

April 19, 2020

Second Sunday of Easter  
Divine Mercy

# St. Columbanus Parish

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**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**SUNDAY ~ April 19**

*Easter - 2nd Sunday*

- 8:00 a.m. Iolando Di Nardo
- 10:00 a.m. For Our Parish & Parishioners
- 12:00 noon Patrick Pacio Sr.

**MONDAY ~ April 20**

- 9:00 a.m. John Samoylo

**TUESDAY ~ April 21**

*St. Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

- 7:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the Rosiello Family
- 9:00 a.m. Mary Brennan

**WEDNESDAY ~ April 22**

- 7:30 a.m.
- 9:00 a.m. Marilyn & John

**THURSDAY ~ April 23**

*St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop & Martyr*

- 7:30 a.m.
- 9:00 a.m. Margaret Kornbluth

**FRIDAY ~ April 24**

*St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr*

- 7:30 a.m.
- 9:00 a.m. Anthony Macchiarola

**SATURDAY ~ April 25**

- 8:30 a.m. Deacon John & Margaret Coppola
- 6:00 p.m. Thomas McNally



**SUNDAY'S READINGS**



- 1st Reading: *All who believed were together and had all things in common. (Acts 2:42-47)*
- Psalm: *Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting. (Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24)*
- 2nd Reading: *God has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. (1 Peter 1:3-9)*
- Verse Before The Gospel: *You believe in me Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord; blessed are they who have not seen me, but still believe!"*
- Gospel: *Eight days later Jesus came and stood in their midst. (John 20:19-31)*

**WINE, HOST, AND TABERNACLE CANDLE**

The Tabernacle Candle is lit this week for St. Columbanus Parish as offered by a caring parishioner.

BINGO IS CANCELED

**Rectory is Open**

The rectory has been and is open to serve our Parish community. Certainly, per the Archdiocese, baptisms, wedding, etc. are on hold, but we are available to answer your questions and provide any guidance we can. If you know of a fellow parishioner in need, please call the rectory. Under the circumstances we all are in we cannot guarantee a resolution, but we will try to assist parishioners in need.

**SHARING GOD'S GIFTS**

Everyone has been impacted by this virus situation significantly. Our priests pray for our parishioners daily. We appreciate all you can do in this time of shared need and struggle. Thank you to those who have been sending their tithing in. We are truly grateful; God bless you.

St. Columbanus, pray for us.



Names of the sick are listed for six months from the date of the initial request. Contact the rectory to add someone.

- Ann Marie & Patricia Barber, Virginia Capodiecici, Thelma Doebbler, Doreen Coppa, Juliet Epasmo, Justin Fedele, Matthew Hempel, Alex Hetsko, Colleen Kennedy, Kerri Kennedy, Kevin Kolosky, Ronald McCaffrey, Vincent McKenna, Robert McLoughlin, Roselea Megna, Robert Modena, Lorraine Orza, Vivian Pabon, Debbie Pinto, Doreen Robinson, Patricia Salvador, Fr. Frank Samoylo, Cathy Samoylo, Patrick Scelza, Joan Schneider, Aurea Simbulan, Kelly Small, Rosamma Thomas, Brigid Velluzzi, Terry Vidal, Ann Waterhouse.

And all those effected by the COVID-19 virus.

**PRAYER AGAINST PLAGUES**

V. Deal not with us, Lord, according to our sins.  
 R. And take not vengeance on us because of our misdeeds.  
 V. Help us, O God, our Deliverer.  
 R. And for Thy name's sake, O Lord, free us.  
 V. Remember not, O Lord, our sins of old.  
 R. Hasten to us with Thy compassion, for we are become exceeding poor.  
 V. St. Sebastian, pray for us.  
 R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.  
 V. O Lord, hear my prayer.  
 R. And let my cry come unto thee.  
 V. The Lord be with you.  
 R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray. Vouchsafe to hear us, O God, our only salvation! And through the intercession of the glorious and blessed Mary, Mother of God, and ever Virgin, of Thy blessed martyr, Sebastian and of all the saints, deliver Thy people from the terrors of Thy wrath, and restore their confidence by the outpouring of Thy compassion.

Be moved to pity, O Lord, at our earnest entreaties, and heal the illness of body and soul; so that experiencing Thy forgiveness we may ever rejoice in Thy blessing.

We beseech thee, O Lord, grant us a hearing as we devoutly raise our petitions to Thee and graciously turn away the epidemic of plague which afflicts us; so that mortal hearts may recognize that these scourges proceed from Thine indignation and cease only when Thou art moved to mercy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigned with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

**St. COLUMBANUS MASS**

Fr. Frank is saying daily and Sunday private masses and posting a video of it to YouTube.

You can watch it here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HxCVqUmTVQ>

Go to [www.YouTube.com](http://www.YouTube.com) and do a search for **St. Columbanus Church Cortlandt Manor NY**; then hit the **subscribe button**, to make finding daily masses easier.

Daily and Sunday Masses can also be found on:

EWTN - Cablevision channel 135,  
 Fios Channel 285

St Patrick's Cathedral. St. Patrick's Mass schedule is:

Monday - Friday at 7:00 AM

Saturday - 8:00 AM

Sunday - 10:15 AM

Families should also pray the **Rosary daily**.

The church will be open daily from **10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.** for individual prayers and devotions. St. Columbanus pray for us.



**CORONAVIRUS**  
**Archdiocese of New York**



The policies delineated herein supersede and replace all other norms issued March 15, 2020 under my heading regarding the celebration of the sacraments and rites of the Church.

1. **Baptisms** administered by the ordinary minister of the sacrament within the parish setting are to be deferred, except in case of emergency. In these extreme instances, the faithful should contact a priest immediately.

2. **Funeral Masses** or services in the church or funeral home will no longer be conducted until further notice. Limiting the funerals to ten people has proven not to be feasible and caused problems for many priests. Burial prayers may be said in an open air setting in a cemetery, as long as proper distancing of the ten people allowed by state regulation is maintained. They may not be held in a mortuary chapel. The family is to be assured that a memorial Mass will be offered as soon as possible after restrictions are lifted.

3. **Weddings** are not allowed, unless absolutely necessary. If a wedding must take place for some serious reason, only the bride, groom, two witnesses and the officiant may be present, all maintaining the proper physical distance. Permission to celebrate a wedding must be obtained from the office of the vicar general.

4. Individual **confession** may be offered upon request, as long as hygiene and physical distancing requirements are observed (i.e., a barrier between the penitent and the priest, such as a grille and cloth). The use of Chapter II and Chapter III of the Rite of Penance is not permitted as this, by necessity, requires the gathering of people in our churches.

5. **Holy Communion** may be administered as viaticum only. The minister of communion must observe the safety protocols dictated by the civil authorities for the prevention of the spread of infection. Masses in convents will no longer be celebrated. The pastor or parochial vicar may consecrate a sufficient supply of hosts for the chapel tabernacle. One of the sisters may be mandated as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. A proper ritual will be followed for the distribution of the Eucharist.

6. If a pastor chooses to keep the parish **church open** for prayer:

- Definite hours must be announced.
- No public ceremonies such as the Mass or group devotions may take place so as to prevent any assembling of people.
- Exposition may take place, but there is to be no Benediction or group devotions.

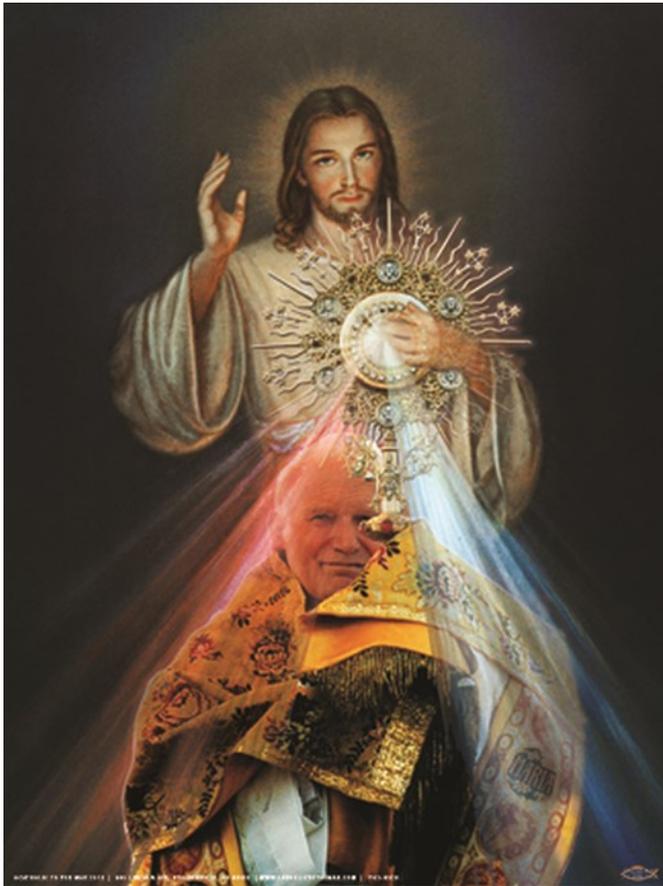


## ~PASTOR'S NOTES~

April 19, 2020

Today is the Second Sunday of Easter. It was formerly called Dominica in Albis (White Sunday) because in earlier times, those who had been baptized on Holy Saturday would on this day lay aside the white garments which they had then received, and put on their necks an "Agnus Dei," made of white wax, and blessed by the Pope, to remind them continually that they were bound to preserve that innocence unstained. At this Mass the Church sings in the Introit or Entrance Hymn, "As new-born babes, alleluia, desire the rational milk without guile, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, (1 Peter 2:2). Rejoice to God our helper; sing aloud to the God of Jacob" (Psalm 80:1).

More recently after the Polish nun, Sister Faustina, in 1931 saw a vision of our Lord with red and white rays coming from His heart signifying the mercy that flows from Jesus' heart. Pope John Paul II canonized Sr. Faustina and declared the Second Sunday of Easter, "Divine Mercy Sunday" as a reminder that the mercy of God, won for us by Jesus, is always available to us. All we need do is ask.



I wish to again thank everyone who is contributing to our parish with the regular weekly contributions and also for your Easter donations. Many have also contributed to the Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal and also are fulfilling their pledges to the Renew and Rebuild. With the R&R money we have already been able to finish one of our projects. The ramps, steps, and hand rails at the back entrance of the church have been replaced. The old rails were rusted out and were close to giving way. The concrete steps and handicapped ramp were uneven, braking up, and were allowing water to accumulate and freeze at the base of the steps, thus forming another hazardous condition. We now have a completely new ramp with beautiful stone walls and aluminum handrails that will provide for safe and easy access to the church for many years to come.

We are still waiting for the town of Putnam Valley for a permit. With the current shut down of buildings, businesses, and local government operations because of the coronavirus outbreak, it is unsure when work will begin. I appreciate your patience. It was very disheartening to learn that some parishioners would not come to St. Columbanus when the Martyrs closed down but would instead go to other parishes. Now with the virus problem no one is able to go to any church for Mass. God works in mysterious ways. We still keep our church open for personal prayer during the day until 8:00 p.m.

Many people come at different times during the day to pray. And although we cannot have incense and benediction on Mondays, the church is still open where our Lord is exposed on the altar in the monstrance from 7 to 8 p.m. Don't forget that you can view my private Mass each day on Youtube. I hope everyone will persevere in daily prayer and be safe and well. You are always remembered in my daily prayers.

In Jesus and Mary,  
Fr. Frank Samoylo

**God's Promise to Solomon**

“If I close heaven so that there is no rain, if I command the locust to devour the land, if I send pestilence among my people, and if my people, upon whom my name has been pronounced, humble themselves and pray, and seek my presence and turn from their evil ways, I will hear them from heaven and pardon their sins and revive their land. Now my eyes shall be open and my ears attentive to the prayer of this place.”

2 Chronicles 7:13-15



Pray daily.  
Pray the Rosary.  
Watch mass on YouTube from St. Columbanus Church or on EWTN.  
Pray again.  
Pray the Rosary again.

Lord Jesus Christ have mercy on us. Holy Spirit protect and deliver us from this COVID-19 virus. God our Father, look over us through these troubled times. We pray this through your Son, Jesus Christ.

**THANK YOU**

A few anonymous, caring parishioners planted flowers by our Rachel Weeping statue and cleaned the Sacred Heart of Jesus statue (it looks brand new!).



Your Renew & Rebuild contributions enabled us to replace the failing back steps and ramp.



Thank you  
To our dedicated  
Parishioners.  
God bless you.