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Dear Parishioners,

To continue on with this month dedicated to Mary, I'd like to share this from Saint John Paul II from 2002 APOSTOLIC LETTER ROSARIUM VIRGINIS MARIAE:

But the most important reason for strongly encouraging the practice of the Rosary is that it represents a most effective means of fostering among the faithful that commitment to the contemplation of the Christian mystery: "What is needed is a Christian life distinguished above all in the art of prayer". Inasmuch as contemporary culture, even amid so many indications to the contrary, has witnessed the flowering of a new call for spirituality, due also to the influence of other religions, it is more urgent than ever that our Christian communities should become "genuine schools of prayer".

A number of historical circumstances also make a revival of the Rosary quite timely. First of all, the need to implore from God the gift of peace. The Rosary has many times been proposed by my predecessors and myself as a prayer for peace. At the start of a millennium which began with the terrifying attacks of 11 September 2001, a millennium which witnesses every day innumerable parts of the world fresh scenes of bloodshed and violence, to rediscover the Rosary means to immerse oneself in contemplation of the mystery of Christ who "is our peace", since he made "the two of us one, and broke down the dividing wall of hostility" (Eph 2:14). Consequently, one cannot recite the Rosary without feeling caught up in a clear commitment to advancing peace, especially in the land of Jesus, still so sorely afflicted and so close to the heart of every Christian.

A similar need for commitment and prayer arises in relation to another critical contemporary issue: the family, the primary cell of society, increasingly menaced by forces of disintegration on both the ideological and practical planes, so as to make us fear for the future of this fundamental and indispensable institution and, with it, for the future of society as a whole. The revival of the Rosary in Christian families, within the context of a broader pastoral ministry to the family, will be an effective aid to countering the devastating effects of this crisis typical of our age.

It would be impossible to name all the many Saints who discovered in the Rosary a genuine path to growth in holiness. We need but mention Saint Louis Marie Grignion de Montfort, the author of an excellent work on the Rosary, and, closer to ourselves, Padre Pio of Pietrelcina, whom I recently had the joy of canonizing. As a true apostle of the Rosary, Blessed Bartolo Longo had a special charism. His path to holiness rested on an inspiration heard in the depths of his heart: "Whoever spreads the Rosary is saved!". As a result, he felt called to build a Church dedicated to Our Lady of the Holy Rosary in Pompei, against the background of the ruins of the ancient city, which scarcely heard the proclamation of Christ before being buried in 79 A.D. during an eruption of Mount Vesuvius, only to emerge centuries later from its ashes as a witness to the lights and shadows of classical civilization. By his whole life's work and especially by the practice of the "Fifteen Saturdays", Bartolo Longo promoted the Christocentric and contemplative heart of the Rosary, and received great encouragement and support from Leo XIII, the "Pope of the Rosary".

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Father Newcomb

If you or anyone you know is interested in completing their sacraments or joining the Church through the RCIA process, please call the parish office and speak to Deacon Rich
856-8212x113

**The 2nd collection next weekend is for
Mission Sunday.**
Please give it your prayerful consideration.

Liturgical Ministers for October 20/21, 2018

MASS	LECTOR	MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS
4:00PM	CONFIRMATION	H. ECKES, N. SMITH	SPECIAL SCHEDULE
8:30AM	M. LATINI	D. MURO, R. BABEY	A. AND E. TRUJILLO
11:30AM	M. ESLING	B. DENNINGTON, D. LIVINGSTON	S. BHIKARRY, A. EPPS, DJ PERRIN

Sunday, Oct. 14 is the 2nd annual Port Jervis Life Chain from 1pm until 2:30pm on East Main Street. See or call Nancy for more information 856-4610.

Family Rosary Program sponsored by The Knights of Columbus and FAITH. Interested in are fresher on how to say the Rosary? Want to share this beautiful tradition with your children? Join us at our new *Family Rosary Sundays*. After the 8:30 Mass on **October 14th, 21st and 28th** ALL are welcome to stay and say the rosary.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: children and parents, please remain in the church for this program, do not walk over to the school. If attending another Mass, please have your child to the church (NOT religious ed building) by 9:15 as class will start in the church for those Sundays. Please stay with your child until the rosary is done. Afterwards the Religious Education teachers will walk their classes to the school to finish out the morning. **Pick up will be from the school.** We hope to see many parish families at the Rosary Program.

Something New* Join us for ***Hot Topics***. About 5 times a year, guest speakers will share and educate all parents on a diversity of topics for the overall health and safety of our children. The first one is scheduled for **Sunday, October 14th at 10:15 a.m. in the Church Hall**. The Port Jervis PD Sgt. Worden and Det. Curreri will present **Social Media and Kids**. What we as parents need to know.

Clothing Drive/ Coat Drive: November 3, 2018, 11-3pm Boyscout Troop 173 is having a Fall clothing drive, we accept clothing, blankets, linen, towels, toys, shoes, etc. (please bag clothing, toys and shoes all separate). Coat drive is for our local families in need.

All Saint's Family Event - SAVE the DATE Sat., Nov. 3rd after the 4 p.m. Mass. Everyone is welcome to join us to carve pumpkins, take a guess on the Saint Guessing Jars, taste test the different chili and PIE entries and more.

COMING SOON! Upcoming FAITH events!

- Saturday, November 17th Advent Wreath Making 12:30 to 3:30
- Saturday, December 8th - Immaculate Conception Parish Feast Day Event after the 4 p.m. Mass
- Christmas Caroling - Date in Early December TBA

The KofC Assembly 760 is having their annual **Turkey Dinner Dance & Raffle** on Saturday, Nov. 3 from 5-9pm. Call Bob 858-5991 or the hall 856-4084. Cost \$25per person.

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Monday, and	October 15 (Teresa of Jesus, virgin doctor of the Church)
9:00am	Anne Morey, by Dr. Jane Brooks
Tuesday,	October 16(Hedwig,religious; Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin)
9:00am	David Latini, by the Drake family
Wednesday, October 17 (Ignatius of Antioch, bishop and martyr)	
9:00am	Alois Klostermeier, by Erika Cox and family
Thursday,	October 18 (Luke, evangelist)
9:00am	Sandy Schoonmaker, by the Cunningham family
Saturday,	October 20
4:00pm	<i>For the Confirmandi</i>
Sunday,	October 21 (World Mission Sunday)
8:30am	The parishioners of St. Mary's
11:30am	Nick Marinaro, by Patti Marinaro Ibrami

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn brightly this week in the Church, in memory of Viola Somarelli, by Diane Stierle.

Please Pray For the Sick: Angela Portella, Joann Wilcox, Walter Szpakowicz, Frances Brennan, Elizabeth Brennan, Michael Medaglia, Jackie Mundy, Barbara Straub, Tress Loughrey, Sal Careri, Elizabeth Startup Jones, Louis Harford, William Lincoln, Jeanine Lincoln, Michael Barnes, Donald Wolff, Ramonita Iriarry, Theresa Kavanagh, Debi Cotugno, Theresa Fuller, Maureen Hildebrandt, Charles Hildebrandt, Aedan Roach, James Roach, Robin Radzikowski, Helen Andreano, Tito Rivera, Neil Stasilli, Josefina Rodriguez, Joseph Hinkley, Toni Sorrentino, Frances Brennan, Andrea Fedoruk, Susan Upton, Chris Marion III, Loretta Olenick, Layla Grace Foster, Roderick T. Esling, James Lincoln, Danielle Devore, Wayne DeMarco, Marge O'Connor, Mindy Walsh, Arieal Walsh, Raquel Maldonado, Lillian Maldonado Diaz, Tyrell Davis, Eppie Harford, and Christine Nowak.



We will soon start collecting non perishable items for the Christmas Food Baskets. Please deposit food items in the red bins in the Narthex or stop by the parish office during the week.

The collection for October 6/7 was \$4,600.50
Thank you for your continued generosity.