

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 24, 2025

FROM OUR PRIESTS' DESKS:

MOTHER & SON

St. Monica remembers Jesus' words:

**“Strive to enter through the narrow gate,
For many... will attempt to enter
But will not be strong enough.”**

**With tears in prayers
She prayed for her son Augustine
To come back to the True Faith.**

**Morns and eves
Days and weeks
She prayed without ceasing.**

The Lord listened.

St. Augustine remembers Jesus' words:

**“My son, do not disdain
The discipline of the Lord...
For whom the Lord loves,
He disciplines.”**

**With great confusion
He wrestled with these words
Resisting what he has been taught
By Monica in his childhood.**

**Days and nights
Months and years
He battled within and from without
Seeking the Truth.**

**Alas,
the Lord granted the prayers of both
Augustine was converted to the Faith.**

**And at the Port of Ostia Antica
Mother & son with delight
Remembered the words of David:**

**“Steadfast is His kindness
And the fidelity of the Lord
Endures forever.”
Amen.**

Fr. Eric Crelencia, OAR

Fr. John Gruben, OAR

Fr. Michael Rafferty, OAR, Pastor

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.
Praise the Lord, all you nations; glorify him, all you peoples!

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.
For steadfast is his kindness toward us, and the fidelity of the Lord endures forever.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, August 24

Monday, August 25

Novena Our Lady of Miraculous Medal after 9am Mass
Grupo Carismático-Cafeteria 7:30pm

Tuesday, August 26

Basketball 5 to 9pm gym

Wednesday, August 27

Immaculate Heart Prayer Group – 7:30pm Church
Grupo Estudio Biblico – 8pm in the cafeteria

Thursday, August 28

Basketball 5 to 9pm gym

Friday, August 29

Saturday, August 30

7:30am – St. Joseph's men's Bible Discussion- pre-k

BOOSTER CLUB WINNERS SPECIAL DRAWING FOR

AUGUST 24, 2025

CONGRATULATIONS!

First Prize: \$1,000.00 –James Finnegan

Second Prize: \$500.00 –Ken & Clare Lordy

**Third Prize: \$250.00 – Bernard &
Elizabeth Listwan**

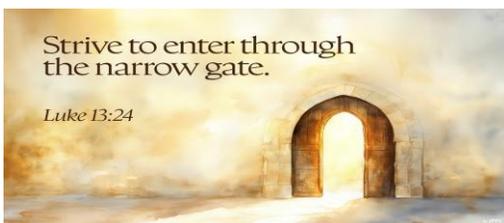
Fourth Prize: \$100.00 – Gerry & Ann Barry

Many thanks to all who participated!



**FEAST OF OUR
FATHER,
ST. AUGUSTINE
AND OUR MOTHER,
ST. MONICA
AUGUST 28, 2025
7PM MASS**

**Followed by
a reception in the gymnasium.**



SACRED HEART YARD SALE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH
10AM TO 3PM

YOU'RE INVITED TO RENT A SPACE IN OUR PARKING LOT TO SHOWCASE NEW OR GENTLY USED ITEMS YOU WISH TO SELL

Imagine the exposure and ease of a yard sale where you don't have to advertise, or even have a yard! Rent a parking spot or two to sell items from your FALL cleaning.

Space Rental:

Private Household: single - \$45 / double \$80

LLC: single - \$90 / double - \$165.

Please see Rental forms in the back of the Church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION 2025 – 2026

Open Registration

For all Grades-1 through 8

New Registrants: Please bring your child's Baptismal certificate at the time of registration.

Re-Registrants: Please drop off the completed re-registration form sent to you by email, or you may fill out the form when you come to re-register.

Please go to the Clinton Place entrance of the school and ring the CCD bell. Thank you and God bless.

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

20th Sunday– \$9,116.

Last Year-\$12,645.

The Assumption - \$2,844.

Last Year's - \$3,213.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

R.C.I.A. If you or someone you know have not been baptized or have not received the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation, and would like to, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is meant for you. The RCIA is the process by which the Church receives new members into our Catholic community through the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist). It consists of instruction sessions and liturgical celebrations meant to inform individuals of the teachings of the Catholic faith, to help them discern whether they wish to become Catholic and to prepare them to be received into the Church at Easter. **These classes are also open to adult parishioners who would like to be more informed about their faith.**

If you are interested in participating, please call the Rectory (357-0035).

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The St. Vincent de Paul Pantry will open soon. We are in great need of supplies. If possible, please donate dry goods. The following items are most needed: Peanut Butter, Tuna Fish, Dried Milk, Cereal, Oatmeal, Pasta and Tomato Sauce. **Monetary donations welcomed INCLUDING FOOD GIFT CARDS FROM SHOPRITE ACME OR WALMART**

For food emergencies please call the Rectory at 845-357-0035



CARDINAL'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

Our goal this year is \$107,100. Your donations help the entire Archdiocese in so many ways. It is only through your generosity that the Archdiocese can help so many, here in our own area and the entire Archdiocese of New York. Even the smallest amount helps. Please consider donating. To date: \$62,118. has been donated.

MASS BOOK

2026 MASS BOOK will open September 2.

The 2025 Mass book still has Masses available. When there are no Masses available for a particular date, there are Altar Memorials available to remember your loved ones.

Altar Wine - \$45.00

Altar Bread - \$35.00

Altar Candles \$25.00

Sanctuary Lamp \$15.00

**...Together With an Unannounced Mass
SISTERS OF LIFE**

Providing Life-affirming choices for women: If you know someone who is struggling, please urge them to contact: www.visitationcenterus.org or call (877)777-1277. **Have you suffered an abortion?** Experience God's love and mercy and begin the journey of healing. Please call the Sisters of Life: 866-575-0075 or e-mail: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org.

For men, call Theresa Bonopartis at Lumina: 877-586-4621 or e-mail: Lumina@postabortionhelp.org **Have you suffered an abortion?** Experience God's love and mercy and begin the journey of healing. Please call the Sisters of Life: 866-575-0075 or e-mail: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org. For men, call Theresa Bonopartis at Lumina: 877-586-4621 or e-mail: Lumina@postabortionhelp.org

CRISIS PREGNANCY HOTLINE GOOD COUNSEL HOMES

For Pregnancy emergencies call
Any time of day: 1-800-723-8331

www.goodcounselhomes.org

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome into the Roman Catholic Church and our Parish Community the following children who were recently baptized at Sacred Heart:

ISABELLA RODRIQUES

Child of Rosa and Henry

JENNIFER ALEXANDRA YUCUTE GARCIA

Child of Maria and Reyes



Please pray for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them: Helene Marie Biby, Andrew

Bylec, Elantoniette Camagong, Ronald Carlucci, Siobhan Casey, Ramon Noel Crelencia, Angie Clifford, Joseph Collins Jr., Robert Conly, Comerford Family, Gina Conklin, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Laudelina Crowley, Eileen Caulin, Janet Curcione, Joe Davey, William Daniels, Carol Deery, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Phyllis Domino, Marge Diebner, Karen DeJoie, Mary Discini, John Duffy, Gina Gasparre East, Jacqui Elder, Ginny & Sonny Figula, , Teddy Girvan, Joseph Gilson, Spiros Grmmenos, Gail Griggs, Mary Guarnieri, Senan Halpin, Clement & Maureen Hayes, Catherine Howard, John Hughes, Rev. Charles Huse OAR, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Rob Incognoli, Yvonne Gangone Ingui, Bob Janson, Fran Janson, Thomas Kelly, Eileen Kennedy, Rick Konrad, Steven C. Klumpp, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Robert Liggio, Ginger Listwan, Vasily Lockhart, Laura Mack, Matthew Luludis, Thomas Mathai, Jeanne Matera, Chris Mayorga, Richard McCarthy, Thomas McGrath, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Leonor Medranda, Jacob Mendelsohn, Joyce Miller, Iraida Molina, Aida Morales, Vanessa Morales, John Murphy, Dennis O'Connell, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Nancy Overend, Leona Overend, Nolita Padilla, Joseph Payne, Shace Paljusevic, Noreen Pidgeon, Barbara Procopio, James Procopio, Kathleen Rafferty (Fr. Michael's sister), Danny Ranke, Tony Ramos, Milton Ramos, Jerry Reilly Sr., Rose Romeo, Della Russell, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, Abdul Shakur, Michael Shumway, Jean Simons, Thomas Sullivan, Grace & Patrick Sullivan, Rose Stark, Maureen Starke, Lindsey Sterling, Shaun Stein, Patricia Steiper, Barbara Veraldo Strano Lissette Taylor, Elisa Greco Wegman Phyllis Varacalli, Kali Villela, and Yolanda Yarleque.

ALTAR MEMORIALS

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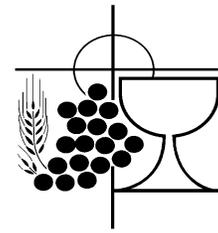
Altar Wines, Breads, Candles
and the Sanctuary Lamp

In Memory of

RICHARD ACKERSON



Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, and family members and loved ones, especially: **Andrew Boyd**



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

7AM & 9:00AM DAILY – (MONDAY – FRIDAY)

SATURDAY – 9AM (FOLLOWED BY THE ROSARY)

SATURDAY VIGILS – 5:30PM AND 7:15PM
SUNDAYS

8:30AM, 10:00AM, 11:30AM 4:00PM (S)
AND 5:30PM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

9:00am – †

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5:30pm – † Patrica Verkey

7:15pm – † Aurora Menendez

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

8:30am – † Dianne Messina

10:00am – † Philomena Joseph

11:30am – † Aline & John Hendrickson

4:00pm -† Gisela, Isabel Mary & Luis Moran

5:30pm – All Parishioners / Parish Memorial

MONDAY, AUGUST 25

7:00am –† Jean Johnston

9:00am –† Mary Antonucci

TUESDAY, AUGUST 26

7:00am – † Fr. Ivan de Jesus Vasquez Jimenez OAR

9:00am –† 13 Service Members and

All Vets Living and deceased

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27

7:00am – † Asuncion Telequen

9:00am – Spec. Intention of Catherine Howard
& Francis McAdams

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28

7:00am – † Mateito Pacheco

9:00am – † Paulita Pereja

7:00pm – St. Augustine / St. Monica Bilingual Mass
† Ana Tulia Montoya

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29

7:00am – † Tony Ingui

9:00am – † Antonio Di Giovanni

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30

9:00am – † Richard J. Lynch, Jr.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30

5:30pm – † Nick LaBruna

7:15pm –† Presly Vaquero

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

8:30am – † Gerry Roemer

10:00am – † Colin Cunningham

11:30am – Spec. Intentions Antoinette LaBruna

4:00pm – † Manuela Montanes Hurtado

5:30pm – All Parishioners / Parish Memorial