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MAY 14, 2023 | 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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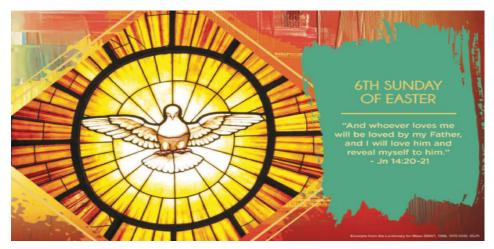
MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY MASSES SATURDAY 4:00PM SUNDAY 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 10:30AM, 12:30PM, 5:00PM

ALL THESE MASSES ARE IN ST. TERESA CHURCH ON VICTORY BLVD., EXCEPT THE 9AM MASS WHICH IS IN ST. NICHOLAS CHAPEL, ON NORTHERN BLVD. AT LA BAU AVE., ONE BLOCK IN FROM VICTORY BLVD

WEEKDAY MASSES
MONDAY TO SATURDAY 8:30AM
TUESDAY TO FRIDAY 12 Noon

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION SATURDAYS, NOON TO 1:00PM



SACRAMENTS

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Designated Sundays at 1:30 Please call the rectory to check dates and to meet with a priest or deacon.

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday, Noon to 1pm, in the sacristy near the altar

WEDDINGS

Please call and speak to a priest to begin planning your wedding

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NOVENA SERVICES

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THIS SUNDAY, MAY 14

4:00PM Thomas J. and Margaret M.

7:30AM Rose Ann F. Repaci and

Cusimano Family

9:00AM Paul Battipaglia

10:30AM All Mothers of our Parish

12:30PM Richard T. Garcia

5:00PM Dolores Bellero



NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 21

4:00PM Lawrence R. Rippe III
7:30AM Theresa Lewis and
Donald Traino (Living)
9:00AM Patrick E. Hayden
10:30AM Rosetta Salvo
12:30PM Lawler and Sullivan Families
5:00PM Mary Ward

MONDAY, MAY 15	TUESDAY, MAY 16	WEDNESDAY, MAY 17
8:30AM Rita and John Ward	8:30AM Dr. Conrado B. Abiera III	8:30AM Mothers of our Parish
	12NOON Gary Copp	12NOON James Charles Dewey
		4:00PM People of our Parish
ASCENSION THURSDAY MAY 18	FRIDAY MAY 19	SATURDAY MAY 20

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8:30AM Donna Wisnieski	8:30AM Mothers of our Parish	8:30AM Mary and Alexander Tirelli
12NOON Linda Kraynock (Living)	12NOON Patricia DiEdward	
7:30PM Mothers of Our Parish		

MANY PEOPLE HAVE FOUND SOLACE AND BECOME CLOSER TO GOD BY ATTENDING MASS DURING THE WEEK AS WELL AS ON SUNDAY.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

Your prayers are requested for all who are sick in our parish and community, especially: Grace Agalo-os, Karen Bertuzzi, Michael Borik, Vincent Borzumato, Rosemary Callenberg, Nicholas Crispiano, Nicholas Ciricirillo, Carina DeGiulio, Ed Diaz, Rachel Diaz, 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, Fred Kabat, Donnalyn Lawton, Catherine Leone, Edward Lewis, Genevieve Lewis, Elaine Libertore, Josephine Linton, Linda Mahoney, Paul Mahoney, Emma Jane Mannix, Mikia James Martin, Judy C. Mc., Raymond and Maureen McLaughlin, Marie McMillen, Susan Morris, Josephine Nastasi, Joseph Pastore, Ryan Pizzaro, Joanny Pizzuti, Sal Prestigiacomo, Gerry Pye, Edwin Rodriguez, Ronald Rothmund, Jerry Scattaglia, Cheryl Spinelli, David Valle, Michael Walsh, Jerry Yannaci Sr.

Pray for Our Parishioners in the Military

Spec 4 Michael R. Mazzuki, Jr. U.S. Army, Fort Stewart, GA.

Sergeant Connor M. O'Brien, U.S. Marine Corp., Camp Lejeune, NC

NEXT SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR PRIESTS

4pm, 7:30am, 10:30am, Monsignor Belford 9am, 12:30, Clove Lakes Home Father Kallattil 5pm Father Challman Dear Parishioners and Friends of Saint Teresa Church.

Prayers, best wishes, and special thanks today to all of our mothers, both living and deceased! And loving thanks as well to the women in our lives who have been like mothers to us. May your vocation and dedication bring you satisfaction and beautiful rewards in this world and in the world to come.

Thinking of heaven is very appropriate this week as we celebrate the Ascension of our Lord Jesus into heaven. Where He as gone, we hope to follow. This Thursday we celebrate Jesus' going home to His Father, after enough time and appearances to the apostles to confirm their faith in the reality of Jesus' death and Resurrection. Come to Mass this Wednesday afternoon (at 4pm) or Thursday (at 8:30am, 12 Noon, or 7:30pm.)

I subscribe to <u>Angelus News</u>, the newspaper of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. A few months ago I was very pleased to read an article there for Angelinos about a Staten Islander! Heather King's work was also in the November 2022 issue of <u>Magnificat</u> prayerbook. Here is her worthy profile of our own Father Vincent Capodanno:

Father Vincent Capodanno (1929-1967), an American Maryknoll Missioner and military chaplain, died in action while ministering to wounded Marines during the Vietnam War and was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor—the highest possible decoration granted to a member of the U.S. military.

Capodanno was born and raised on Staten Island, youngest of ten children in a close-knit, deeply Catholic Italian immigrant family. After dropping off his date and returning from the high school prom, he woke his mother and announced that he felt a calling to the priesthood. While taking evening classes at Fordham, he worked for a time as a clerk for a Wall Street insurance company. In 1949 he entered the Maryknoll Missionary Seminary in Ossining, New York and was ordained a priest in 1958.

His first assignment was to Taiwan, where he served for six years. His next assignment was to teach in Hong Kong. But Father Capodanno, tall, lean, handsome and with a charismatic personality, felt another call. From Hong Kong, he appealed to his superiors to let him volunteer to serve as a military chaplain in Vietnam for the U.S. Marine Corps. His place, he'd become convinced, was among the front-line troops.

After a period of training he was assigned in April 1966 to the 1st Battalion, 7th Marines, 1st Marine Division in South Vietnam. Known among his men as the "Grunt Padre" he suffered the same hardships as they did—heat, thirst, exhaustion, and filth. His door was always open: to the anxious, the doubting, the heartbroken, the angry. A soldier to whom Father Capodanno once gave his own rosary during a confession returned to the Church and has kept the beads to this day.

Father Capodanno served a year's tour and then returned home on leave. This time his family noticed a change. His hair had turned prematurely gray. No longer did he laugh so easily. "What is this war about?" a cousin asked. "Why are we even there?" "I'm not interested in war or politics," Father Capodanno replied. "The point is this: men are dying. I'm there to bring them Christ."

He insisted upon volunteering for a six-month extension of his service, and in June 1967 he returned to Vietnam. In August, he was assigned to the 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines.

On September 4, 1967, a few dozen men of the 1st Battalion, 5th Marines, encountered a North Vietnamese Army unit of twenty-five hundred near the village of Dong Son. Men from the 3rd Battalion joined the battle.

Unarmed, Father Capodanno went among the wounded and dying, comforting them and giving the last rites. Wounded himself that afternoon in the head, arms, and legs, he refused evacuation. In the early evening, while going to help another seriously injured soldier, he was hit by enemy machine gun fire and killed.

When his body was brought home, he was buried in the family plot in Staten Island's Saint Peter's Cemetery. In 1969 he was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor. [Look and see a painting of him hung in our church vestibule.]

Father's cause for canonization, officially opened in May 2002, is being promoted by the Father Capodanno Guild (www.capodannoguild.org). **Called and Chosen**, a 2017 documentary, movingly depicts his heroic courage and faith.



Ascension Thursday Mass Schedule

Wednesday May 17—4 PM

Thursday May 18— 8:30 AM, 12 NOON and 7:30 PM

LOTTERY FOR SEATING + SUNDAY JUNE 25 MASS IN SAINT NICHOLAS CHAPEL AT 3PM

This year we are celebrating the history of Saint Nicholas Chapel, on Northern Boulevard at LaBau Ave. in Sunnyside, with a 3pm Mass celebrated by Bishop John OHara to be followed by a 5pm dinner at LiGrecis Staaten Restaurant. (Join us for dinner. See the Reservation Form on page 6.)

Seating is limited in the Chapel. It is fair to give every-body who would like to attend a chance to be inside. So we will have a lottery—free and open to anyone who registers by June 3. Then on Sunday June 4, after the 9am Mass in the chapel, we will pick 80 winners. Each will receive 2 tickets.

Simple rules: one entry per person. Write your name, address, phone number on a paper, and mail or bring it to the rectory. No phone calls or emails please. Putting your paper in the collection basket is fine. You cannot control the lottery, but you can plan on joining us for a lovely dinner at 5pm at the Staaten.

DID YOU GET MARRIED IN 1973 or 1998? WE WANT TO CELEBRATE YOUR JUBILEE ON JUNE 4th

We will honor GOLDEN AND SILVER WEDDING JUBILARIANS at a 10:30am Mass and Breakfast on Sunday June 4. Our Holy Name men will be the hosts for a wonderful breakfast for you and your close family. If you got married in either 1973 or 1998, please let us pray with you on Sunday June 4, and celebrate your great milestone. Please call Lisa at the rectory: 718 442 5412.

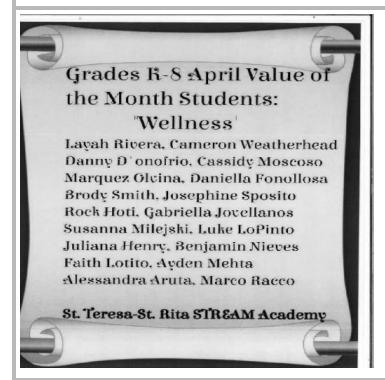
Thank you for your faithful weekly donations to God for our Parish support.

WeShare online amount was \$4,207.

Parishioners brought envelopes to Mass with contributions of \$6,420.

A PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

That we will reach out today to those who are alone, and will pray for and encourage our parishioners who wanted to be at Mass but are too elderly or sick to come out, that they may share in the spiritual blessings of our Sunday celebrations, let us pray to the Lord...



Banns of Matrimony

Gabriel Downing—Rita Jerome

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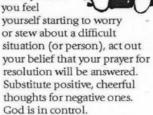
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One Minute Meditations

Act in confidence

Jesus does not want us to be troubled by worldly concerns.

"My peace I give you" (John 14:27). When you feel



Your Lenten change

Lent is a time when we make changes that bring us closer to God. During Lent, many of us fast from our favorite food or drink, and approach Easter a little lighter in spirit and in body. Don't forget that a Lenten change can continue beyond Easter. Consider continuing your Lenten fast on Fridays throughout the year, or for a week each month, for example. Find ways to make your Lenten change permanent.

Rest and relax

God expects us to be sure to rest.
"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matthew
11:28).



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Welcome all God's children

God loves each of us uniquely and fiercely no matter where we come from or how we look. Those of us who follow Him know that it's not just important to love each other. It's God's law.

Celebrate diversity. Invite foreigners or people who are different from you to your home or church. Jesus

was once a foreigner in a strange land and was grateful for the hospitality He received. There is great diversity in the Communion of Saints.

Practice patience. It can be tough to listen to someone with a speech impediment or a heavy accent. Imagine, though, how grateful that

person will be when you offer your attention. Perhaps it would help to imagine the face of Christ in the face

before you.

Counsel the ignorant.
Someone from another country, background, or with different abilities than yours might behave in what looks like an inconsiderate way out of ignorance or limitations. He might appreciate being informed.

Speak up. Don't stay quiet when you witness prejudice,

and be positive about diversity if friends or relatives start criticizing others' faith, cultures or abilities.

Act with love. The God of love gave of Himself so we could be reunited with Him. We share that love when we assume the best of others and look for the good in all God's children.

Why Do Catholics Do That

Why do Catholics celebrate the Ascension?

Jesus' Ascension into heavenly glory is good news. Sacred Scripture explains that in the Ascension, Jesus, the High Priest, entered the heavenly temple to pray for us with the Father (Hebrews 9:24). Secondly, from his throne in heaven,

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Jesus sends us the Holy
Spirit, who keeps us
connected to Him,
especially in the Eucharist.
Lastly, since Christ entered
into eternal glory, we as the
members of His Body, the
Church, may hope to follow if
we remain faithful to Him.

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PARISH DINNER CELEBRATION OF 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF SAINT NICHOLAS CHAPEL

Sunday, June 25, 2023 / 5pm LiGreci's Staaten Restaurant 697 Forest Avenue, Staten Island NY

This is the Reservation Form for our Reunion Dinner. Parishioners and friends of Saint Nicholas Chapel are invited to join us for a very pleasant dinner following the 3pm Anniversary Mass in Saint Nicholas Chapel. You are invited to the Dinner whether you are able to attend the Mass or not.

We have limited seating in the Chapel, and tickets for the Mass will be distributed by a lottery on Sunday June 4. <u>Please use the notice in the bulletin or send your own note to the rectory to be in the lottery</u>. Each of 80 winners will receive 2 tickets.

Your dinner reservations are made by sending this form to the rectory. We will confirm that we have your request and check. We hope people will come to both Mass and Dinner. Some may be able to come to only one. All will have a good day!

Here are a few things to make your dinner reservation appealing and easy:

- * You will have a very good meal: appetizer, salad, choice of entree, dessert, soda, coffee, tea. Tickets are \$75 complete.
- * There will be tables of ten, and we will be glad to seat friends together.
- * You can take chances on a 50/50 raffle.
- * Guest speeches will be short and sweet.

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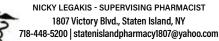
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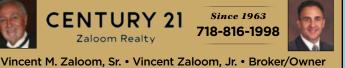


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