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Rectory Office Hours: Monday thru Friday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Confessions: Saturdays: 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm or by appointment. Please call the rectory.

Eucharistic Adoration: Eucharistic Adoration on the First Friday of the month, beginning with the 8:30 am Mass and concluding with a Divine Mercy Holy Hour and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 3:00 pm.

Novena Services: Miraculous Medal Novena and the Saint Teresa Novena, with veneration of the relic of Saint Teresa, every Monday following the 8:30 am Mass.

Baptisms: Every Sunday of the month 1:30 pm following the 12:30 pm Mass. Parents are asked to contact the rectory and schedule an appointment with one of the parish priests to make arrangements for the celebration of the Sacrament and to register for the Baptism preparation class.

Marriages: Please contact the rectory at least one year in advance of the wedding to schedule an appointment with one of the parish priests. Participation in the Marriage Preparation Program offered by the Archdiocese of New York, along with Natural Family Planning classes, is required. To register for Marriage Preparation sessions, contact the Family Life / Respect Life website at www.flrl.org.

Parish Membership: New parishioners are warmly welcomed. Those already enrolled in the school, CCD Program, sports or other parish activities are not automatically registered in our parish. Please stop by the parish office or call for a membership form. It is important that all parishioners are registered.

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Mass Schedule

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Saturday 4:00 pm, Vigil Mass
Sunday
St. Teresa 7:30 am
10:00 am
12:30 pm
5:00 pm
St. Nicholas9:30 am & 10:30 am
Eve of Holydays 4:00 pm
Holy Days As announced in bulleting
Daily Masses 8:30 & 12 Noon
Saturday, 8:30 am only

First Friday Masses

8:30 am and 12 Noon, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Exposition continues throughout the morning and early afternoon hours, concluding at 3:00 pm with a Divine Mercy Holy Hour and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.







Do Whatever He Tells You! - (John 2:5)

SATURDAY, August 4	SUNDAY, August 5	SUNDAY, continued
4:00PM Barbara McDonald	7:30 AM Peter Argento 10:00 AM Lorraine Polisano 12:30 PM Barbara Kane 5:00 PM Joseph Patrick Cogan	St. Nicholas Chapel 9:30 AM Louis Tushag 10:30 AM Madeline Savoca
MONDAY, August 6	TUESDAY, August 7	WEDNESDAY, August 8
8:30 AM John O'Rourke 12 Noon Ann Virga	8:30 AM Joel Buenventura 12 Noon Rose Barbato	8:30 AM Philip Yoo (Healing) 12 Noon MacDermot Family
THURSDAY, August 9	FRIDAY, August 10	SATURDAY, August 11
8:30 AM Blessed Mother 12 Noon Jill Ricca	8:30 AM Kenneth C. Amatrudo 12 Noon Norman Jarrett, Carmella Montefusco, Maria Stassola and Carmine Regalbuto	8:30 AM Regina Whalen



PLEASE PRAY Your prayers are requested for all who are sick in our parish and community, especially:

Grace Agalo-os, Karen Bertuzzi, Vincent Borzumato, Nicholas Crispiano, Nicholas Ciricirillo, Kevin Dunne, Patricia Dunne, Joanie Edwards,

Augustine Ferrer, Mark & Arlene Fileccia, Michael G., Josephine Greco, Elaine Guarlino, David Hall, Vincent Hicks, Barbara Hicks, Buddy Jarrel, Pat Jarrell, Jennifer Johnson, Caitlin Kaht, Donnalyn Lawton, Catherine Leone, Edward Lewis, Genevieve Lewis, Linda Mahoney, Paul Mahoney, Emma Jane Mannix, Bill McMillen, Susan Morris, Helen Nadeau, Josephine Nastasi, Ryan Pizzaro, Sal Prestigiacomo, Edwin Rodriguez, Jerry Scattaglia, Joseph Tirone, Alex Valenti, David Valle, Margaret White.

Members of our Legion of Mary are willing to visit the sick at home. For additional information please contact Marie Razza at 718-981-9353.

MASSES FOR NEXT SUNDAY

August 12		Priest
Saturday	4:00 PM	Msgr. Belford
Sunday	7:30 AM	Msgr. Belford
	10:00 AM	Fr. Philip
	12:30 PM	Fr. Philip
	5:00 PM	Fr. Challman
St. Nicholas	9:30 AM	Fr. Jean-Marie
	10:30AM	Fr. Jean-Marie

Pray for Our Parishioners in the Military
Private Daniel A. Hughes, U.S. Army, Ft. Jackson, S.C.
Lance Corporal Connor M. O'Brien, U.S. Marine Corp.,
Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay, GA.



Thank you for your faithful support of our parish!

Last Sunday's collection was \$8,243.





Dear Parishioners and Friends of Saint Teresa Church

Summer goes by too fast, so make sure you plan for all the big days and happy things you want to enjoy. And when you do, make a note about the major Marian feast of the summer: THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED **VIRGIN MARY INTO HEAVEN.** Her August 15 home-coming feast this year is in ten days, on a Wednesday. We will celebrate Masses Tuesday afternoon August 14, at 4pm, and Wednesday at 7am, 8:30, 12 Noon, and 7:30pm.

Today, this first Sunday of August, could also be the day for you to plan a special activity for yourself for the first Sunday of October. On Sunday, October 7 we will be having a new parish celebration - a special Mass and a Parish Benefit Luncheon. The Mass is at 10am, the party starts at Noon. Our Committee Members invite you to use the page in this bulletin to check details and secure your reservation for the gala luncheon at The Staaten Restaurant.

We are doing this new annual celebration to draw attention to our amazing young saint - "The Little Flower" who lived quietly and died young, from tuberculosis at the age of 24. But her fame spread like wildfire at the beginning of the twentieth century. Sister Therese of Lisieux died in 1897. By 1925 she was declared a Saint. That was when the Archbishop of New York, Patrick Cardinal Hayes, was preparing to establish a new parish in Castleton Corners, and did so in March, 1926. (In 1923, he had established Saint Nicholas Chapel for the growing community in Sunnyside.) When declared by Pope Pius XI to be a Saint, our parish was privileged to be given her name, though spelled differently, and invited to make her the special helper - the Patroness - whose assistance we could ask for.

You know how you can be surprised at a wedding or a funeral to hear stories about your family that others knew, but you had forgotten or never heard? I suspect that there are lots of things about Saint Teresa that we never knew, or, have forgotten. Focusing on our Saint, stirring up our devotion to her, having a special time to appeal for her powerful intercession: all of these are part of the purpose for you to be involved in our October 7 events.

The date of October 7 was chosen to be close to her official feast-day on the Roman Calendar: October 1. In small villages everybody could stop working and celebrate the patron's holyday, thus making it a holiday. But I don't think you could get off from work or school that easily. So we do the next best thing: transfer the celebration to the nearest available Sunday. With the universal Church we will honor our Saint on Monday October 1—and honor her again on the Sunday when more off our people can come together to pray and to play.

This year, when I saw that there would be a four day retreat in July that centered on Saint Teresa, I signed up. I have been re-reading her best-selling autobiography: STORY OF A SOUL. And straightening up my bookshelves, I came across a forgotten pamphlet titled A Handbook of Novenas to the Saints. It is published by The Catholic Truth Society of England. The 3 euro price tag reminded me that I bought it in Rome when I went there for the canonization of Saint Kateri Tekakawitha. I found it again at just the right time for us. For this booklet has 32 beautifullywritten novenas to help people celebrate the lives of saints and to ask for the help of these great people of Catholic faith, hope, and love. Officially canonized Saints are people we are very confident are alive with God in heaven.

Let me borrow from this booklet a clear explanation about the origin and goodness of novenas. A Novena is a way of praying, usually for a particular need or desired grace. It consists of prayers said over nine days. The model for all novenas is the nine days between the Ascension of Jesus into heaven, and the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. A novena is often made to ask for the intercession of a saint. The same or different prayers can be used; what makes it a novena is that something is done for nine consecutive days. Each saint experienced certain events or difficulties, and their example gives us some example or encouragement. A key part of the novena is the pause when you get to mention, silently or aloud, the particular reason you are making this novena. Your petition can be for others or for yourself. Once you give this some thought, your list of intentions may grow large.

Next week I will print here the **Novena to Saint Teresa** that I found in this booklet for you to use, if you want. You can pick any season or day to start, but there is no time like the present to do something good. You can begin your novena on the day you read it in the bulletin. And then you can do it again before our feast day celebration.





WELCOMING FATHER PHILIP

Today you may meet a visiting priest who will stay with us until mid-September. Father Philip Amankwa-Danquah has been a priest for thirty years, and is now a professor at the Catholic University College of Ghana. While earning his doctorate in pastoral counseling at Fordham University, Father Philip served very admirably as administrator of Saint Charles Borromeo Church in Harlem. This visit is giving him a chance to visit his sister in Illinois, and will help us to take some vacation time too.

CHANGING OF THE GUARD

Today's 10am Mass will be offered by Father Jean-Marie Uzabakiriho, who is the moderator of our altar servers. This Mass will mark the last hurrah for three excellent young people who have been serving Mass in our parish for many years. We are happy to salute Mary Mastoros, Aidan O'Brien, and Syleste Alexander, who have served Mass all through their high school years, and will be going to college this fall.

This summer has also seen the changing of the guard for the two Masses at Saint Nicholas Chapel. Nicholas Gofas has been our loyal server at 9:30 Mass for years. Now his sister Alexandra is old enough to take over. And at 10:30 Mass, high schooler Christian David has been training his brother Tyler for this privileged role.

Our congregation and priests thank all of our Mass servers, and praise their parents for enabling and encouraging them to serve the Lord and their parish.

Serving at the altar is a chance to be closer to the action of the Mass and to assist at Mass in a special way. Young people grow in self-confidence as they work with other young people and serve the parishioners. Father Jean-Marie will be training new servers in late September, and we hope for many new altar servers.





TODAY IS FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY

Sister Margaret Mary Food Pantry continues to be an important source of food for many of our neighbors. Thank you to all who give something after Mass on the First Sunday of each month.

MASSES FOR THE HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 15 THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY INTO HEAVEN

Tuesday August 14 at 4pm Wednesday at 7am, 8:30am, 12 Noon, 7:30pm

A PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

That our family members and parishioners who are ill today will receive kind words and compassionate care from everyone who touches them, let us pray to the Lord...



ARE YOU READY FOR A CHANGE?

If you are planning some time away this summer, please consider signing up now to **provide your** weekly donation electronically when you're away. It's easy to do and makes a big difference for our parish. Besides us receiving your contributions each Sunday, this saves you preparing those envelopes. It also saves us money printing and distributing them!

To see how easy this is, please click on the ParishPay/WeShare link on our website saintteresasi.org for the details.

The winners of our July **50/50 Drawing** was: Mr. and Mrs. John Coakley. The prize was \$313. If you would like to participate in this monthly activity that benefits our parish and makes people happy, look for the 50/50 envelopes in the vestibule. The next drawing will be at the end of August.







Seating and Reservation Form for Our First Annual

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Parishioners and friends of our parish are invited to join us for a very pleasant Sunday afternoon that builds community and friendship among us, draws attention to the Feast of our Patron Saint, honors outstanding people who help others, and raises money for the good works of our parish.

We hope that many will come, and all will have a very good time!

Here are a few thoughts to help make your decision and reservation easy:

* A very good meal: appetizer, salad, your choice of entree, wine, soda, coffee, tea, dessert

* Tickets are a reasonable \$75

- * There will be tables of ten, and we will be glad to seat friends together

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- * Speeches for our four very deserving honorees will be short and sweet

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Jesus said to them

Gospel Today Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | John 6:24-35

To the crowds Jesus called Himself "The Bread of Life." They did not understand He meant "spiritual life", which came by believing in Jesus, who was sent by God.

"I am The Bread of Life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

We have: The Body of Christ (communion), to nourish our souls/spiritual life.

We have: Bread to eat, (flour, water, yeast) to nourish our bodies/physical life.

Let's cook up something fun, for adults and children together...



EASY TO MAKE FRESH PIZZA DOUGH

Makes one 12" pie • Preheat oven to 400°

Ingredients

Dough: 6 oz. warm water • 1 tbsp. sugar • 1 ½ tsp. dry yeast • ¼ tsp. salt 1 tbsp. olive or cooking oil • 2 ¼ cups flour

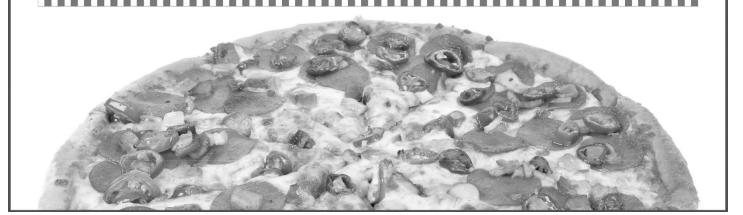
Toppings: Your choice, tomato sauce or fresh sliced tomatoes spread over dough. 8 oz. mozzarella or your favorite cheese. *Optional - meat, vegetables, spices.*

Directions

In a mixing bowl add water, sugar and yeast. Stir, let sit 15 minutes to activate yeast. Add oil, salt and flour, mixing well (if needed add a few drops of water). Knead 8-10 minutes on a floured surface. Put floured dough ball in a bowl and cover to rise, about 1 hour. Roll dough on floured surface into a 12" circle and put on baking sheet. Top with your favorites and bake for 10-12 minutes or until done.

Note: Flour, bread crumbs or cornmeal on pan help prevent pizza from sticking.





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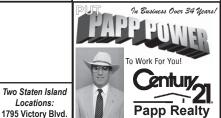
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