

St. Sylvester Church

A Roman Catholic Praying Community

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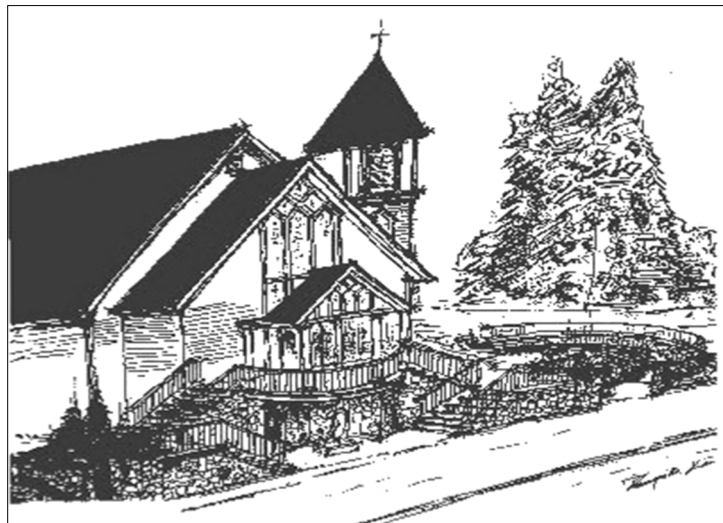
Pastor:
Rev. Jacob Thumma

C.C.D. Coordinator:
Neale Steiniger (718-816-0093)

Parish Business Manager:
Janet Samuel

Counselor for Funerals:
Carmela Rogan

Parish House Office Hours:
Monday-Friday — 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



Eucharist.....our life as a praying community

Saturday evening vigil Mass—4:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses—7:30, 10:00 a.m. (Choir), 12 noon

Holy Day Masses—7:00 p.m. Vigil, 9:00 a.m., 12 noon, 7:00 p.m.

Weekdays—Rosary Chapel: Mon. through Fri. at 8:30 a.m.
Saturdays at 9:00 a.m.

Devotions

Monday through Saturday—Rosary following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Mondays—Miraculous Medal following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Tuesdays—St. Anthony of Padua following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Wednesdays—Eucharistic Holy Hour: 7 - 8 p.m.

Fridays of Lent—Stations of the Cross: 12 noon & 7:00 p.m.

Parish Activities

Men's Holy Name Society, Women's Guild, Golden Age,
Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Funeral Ministry, Ushers/
Greeters, Teen Youth Activities Group, A.C.A., B.S.A. Cub Den
and Troop 85, Manresa Christian Life Community, Altar Servers,
Hospitality Sunday - 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month, Sept.
thru June...Continental Breakfast and good conversation in
the Parish Hall following the 10 o'clock Mass.

Parish Registration →

Our Parish family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. Every family moving into the Parish is requested to register at the Rectory. You may fill out the adjacent form and drop it in the collection basket next weekend, or stop into the Parish Office.

Baptism.....our life as a Christian begins!

We rejoice with families on the occasion of the birth of a new child. Please call 718-727-4639 and speak to a member of the parish staff to arrange for an interview and registration for the required baptismal preparation class.

Reconciliation...the loving power of the Father's forgiveness

Confessions on Saturdays—3:00 pm to 3:45 p.m.

Matrimony

Arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance and prior to making any plans for the reception. Please call the Parish Office for an appointment with a priest. All couples are expected to attend a Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone # _____ listed/unlisted?

Email _____

☐ Please send census card for my parish registration

☐ I would like to receive Offering Envelopes

☐ I would like a Priest to contact me

May 26, 2019

Parish of St. Sylvester

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 26, 2019



Peace I leave with you;
my peace I give you.

—John 14:27

Liturgies and Intentions for the Week

Saturday, May 25 - VIGIL MASS FOR 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
4:00 p.m. = John Peres and Anna Peres

Sunday, May 26 - 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
7:30 a.m. = for our Mother's Day intentions
10:00 a.m. = for our Mother's Day intentions
12:00 noon = for our Mother's Day intentions

Monday, May 27 - Easter Weekday;
[St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop]
8:30 a.m. = Galsim family

Tuesday, May 28 - Easter Weekday
8:30 a.m. = Bill Conte

Wednesday, May 29 - Easter Weekday; [St. Paul VI, Pope]
8:30 a.m. = _____
7:00 p.m. = **Vigil Mass of the ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

Thursday, May 30 - THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD
9:00 a.m. = Rose Fortunato
12 noon = _____
7:00 p.m. = _____

Friday, May 31 - VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
8:30 a.m. = Frank and Jennie Buttermark

Saturday, June 1 - St. Justin, Martyr; FIRST SATURDAY
9:00 a.m. = good health & wellbeing for Sean Xavier Lee

Saturday, June 1 - VIGIL MASS FOR 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
4:00 p.m. = F. Barry Mulligan

Sunday, June 2 - 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
7:30 a.m. = Mary Brescia
10:00 a.m. = Ismael, Sr. and Marciana Holipas
12:00 noon = Maria Ruscitti

Memorial Day



Weekly Collections Our Parish Family's Support:

Fifth Sunday of Easter - \$3,434.00
Reserve Fund - \$ 800.00

Last Year: Fifth Sunday of Easter - \$3,320.00
Catholic Missions - \$ 691.00

Lord, hold our troops safe in your loving hands—

Staff Sgt. Victor L. Andrea, Jr. - U. S. Air Force
Seaman Daniel Brennan - U. S. Navy
SR Francis S. Cummings - U. S. Navy
SR Michael J. Cummings - U. S. Navy
Col. Jeffrey N. Davila, MD - U. S. Air Force
Lucia Di Simone-Biggins - U. S. M.C.
Ryan Foley - U.S. M.C.
Alvin S. Joseph II - U. S. Navy
Lt. Col. Jay Le Pore - U. S. Air Force in Japan
Prescod Montgomery - U. S. Army in Iraq
Ens. II Steven Pasignajen-Trimble - U.S. Navy/Persian Gulf
Samuel Rios - U. S. Air Force
Joseph Somma - U. S. Marine Corps
Lt. Col. Michael Volpe - U. S. Army-South Korea



Has someone here been promoted, transferred, demobilized, discharged, retired? Please let us know.



PLEASE PRAY: . . . for those anticipating a hospital stay, recuperating, and the home-bound in our parish and in our families. Keep this list near the place where you pray each day so that you remember them throughout the week.

Daniela Agucia, Robert Ballard, Sr., Joseph Bertolini,
Nancy J. Bushman, Antonia Carlino, Lucille Chatznoff,
Frances Cirincione, Conley family, Stephen Cucci,
Maria Erlinger, Joseph Falletti, Robert Forlenza,
Thomas Galvin, Robert Golden, Debra S. Iammatteo,
Bridget Kehley, Nicholas Kinahan, Frank Labano,
Dr. Nicolas C. Lansigan, Jr., Louis Matos, Travis Mayhew,
George Moresca, Delia Murguia, William Murphy,
Amy O'Donnell, Lee Poyntz, Sharon Poyntz,
William "Harry" Rettino, Carmela Rogan, Eulah Ryan,
Alice Santamays, John Savarese, Annette Scardigno,
Louise Stanley, Tom Varisi, John Vincenzo, Joan Walter,
Robert Williams

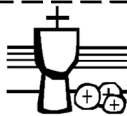
Please let us know if anyone for whom we are praying has recovered from illness/surgery so that we may rejoice with you and then make room for others in need of prayer.

Thank you.

The **Bread and Wine** offered
this week are presented in memory of

Bill Conte

requested by **his wife, Angela**



This week the **Sanctuary Lamp** burns
before the **Tabernacle** in memory of

Bill Conte

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MEETINGS

A.C.A., A 12-step program for adults
who grew up in a dysfunctional home,
meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Rosary Hall.
For info. call Larry at 718-619-5545



Pastor's Corner

My Dear Parishioners,

In today's gospel we can tell that Jesus' followers are troubled. Their teacher and friend is explaining that he will be leaving them very soon, and they are worried and anxious because they don't know what the future will bring. So he comforts them by letting them know they will not be abandoned. He gives them a great gift:

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."

And 2,000 years later, we who are also his followers are worried and anxious about the future, too.

If we are young we worry about whether we will find jobs, whether we will find love, whether our lives will have meaning and purpose. These worries can come back throughout our lives, but when we are older we also tend to worry about whether our children will thrive, whether we will be healthy, whether we will be able to look back on our lives and feel we have lived well and served others as well.

And so, Jesus' words are not meant just for his disciples standing right before him, but also for us. Our temporal future is unknown, and that may be unsettling, but we have not been abandoned. Jesus tells us not to let our hearts be troubled or afraid. If we open ourselves and allow ourselves truly to experience God's presence then our hearts can be nourished by the gift of peace that Jesus offers.

Keep smiling,

Fr. Jacob



MEMORIAL DAY

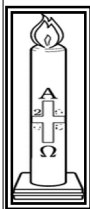


A poignant reminder of the extraordinary sacrifices made to protect our freedom and secure our safety.

We post our American flag on this day . . .

On June 22, 1942 Congress passed a joint resolution, later amended on December 22, 1942, that encompassed what has come to be known as the U.S. Flag Code. Perhaps the most important rule is how citizens should behave around the Stars and Stripes: The flag of the United States is the emblem of our identity as a separate nation, which the United States of America has been for more than 200 years. Therefore, citizens should stand at attention and salute when their flag is passing in a parade or being hoisted or lowered.

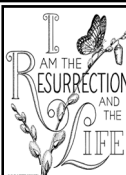
St. Sylvester Parish family welcomes . . .



Nicole Pepe
Baptized on May 19, 2019

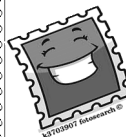
daughter of
Artesia Dorsey and Andreas Geroulakis
presented to the Lord by her godmother
Leeanne Labriola

Sunday, June 2nd, at the 10 AM Mass we will be honoring those couples in our parish family who, during 2019 are celebrating an anniversary of 25, 50 or more years of their sacrament of Matrimony. After the Mass the couples and their invited guests will enjoy a congratulatory Brunch in the Parish Hall. If you and your spouse would like to share in this celebration, please call the Parish Office.



"...they shall be greatly blessed, because God tried them and found them worth of Himself."

Giuseppe Di Benedetto
returned to the Lord's embrace.



Question #1: Did you know that you can be a missionary as you sit in your own home?

Question #2: What do you do with the cancelled stamps arriving on your mail

each day?

Answer to both questions: Send those cancelled stamps to the Sisters of the Holy Cross. All kinds of stamps, postcards, stamp collections, are put together in packages for sale to stamp dealers, auctions, or for Art and Craft classes, etc. Proceeds help support their ministries with the poor in Africa, Asia, South America, Mexico, and the United States.

Send your stamps to: Sr. M. Jane Chantel, C.S.C.,
Mgr., Stamp Rm., Development Office—St. Mary's,
407 Bernard Hall, Notre Dame, Indiana 46556-5000

3 on 3 Men's Basketball Tournament

JAMES GAMES 2019

SUNDAY, JUNE 9TH AT 2:00 PM
ST. CLARE'S CARDINAL COOKE CENTER
110 NELSON AVE., S.I. 10308

sponsored by Villa Veritas Foundation, Inc.

All are welcome for a free afternoon. Between games speakers in recovery will address current issues on Staten Island, i.e. the misuse of Rx medications.

**Join us for an afternoon of basketball,
memories, recovery and fellowship**