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Dear Parishioners,

Today, the Fourth Sunday of Easter and “Good Shepherd Sunday”, is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. All the faithful are exhorted to pray especially for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life.

Let us ask for the gift of perseverance for all priests: may they stay faithful to prayer, celebrate Holy Mass with ever renewed devotion, live listening to the Word of God and day after day assimilate the same sentiments and attitudes as those of Jesus, the Good Shepherd.

Let us then pray for those who are preparing to take on the priestly ministry and for the teachers who form them in the seminaries of Dunwoodie and the whole world. Let us pray for families, so that the “seed” of the call to the presbyteral ministry may continue to mature and flower.

All the baptized are called to contribute to the work of salvation. In the Church, however, there are some vocations which are dedicated especially to the service of communion.

The person primarily responsible for Catholic communion is the Pope, Successor of Peter and Bishop of Rome; with him, the Bishops, successors of the Apostles, are custodians and teachers of unity, assisted by the priests. But consecrated persons and all the faithful are also at the service of communion.

At the heart of Church communion is the Eucharist: the different vocations draw from this supreme Sacrament the spiritual power to build constantly, in charity, the one ecclesial Body.

Let us now turn to Mary, Mother of the Good Shepherd. May she who responded promptly to God’s call, saying: “Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord”, help all of us to accept with joy and willingness Christ’s invitation to be his disciples, always motivated to be “of one heart and soul”.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Father Newcomb

St. Mary's Little Lambs is now accepting registrations for the 2019-20 school year. Children must turn three years old by December 1, 2019 for the Pre-K 3 class, and four by December 1, 2019 for the Pre-K 4 class. Classes meet 2, 3, or 5 days a week. There are full and half day programs available. Call Eileen Carmody 845-858-4208 for more information.

The Archdiocese's *Golden Jubilee Wedding Mass* will be on Sunday, June 2, 2019 at 2:00 PM at St. Patrick's Cathedral. The Mass is for couples celebrating 50 years of marriage in 2019. His Eminence, Cardinal Dolan will be officiating. All who wish to attend this Mass must call Gina at the parish and have a ticket for admission.

Registration closes on May 13th.

The Port Jervis Police Department will be hosting a Family Self Defense and Awareness class on Saturday, June 15th from 10 am to 12 pm in Most Sacred Heart Hall. The event is free of charge.

The Baccalaureate Service will held will be at our parish on Sunday, June 2nd at 7pm.

The second collection next weekend is for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe.

Liturgical Ministers for May 18th/19th, 2019

MASS	LECTOR	MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS
4:00PM	B. HECKMAN	K. BOBISH, J. FLYNN	S. BHIKARRY, J. MARCONE
8:30AM	M. LATINI	D. MURO, J. TAYLOR, A. WITKOWSKI	E. AND A. WITKOWSKI
11:30AM	M. ESLING	B. DENNINGTON, T. MARION	J. ENNIS, S. CUELLO

The Brechbiel family will be going to Lourdes and are willing to take petitions with them to place where Our Lady appeared to Bernadette. Forms are available at the parish office until June 14th.



Save the Date!

Fruit of the Vine— Wine Appreciation 101. **Friday, June 21st 6pm until 9pm.**

Tickets are available at the parish office \$25.

K of C Councils #471 & 13935 are hosting a Charity Golf Outing on Wednesday, May 22nd. Fee \$100 by May 10th, \$120 after. Contact: Steve Riordan 629-3642, Mike Braun 283-7461 or Warren Ponds 914-443-3475.

St. Mary's Little Lambs will have a summer camp this year. Call Eileen for more information 858-4208. Spots are filling up quickly.

One of our young parishioners, Delani Ennis, will be going on a mission trip to Vero Beach, Fl. She will be ministering to and assisting low income elderly, preschools, migrant workers, and at risk youth. Certain parts of Vero Beach has sections where most live below the poverty line and many are homeless. It is her plan to minister and assist in teaching preschool age children, tutoring many at risk youth, provide activities to keep them busy during our time there, assist in odd jobs and tending to the elderly.

On the final day, they will host an ice cream "block party" for the under privileged community in an attempt to share joy and hope for all through the gospel. While there she will also be receiving the necessary training and skills to bring home and continue to serve our mission with them in Florida, as well as, serve our local communities right here in Port Jervis. I personally am so excited to be able to share the word of God and Christ's love with those who need it most. Before she leaves, she is attempting to get supplies to take with her. These items include but are not limited to diapers and wipes, snacks for the preschool program, glass cleaner wipes for the elderly, nail polish and manicure kits, bowls, plastic utensils, and ice cream toppings. Cash and/or gift cards to purchase the supplies when we get there are also wonderful. For anyone who is crafty, any handmade cards, bookmarks, bracelets, etc. are appreciated and highly encouraged. Any items that would symbolize our faith, be an uplifting, and open doors for those we are serving is always a blessing. Delani has personally always wanted to go on a mission but never knew where to start or how to go about it. It is her hope that this is will be her first step in serving where God may lead her throughout the world.

Thank you all for your generosity and assistance in helping make this happen. We will collecting items in the parish office until June 3rd.



**Next Sunday, May 19th is the
All You Can Eat Breakfast
This will be the last one until
September 2019!**

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Monday, May 13 9 Our Lady of Fatima)
Intentions: Theresa Fuller, by Toni Marion

Tuesday, May 14 (Matthias, apostle)
Gilberto and Ruben Feliciano, by Ruby Feliciano

Wednesday, May 15 (Isidore)
9:00am Mary Ann Rohner, by Jim and family

Thursday, May 16
9:00am Ann Morey, by Dr. Jane Brooks
Raymond Gansarski, by the family

Saturday, May 18
4:00pm Friedrich Klostermeier, by Erika Cox and family

Sunday, May 19
8:30am The parishioners of St. Mary's
11:30am Marina and Enrique Santiago, by Enid Decker and family

Please Pray For the Sick: Angela Portella, Ramonita Irizarry, Debi Cotugno, Theresa Fuller, Maureen Hildebrandt, Charles Hildebrandt, Aedan Roach, Robin Radzikowski, Robert Witherow, J.D. Lipa, Nancy Crumley, Valentina Hall, Ryan O'Connor, Allen Lynch, Sarah Madison, Mary Ohl, Andrea Fedoruk, Donald Wolff, William Lincoln, Jeanine Lincoln, Michael Barnes, Elizabeth Brennan, Susan Upton, Chris Marion, III, Walter Szpakowicz, Genevieve Szpakowicz, Frances Brennan, Carmella Balsamello, Wayne DeMarco, Jose Ramos, Carmen Ramos, Francis Cruz, Michael Medaglia, Barbara Straub, Tress Loughrey, Sal Careri, Cody Bain, Robert Cinerar, Dennis Horner, Jackie Mundy, Elizabeth Startup Jones, Donetta S. Burley, James Lincoln, MaryLynn Beam, Antonino Mazzara, Ryan O'Connor, Arline Walsh, Kos Tocci, Florence Fink, John Hinkley Gloria Hinkley, Enid Decker, James E. Tirpak, James J. Tirpak, Carl Van Horn, Joe Williams, Catherine Simons, Brendan Carmody, and Fran Doss.

To date our parish has received 88 pledges totaling 14,573. Our goal is \$35,500. Any amount is welcome. Please give it your prayerful consideration.

If you or someone you know would make a great foster parent, please have them call us toll-free at 1-800-

4-KIDS-27 or visit us online at

www.fostercarenetwork.org.

The collection for May 4/5 was \$6,653.50.
Thank you for your continued generosity.