year 315. Paul was martyred outside the walls of the City of Rome at a place called Tre Fontaine, probably on June 29, in the year 65, perhaps the first anniversary of St. Peter's crucifixion. Christians buried him in a quiet place about two miles away, and visited to pray. Constantine was running low on bricks, apparently, because the first church was tiny. In 386 it was demolished and today's basilica begun. This vast and towering space looks much the same today as it did in the fourth century.

The centuries have not been kind to ancient Rome, but until the early 1800s St. Paul Outside the Walls survived beautifully, perhaps because it has been assigned for nearly a thousand years to Benedictine monks. It was therefore a vibrant place of daily prayer even through the centuries when Rome was a poor and nearly abandoned city. In 1823 a great fire resulted from a botched repair job to lead on the roof, and St. Paul's was destroyed. It is said that the whole world contributed to its restoration. Even the Russian czar and the viceroy of Egypt gave alabaster, malachite, and lapis lazuli for the pillars and the tabernacle. Several of the precious mosaics were able to be restored, bringing the ancient basilica back to life. One of the great treasures of the basilica is a set of prison chains, said to have been worn by the Apostle in the last days before his martyrdom. Unlike other Roman churches, St. Paul's stands in a garden-like suburban neighborhood, surrounded by stately palm trees, gardens, and parks.

Keep smiling,

Fr. Jacob

January 28 - February 3, 2018



Learn
Serve
Lead
Succeed



St. Sylvester's Parish family
welcomes

Dylan Rose Mahanna

son of

Brian K. and Rebecca Teitel Mahanna

presented to the Lord by his Godmother

Maritza Mahanna

on **Wednesday, January 24, 2018**



*"...they shall be greatly blessed,
because God tried them
and found them worth of Himself."*

Ann Vincenzo

has returned to the Lord's embrace



**Finding Hope
in the Midst of Suffering
and Yearning for Freedom**

Saturday, Jan. 27th - 1:00pm-3:00pm

In this workshop we will discover the root of your suffering and how we can awaken to freedom and peace.

Facilitated by Mariana Iribarne *Fee: \$25*

Please contact Ronnie Keane at: 718-720-1097 or
STJRetreatCenter@gmail.com
to RSVP

As we end the first month of this new year . . .

Don't Count the Years

Don't count the years. . . they go so fast;
Just count real friendships made. . . they last.
Then, count memories of the past.

Don't count years. Just think of the days
That you have tried your best always.
That's how a youthful spirit stays.

Don't count the years. Just count good things
That you have done, that each day brings.
You've helped someone and your heart sings.

Don't count the years now gone before. . .
Just look ahead, look through life's door,
And count God's blessings still in store.