

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

September 18, 2016



Though our Lord Jesus Christ was rich, he became poor,
so that by his poverty you might become rich.
cf. 2 Cor 8:9

ANNOUNCED MASSES

If you wish to bring up the gifts for a Mass being said for
your loved one(s), please see the Usher before Mass.

Vigil (Sunday) Mass – September 17

5:00 PM Joseph Giachinta

Sunday, September 18 – Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Joseph Giachinta

10:15 AM *St. Joseph's* – Ryan Vosler

12:00 PM Guiseppe, Salvatore and Rosalia Frisenda

Monday, September 19 – Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

8:15 AM George Filipich

Tuesday, September 20 – Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

8:15 AM Joseph Giachinta and all the People of the
Parish

Wednesday, September 21 – Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

8:15 AM Elizabeth Bitil

Thursday, September 22 – Weekday

8:15 AM Robert Mangan

Friday, September 23 – Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

8:15 AM Frederick J. Des Marais

Saturday, September 24 – Weekday

8:15 AM Panfilo and Luisa Federico

Vigil (Sunday) Mass – September 24

5:00 PM Winifred Pralatowski – 25th Anniversary

Sunday, September 25 – Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Joseph Giachinta

10:15 AM *St. Joseph's* – Susan Homola

12:00 PM Robert A. Stevens

MEMORIALS

The **Sanctuary Candle** this week is burning in loving
memory of the Rapalje Family. The candle will burn from
September 18th through September 24th.

CHOIR REHEARSALS

Adult Choir rehearsals are held on Wednesday evenings
at 7:30 pm in the choir loft. New members are welcome at
all weekend Masses. If you would like to sing, please
come to a rehearsal or call Jeffrey V. Lutz at 228-5612.

GRAYMOOR PRAYER GROUP

Increase your time in prayer. The Graymoor Prayer Group,
following the Medjugorje prayer format, meets Thursday
evenings, 7:30 to 8:30 pm at the Spiritual Life Building 6th
floor Chapel. Prayer facilitator – Diana Roda: 424-4175.

PLEASE PRAY

For the sick and suffering, especially

Lucy Abbatine	Paula Martino
Lucas Boesch	Wesley Ann McGovern
Robert Broughal	Merna Mendelson
Michael Brusco	Todd Morris
Kathleen Clements	Joseph Nowakowski
Carmine Comberiata	Brian O'Keeffe
Joseph C. Etta	Inelda O'Keeffe
Bill Flaherty	Neilan Pierce
William Freeman	Vivian Pisanelli
Christopher Hartly	Phillip Rossignol
Joseph Hoda	Melissa Castro-Santos
Parker Jane Holloway	Miguel Santos
Elizabeth M. Hynes	Sally Singh
Geoff Lyons	Ralph Torres
Kathleen Manganello	Frank Volkmann
Mary Marion	Lidia Watrud

and for all our dearly departed, especially

Julia A. Hustis

that the fighting among nations cease, that vengeance
end and lasting peace begin, and for all of our prayers in
our book of petitions.

MONTH'S MIND

Sylvio G. Nastasi – August 24th

*We remember our loved ones who have died one month
following their passing on to eternal life.*

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday: Prv 3:27-34; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35,
44; Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc; Lk 9:
7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11; Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4; Lk 9:
18-22

Saturday: Eccl 11:9 — 12:8; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Lk
9:43b-45

Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk
16:19-31

WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2016

REGULAR WEEKLY COLLECTION – \$5,776

Thank you for your generosity.

MASS ATTENDANCE

	Adults	Children	Total
Saturday, 5:00 pm	96	10	106
Sunday, 8:30 am	101	31	132
St. Joseph's Chapel Sunday, 10:15 am	46	10	56
Sunday, 12:00 pm	102	17	119
Total	345	68	413

FINANCIAL WRONGDOING HOTLINE

The Archdiocese of New York takes the stewardship of your donations and its resources seriously. If you have knowledge of financial misconduct or suspect that it might be occurring, please report your concerns via a toll free hotline at 877-820-0541, or on the internet: www.reportlineweb.com/ADNY. Both are available 24 hours per day.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Loretto Council #536

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus, the largest Catholic Men's Organization in the world, is accepting NEW applications for membership over the next 4 weeks. The Knights do charitable work to help our priests, our parish, and our community. There are also many "Family Benefits" associated with membership in the Knights. If you would like more information, please fill out one of the cards in the pews and place it in the collection basket or hand it to an usher as you leave the Church. We will also have an information table outside, and refreshments in the basement, after each Mass on October 16th. If you would like to speak to someone, at any time, about the Knights and Family Benefits, please call Membership Coordinator John Hackney, 646-541-5830.

PHILIPSTOWN FOOD PANTRY DELIVERY

Next Sunday • September 25th

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting food and other items, including diapers, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, cleaners and paper towels, for the Philipstown Food Pantry the weekend of September 24th and 25th. Please leave donations in the cry room during that weekend. Thank you for your generosity!

Grand Knight – Paul Grandetti

To join, email our Membership Director, John Hackney:
johnhackney@hotmail.com.

Information can also be found at KofC536.com.

OUR LADY OF LORETTO PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

"Handing on the Faith"

845-265-3718 ★ ollfaithformation@gmail.com

CLASSES THIS WEEK

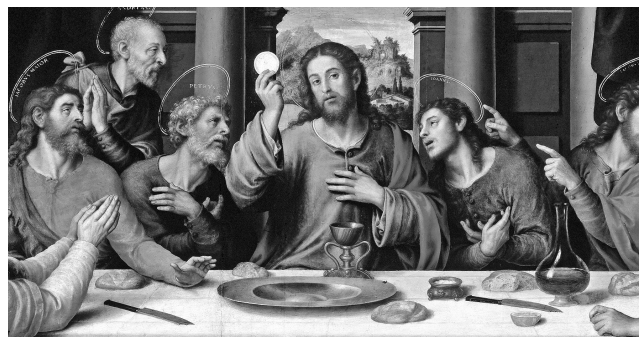
Wednesday, September 21st, 2016

Grades 1 to 5 – 3:30 to 5:00 pm

Grades 6 to 8 – 6:30 to 8:00 pm

1ST GRADE FAMILY MASS

Sunday, September 25th • 8:30 am Mass in the Church



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

At Our Lady of Loretto • Every Monday • 7:00-8:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament remains as it is with individual prayer time, but specific groups are being identified for certain Mondays so they can come together to focus in prayer for a specific intention...

- Sept 19 – Parishioners of Our Lady of Loretto
- Sept 26 – The Liturgy and Spiritual Life Committee
- Oct 3 – The unborn and persecuted Christians
- Oct 10 – Doctors, nurses and all medical personnel

SPECIAL CONFESSION TIMES FOR THE YEAR OF MERCY

At Our Lady of Loretto Church
Mondays • 7:00-8:00 pm

"Jesus receives you: He will receive you with so much love. Be courageous, and go to confession."

– Pope Francis

The Holy Year of Mercy
December 8th, 2015 – November 20th, 2016

*"All the way to heaven is heaven, because Jesus said,
'I am the way.'"*

– Saint Catherine of Siena

SERVE THE CHURCH

Consider becoming an Altar Server, Lector or Eucharistic Minister

We especially need help at the following Masses:

Altar Servers (4th Grade and up)

Our Lady of Loretto Church: Sundays • 12 Noon
St. Joseph's Chapel: Sundays • 10:15 am

Lectors

Our Lady of Loretto Church: Saturdays • 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers

Our Lady of Loretto Church: Saturdays • 5:00 pm,
Sundays • 12:00 pm
St. Joseph's Chapel: Sundays • 10:15 am

If interested, please contact Anna McFadden at
anna.mcfadden@gmail.com or call 845-265-2385.

14th Annual Healing Mass in Honor of Saint Peregrine

Thursday, September 29th • 7:00 pm

For cancer patients, survivors, and their families, friends and the medical community: Join us for a healing Mass in honor of St. Peregrine, patron saint of those with cancer, followed by a social in Mt. Alvernia Chapel in Wappingers Falls. The communal rite of the anointing of the sick will be celebrated during the Mass followed by a blessing with the saint's relic. For directions: visit us at mtalvernia.org or call (845) 297-5706.

2016 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

A Day of Reflection and Reconciliation Theme: Being a Man of the Catholic Church

Saturday, November 5th, 2016
8:00 am to 3:30 pm

St. James the Apostle Church • 14 Gleneida Avenue
Carmel, NY 10512

Pre-registration or at the door
Register on-line at www.stjamesapostle.org
Continental breakfast and lunch provided*

Speakers

Being a Man of the Family, the Church, and Community
Father Anthony Sorgie

The Sacrament of Reconciliation
Father John Debellis

A Man's Role and Responsibility in the Church
John Buonviaggio

Where Do We Go from Here
Monsignor John Budwick

Noon Mass

Monsignor Anthony Marchitelli – Celebrant
Father Joseph Kelly – Homilist

*Suggested donation – \$25 payable to St. James the Apostle Church (No one will be turned away because of cost.) Contact Richard Maiolo: (845) 225-8908



GOD'S COUNTRY

By Kenneth and Gloria Copeland

The things which are impossible with men are possible with God. – Luke 18:27

Right now you and I are standing face to face with situations in our nation that need to be changed. Some of those situations look totally impossible. But they're not. Because this country belongs to God. He's the One who brought the United States of America into existence. He had a special purpose for it. He needed a country where the Gospel could be preached freely and not suppressed.

It was God Himself who stirred the heart and mind of Christopher Columbus and planted within him the dream of charting a new course to the West. Columbus said so in his own journals: "It was the Lord who put into my mind (I could feel His hand upon me) the fact that it would be possible to sail from here to the Indies. All who heard of my project rejected it with laughter, ridiculing me. There's no question that the inspiration was from the Holy Spirit because He comforted me with rays of marvelous inspiration from the Holy Scriptures..."

Who brought Christopher Columbus to America? God brought him. This is God's nation. He raised it up, and it's not going to be taken away from Him. The next time you're tempted to look at situations in this country as impossible, remember who it belongs to. Then you can discover America just like Christopher Columbus did – by faith.

MY HEART OVERFLOWS WITH GREAT MERCY FOR SOULS

Our Lord to Saint Faustina: "My Heart overflows with great mercy for souls, and especially for poor sinners. If only they could understand that I am the best of Fathers to them and that it is for them that the Blood and Water flowed from My Heart as from a fount overflowing with mercy. For them I dwell in the tabernacle as King of Mercy. I desire to bestow My graces upon souls, but they do not want to accept them. You, at least, come to Me as often as possible and take these graces they do not want to accept. In this way you will console My Heart. Oh, how indifferent are souls to so much goodness, to so many proofs of love! My Heart drinks only of the ingratitude and forgetfulness of souls living in the world. They have time for everything, but they have no time to come to Me for graces."

*The Holy Doors for the Jubilee Year of
Mercy close on November 20th, 2016*

**Obtain the Jubilee Indulgence while you have
the chance**

*From Cardinal Dolan's Decree for the Year of Mercy,
which he issued on November 30th, 2015.*

I hereby decree that, beginning December 13th, 2015, and throughout the Jubilee Year of Mercy, the following shrines and churches in the Archdiocese of New York are holy sites and places of pilgrimage where a Holy Door, a Door of Mercy, will be opened and where the clergy, religious and faithful can obtain the Jubilee Indulgence:

Holy Doors in the Archdiocese of New York

- Saint Patrick's Cathedral (Manhattan)
- Basilica of Saint Patrick's Old Cathedral (Manhattan)
- Saint Frances Cabrini Shrine (Manhattan)
- National Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel (Middletown)
- National Shrine of Mary Help of Christians (Stony Point)

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 within 20 days after performing the indulgenced work (pilgrimage to the *Door of Mercy*);
- Receive the Holy Eucharist 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.

**We will be the happiest people in the world if
we belong to God...**

If we place ourselves at his disposal, if we let him use us as he pleases. To be this happy, we must belong to Jesus fully without reservation. He alone is worthy of our love and our total surrender. Once we really belong to him then he is free to use us, to do with us whatever he pleases. — *Saint Teresa of Calcutta*

**POPE FRANCIS: NO SINNER IS EVER
BEYOND THE LOVE OF GOD**

Vatican City, September 11, 2016 – The Catholic News Agency and EWTN News reported that Pope Francis said that God shows us, through parables, the merciful love of the Father, who rejoices over every sinful person who returns to him. "The message of the Gospel today gives us great hope and we can summarize it thus: there is no sin into which we have fallen, from which, by the grace of God, we can not rise again; there is not an irretrievable individual, because God never ceases to want our good," he said, "even when we sin!"

Christ tells three parables (in Luke 15) – the shepherd who leaves his 99 sheep to find the lost one, the woman who searches for her lost coin, and the parable of the prodigal son – in answer to the scribes and Pharisees who criticize him, saying, "this man welcomes sinners and eats with them." Each of the parables reveal the heart of God, the Pope said, explaining how each parable uses the words, "rejoice together, to party." "The pastor called friends and neighbors and says to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost' (v. 6); the woman calls together her friends and neighbors saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I lost' (v. 9); the father says to his son: 'It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for your brother was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found' (v. 32)," Francis explained. "With these three stories, Jesus would have us understand that God the Father is the first to have a welcoming attitude toward sinners."

Pope Francis said that what is most striking about the parable of the prodigal son is not the sad story of a young man who left his father and fell into sin, but his decision to "arise" and go to his father. "The way back home is the way of hope and new life. God awaits to forgive us out on the road, waiting for us patiently, he sees us when we are still far away, he runs towards us, embraces us, forgives us. So is God! So is our Father! And his pardon erases the past and regenerates us in love," the Pope said. "When we sinners convert," he continued, "we do not find God waiting for us with reproaches and hardness, because God saves, he gathers us home with joy and partying." The joy of God fits in with the Church's celebration of the Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis said. It is the "same term 'jubilee!' That is, jubilation!"

After the Angelus, Pope Francis asked for special prayers for Gabon, a country in central Africa which has been experiencing increased violence and riots after the results of a narrow August 31st presidential election were challenged. "I entrust to the Lord the victims of the clashes and their families. I join the bishops of the first African country to invite the parties to reject all violence and to always aim for the common good. I encourage everyone, particularly Catholics, to be builders of peace within the law, in dialogue and fraternity," Francis said. The Pope also talked about Ladislao Bukowski, a 20th century Catholic priest who was beatified Sunday in Karaganda, Kazakhstan. "Persecuted for his faith," Pope Francis said, Blessed Ladislao Bukowski "always showed great love for the weakest and neediest and his testimony appears as a distillation of the spiritual and corporal works of mercy."