

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 16TH 2020



SATURDAY, February 15th

8:30 A.M.
4:30 P.M. + People of the Parish and Phillip Bukvich
Req. by his Family

SUNDAY, February 16th 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 A.M. + Ward Miller
Req. by Chuck and Gail Montrose
10:30 A.M. + David Schardien
Req. by Mary Ellen Harrington

MONDAY, February 17th

8:00 A.M.

TUESDAY, February 18th

No Mass

WEDNESDAY, February 19th

8:00 A.M.

THURSDAY, February 20th

8:00 A.M. + Sally Fricker
Req. by her husband

FRIDAY, February 21st

8:00 A.M.

SATURDAY, February 22nd

8:30 A.M. + Marilyn Kingseed
Req. by McQuiston Family
4:30 P.M. Dec'd members of the LeRose and Harcher
Families
Req. by Peter and Jean LeRose

SUNDAY, February 23rd 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 A.M. People of the Parish and + Sharon Wells
Req. by the Montrose Family
10:30 A.M. + Helen Harcourt
Req. by her Husband

IF YOU HAVE ARRANGED FOR A MASS TO BE SAID, WE REMIND YOU THAT IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BRING UP THE GIFTS- PLEASE SEE THE USHERS BEFORE MASS BEGINS. THANK YOU.



PLEASE PRAY FOR AN INCREASE IN VOCATIONS, AND FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL, MILITARY PERSONNEL, AND FIREFIGHTERS.



Rose Compitello, Barbara Valk, Sarah Leavy, Marian Boyle, Brittany Lea Cassisi, Frank Kosteczko, Diane Malloy, Kelly DeStefano, Joe Sabo, Jeanne Ann Dlugolecki, Fran Burgess, Joan McCluskey, Shawn Herzog., Mike Mazzola, Anthony Prestia, Dave Hatfield, Laura Corbett, Emonn, William Honald, Special Intentions, Archie Reid, Ronnie Devlin and Regina Scott. If you know of someone in need of prayer, please let us know by calling the rectory.

2020 SANCTUARY FLOWER CALENDAR

Anyone wishing to have flowers placed in the sanctuary area of our Church is asked to mark the calendar found in the vestibule. Payment for the flowers (\$40) may be brought to the rectory or placed in the collection basket marked Altar Flowers. Thank you.

LECTORS

02/15	4:30 p.m.	Ann Gulbrandsen
02/16	8:00 a.m.	Kathleen Fowler
02/16	10:30 a.m.	Lori & Darius Youssefbaik
02/22	4:30 p.m.	Lisa Betanzos
02/23	8:00 a.m.	Mario Alonzo
02/23	10:30 a.m.	Marguerite Violante

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST

02/15	4:30 p.m.	R.Meyer, P. LeRose, A. Gulbrandsen
02/16	8:00 a.m.	G. Collins, D. Allen, M. Alonzo
02/16	10:30 a.m.	C. Donato, Need Volunteers
02/22	4:30 p.m.	R.Meyer, C. Belles, A. Gulbrandsen
02/23	8:00 a.m.	C. Naclerio, D. Allen, J. Betanzos
02/23	10:30 a.m.	M. Regino, A. Heidecker, V. Stankavage

ALTAR SERVERS

02/15	4:30 p.m.	D. & J. Reynolds
02/16	8:00 a.m.	A. DeGroat, Need Volunteers
02/16	10:30 a.m.	G. Usewicz, A. Santacrocce
02/22	4:30 p.m.	Need Volunteers
02/23	8:00 a.m.	J. Cook, Need Volunteers
02/23	10:30 a.m.	R. Perillo, V. Perry

MEMORIALS

Sanctuary Flowers were given in loving memory of the Ferrie Family by Mary Lanspery.

Arrangements for Memorials can be made in the rectory office. You may call or stop in.



ATTENDANCE & COLLECTION -

February 8th & 9th

Attendance 188

(172 Adults and 16 Children)

Regular Collection: \$2139.50 Initial Envelope: \$15.00

Parish Support: \$1902.00

Peter's Pence: \$647

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

If you have not picked up your Contribution envelopes, please do so. They are on the table in the vestibule. Thank you.

FREE TAX PREPARATION AND FILING

Available to any low or moderate income taxpayers who are over 50 years of age. Call for an appointment 845 443-8823 weekdays



Go, then! It is I who will assist you in speaking and will teach your what to say. (Ex 4:12) With God's help and a few books from our library you can speak freely to others about your religious beliefs and spread the word of the Lord.

READ, RETURN OR PASS IT ON.



This Monday, February 17th, the Church Office will be closed in observance of President's Day.

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Sirach 15:15-20

This passage from Sirach gives strong, unequivocal emphasis to free will in every person. Before each of us is set, sin or virtue, life or death, and each of us are free to choose the one or the other.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

Paul explains to the Corinthians that there are two different kinds of wisdom — the wisdom of God and the wisdom of the world. The wisdom of God is mysterious, but this wisdom has been revealed “to those who love him” through the Spirit.

Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus tells the people he has come to fulfill the law. He speaks strongly against murder and anger, against adultery and lust, and against false oaths and lies. He warns the people that unless their virtue exceeds that of the Pharisees, they “will not enter the kingdom of God.”

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS **HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly

“If you choose you can keep the commandments, they will save you, if you trust in God, you too shall live. He has set before you fire and water to whichever you choose, stretch forth your hand. Before man are life and death, good and evil, whichever he chooses shall be given him.”

How blessed we are with freedom of choice. On a daily basis we make countless choices, some of little importance, others of great significance. Many times we give little thought to what we decide and choose. At other times we debate, struggle and finally make our choice.

As we reflect on the word of God today, may we wholeheartedly make the right choices. To help us keep the commandments, whether the short form of love of God and our neighbor, of the ten given to Moses on the tablets of stone, try seeing them as directives for sound living, not prohibitions but positive. The commandments we choose are based upon a single word – RESPECT. I respect God and my neighbor. I respect His name and His day. I respect authority, life, my sexuality and that of others, I respect the truth, property and in my thoughts, I respect other people and what is theirs.

We have been given these aides for our Christian living, not obstacles we need to hurdle. This might be the true meaning of pro-choice, for it helps us to be pro-life, our Lives in the Lord.



We are preparing for our annual Palm Fundraiser and are looking for helpers. If you would like to help, please call

Donna Vertullo at 883-5823. Thank you.



OUR PARISH CEMETERY

All Christmas Decorations should have been removed from all gravesites by February 22nd

Christmas Decorations that have not been removed will be discarded.



KNIGHTS CORNER

Next Meeting will be held on March 2nd 2020 at 7 pm in the parish hall. New members are always welcome. Call Bill Freymann at 883-0138.



EVENING OF TAIZE

PRAYER THURSDAY, March 5th

ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AN EVENING OF TAIZE PRAYER. SERVICE BEGINNING AT 7 PM IN OUR CHURCH. PLEASE COME FOR A BLESSING AND BRING A FRIEND. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL THE RECTORY 255-1374

ENGAGED CATHOLICS -

"A wedding is a day, a marriage is a lifetime!" Catholic Engaged Encounter is an intensive marriage preparation retreat that will help you prepare for your life as husband and wife. The weekends are held at the beautiful and peaceful Mount Alvernia Retreat House in Wappingers Falls, NY. Interested in attending or do you know someone who might be? For more information or to register, visit www.engagedencounterny.org or call Vinny and Angela at (845) 298-4772.

Find our official "You Tube" channel by searching for "Catholic Engaged Encounter" using "www.youtube.com/c/engagedencounter".

Look for our official heart logo and our new "Got Marriage Prep?" and CEE: Marriage Preparation Endorsed by the Church videos. Congratulations on your engagement!



Our parish goal was set for \$26,000.00 If you are able to pledge to this appeal or would like to give a one-time donation, we ask that you put it in an envelope marked Cardinal's Appeal and put in the collection basket. Checks should be made payable to the 2020 Cardinal's Appeal. We will be recording pledges and payments towards this appeal in our parish office and then forwarding to the Archdiocese.

***We're building a Safety Team for our parish....
And we need YOU***

In accordance with the Archdiocese, and in collaboration with our local law enforcement and emergency responders, we are looking to further secure our Church, our Hall and our parish programs by developing a Safety Team.

Christina Wynn, our Coordinator of Religious Education, has taken the initial steps of meeting with the County Sheriff's Office in 2019, meeting with law enforcement and insurance agents from the Archdiocese of NY, learning about their existing program for parishes, called "Operation Archangel", and has spoken to local state trooper, Officer Anca Watt, to get the guidance and structure for developing a Safety Team here at St. Charles Borromeo parish, as a more thorough level of protection for our parish, in addition to our existing Crisis Management Plan.

Building a Safety Team involves utilizing the resources that already exist in our parish, in conjunction with the emergency services available in our community. We are looking for individuals who could assist in the event of a medical emergency, a natural disaster, or a threat by an active assailant in the Church or Hall, while waiting for emergency responders to arrive.

During any crisis, the steps taken immediately in the first few moments, can make a significant impact on the outcome!

We're looking for assistance, specifically from:

Current or Retired Law Enforcers

Current or Retired Doctors or Nurses

Current or Retired Military

Current or Retired EMT's or anyone trained in First Aid

... however, any adult interested, is welcomed to be a member of this team!

*If you are willing to share your experience and expertise as a member of this
Safety Team, or for more information,*

*please contact Christina Wynn, CRE (st.charlesborromeo.CRE@gmail.com)
or call the Rectory at: 255-1374*

LENT, OUR FORTY-DAY JOURNEY WITH THE LORD.

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those forty days, and at the end of them he was hungry. Luke 4:1-2

Our forty-day Lenten journey begins on **Ash Wednesday, February 26th**, with the solemn words *Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return* as we are signed upon our foreheads with a cross. The ashes are a visible sign and a symbol of our commitment to make this journey once again as He journeyed to Calvary and the cross.

Ashes will be imposed during Mass at 8AM and 7PM and also at a Service of the Word at 4:30PM.

Our traditional Lenten disciplines of fasting, penance, abstinence and almsgiving unite us with Christ's sacrifice and prepare us for the events of Holy Week and the joy of Easter Resurrection.

LENTEN RULES: ABSTINENCE FASTING, PRAYER, ALMSGIVING

ABSTINENCE from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent.

FASTING is observed by all Catholics on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday who are 18 years old but not required by those who have reached 59 years of age or have a medical condition. Those who are bound to fast take only one full meal a day, but may take two smaller 'snacks' if necessary.

GIVING ALMS Another rule of Lent requires Catholics to show generosity to needy people, whether they are poor, aged, sick or suffering in some other way. They are encouraged to give alms to charities as well.

PRAYING the fourth main rule involves prayer. We are encouraged to grow spiritually by devoting more time to individual and family prayer, reciting the rosary, reading the Scriptures, receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation and attending Mass during the week if possible.

Here at St. Charles Stations of the Cross will be prayed every Friday evening at 7PM followed by Mass at 7:30PM.

May this Lenten Season be a source of grace and holiness for you and your families.

LIVING FAITH LENTEN DEVOTIONS

Booklets containing meditations, prayers and scripture suggestions for each day of Lent are available for your Lenten journey. They can be found in both vestibules. Please take one home and use it.