

June 12, 2016

Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

Dear Friends in Christ,

Last Sunday's celebration of my Silver Jubilee is a moment in my life that will always remain as a momentous occasion and I have all of you to thank for that. I was so happy that many of you shared in the celebration at the mass and that many of you did return after attending other masses for the celebration after mass. What a blessing the torrent rain stopped in time for all of us to get over to the auditorium.

What a joy for all of us to have seen Father Starr con-celebrate. As I mentioned at mass, we became good friends over the years after I was assigned to Saint Catherine's in Blauvelt where he served before me and obviously my assignment here at Immaculate where he was once Pastor. I was touched that Msgr. Emmet Nevin, the Dean of Rockland County was also present to concelebrate. He was Pastor for two of the four years that I was assigned at Blauvelt. I was pleased that Fr. Bejoy, Deacon Philip Marino and Deacon John Sadowski were also present at mass.

So many gave of their time and talent that added to the joy of the celebration last Sunday. Thank you to Marilyn Marino, our organist and Director of Music and our Parish Choir. Their gift of music and song added so much reverence to the celebration of Mass. Thank you to the altar servers. So many of them served, and served beautifully. I thank also our Hospitality Committee who helped set up the Parish Auditorium, the Men's Club for providing and serving the coffee and beverages. God bless Margie Celenza, our Parish Secretary, who truly kept the full preparation and organizing of the whole afternoon in order.

I was truly humbled by all of you who took time out of your Sunday to share in the celebration of my anniversary and the kindness shown by the gifts that were received. Being that I have been assigned here at Immaculate Conception for less than a year, I truly did not know what to expect. Families from my former parishes and friends that I grew up with in Visitation Parish in the Bronx over and over again made comments of how friendly and receiving my parishioners were to all of them.

As I said during my homily, for me, the celebration of my anniversary was truly a celebration of the Priesthood. Over the past twenty-five years I or any priest could not do what we do every day unless we have the support, love and prayers of the people we have been called to serve. For all that you have given to me by way your prayers love and support these past ten months, I thank all of you .

Mat God continue to bless all of you with his Mercy,

- Fr. Herbert T. DeGaris



the CARDINAL'S
ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL
Sharing God's Gifts

As of Friday, June 10, 2016, our parish has pledged \$36,750.00. This amount comes from 181 individual gifts. This puts us at 73% of our goal of \$50,500.00

**WEDDING JUBILEES FOR COUPLES
CELEBRATING THEIR 25TH OR 50TH
WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
ANYTIME DURING 2016**

Wedding Jubilees for couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary anytime during 2016. Golden Jubilarians will be honored by Cardinal Dolan on Saturday, June 25th at 1:30 p.m. and Sunday, June 26th at 2:00 p.m. Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Please call the parish office at 786-2742, if you are planning to attend. Our Parish is celebrating the Anniversaries for 25th & 50th on Sunday, October 16th during the 11:30 a.m. Mass followed by a reception. Please call the rectory to register for the Reception so we can plan on the Food. Thank You.

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The family of Lucia and Cosimo Corvasce have very generously set up a scholarship for a young person who will be entering his/her first year of college this coming September, 2016 from Immaculate Conception Church. If you are interested, please send me an essay on how you are planning on continuing your Catholic faith as you embark on a

new journey in your life on your college campus, in your community and in your spiritual life.

Please send all essays to Lynne DeVuono, CRE Immaculate Conception School of Religion, 24 East Main Street, Stony Point, NY 10980 and I will be sure to forward them to the family.

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2016-2017

We are currently accepting registrations for the upcoming 2016-2017 Religious Education School Year. If you missed our in-person registration week, please call the Religious Education office as soon as possible at 786-5298 to arrange a time to come into the office to register. After June 30 there will be a \$25.00 late registration fee added to the tuition. **All students returning in September must be registered before the end of the religious education year in order to be placed in a class in September.** There are a few classes closed already on Tuesday. If you will be registering a first grader or a new student, please bring a copy of the child's baptismal certificate.

If financial circumstances make it impossible to pay the registration fee in full, please do not let that prevent you from registering. Call us to make arrangements. The parish is always happy to extend this courtesy.

BOY SCOUTS BLOOD DRIVE
SUNDAY, JUNE 12TH

The Blood supply in our area is very low and as summer arrives it is imperative that the supply grows to help our community. Please donate to our blood drive on Sunday, June 12th at Immaculate Conception Church auditorium between 8:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Mark the date! Don't forget to bring a photo ID. **For more information, email Joyce Castronovo at (914) 645-1411**

Father's Day Novena
JUNE 19TH

On Father's Day, **June 19th**, we will begin a Novena of Masses for fathers, living and deceased. If you would like to have loved ones remembered during these Masses, please return the envelope from your monthly packet or pick up one at the entrance to the Church. There are also Father's Day cards for the living available at the entrance to the church. **Envelopes are available on the tables in the vestibules. Father's Day Novena envelopes may be dropped in any of our collections prior to Father's Day.**

MEN'S CLUB MEETING
FRIDAY, JUNE 17TH
8:30 a.m.

The Men's Club Meeting, **Friday June 17th at 8:30 p.m.** in Fr. Keenan Hall. All men of the Parish are invited to attend. As always, bring a friend.

THANK YOU
FROM THE GIRL SCOUTS

The Stony Point Girl Scouts would like to thank Fr. Herb and the Parishioners at Immaculate Conception for their generous donations to Birthright of Rockland County Baby Items Drive held in May. We collected and delivered two car loads of donation. Thank you to Bob Mariani for making the first run for us. Birthright sends their thanks as well. They were overwhelmed by the generosity.

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

For the month of June, the Food pantry is collecting **jams and jellies**. If you are able to contribute please leave your donations in the food bin in the vestibule of the Church. Thank you so much for your generosity!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

All those who are ill at home, in the hospital and in nursing homes, especially: Gladys Margosian, Margaret McElroy, William & Geraldine Neary, Judy Stroup, Billy Keenan, Danielle Sack, Louis Pezzola, James Molloy, Gerald Kilduff,

Our recently deceased:

We will announce at the Mass on Sunday for a period of one month the intentions of those who are sick and then we will print them for one month. After that we ask that you will please contact us to make sure that they are placed on the list again for another cycle. It is the only way we know if someone has recovered. We thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, JUNE 11TH

8:30 Mark Jones (req. by Rita & Amelia DiCarlo)
5:30 p.m. **Vigil** Kenneth Hofer (req. by family)

SUNDAY, JUNE 12TH

7:30 For the People of the Parish
9:30 John Marinacci (req. by The Lynch Family)
11:30 Anthony Joseph Alva (req. by family)

MONDAY, JUNE 13TH

7:30 Isabel Hall (req. by Helen Russell)
8:30 George Maltbie (req. by family)

TUESDAY, JUNE 14TH

8:30 Kathleen Javenes
(req. by Kitty & John Donovan)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15TH

7:30 Kathleen Javenes (req. by family)
8:30 Albert Brenn
(req. by Joseph & Madelaine Cavegn)

THURSDAY, JUNE 16TH

8:30 Miraim Matthew (req. by family)

FRIDAY, JUNE 17TH

7:30 Pat Reilly (req. by Ed & Margaret Finn)
8:30 Pat Reilly (req. by The Keenan Family)

SATURDAY, JUNE 18TH

8:30 Elizabeth Weyant (req. by The Jones Family)
5:30 Vigil Michael & Catherine Looby
(req. by family)

SUNDAY, JUNE 19TH

7:30 For the People of the Parish
9:30 Beth Longo (req. by I.C. CYO)
11:30 Ed Murray
(req. by Maddie & Chuck LaCorliglia)

Celebrants for Masses (Subject to Change)

June 18th/June 19th

5:30 p.m. **Vigil** Fr. Bejoy 7:30 a.m. Fr. Herb
9:30 a.m. Fr. Herb 11:30 a.m. Fr. Bejoy

BAPTISM CLASS

The dates for the next Baptism Classes are: **June 27th and July 25th.** Appointments are needed if you are going to attend the class so we have an idea of how many will be joining each month. The Baptism dates are ordinarily the first and third Sunday of the Month.

BAPTISM

The dates for our next Baptisms are: **July 3rd and July 17th.** We would ask you to please contact the rectory at (786-2742) to make an appointment during Monday - Friday (9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

MEN'S CLUB

ROCKLAND BOULDERS TRIP

SATURDAY, JULY 23RD

The Men's Club is running a trip to Palisades Credit Union Park **on Saturday, July 23rd** when the Ottawa Champions vs. the Rockland Boulders. Join us for Irish Heritage Day for tailgating, a great game, fireworks and live music at the Boulder Bar after the game all for \$20 per person. Tailgating starts at 5:00 p.m. in the stadium parking lot and the game starts at 6:30 p.m. Call Peter Morris at 786-3770 or Tom Robinson at 786-3005.

DP MURPHY COMPANY

Every two months, our supplier mails weekly envelopes to our parishioners. Please advise the office if there is any problem with this mailing, when you will be away, or if you will moving so that we can make the appropriate changes with the distribution. **Thank you for your continued generosity.** We encourage the use of **contribution envelopes when donating to your parish.**

NEWS OF INTEREST

Albertus Magnus Soccer Camp - Boys and Girls Grades K- 5 August 15th - 19th. For more information please contact Coach Brian Fitzpatrick 304-4929 brianfitz.1@verizon.net.

The Catholic Widow & Widowers Club of Rockland - will be meeting on July 17th at 6:30 p.m. at St. Augustine's Church (downstairs). Dessert and coffee will be served. Guests are welcome. For information call Dotty at 623-1739.

H.A.N.D.S. – (Healing and Nurturing Distraught Survivors) sponsors a bereavement support group for parents who have lost a child. **All Groups meet from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at H.A.N.D.S. International Headquarters, 9 Scott Drive, New City, New York 10956. The meeting this month is June 21st. For more information call Ann 634-6706. Services are free of charge.**

The Rachel Ministry – is confidential and free help for those who have lost a baby at birth or prior to birth. The help takes place every 3rd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Marian Shrine in Stony Point, NY. For more information: e-mail RachelMinister1@aol.com or call 845-492-6709. The dates of the next two meetings are **June 20th and July 18th.**

Please Make A Will And Remember Your Parish - Most of us own more than we realize. But no matter the size of an estate, if you want to provide for your surviving relatives and others, you need to have a will. If you die without making a will, you lose the ability to control the disposition of your assets. The law of the state will tell your family where your money and property goes. Your bequest can be a specific amount of money, property or stock. Naming our Parish as a charitable beneficiary is simple, to make a gift, simply include the following words in your will: ***I give, devise, and bequeath to Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church of Stony Point, New (here you write the amount being give) to be used for the needs of the Church.***

YOUR SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Collection June 5, 2016 was: \$ 7,750
Collection May 7, 2015 was: \$ 6,490

Black/Indian Missions for 2016 \$1,154
Black/Indian Missions for 2015 \$1,184

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