

St. Sylvester Church

A Roman Catholic Praying Community

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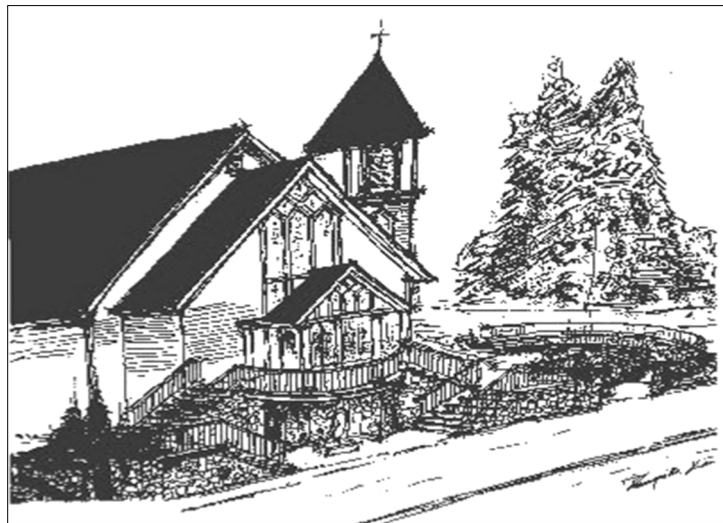
Janet Samuel

Religious Education Coordinator:

Neale Steiniger (718-816-0093)

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

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

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.

Oct. 27, 2019

Parish of St. Sylvester

**29th Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

October 20, 2019



God hears those
who call out day and night.

—Psalm 121:1-2

Liturgies and Intentions for the Week

Saturday, Oct. 26- Vigil Mass –30th Sun. in Ord.Time
4:00 p.m. = Rita and Carlos Malaspina

Sunday, Oct. 27 – 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 a.m. = Charles Smith [5th ann. in heaven]
10:00 a.m. = Peter Uzzo
12:00 noon = deceased members of McCoy family and
Mary Bhatia

Monday, Oct. 28 – Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles
8:30 a.m. = Frances Smith

Tuesday, Oct. 29 – 30th Week in Ordinary Time;
8:30 a.m. = Good health & wellbeing for Mia Filan

Wednesday, Oct. 30– 30th Week in Ordinary Time;
8:30 a.m. = Jerry Kennedy
7:00 p.m. = HOUR OF EUCHARISTIC PRAYER & BENEDICTION

Thursday, Oct. 31 – 30th Week in Ordinary Time;
8:30 a.m. = Carmelita Cantada
Thursday, Oct. 31 – Vigil Mass for Holyday of All Saints
7:00 p.m. = _____

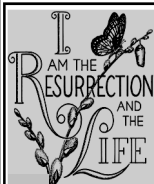
Friday, Nov. 1 - Holyday of All Saints; First Friday;
World Community Day

9:00 a.m. = _____
12:00 noon = _____
7:00 p.m. = _____

**Saturday, Nov. 2 - Commemoration of All the Faithful
Departed (All Souls Day); First Saturday**
9:00 a.m. = All Souls Intentions

Saturday, Nov. 2- Vigil Mass –30th Sun. in Ord.Time
4:00 p.m. = All Souls Intentions

Sunday, Nov. 3 – 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 a.m. = All Souls Intentions
10:00 a.m. = All Souls Intentions
12:00 noon = All Souls Intentions



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

Ruth Glenn

has returned to the Lord's embrace.

Weekly Collections Our Parish Family's Support

Oct 20, 2019 –29th Sunday-Ord. Time - \$3,124.
World Mission Sunday - \$ 567.

Oct. 21, 2018—1st Collection - \$3,286.
World Mission Sunday - \$ 746.

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. Il Steven Passignajen-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 homebound 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,
Ed Cintula, Frances Cirincione, Conley family,
Stephen Cucci, Maria Erlinger, 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, Sr. Carrie Portu, Lee Poyntz,
Sharon Poyntz, 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 recov-
ered from illness/surgery so that we may rejoice with you and
then make room for others in need of prayer. Thank you.*



Pastor's Corner

My Dear Parishioners,

"All we can do now is pray." This is said frequently in times of sickness, crisis, or emergency when all human efforts have failed. There's an air of resignation about it, a sense that we are backed into a corner with no way out. It puts God in the place of last resort, and is clearly contrary to the words of scripture and the voice of Jesus himself. In the Gospels, Jesus tells his disciples pray constantly. What does this mean? It means don't wait. Call on God now. Cry to God. Tell God your problems. Open your heart. Even if it seems as if heaven is closed tight, have faith that there is always an ear that hears you and an eye that looks on you with love. Prayer is a way to place every aspect of your life before God. Will all prayer be answered? Yes, but not necessarily in ways you ask for or expect. Like a parent to a child, God in heaven may say "yes," "no," or "wait." Perhaps your friend who has cancer needs more than physical healing, to be reconciled with a family member. Maybe the job that fell through for your son would have been a turn in the wrong direction. Your desire to get over the grief of your divorce may be premature. Your children may come back to the Church once they have children of their own. In all these things, God can see the bigger picture. The purpose of prayer is not to persuade God to grant us all that we ask for, but to place our concerns, wishes, and desires in the heart of God and rest them there. God will give us all we need, if we start with folded hands and an attitude of trust.

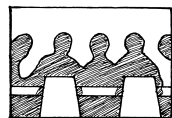
Keep smiling,

Fr. Jacob



OUR LADY OF FATIMA Pilgrim Virgin Statue will visit Staten Island in November

Having been carved decades ago by the Sanctuary in Portugal, the Pilgrim Virgin visiting us has traveled the world many times over and has been venerated by countless Faithful. The schedule of dates, times, parishes, and liturgies for this visit will be printed in our parish bulletin for the coming 2 weeks.



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.
Call Larry at 718-619-5545



St. Sylvester Youth Group

The next meeting of the **St Sylvester's Youth Group** will be held on November 3rd in Rosary Hall after the 10 AM Mass.

Since Julian and Aleah take on added responsibilities at college this year we welcome **Laura Harwood, Janiece Ortega, and Clara Vioria** as the Group's new Co-Directors.

Laura Harwood has volunteered to take up Julian's work—writing talks at Masses and preparation of bulletin information.

This year's first projects will be helping at the Parish's **Spaghetti Dinner** on November 3rd and supporting the Cross Road Foundation's **Baby Bottle Campaign** here in our parish.

All teens – 7th grade and higher - are welcome to come to the meeting and see what the group is up to.

ST. JOSEPH BY-THE-SEA HIGH SCHOOL

Sunday, Oct. 20th
GIRLS
1-4 p.m.



Sunday, Oct. 27th
BOYS
1-4 p.m.

PREREGISTER by texting the word "SEA" to the number: 313131

Living Stewardship Now

When faced with an emergency or crisis, begin with prayer, such as "Jesus, I trust in you. Guide me to do your will in this and all things."

Join us....  ...next Sunday-10/20
for Hospitality Sunday