

Parish of St. Sylvester

**Eighteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

August 5, 2018



Do not work for food that perishes
but for the food that endures
for eternal life.

-- John 6:27a



Liturgies and Intentions for the Week

Saturday, Aug. 4 - Vigil Mass -18th Sunday in Ord. Time
4:00 p.m. = James Daury

Sunday, Aug. 5- 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 a.m. = for our parish family
10:00 a.m. = John 'Mickey' Coughlin
12:00 noon = _____

Monday, Aug. 6 - THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD
8:30 a.m. = happy b'day. & good health for Erlinda Luna

**Tuesday, Aug. 7 - St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs;
St. Cajetan, Priest**
8:30 a.m. = Angelo and Marion Martorano

Wednesday, Aug. 8- St. Dominic, Priest
8:30 a.m. = Lolita Peralta
7 - 8 p.m. = EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

**Thursday, Aug. 9 - St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross,
Virgin and Martyr**
8.30 a.m. = Michael P. Donahue

Friday, Aug. 10 - St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
8:30 a.m. = Rodrigo Orinion (*happy ann. in heaven*)

Saturday, Aug. 11 - St. Clare, Virgin
9:00 a.m. = Peter Mulligan

Saturday, Aug. 11 - Vigil Mass -19th Sunday in Ord. Time
4:00 p.m. = Gerry Lamantia

Sunday, Aug. 12 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 a.m. = for our parish family
10:00 a.m. = Carmelina Ruggiero
12:00 noon = Robert V. Koeth, Sr., (*happy b'day. in heaven*)



Transfiguration
of the Lord



EHS

Weekly Collections

Our Parish Family's Support

Sunday, July 29, 2018

1st Collection - \$3,261.00

Reserve Fund - \$ 750.00

Lord, hold our troops safe in your loving hands--

Staff Sgt. Victor L. Andrea, Jr. - U. S. Air Force
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
Prescod Montgomery - U. S. Army in Iraq
Ens. II Steven Passignajen-Trimble - U.S. Navy/Persian Gulf
Samuel Rios - U. S. Air Force
Darrin Sack

Joseph Somma - U. S. Marine Corps
Lt. Col. Michael Volpe - U. S. Army-South Korea

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

CORRECTION: on Wed., August 1 the 8:30 AM Mass was celebrat-
ed for a happy birthday. & good health for **Elizabeth Ripotola.**

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

**Anthony, Joseph Bertolini, Nancy J. Bushman,
Antonia Carlino, Lucille Chatznoff, Frances Cirincione,
Conley family, Stephen Cucci, Ellen Delaney,
Judy Forlenza, Robert Forlenza, Thomas Galvin,
Connie Garbarino, Robert Golden, Bridget Kehley,
Judy Kempf, Frank Labano, Dr. Nicolas C. Lansigan, Jr.,
Louis Matos, Travis Mayhew, George Moresca,
Delia Murguia, William Murphy, Amy O'Donnell,
Lee Poyntz, Sharon Poyntz, Carmela Rogan,
Eulah Ryan, Alice Santamays, Annette Scardigno,
Louise Stanley, John Vincenzo, Robert Williams,
Tom Varisi**

*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.*

*The Bread and Wine offered
at all Masses this week are presented
in memory of
Salvatore Siclari
requested by
wife Rosalie and family*



The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network
APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER UNITED STATES

INTENTION FOR AUGUST The treasure of Families
That any far-reaching deci-
sions of economists and politicians may protect
the family as one of the treasures of humanity.



Pastor's Corner

My Dear Parishioners,

Saint Paul in today's second reading talks about living as a Christian community. What he says sounds obvious: don't indulge in grudges, shouting, or name-calling. These are the things we teach children from an early age, so they can develop as social persons who are able to live in harmony with others. However, what Paul is urging goes way beyond simple good manners. He is talking about an inner state of mind and heart that should mark all Christian behavior. Since we have been born into the spiritual family of God through baptism, courtesy and tolerance are evidence that our inner nature is forming itself in imitation of Christ. Our capacity for kindness and friendship shows our desire to build a community of love and mutual forgiveness. This can be hard enough in our own family, but can be even tougher in a parish. There is probably no other group that exhibits such a diversity of people as a parish. There are people from all walks of life and income levels. There are people of different ethnic origins and cultures. Some families were there when the parish was founded. Others arrived last week. For such a group to be drawn into a harmonious community is indeed divine work. It requires recognizing and honoring different gifts, and bearing differences with grace and acceptance. As such, a Christian community can offer a powerful witness to a multi-ethnic and multicultural society as it proclaims by its very existence that it is possible for people of different origins to live and worship together. This unity in diversity of a people gathered around the one table of the one Lord proclaims the truth that in God there are no distinctions, only the family of God's children, beloved of the One who created all.

As you might guess from the words above, although on vacation and many miles away my thoughts are with my parish family . . .

Keep smiling,

Fr. Jacob

Class for new



Altar Servers

Are you in the 4th grade or higher, have received First Holy Communion and are interested in serving at the Altar? An orientation and 1st practice are planned for Thursday, Oct 4th for new altar servers.

Forms to sign up are available in the Parish Office, the Religious Education (CCD) Office and online at

<https://www.stsylvestersi.org/>



ST. SYLVESTER PARISH FOOD PANTRY is a shared ministry with St. Teresa Parish at 1634 Victory Boulevard, Staten Island 10314
Coordinator - Maryann (718) 442-8777

For anyone in need...please note:
Food Pantry Distribution Schedule
@ St. Teresa's

First and Third Week of the Month
Monday - Wednesday - Friday from 10 AM to 2 PM

For anyone wishing to donate...please note:

Items Always In Need:

white Rice— Brown Rice—Coffee—Stuffing
Cup of Soup—Chef Boyardee Ravioli/Spaghetti
Cheerios—Fruit Loops—Apple Jacks Cereal
Bumble Bee White Tuna in Water
Pennsylvania Dutch Noodles (large)
Vanilla or Chocolate Cake Mixes and icings
Orange/Strawberry Jell-O—Tetley Tea (box of 48)
Skippy Peanut Butter (medium)

Please leave your contributions in our church in box near elevator, or at St. Sylvester Parish Office.

Grandparents Corner



Have you read the article above? It could be a perfect project for you and the grandchildren . . . Start by reading the article to them, explaining the need and how you all can help. Then set a budget, take a calculator, the article for suggestions and it's off for the grocery store.

Let the children choose and calculate the items to fit the budget. You pay the 1st time but suggest they may want to save up for the next trip.

Once the choices are bagged and paid for, you and the children can plan on which Mass to attend together so that you can show them where their contributions should be put. This could even become a very different idea for the "What I did this summer" story when school classes begin in September.

It's amazing how grandparents seem so young once you become one.