SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

APRIL 3, 2016

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners.

As we are now in the Easter Season, we rejoice in the Good News of Christ's victory over sin and death. We give thanks for the gift of new life that comes to us because of the Resurrection of Jesus.

The first eight days of the Easter Season are called the Octave of Easter. Each of the eight days is meant to remind us of the joy of that first Easter morning. The entire Easter season is celebrated as one long Easter day, but the Octave is more like the first hours of the day Christ rose from the dead.

The Eighth day is also known as Divine Mercy Sunday as decreed by Pope (Saint) John Paul II on April 30, 2000. (At that same time, the Pope canonized Saint Faustina Kowalska, who was gifted with visions of images of the merciful Jesus.) Saint John Paul wanted to promote stronger belief in God's merciful love. Pope Benedict sought to do the same and Pope Francis has taken even a further step. Pope Francis has declared a Year of Mercy which lasts until November 20, 2016. Pope Francis wishes us all to rediscover God's love and mercy and His forgiveness. That is what the much misunderstood Holy Year Indulgence is all about. The Indulgence is an extra assurance of God's forgiving love. Remember to try to live the works of mercy, visit a holy door (see next column) and pray the prayers for indulgences.

Lastly for today's notes, and speaking of mercy, we pray for God's mercy on the souls of all the faithful departed. May our blessed Mother, the Mother of Mercy, and all the saints intercede for our loved ones and all who have gone before us. Pray in a special way those who are persecuted for their faith and those who have been killed. I cannot help but think of the many innocent Christians targeted and killed in Pakistan on Easter Sunday, including many children. Pray for them but also be certain that our Merciful Father will take these innocents to be with Him in Paradise.

Blessed Easter Season!

Sincerely in Christ,

Monsignor Giandurco

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY APRIL 3, 2016 TODAY



All are invited for a contemplative day of prayer on Sunday April 3, 2016, beginning at 2:00pm in the Tagaste Monastery Chapel.

2pm – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament3pm – Chaplet of Divine Mercy(Confessions available all day)

4:30pm – Benediction followed by Blessing and Enthronement of the Divine Mercy Image **5pm** – Refreshments and video of St.

Faustina's miraculous life in Guild Hall.

Suggested Donation - \$10

For further information, please call Marie at 845-596-6138, and see the flyers in the back of Church.

JUBILEE HOLY YEAR OF MERCY

December 8th, 2015-November 20, 2016

Corporal Works of Mercy

To Feed the Hungry
To Give Drink to the Thirsty
To Clothe the Naked
To Shelter the Homeless
To Care for the Sick
To Visit the Imprisoned
To Bury the Dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy

To Convert Sinners
To Instruct the Ignorant
To Advise the Doubtful
To Comfort the Sorrowful
To Bear Wrongs Patiently
To Forgive Injuries
To Pray for the Living and Dead

HOLY DOORS IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK

- Saint Patrick's Cathedral (New York City)
- Basilica of Saint Patrick's Old Cathedral (NYC)
- Saint Frances Cabrini Shrine (NYC)
- National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel (Middletown)
- Shrine of Mary Help of Christians (Stony Point)
- St. Mary's Villa Chapel (Sloatsburg)

OBTAINING A JUBILEE INDULGENCE YEAR OF MERCY

All those who, on pilgrimage, enter a *Door of Mercy* with the proper intention and disposition, and fulfill the conditions ordinarily attached to a Plenary Indulgence (C. 992), can obtain a *Jubilee* Indulgence once daily either for themselves or for the souls of the faithful departed.

The usual and prescribed conditions for gaining a Plenary Indulgence of temporal punishment due to sins already forgiven are:

- Baptized Catholics in the state of grace (free from mortal or grave sin) who have the intention of gaining the indulgence must:
- Have an interior disposition of complete detachment from sin, even venial or less grave sin;
- Go to Confession (Sacrament of Reconciliation) within 20 days after performing the indulgenced work (Pilgrimage to the *Door of Mercy*);
- Pray for the intentions of the Holy Father within 20 days after performing the indulgenced work. This prayer is up to the individual, but customary and suggested prayers are: the Profession of Faith (Creed from the Mass) or one "Our Father" and one "Hail Mary."

It is appropriate but not necessary that Sacramental Confession, reception of the Holy Eucharist, and prayer for the Pope's intentions take place at the time of the indulgenced work

"REGIONAL DAY OF MERCY" ROCKLAND COUNTY

Cardinal Dolan is hosting a "Regional Day of Mercy" as part of the Jubilee Year of Mercy on Saturday, April 16, at the Marian Shrine, 174 Filors Lane, Stony Point. You are all invited to attend this celebration, which begins at 2:30pm, and will include reflections from a Missionary of Mercy, witness talks to the power of mercy, Eucharistic adoration, confessions, and a talk on mercy by the cardinal. The cardinal will close the day by celebrating Mass at 5:00pm, and there will be a light reception to follow. Please come and experience the power of the Lord's mercy and learn how we can become instruments of mercy in the lives of others as well. All are welcome.

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME Palm Sunday Collection -\$17,637. Last Year's Collection -\$17,302.

Holy Land Collection - \$2,908. Last Year's Collection-\$3,695.

The Easter Collection will be reported in the next few weeks as donations continue to arrive.

Thank you for all your generosity!

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to those who were baptized or received Confirmation at the Easter Vigil:

BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION: KANDICE KLOREN MANN

CONFIRMATION:

MARIA MONTESINOS TIMOTHY R. PERRY KAITLYN ANN PERRY STEVEN TABORDA

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, April 3 / DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY Monday, April 4

Religious Education CCD - Grade 6 - 4:30-6pm Religious Education CCD - Grade 7 - 7 to 8:30pm

Novena – 7:15pm Prayers

Tuesday, April 5

Religious Education—Grades 3-5 — 4:30pm in the school Religious Education—Grade 8 — 7:00pm in the school **Wednesday, April 6**

Hispanic Prayer Group - 8pm in the cafeteria

Friday, April 8

Prayer Shawl Mtg. - not on premises

Cornerstone Reunion Dinner - 7pm in the cafeteria

Saturday, April 9

St. Joseph Group – 7:30am in the Rectory Rel. Ed. Grades 1 & 2 – 9:30am in the school Sunday, April 10 / Third Sunday of Easter

2016 CARDINAL'S APPEAL

To date our parish has received \$82,590. in pledges/gifts toward the 2016 Cardinal's Appeal, from 248 families. This is more than two thirds of our goal. For this Appeal to be truly successful, we need support from all our families. The Appeal is a vital source of funding for the programs and ministries that sustain the parishes across our Archdiocese. It is not too late to make your gift. Our goal is \$121,000. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you for your support.



SACRED HEART PARISH 25TH AND 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION MAY 15TH, 2016

On May 15th, 2016 our parish will honor all those celebrating these milestone anniversaries at the 10:00am Mass followed by a reception. If you are celebrating your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary this year please contact the Rectory Office and let us know. *845-357-0035*. We will need the date and place of your wedding in a Catholic Church.

ANUNCIOS

El Grupo de Oración en Español tiene lugar habitualmente los miércoles, a las 8 de la noche en la cafetería.

Los próximos bautizos en español tendrán lugar el 16 de abril, 2016 a la 1pm. Contactar en el 357-0035.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

For the Second Time

Charles Lynch and Dorothy Reynar



We pray for all those serving in the **Armed Forces** and for those who are ill and have

asked us to pray for them: Larry Adler, Keith Alanis, Daniel Albarelli, Frank Paul Allegretti, Jenna Applebaum, Harris Brownstein, Lisa Eckert Brownstein, Annette Burbridge, Frank Calfa, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Lorraine Cortez, Lilla DiBerardino, Teresa Davey, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Mary Discini, Joan Donahue, Florence Downey, John Duffy, Nicholas Eckert, Peter Eckert, Jamie Erwin, Denise Ferrara, Stefanie Gaudelli, Tia Gardner, Arlene Gentile, Debra Gravina, John Grasso, Anne Hart, Frances Hunter, Sarah Hyman, Domenic & Anthony lannaccone, Susan Jarkiewicz, Adrienne Kelly, Mary Kierman, Anthony Kulik, Jay Leone, Elizabeth Lempka, Nick Liso, Laura Mack, Thomas Mathai, Barbara Mazza, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMenamin, Ken Meyer, Florence Mohan, Chic Nappo, Betty O'Brien, Jennifer O'Hara, Fr. Jack Oldfield, Stacey Olayan, Tina Osika, Joseph Pasculli, Patricia Plotkin, Adolf Radeljic, Maura Reynolds, Etta Rooney, Mary Russo, Virginia Ryan, Daniel Sammarone, Nicholas Salzman, Susan Saladino, Erica Scully, Ruth Schwetz, Claudia Spano, Claudia Spallanzani, Maureen Starke, James P. Toner, Phyllis Varacalli, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Margaret Szaro, Carol Van Vandt, Kenneth Vanadio, and Millie Vazquez.

Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, friends, benefactors, relatives, priests, religious and



especially Frank Schwarz, Bernadetta Lombardo, Dominick Celentano, Margaret McQuade and William Gannon.

ALTAR MEMORIALS

FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 4, 2016

Altar Wines & Altar Breads In Memory of DOLORES MENDOLIA

Altar Candles In Memory of CATHERINE DANIELLO

And Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of HENRY & PALMA HECK





SCHEDULE OF MASSES

SATURDAY, APRIL 2

9:00am – Catherine Halloran

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASSES FOR SUNDAY

6:00pm – Johnny McGrath

SUNDAY, APRIL 3 / Divine Mercy Sunday

7:00am –Deceased Members of the Curtin/Goodfellow Families

8:30am - Parish Memorial Society

10:00am – John Bukowski, II

11:30am - Dolores Mendolia

1:00pm –Special Intentions, Veronique, Matthew, Gregory & Rebecca Hazell

5:30pm -All Parishioners

MONDAY, APRIL 4

7:00am - George A. Szermer

9:00am - Antonio DeGiovanni

7:15pm – **Novena**

TUESDAY, APRIL 5

7:00am - Serena Carroll

9:00am - Andrew Statham

WEDNESDAY. APRIL 6

7:00am - Craig Rossiter

9:00am - Gagliano Family

THURSDAY, APRIL 7

7:00am - TinaMarie & Charles Tresca

9:00am - Ann Marie Aviles

FRIDAY, APRIL 8

7:00am – The Travers Family

9:00am - Dolores Mendolia

SATURDAY, APRIL 9

9:00am - Bruno & Marianna Sama

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASSES FOR SUNDAY

6:00pm – Ettore Magurno

SUNDAY, APRIL 10 / Third Sunday of Easter

7:00am –Rose Lopardo

8:30am - Parish Memorial Society

10:00am - Dr. Leo Greco

11:30am - Lucy Scarpelli

1:00pm –Armando Bulaon

5:30pm -All Parishioners

BOOSTER CLUB WINNER

WEEK 6- Mary & Jerry Peden