

The Bells of St. Mary's
The Church of the Immaculate Conception

Thirty – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 15, 2020

From Rev. Fr. Anthony Ekanem, MSP

The Responsibility of Talent

Of all the people gathered here this morning, no two of us are alike. God has blessed each of us with unique gifts (talents). If used well, these gifts will enrich our own lives and the lives of others. But which of us can say that we have made full use of the gifts of grace and nature that God has given us?

- Have we not at times left them unused, or worse, misused them?
- How are you using what has been entrusted to you wisely?

Today in the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the talents. Two of the servants use them to make more; the third buries his own in the ground. These readings continue the theme of preparing for the end of time, being watchful, and being responsible with our God-given ability. The First Reading from Proverb 31:10-13.19-20-.30-31 tells us of a woman who uses her talents to live a busy and virtuous life. How responsible are we with the talents God has given us?



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November 15, 2020
World Day of the Poor
Month of the Faithful Departed

Dear friends in the Lord:


Thanksgiving is the time of the year when we, as individuals, families, a nation, and faith communities come together to give thanks to the Lord for the many blessings He has given us. It is also the time when we look to give something back to those in need. For over a century, Catholic Charities has been serving all New Yorkers in need by providing a range of services that provide help and create hope for the most vulnerable among us, Catholics and non-Catholics alike.

Beginning in 2017 with the centennial of Catholic Charities, I was pleased to inaugurate the *Catholic Charities Campaign for Charity and Justice*. This is not a new collection. It is a replacement for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. It provides an important opportunity to reinforce the engaging acts of charity and justice being done in our own parishes which are so essential for living out our Catholic faith. A key feature is that a significant portion of the funds raised will provide a number of seek grants to our parishes. I am happy to share that, due to your characteristic generosity, more than 25 parishes and community-based works of charity across the archdiocese were able to receive grants to serve our neediest neighbors.

It seems to me to be providential that this offering is being collected on November 22, just a week after the World Day of the Poor. The connection is so clear. Your support makes a real difference for people living in poverty across our archdiocese. As I write to you today, I ask you to consider a sacrificial gift to Catholic Charities Campaign for Charity and Justice. You may visit www.catholiccharitiesny.org/ccj/.

With gratitude and prayerful best wishes to all for a blessed and Happy Thanksgiving, I am,

Devotedly yours in Christ,

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† Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York

Sundays Readings:

First Reading: Proverbs 31: 10-13, 19-20, 30-31 (157A)

A worthy wife has value far beyond pearls. She deserves payment for her labor and praise for her work: "Let her works praise her at the city gates."

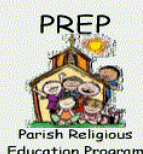
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 128: 1-2, 3, 4-5
Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-6
According to Paul, Christians are children of light. They belong not to dark nor to night but, rather, to day and light. They should be awake, sober, and alert.

Gospel: Matthew 25: 14-30

Jesus told the parable about a man who went on a journey and gave his servants money. On his return, he said to the one who made the greatest profit, "Well done ... I will give you great responsibilities."

Religious Education Program



Religious Education Office is open the following days
Wednesdays & Thursday from 10:00am - 12:30pm and Saturday - 8:00 am—1:00 pm.

Group: Grade 2nd, Grade 3rd, Grade 4th and Grade 5
November 28, 2020 ~ No Class Happy Thanksgiving
December 5, 2020 ~ 9:20 am - 12:30pm

Group: 6, 1st year of Confirmation, & Confirmation
November 21, 2020 ~ 9:20 am - 12:30pm
November 28, 2020 Happy Thanksgiving
Classes will be in the Church Hall

Archdiocesan Appeal



Update of 2020 Appeal Goal
2020 Mandatory Goal: \$37,500.00
Amount paid so far: \$36,140.00

As you may have read in Catholic New York News Paper, we are among those who have exceeded our goal in pledges. But **we still need \$1,360.00 in cash to reach our parish goal or more to get rebate next year.**

Update of Renew & Rebuild

Pledges: \$421,034.30
Paid: \$241,816.50
Left: (\$179,217.80)

Stewardship



Tithing – God’s Plan for Giving on Sat/Sun, November 7 & November 8, 2020
Parish Mass Total Collection: \$3,089.00
English Mass Collection was \$1,572.00

* Last week the collection for the Church Property Insurance was \$1,539.00

- Today’s second collection is for the Catholic Charities Campaign for Charity and Justice
- Today’s second collection is for the Organ Renovation.

Catholic Charities Campaign for Charity & Justice



Please be generous in this week’s second collection for the Catholic Charities Campaign for Charity and Justice. Catholic Charities will direct the funds back to parishes and community-based organizations to fund local projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection. More information about the collection can be found at



Help us keep our Church clean and safe. Please donate disinfectant if your can, Lysol or even wipes to help us keep the pews clean. Feel free to drop it off at the Rectory or even bring it to Church when you come to Mass.

Immaculate Conception ~ St. Mary’s Spring Raffle Tickets are on sale now



GRAND PRIZE: \$10,000.00
2nd PRIZE: \$2,000.00
3rd PRIZE: \$1,000.00
4th PRIZE: \$500.00



\$50 per a ticket

(Only 1000 tickets were printed)

Please, kindly support our Church



Saturday, November 14, 2020

12:05 pm - Dennis M. Mahon + * Mr. & Mrs. Joseph T. Bonanno
5:00 pm - Joseph & Sr. Amy Olickal + * Chennikara Family
7:30 pm - Argentina Reyes Fuentes + * Cesar & Guadalupe Cuadra

Sunday, November 15, 2020

7:30 am - Roswaldo Tapang + * Roselynn Fajardo
9:00 am - Héctor Paredes + * Milagros Paredes
11:00 am - Esperanza Garcia + * Maria Neto

Monday, November 16, 2020

8:15 am - Roswaldo Tapang + * Roselynn Fajardo
12:05 pm - Wellington Rocafuerte + * Marisol Caraballo

Tuesday, November 17, 2020

8:15 am - Roswaldo Tapang + * Roselynn Fajardo
12:05 pm - Available/Disponibile

Wednesday, November 18, 2020

8:15 am - Roswaldo Tapang + * Roselynn Fajardo
12:05 pm - Blessing Akong praying for Special Intention

Thursday, November 19, 2020

8:15 am - Roswaldo Tapang + * Roselynn Fajardo
12:05 pm - Joseph & Rosamma Kattukaran + * Family
7:00 pm - Acción de Gracias + * Fioldalisa Brito

Friday, November 20, 2020

8:15 am - Roswaldo Tapang + * Roselynn Fajardo
12:05 pm - Glory Akong praying for Special Intention

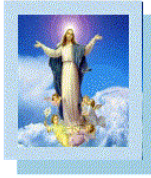
Saturday, November 21, 2020

12:05 pm - Roswaldo Tapang + * Roselynn Fajardo
5:00 pm - Joanne Kunny + * Roseanne Jone Kunny
7:30 pm - Efren García Aguilar + * Esposa e hijos

Sunday, November 22, 2020

7:30 am - Glory Akong praying for Special Intention
9:00 am - Rafaela Diaz + * Carmen Navarro
11:00 am - Onelia Brito + * Magaly Pichardo

PRAYER



A Prayer to Combat the Coronavirus Pandemic

Most merciful and Triune God,
We come to you in our weakness.

We come to you in our fear.

We come to you with trust.

For you alone are our hope.

We place before you the disease present in our world. We turn to you in our time of need.

Bring wisdom to doctors.

Give understanding to scientists.

Endow caregivers with compassion and generosity. Bring healing to those who are ill.

Protect those who are most at risk.

Give comfort to those who have lost a loved one. Welcome those who have died into your eternal home.

Stabilize our communities. Unite us in our compassion. Remove all fear from our hearts.

Fill us with confidence in your care.

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Our parish has a free subscription to www.formed.org which gives you 24/7 access to over 300 quality Catholic on line programs, 99 +

Hit Next, - create account with your name and email.

After creating your account the next time you want to go on simply type in your web browser **formed.org** and it will bring you to the website. In the upper right corner you will then see sign in. Click that and you are set to enjoy all the wonderful resources. I would highly suggest during this time you sample some of the movies that they offer. Enjoy!

To register for this free resource follow these easy steps.

E-Books

Go to formed.org.

Click on "sign up",

Click on "I belong to a parish or organization".

Start typing name—

Immaculate Conception St. Mary's Church Yonkers NY.

You will see a number of parishes with this name).

Scroll to Immaculate Conception St Mary's Church

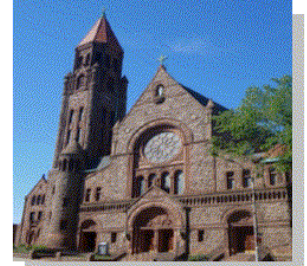
~ Parish Membership ~

Every family member & single adult to be considered active members of St. Mary's must be properly registered in the parish; receiving & regularly using the parish weekly donation envelopes or using We Share online giving. Only in this way can parish issue documents attesting to parish membership and Catholic practice. Example a letter to be a Godparent or Sponsor. We welcome new members!

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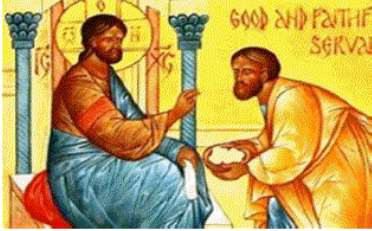
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**Entrance Antiphon: The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.
You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back**

Mass Schedule

English: Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 7:30 am & 11:00 am
Spanish: Saturday 7:30 pm
Sunday 9:00 am
Arabic: Sunday 12:30 pm

Weekdays & Saturday

English: **8:15 am & 12:05 pm** Saturday 12:05pm
Spanish: **(Thursday) 7:00 pm**

First Fridays: Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

English: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Spanish: 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Holy Days To be announced

Eve of Holy Days 5:00 pm

Confessions

English Monday - Friday 11:45 am -12 pm
Saturday 11:45 am -12 pm
4:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Spanish Thursday 6:45 pm - 7:00 pm
Saturday 7:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Church Hours

Monday - Friday 7:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Rectory Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Saturday 8:30 - 2:00 PM

Sunday 8:30 - 1:00PM

Sacraments

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Baptism

In English – the 2nd Sunday of the month at 3:00pm, please call ahead and make an appointment with: Fr. Tony C. Ekanem, MSP.

In Spanish – the **2nd Saturday** of the month at 2:30pm please call ahead and make an appointment with: Fr. George N. Okoro, MSP.

Marriage

In order to provide sufficient time for the Marriage Preparation Course, please call the parish office and ask to speak with the pastor at least six months in advance of the Wedding Ceremony.

Sacrament of Anointing

**Let us remember and honor our loved ones
with a Mass Intention.**

To request a Mass visit the Rectory, or send an email to icmary@gmail.com, or call us at (914) 963-0156.