June 2, 2019

The Ascension
Of the Lord

St. Columbanus Parish

122 Oregon Road, Cortlandt Manor, NY 10567

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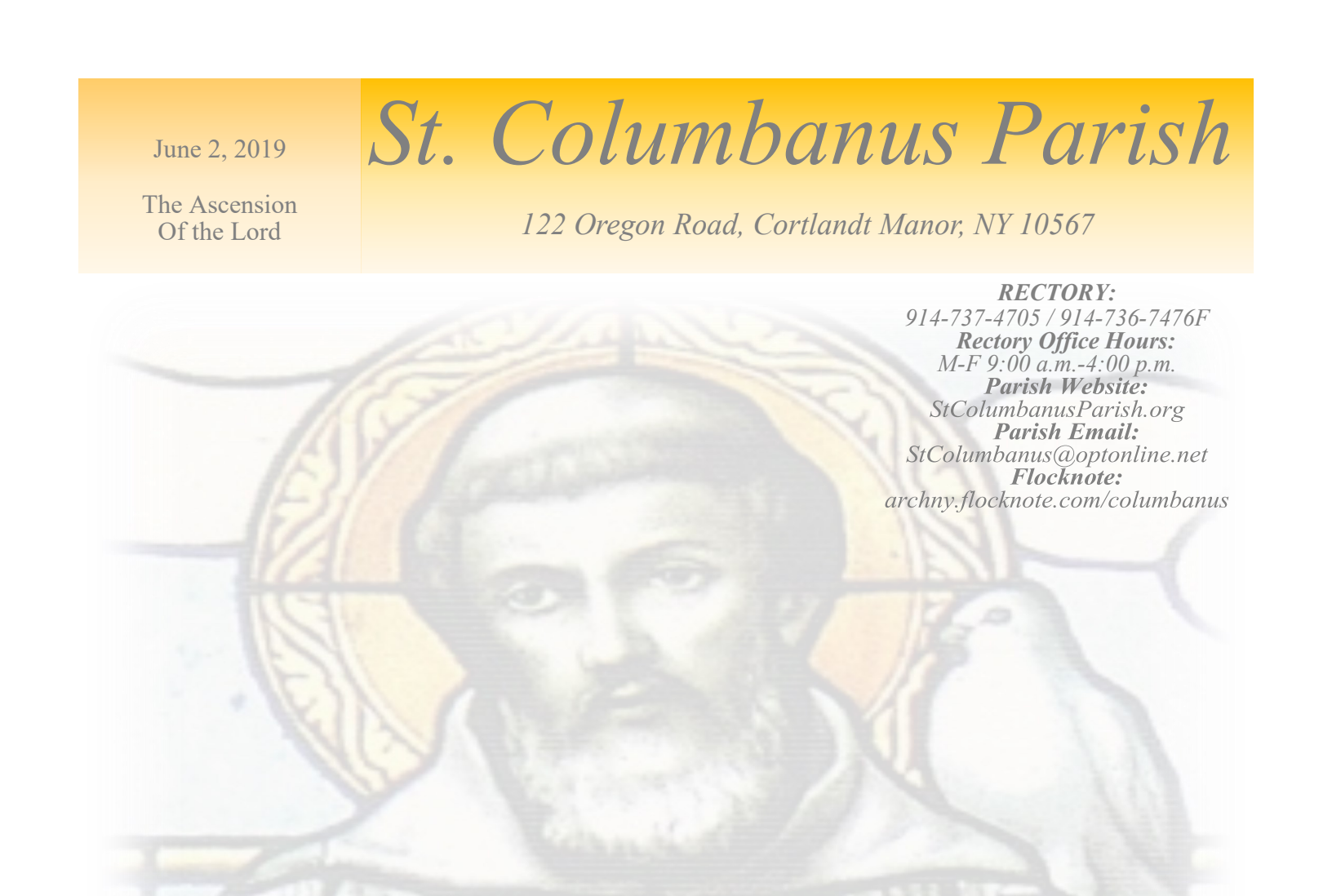

REV. FRANCIS J. SAMOYLO, PASTOR
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MASSES - St. Columbanus

Saturdays: 8:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
(6 p.m. satisfies Sunday Obligation)
Sundays: 8:00 a.m., 11:45 a.m. &
9:45 a.m. Traditional Latin Mass (TLM)
Weekdays: Mon 9:00 a.m.
T - F 7:30 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.
Eve of Holy Day: 6:00 p.m.
Holy Days: 7:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.
** Handicapped Accessibility **

St. Columbanus School

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Church of the North American Martyrs

MISSION: Lake Peekskill, New York
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MASSES
Saturdays: 5:00 p.m. (satisfies Sunday Obligation)
Sundays: 11:00 a.m.
Holy Days: 10:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS
1/2 hour before each Mass

Religious Education

Isabel Arroyo, Coordinator (914) 739-2441
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Sat. 8:50 a.m.-10:30.a.m.; Sun: 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. then
Children's Mass 11:45; Mon 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS (St. Columbanus)
Saturdays 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. & after the 6:00 p.m. Mass. Mondays during Holy Hour: 7:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.

***MARRIAGES**: Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance of desired wedding date.*

***BAPTISMS:** Meeting with Fr. Edwin on the first Sat. of the month at 10:30 a.m. Call the Rectory to sign up.*

Masses for the Week

SUNDAY ~ June 2
The Ascension of the Lord
8:00 a.m. Ann Marie & Patricia Barber (healing)
9:45 a.m. Traditional Latin Mass
11:00 a.m. Jane Stabile
11:45 a.m. For Our Parish & Parishioners

MONDAY ~ June 3
St. Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs
9:00 a.m. Mother's Day Novena

TUESDAY ~ June 4
Easter Weekday
7:30 a.m. Mother's Day Novena
9:00 a.m. The Fleming Family & Loved Ones (living and deceased)

WEDNESDAY ~ June 5
St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr
7:30 a.m. Karl "Smokey" Wolert
9:00 a.m. John M. Samoylo

THURSDAY ~ June 6
St. Norbert, Bishop
7:30 a.m. Mary Gillick (living)
9:00 a.m. Mother's Day Novena

FRIDAY ~ June 7
Easter Weekday
7:30 a.m. Msgr. Patrick J. Keenan (living)
9:00 a.m. Thomas & Richard Jennings & Patricia Ciccarone

SATURDAY ~ June 8
Easter Weekday
8:30 a.m. William J. Foy
5:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m. Joseph Jelenek

SUNDAY'S READINGS

1st Reading: *As the Apostles were looking on, Jesus was taken up.* **(Acts 1:1-11)**

Psalm: *God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.* **(Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9)**

2nd Reading: *Christ has entered into heaven itself.* **(Eph 1:17-23)**

Alleluia: *Go and teach all nations, says the Lord; I am with you always, until the end of the world.*

Gospel: *As he blessed them, he was taken up to heaven.* **(Luke 24:46-53)**

WINE, HOST, AND TABERNACLE CANDLE

A donation of $25 will provide for the weeklong burning of the tabernacle candle in memory of loved ones. A like donation for the hosts and wine offered at Mass may be given as a memorial as well. Please call or stop by the rectory if you'd like to honor your loved ones in this holy manner.

May 27, 2018
$6,899.71

SHARING GOD'S GIFTS

May 26, 2019
$5,079.80

Names of the sick are listed for six months from the date of the initial request.
Contact the rectory to add someone.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Trina Aguilar, Ann Marie & Patricia Barber, Justin Fedele, Alex Hetsko, Kerry Kennedy, Kevin Kolosky, Vincent McKenna, Robert McLoughlin, Roselea Megna, Robert Modena, Lorraine Orza, Vivian Pabon, Debbie Pinto, Liana Pozzuto, Doreen Robinson, Robert Salvador, Fr. Frank Samoylo, Cathy Samoylo, Patrick Scelza, Joan Schneider, Kelly Small, Rosamma Thomas, Brigid Velluzzi, Camila White, Wendy White

FOOD + REFRESHMENTS + BINGO =FUN

Join us every Friday in Dillon Hall at ****7:20 p.m.****
*Try your luck at our "Quickie" games
*Come for the $250 Early Bird Special

***Play the "$900 Jackpot" each week**

*Bring a new player & get a FREE admission ticket for that night!

No one under 18 allowed in Dillon Hall while Bingo is in session.

June 7 is Team #3:
V. Casale
Kitchen: P. Onate & S. Casale

FIRST FRIDAY HOMEBOUND CALLS

The Priests and Deacon of our Parish are pleased to take the sacrament of the Holy Communion to those unable to attend Mass. If you know of someone who would like to be added to their visitors list, please contact the rectory at (914) 737-4705.

FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & BENEDICTION

The Blessed Sacrament will be placed on the altar in the monstrance after the 9:00 a.m. Mass of Friday, June 7, where it will be on the altar for adoration until 12:00 p.m., at which time there will be Benediction. We ask parishioners to stop by and spend time before the Body of our Lord to demonstrate our devotion to him. There will also be a Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus at 11:30 a.m.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

A monthly Northern Westchester Young Adult Mass will be held every 2nd Tuesday of the month at St. Augustine's in Ossining. Mass will be at 7:00 p.m. with confessions available at 6:30 p.m. and a social to follow the Mass. We will be having a different priest each month celebrate the Mass.

CATHOLIC NEW YORK COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

A collection to help defray the costs of publishing the Catholic New York periodical will be taken up at next weekend's Masses. Please place your yellow "Catholic New York" envelope in the first collection and accept our thanks for your generosity. Please check the box on the envelope if you would like the paper delivered at home at no charge.

FRANCISCAN PRAYER GROUP

The members of the local Secular Franciscan Fraternity would like to pray for you. Send your requests via email to *franciscanprayer@yahoo.com*, and we will pray for your needs. The Franciscans meet at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton on the fourth Sunday of the month in Annex A. For information, call Janet Angelillo, 914-245-9248.

FATHER'S DAY CARDS

Father's Day cards may be obtained in either Church vestibule for the "Novena of Masses" during June for all enrolled fathers, living and deceased. To participate, kindly write the name(s) of the intended on the outside of the envelope and place them in the collection basket at Masses being celebrated during the upcoming weeks. Thank You!

A THANK YOU FROM MSGR. KEENAN

On Friday, May 24th at the Memorial Day service in Cortlandt Manor, I received a Certificate of Appreciation from Supervisor Linda D. Puglisi and the Town Board for my 50 years of Ordination and 32 years in St. Columbanus.

On Monday, May 27th at the Putnam Valley Memorial Day service, I received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Town Supervisor, Sam Oliverio, and the Board for my 50th and 32 years at St. Columbanus. Also, a Certificate of Appreciation from Lake Peekskill, signed by Gordon Murray. Also, I received a Citation from the New York State Assembly by Kevin M. Byrne, a Proclamation from the New York State Senate by Sue Serino, and a congratulation from the Putnam County Legislature by William Gouldman.

Thank you very much to all the above.

~PASTOR'S NOTES~

As you all know, I celebrate the Mass with the posture called "ad orientem" (toward the east), that is, facing the tabernacle. Before I began saying Mass this way I gave the reasoning behind it. I would like to refresh your memory of the reasoning for saying Mass facing liturgical east. I came across this article in the July 13, 2017 issue of *Catholic Insight* by Terry McDermott:

On the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross, my ten-year-old daughter went to church with me. The priest at the church regularly celebrates Mass *ad orientem*, whether he is offering the Novus Ordo Mass in Latin or English. Afterwards, I asked my daughter what she thought of the Mass. Her short but certain answer was "beautiful." In *Spirit of the Liturgy*, Pope Benedict XVI, then Cardinal Ratzinger, writes about the *ad orientem* Mass this way: "Praying towards the East is a tradition that goes back to the beginning. Moreover, it is a fundamental expression of the Christian synthesis of cosmos and history, of being rooted in the once-for-all events of salvation history while going out to meet the Lord who is to come again. Here both the fidelity to the gift already bestowed and the dynamism of going forward are given equal expression." Facing "to the east" or to the liturgical east is what it means to be *ad orientem*. So all of us, priests and congregation alike, turn towards the Risen Christ represented by the rising sun.

There's a sense of awe and attention at a Mass *ad orientum* that can't be duplicated at Mass celebrated *versus populum* where the priest faces the people. When the priest faces the tabernacle (which should be front and centre in all churches) and the crucifix (which should be hanging above the tabernacle), just by his physical orientation he leads us to Jesus. We aren't sitting back and watching him; we are following him to the altar where the Eucharistic sacrifice takes place. There's a sense of profound mystery surrounding his actions and by the direction he faces, we acknowledge that the Mass is about Jesus—His body, blood, soul, and divinity—and not about the community gathered together to break the "communion bread," to quote a regrettable line from a current church hymn.

All these many years after Vatican II, issues regarding the Liturgy remain divisive. With the implementation of Pope Benedict's *Summorum Pontificum*, it seems that divisions have become deeper.

The issue isn't so much about the Extraordinary Form Mass versus the Novus Ordo Mass; the issue is about reverence and approaching Holy Mass with an attitude that befits the solemness of being present at the Eucharistic sacrifice. The priest, when turned around, automatically commands the proper demeanour whether the Mass is in Latin, English, or another language.

Cardinal Ratzinger continues: "A common turning to the East during the Eucharistic Prayer remains essential. This is not a case of something accidental, but of what is essential. Looking at the priest has no importance. What matters is looking together at the Lord. It is not now a question of dialogue, but of common worship, of setting off towards the One who is to come. What corresponds with the reality of what is happening is not the closed circle, but the common movement forward expressed in a common direction for prayer."

The reasons for *ad orientem* Mass are all very sound and it's hard to understand why many clergy and lay people still show so much resistance to it. Perhaps we need to look at the issue in a more simple light. If a ten-year-old girl can see the beauty of celebrating Mass in this more traditional orientation, then maybe that's all the reason we need.

In Jesus and Mary,
Fr. Frank Samoylo

RELIGIOUS ED NEEDS HELP

We are lacking catechists. Therefore we are appealing to you, parents of children already in the Religious Ed. Program, professional teachers, single men/women, and married couples to open your hearts and proclaim our God given gifts of faith and love and apply it to a great cause, preparing our children to be spiritually strong minded. Our children will be enriched and empowered with your life-time of experience in the Catholic faith. This can only be fostered if you give a little of your time to spread the good news of the Lord. Wouldn't you want to be an intricate part of a program that you can actually see and experience what your child is learning? If you participate now, you will get a discount on your next registration.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

~Rosary Recitation~ Tuesday - Saturday, 8:00a.m.
~Divine Mercy Chaplet ~ Monday-Friday, 9:30a.m.

- Adoration ~ Monday, 7:00 p.m.
- Columbiettes Meeting ~ Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
- Bible Study ~ Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.
- Play Group ~ Friday, 10:00 a.m.
- Bingo ~ Friday, 7:30 p.m.

Not on FORMED yet? Go to stcolumbanus.formed.org. Click Register, then enter your name, email address and desired password. You are now registered to enjoy the free parish subscription which gives you 24/7 access to over 300 quality Catholic on line programs, 99+ movies, 101+ audios, & 98+ Ebooks. Friday was the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Study: Symbolon: Knowing the Faith, Session 9: *Mary and the Saints* or The Bible and the Virgin Mary: Session 5: *Ark of the Covenant.* Watch: Ready Reasons: *Was the Immaculate Conception Necessary?* or listen to: *The Virgin Mary Revealed Through Scripture.*