



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ October 19, 2014

“Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God.” -Matthew 22:21



Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday October 18

8:00am- † Grace Coleman

5:00pm- † Deacon Anthony Lagotta

Sunday October 19

8:30am- † Lillian Sevorwell & Aldorah Williams *By: Grandchildren & children*

10:00am- † Dolores Elizabeth Margaret Zukowski *Offered By: Family*

11:30am-*Living*-Special Intentions Fr. Stephen Valenta *Offered By: Friends*

6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions

Monday October 20

8:00am- † Debra Conaty *Offered By: Mom*

12:05pm † Isabel Maria Quiñones *Offered By: daughter, Martha*

Tuesday October 21

8:00am- † Corrine Comparillo *Offered By: Charles Romanelli*

12:05pm- † Eugene Nemechek *Offered By: Linda Graves*

Wednesday October 22

8:00am-*Living*-Special Intentions Sean Gillespie *Offered By:*

12:05pm- † Mary Muldoon ~*Anniversary*~ *Offered By: Family*

Thursday October 23

8:00am ~*Living*-Special Intentions Sean Gillespie *Offered By:*

12:05pm- † Beatrice DeLizia *Offered By: daughter*

Friday October 24

8:00am-*Living*-Special Intentions Sean Gillespie *Offered By:*

12:05pm † Cesar Sanchez *Offered By: Family*

Saturday October 25

8:00am-*Living*-Special Intentions Kevin Gillespie *Offered By:*

5:00pm- † Maria Luciano *Offered By: Nina & Joe Lopez*

Sunday October 26

8:30am- † Sallie Thompson *Offered By: Charles Romanelli*

10:00am- † Jorge Hernandez & Luis Benavides *Offered By: Family*

11:30am-*Living*-Special Intentions Fr. Stephen Valenta *Offered By: Friends*

6:00pm- † Parish Community Intentions



Mass Intentions

By: Aurora Nazareno Ocampo

Offered By: Contardo Family

By: Grandchildren & children

Offered By: Family

Offered By: Friends

Offered By: Mom

Offered By: daughter, Martha

Offered By: Charles Romanelli

Offered By: Linda Graves

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Offered By: Nina & Joe Lopez

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Weekly Memorials

Bread & Wine ~

Tabernacle Candle ~

Memorial Candle ~

Memorial Candle ~



Lectors & E.M. ~ SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER~

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Lector: Linda Graves & Tom Ventrudo (*carry Gospel Book*)

Substitute: Victoria Garay

Eucharistic Ministers: Linford Smith, Peg & Tom Ventrudo

Substitute: Bill Hinton

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Lector: Joan Knighton & Samuel Torres (*carry Gospel Book*) Substitute: Maria Oliveras

Eucharistic Ministers: Diane Carbonaro, Theresa Contardo & Samuel Torres

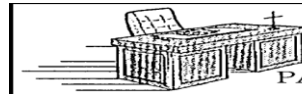
Substitute: Delmeter Carey

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Thelma Washington (*carry Gospel Book*) Substitute.: Alexis Crowdell

Eucharistic Ministers: MaryLou Brown, Emmanuel Fode & Beverly Marryshow

Substitute: Crescencia (Chris) Pascua



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Is it naïve for us as Christians to believe that the good will ultimately prevail?

In late September 2013, over 100 people were killed during twin suicide bombings at All Saints Church in Peshawar, Pakistan. Two weeks later, several hundred members of the Muslim community in Peshawar came to St. Anthony's Church while Mass was being celebrated to create a human chain of protection around the church. When the Mass was over, Fr. Nasir Guffam led his congregation out to join with their Muslim neighbors and Fr. Nasir joined hands in solidarity with Mufti Mohammad Farooq, one of the leaders of the effort.

While shopping in her hometown of Guthrie, Oklahoma, Jessica Eaves had her wallet stolen. She quietly approached the man that she suspected took her wallet and told him, "You can either give me back my wallet and I'll forgive you right now, and I'll even take you to the front and pay for your groceries, or I'll turn you over to the police." The man apologized profusely and Eaves did as she promised. She went with the man to the front of the store and paid for his groceries, which amounted to about \$27. A member of a Christian outreach group at her Church, Eaves said that she was inspired by a passage in the gospel of Luke, Luke 6:29.

When Pope Francis recently visited Jerusalem, Mark Rouk, an Arab Christian teenager suffering from a painful, chronic illness, wanted to receive a special blessing from the Pope in the hope that it would improve his condition. Rouk approached Chief Rabbi David Lau in Jerusalem for help. Lau agreed to arrange for Rouk to attend the official welcoming reception for the Pope where he received his blessing.

Facundo Cabral was an Argentinian folk singer who was a voice of conscience in his country in a time of military dictatorship. He once said: "... Good predominates. A bomb makes more noise than a caress, but for each bomb that destroys, there are millions of caresses that nourish life." Never doubt that good will prevail. This is the wellspring of our Christian hope.

Fr. Mark Hallinan, S.J.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

These readings are found complete on our parish web page (www.olmcstmary.org). Click on "USCCB Daily Readings."

TODAY: 29th Sunday Ordinary Time

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6
1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b
Matthew 22:15-21

Next Sun: 30th Sunday Ordinary Time

Exodus 22:20-26
1 Thessalonians 1:5-10
Matthew 22:34-40



IT'S ALMOST HERE!! – This Tuesday, October 21st, is our Spaghetti Dinner. Food will be served in the school cafeteria from 12 noon to 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Adults: \$12. Children: \$6 (under age 12). Tickets for the dinner and the 50/50 raffle are now available. Thank you!

WE NEED MORE EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS and LECTORS – We welcome additional volunteers to serve as Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors particularly at our 10 a.m. Mass. Please leave your information at the office.

ALL SOULS ENVELOPES - Sunday, November 2nd, is the Feast of All the Faithfully Departed. There are envelopes in the vestibule of the church that you can use to have your deceased loved ones remembered at our Masses on that Sunday and every day during November. Please place your envelopes in the collection or in the office. Thank you!

BLOOD DRIVE - Our Lady of Mount Carmel+St. Benedicta and St. Mary of the Assumption are hosting a blood drive on Sunday, November 2nd, 2014 in the gym of Our Lady of Mount Carmel School from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Our goal is to collect 50 pints of blood. You will need valid identification, must weigh more than 110 lbs., and you must be between the ages of 16 and 75 years old. If you are 16, you will need parental consent and if you are older than 75 you will need a note from your doctor. Please make sure to have a good meal and drink fluids BEFORE you come and donate. Walk-ins encouraged. If you want an appointment, please call the rectory at St. Mary's at 718-442-6372.

MAKING ALL THINGS NEW – Changes will be coming to the Archdiocese of New York. We expect an announcement in early November from the Archdiocese regarding planned changes in parishes. Please pray that this process will lead to a stronger and more vibrant witness to our Catholic Christian faith here in our Archdiocese!

PARISH MISSION at St. TERESA CHURCH – Fr. Hugh Burns, O.P., will offer a parish mission at St. Teresa Church, 1634 Victory Blvd., beginning on Sunday night, October 26th. The theme: Get Real: Religion with Two Feet on the Ground. Fr. Burns will offer his talks at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights of that week. He will also preach at 12 noon on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. For more information: 718-442-5412.

DAY of THE DEAD FESTIVAL – On Sunday, October 26, from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m. in our grammar school gym, we will be hosting a celebration of the traditional Mexican commemoration of the dead. Traditional dances, food, and music will be offered. You can bring a picture, or a remembrance of a deceased loved one, and add it to the communal "ofrenda". This is a great day to learn of the rich cultural heritage of the Mexican people.

A HYMN of THANKSGIVING to GOD - Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into God's presence with singing! Know that the Lord is God! It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him, bless his name! For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.
Psalms 100

BOOK SIGNING – *Images of Modern America: West Brighton* – The authors, Jim Harkins and Cecelia Brunner, will be at the Spaghetti Dinner in the evening to sign copies of their book for those who are interested.

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION SESSIONS:

St. JOSEPH'S by-the-SEA HIGH SCHOOL – GIRLS: TODAY: Sunday, October 19th– 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. (5150 Hylan Blvd.) **BOYS:** Sunday, October 26th, 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

St. PETER'S BOYS HIGH SCHOOL – Sunday, October 26, 2014 – 1:00 p.m. to 4 p.m. – 200 Clinton Avenue

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL – Sunday, October 26, 2014 – 1:00 p.m. to 4 p.m.- 134 Howard Avenue

MONSIGNOR FARRELL HIGH SCHOOL - Sunday, November 2, 2014 – 12 Noon to 3:00 p.m. – 2900 Amboy Road

Weekly Offering: October 12: \$2646. Budget: \$2,100. Thank you!

EVERYTHING BELONGS TO GOD - The first reading from the prophet Isaiah concerns the Persian King Cyrus, called the Lord's "anointed." Cyrus deserves this title because he ended the Babylonian captivity of the Jews. However, Isaiah reminds us that it was God who gave Cyrus his power. He may be a great king, but "I am the LORD and there is no other," says God (Isaiah 45:5). Today's Gospel is also concerned with worldly power. In the passage from Matthew, the Pharisees try to trick Jesus into speaking against the emperor. His famous answer is the perfect reply. Like the kings of old, Caesar can be given the respect due his position, but everything belongs to God. In the second reading, Paul gives thanks for all who are faithful to Jesus Christ and his gospel. He, too, reminds us that our call and the power to be faithful come from God. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.