

St. John the Evangelist-St. Charles Borromeo Sunday Bulletin

St. John the Evangelist

31 E. Main Street

Pawling, NY 12564

Weekday Mass

M-F 8:00 AM

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday 7:30, 9:30, and 11:00 AM

St. Charles Borromeo

62 Mill Street

Dover Plains, NY 12522

Wednesday: Noon

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM

La Misa en Español: 6:00 PM

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Penance and Reconciliation

St. Charles: Sat. 2:30-3:30 PM, Gagnon Hall

St. John: Sat. 3:30-4:30, the Confessional

You may also call for a confession by appointment.

House calls for the homebound are available upon request.

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 22nd, 2023



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DEVOTIONS

Divine Mercy Chaplet - St. Charles every Sunday prior to the 9:00AM Mass.

Holy Rosary - St. John after each 8 AM daily Mass. St. Charles before 4 PM Saturday vigil Mass.

Miraculous Medal Novena - St. John every Monday morning immediately after the 8:00 AM Mass.

LITANIES

Litany Of The Blessed Virgin Mary- Tuesday

Litany Of St. Joseph— Wednesday immediately following daily Mass at both churches.

Litany Of The Holy Name Of Jesus-
Thursday

Litany Of The Sacred Heart Of Jesus- Friday
after Exposition Of The Blessed Sacrament

MASS BOOK

We are now taking more than one request per Mass. I.E., two different people may request Intentions for the same Mass. Please call the Rectory office for available dates & times.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

ST. JOHN: Fridays immediately following the 8AM Mass- 4:00pm

Thursdays 7-8pm; Confession will also be heard.

ST. CHARLES: The third Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM

MEMORIALS

To have the Sanctuary Lamps or Eucharistic Gifts offered in memory of your loved one, please contact the Rectory office. The offering for each for the week is \$20.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saint Charles Borromeo

Saturday, January 21st

4:00 PM Paolina Drago
(Frank & Maria Iorio)

Sunday, January 22nd

9:00 AM Misa Pro Populo
6:00 PM

Wednesday, January 25th

12:00 PM Protection of the Unborn

Saturday, January 28th

4:00 PM Misa Pro Populo

Sunday, January 29th

9:00 AM
6:00 PM

Saint John the Evangelist

Saturday, January 21st

5:00 PM Julia Cunnion
(Fr. Palatucci)

Sunday, January 22nd

7:30 AM Thomas Beresky
(Diane Beresky)
Josephine Campbell
(Paul Kelly)

9:30 AM Legal Protection of Unborn Children
(Fr. Palatucci)

11:00 AM Rudi Radovic
(The Radovic Family)
Daniel & Elizabeth Heinchon
(Margaret Johnson)

Monday, January 23rd

8:00 AM Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Tuesday, January 24th

8:00 AM Margaret Sherlock
(Ellen Shea)

Wednesday, January 25th

8:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, January 26th

8:00 AM Thomas Gallagher
(Ellen Shea)

Friday, January 27th

8:00 AM Alfred Felice
(Cheryl Basso)

Saturday, January 28th

5:00 PM Patsy Venus
(Ann Kurchack)
Jean Brown
(The Baresich Family)

Sunday, January 29th

7:30 AM Matthew Delaney & John Delaney
(Sophie Delaney)
Lorri Pezzuti
(Mike Pezzuti)

9:30 AM Caitlin Patricia Reynolds
(The Higgins & Tompkins Families)
Intentions of Steve Reilly
(Margaret Johnson)

11:00 AM Lily McGreal
(Adele McGreal)
Thomas McGuckiam
(Mike Pezzuti)

Please Remember in Your Prayers..

The deceased clergy of St. Charles Borromeo and St. John the Evangelist, Christopher Alexander, Galvin J. Bermudez, Fayne M. Daniels, Charles Gardner, Larry Martola, Esther Mascolino, William McGoorty, Deborah Mills, Nijole Salcius, Willem Salcius.

THE INFIRMED: Peter Federighi, Franca Nicotera, Bridget Teresa O'Hara.

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To add or remove a name from our prayer list, please call or e-mail the Rectory office at sjesch@protonmail.com

BAPTISMS Take place on the 2nd and last Sundays of the month immediately following the 11:00 AM Mass.
Please contact the Rectory office for more information.

SUNDAY:

First Reading: Is 8:23-9:3

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14

Second Reading: 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17

Gospel Reading: Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

MONDAY – Heb 9:15, 24-28; Mk 3:22-30

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

TUESDAY – Heb 10:1-10; Mk 3:31-35

Memorial of St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

WEDNESDAY - Acts 22:3-16; Mk 16:15-18

Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul

THURSDAY – 2 Tm 1:1-8; Mk 4:21-25

Memorial of Sts. Timothy & Titus, Bishops

FRIDAY – Heb 10:32-39; Mk 4:26-34

SATURDAY – Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Mk 4:35-41

Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church



JANUARY MONTH OF THE
HOLY NAME OF
JESUS

FEAST

The Conversion of St. Paul

Apostle + January 25th

"Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners— of whom I am the worst. But for that very reason I was shown mercy so that in me, the worst of sinners, Christ Jesus might display his immense patience as an example for those who would believe in him and receive eternal life. Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever.

Amen.

1 Tim 1: 15-17



THE FIVE PRECEPTS OF THE CHURCH

ACCORDING TO THE COMPENDIUM OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

- 1. To attend Mass on Sundays** and other holy days of obligation and to refrain from work and activities which could impede the sanctification of those days;
- 2. To confess one's sins**, receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation at least once each year;
- 3. To receive the sacrament of the Eucharist** at least during the Easter season;
- 4. To abstain from eating meat** and to observe the days of fasting established by the Church.
- 5. To help to provide for the material needs** of the Church, each according to his own ability.

THE CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY

1. To feed the hungry.
2. To give water to the thirsty.
3. To clothe the naked.
4. To shelter the homeless.
5. To visit the sick.
6. To visit the imprisoned, or ransom the captive.
7. To bury the dead.

THE SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY

1. To instruct the ignorant.
2. To counsel the doubtful.
3. To admonish the sinners.
4. To bear patiently those who wrong us.
5. To forgive offenses.
6. To comfort the afflicted.
7. To pray for the living and the dead.



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SPIRITUAL ADOPTION OF UNBORN HUMAN LIFE

January 22 marks the 50th Anniversary of Roe vs. Wade. *There have been 64 million abortions since 1973.* After masses on the weekend of January 21-22, the Respect Life Committee will have forms for you to complete if you would like to spiritually adopt a baby for nine months. You will agree to pray a prayer by Bishop Fulton Sheen for nine months to spare this baby from abortion. You can name the baby you are adopting on this form. The Committee will also give out Precious Feet pins, which are a symbol of the ProLife movement. The feet represent the actual size and shape of a baby's feet at 10 weeks after conception. Prayers are needed now more than ever as abortion is still flourishing in New York State. Please consider joining in this spiritual adoption program to save a baby.



"If someone knows from experience that daily Communion increases fervor without lessening reverence, then let him go every day. But if someone finds that reverence is lessened and devotion not much increased, then let him sometimes abstain, so as to draw near afterwards with better dispositions."

--St. Thomas Aquinas



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at <https://secure.qgiv.com/for/capuchinyfm/event/862968>. Find more info at:

<https://www.capuchin.org/cyfm/retreats/>

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Priest Schedule for next Sunday, January 29th

+ FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME +

**Schedule is subject to change without notice.*

St. John

5:00 PM	Fr. Clifford N. Aniefuna
7:30 AM	Fr. John F.X. Palatucci
9:30 AM	Fr. Matthew S. Ernest
11:00 AM	Fr. Clifford N. Aniefuna

St. Charles

4:00 PM	Fr. John F.X. Palatucci
9:00 A.M.	Fr. Clifford N. Aniefuna
6:00 P.M.	Fr. John F.X. Palatucci

Spanish Mass

Dogmas OfThe Catholic Church, *continued..*

God

36. The Divine Persons, not the Divine Nature, are the subject of the Internal Divine processions (in the active and in the passive sense).
37. The Second Divine Person proceeds from the First Divine Person by Generation, and therefore is related to Him as Son to a Father.
38. The Holy Ghost proceeds from the Father and from the Son as from a Single Principle through a Single Spiration.
39. The Holy Ghost does not proceed through generation but through spiration.
40. The Relations in God are really identical with the Divine Nature.
41. The Three Divine Persons are in One Another.
42. All the *ad extra* Activities of God are common to all Three Persons.
43. All that exists outside God was, in its whole substance, produced out of nothing by God.
44. God was moved by His Goodness to create the world.
45. The world was created for the Glorification of God.
46. The Three Divine Persons are one single, common Principle of the Creation.
47. God created the world free from exterior compulsion and inner necessity.
48. God has created a good world.
49. The world had a beginning in time.
50. God alone created the World.
51. God keeps all created things in existence.
52. God through His providence protects and guides all that He has created.
53. The first man was created by God.
54. Man consists of two essential parts—a material body and a spiritual soul.
55. The rational soul is per se the essential form of the body.
56. Every human being possesses an individual soul.
57. God has conferred on man a supernatural Destiny.

Adam & Eve and the Human Race

58. Our first parents, before the Fall, were endowed with sanctifying grace.
59. They were also endowed with *donum immortalitatis* , i.e., the gift of bodily immortality.
60. Our first parents in paradise sinned grievously through transgression of the Divine probationary commandment.
61. Through the sin our first parents lost sanctifying grace and provoked the anger and the indignation of God.
62. Our first parents became subject to death and to the dominion of the Devil.
63. Adam's sin is transmitted to his posterity, not by imitation, but by descent.
64. Original sin is transmitted by natural generation.
65. In the state of original sin man is deprived of sanctifying grace and all that this implies, as well as of the preternatural gifts of integrity.
66. Souls who depart this life in the state of original sin are excluded from the Beatific Vision of God.

Human Composting

The below article is an important read. It provides some excellent Catholic understanding about the sanctity of the human body and the proper way we are to be interred at death. While it's true that the Church once condemned cremation (in my humble opinion, no Catholic should be cremated) yet is now allowed, the current trend of human composting is disturbing. At least with cremation, the bone matter of the body is treated with dignity and respect. Human composting turns people into nothing more than fodder for trees and plants like eggshells or used orange rinds. This is the Marxist and atheistic philosophy of materialism at its worst, for even they bury their dead and treat them with dignity. Catholics who participate in it have an exceptionally poor understanding of the resurrection of the dead. I hope the Church provides lucid, clear, and forceful teaching soon. This article explains why our belief in the Creed "[...] and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come[...]" is so important.

Human Composting Is Repulsive

David G Bonagura, Jr.

Without any fanfare, in the closing days of 2022, New York Governor Kathy Hochul quietly signed into law permission for "natural organic reduction," better known as "human composting." New York now joins five of the nation's most progressive states in legalizing the practice. Human composting consists of heating and regularly rotating a human corpse laid inside a container loaded with organic materials. After six to eight weeks, the entire body morphs into soil. The bones are then placed in an incinerator ("cremulator" is the euphemism), burned into more soil, and added to what was once the rest of the body to be tossed into a garden, forest, or horticultural paradise.

The biblical prophecy is now recast: "Remember you are dust, and unto dust you hastily shall be turned. And turned." Arguments for human composting, as recently articulated by the *New York Times*, are utilitarian, emotional, and philosophical. It costs less than traditional burial, and, though more expensive than cremation, composting's version of bone-burning does far less damage to the environment. It satisfies an emotional connection to the earth that includes a desire both to give back to it and to commune with deceased loved ones now enmeshed in it. And it represents a new form of death ritual that has meaning for some, so, in the spirit of moral relativism, we ought to respect each person's choice.

Advocacy for human composting stems from a philosophical dualism that posits a radical separation between soul and body. In this view, the body is accidental, not essential, to human existence. This is the same philosophy underlying today's transgender phenomenon. Hence, the body can be treated as a mere instrument: Its natural processes can be thwarted, and its healthy members mutilated to conform it to a distorted idea, or it can be thrown away after death since its connection to the person had no real value in the first place.

Human composting erodes human dignity. I have a compost heap in my backyard. It's where my family and I throw our organic trash: banana peels, tea bags, coffee grinds, eggshells, inedible fruit and vegetable waste, rotted pumpkins after Halloween. The human body is not a piece of trash. It is the essential mode of our existence – we are embodied souls. The soul has no life, self-understanding, or experiences apart from the body. A person is more than his body, but cannot live or be conceived of without his body.

Even outside of Christian circles, civilized people believe each person has an inherent dignity that no one may violate. Because of the essential union of soul and body, respecting the dignity of the person necessarily requires respect for the human body. We cannot, for example, do violence to a person physically and claim that we are somehow respecting his soul at the same time. So, we rightly oppose racism and sexism, for the attacks these prejudices wage on account of a body's appearance attack the person. In exploiting the body, these prejudices dehumanize.

By withering the human body into formless dirt, human composting is another form of dehumanization. If bodies are worthy of respect in life, they are also worthy of it in death. This is why for millennia so many cultures of varying religious faiths have practiced burying their dead: doing so is an act of homage to the person who was once someone's son, daughter, brother, sister, spouse, parent, friend, neighbor – and should still be honored as such even in death.

Despite appearances, composting a human body is not accelerating a natural process. Yes, bodies decay over time; but, as if nature itself were teaching a lesson on human dignity, bones do not decay. They remain together, fixed in the ground as the markers of a singular, intact being, a reminder of the person who once lived. We consider cemeteries hallowed grounds because they house something special. We allow the dead to rest in peace as a testament to the fact that these were persons who deserved respect when living, and still deserve respect in death.

Of course, from a Christian perspective, the argument for preserving the body in death is still more profound. With Christmas we celebrate God becoming man, an event that imbued human flesh with divine nobility. The human body is so blessed by God and so essential to human existence that death brings only a temporary separation of soul and body. At the end of time, God will raise our decayed bodies from the earth and transform them into spiritual bodies – just like Christ's own – with which our souls will reunite. We state this belief each Sunday in the Nicene Creed: "I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come."

When Pope Francis decried our contemporary “throwaway culture” that disregards the poor and the marginalized, he implored us to remember: “No one is disposable!” To this figurative use of the term we must sadly add the literal meaning: no human being, in life or in death, should ever be disposed as trash to rot in a compost heap.

No appeals to consent or love of the earth can justify treating the human body as dirt or turning it into dirt to fluff up our gardens. Building up the earth cannot come at the expense of human dignity, which erodes with the corpse if we tolerate human composting as just another “lifestyle choice.”

This article first appeared in The Catholic Thing on Wednesday January 11, 2023. It is used here with permission. David G. Bonagura Jr. an adjunct professor at St. Joseph’s Seminary, New York. He is the author of Steadfast in Faith: Catholicism and the Challenges of Secularism and Staying with the Catholic Church: Trusting God’s Plan of Salvation.



The 2023 Cardinal’s Appeal has begun! “Blessed are all who take refuge in Him!” (Psalm 2) In our Archdiocese, 2.8 million Catholics and countless of our non-Catholic brothers and sisters take refuge in the Lord through His Church and her ministries. The Cardinal’s Annual Stewardship Appeal exists to fund the expansive efforts of our Archdiocese to provide every person with an encounter with Jesus and a confidence that He, present in every church in the most Holy Eucharist, is our refuge.

Case Elements:

1. \$9,000,000 – Assistance for Financially Vulnerable Parishes: Our parishes are the places we seek refuge because in our Eucharistic Lord, God is always present waiting to encounter us. The Appeal seeks to strengthen our parishes in most need with the resources necessary to minister to their flocks. Join us in supporting our parishes through your gift to the Appeal here:
2. \$5,000,000 –Charitable Outreach & Pastoral Support: Did you know ministries like the Respect Life Office, Young Adult Outreach, Youth Faith Formation, and the Vocations Office are almost entirely funded by the Cardinal’s Appeal? Through your generosity, the ministries of the Church are a refuge to those seeking Christ whether it be the expectant mother seeking accompaniment, the young professional seeking Catholic community, or the youth seeking what it means to be a disciple.
3. \$4,000,000 – Evangelization, Communications and Catholic Education: Evangelization, at the heart, is to share the good news and the good news is that our Lord draws profoundly close to us, most beautifully in the Eucharist! For this reason, we have great reason to rejoice and evangelize, especially during this time of Eucharistic Revival. The Cardinal’s Annual Stewardship Appeal makes certain that, through our catholic schools and our new digital evangelization tool: The Good Newsroom, no one is excluded from hearing the gospel message!
4. \$2,000,000 – Care for Retired Parish Priests: From the moment of our baptism and throughout every joyful or sorrowful moment of our lives, we have had good and holy priests shepherding us along the way. They have pointed us to the Good Shepherd himself, Jesus, our rock and our refuge. Now, we have the opportunity to care for those same priests in their retirement through the St. John Vianney Clergy Residence.
5. \$1,000,000 – Formation of New Parish Priests: The source and summit of our Catholic faith is the Eucharist, made present to us through the hands of Christ’s priests. This year at St. Joseph’s seminary, 28 men will be beginning or continuing their formation. Join us in investing in the next generation of priests through the Cardinal’s Appeal and in praying for an increase in vocations!

ACTION GUIDE

ANNIVERSARY OF ROE V. WADE: JANUARY

INTRODUCTION

On January 22, 1973, the Supreme Court legalized abortion throughout the United States in its companion decisions *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton*. Since that time, millions of children have lost their lives, and millions of women and families have been wounded by abortion.

On June 24, 2022, the *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* decision overturned *Roe v. Wade*, and we praise God for the great opportunity state and federal legislators now have to protect preborn children. While God, in His mercy, ended the nearly fifty-year nationwide regime of abortion on demand, right now state and federal laws, in many instances, are still hostile to preborn children. So, great prayer and advocacy is very needed.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), no. 373, designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the "[Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children](#)." The Church directs:

In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.

As individuals, we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer, fasting and/or almsgiving. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops provides resources to help parishes, schools, families, ministries, and individual Catholics participate in this important day of prayer and penance.

Free downloads and additional electronic resources can be found at respectlife.org/action-guides.

In addition, the USCCB also sponsors an annual, nationwide novena called **9 Days for Life**, which encompasses the liturgical observance of the Day of Prayer. Each day for nine days, a different intention is featured, accompanied by a short reflection, suggested actions, and related information as we pray for the respect and protection of every human life. Visit respectlife.org/9-days-for-life for more information on the annual campaign.

A sample timeline and activity, homily helps, announcements, and more are provided to help you get started. You are encouraged to adapt these resources as needed to fit your specific parish, school, or ministry.

Free downloads and additional electronic resources can be found at respectlife.org/action-guides.

Jesus began His ministry by the sea. There He called His first disciples, brothers Simon (Peter) and Andrew as they were casting their nets. Brothers James and John were fishing when Jesus called them next, saying, "Come after Me and I will make you fishers of men".

Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand."

Matthew 4:17

PORPOISE WITH A PURPOSE

This school of fish (porpoise) wants to help you be a good disciple and teach others about God's Good News. Write some ways of being a good Catholic on the fish below, as they swim along in the sea, for all to see!

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