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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 10, 2015

Vigil: Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. Daniel J. Harrington

Sunday, October 11, 2015

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mass for the Parishioners of

St. John the Baptist

9:30 a.m. Sabino Morano

11:00 a.m. For the Deceased Members of the

Mancuso Family

12:30 p.m. Kathleen, Peter, Bernadette and

Eileen Fitzsimons

Monday, October 12, 2015

Columbus Day

8:00 a.m. Giovanni, Genoveffa, Rodolfo and

Roberto Roscigno

Tuesday, October 13, 2015

8:00 a.m. Maria "Csaba

12:00 noon M. Victor DiFede

Wednesday, October 14, 2015

Feast of St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

8:00 a.m. Magda Wrozima

12:00 noon Charles Kerr – 1st Anniversary

Thursday, October 15, 2015

Feast of St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the

Church

8:00 a.m. Joseph Flynn – 4th Anniversary

12:00 noon Antonio and Margherita Colbertaldo

Friday, October 16, 2015

Feast of St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary

Alacoque, Virgin

8:00 a.m. Margaret (Peg) O'Carroll

12:00 noon Vincent Streva

Saturday, October 17, 2015

Feast of St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

8:00 a.m. Mary Leahy

Saturday, October 17, 2015

Vigil: Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. Edward Locksa

Sunday, October 18, 2015

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Molly, Jack and Sheila O'Sullivan

9:30 a.m. Mass for the Parishioners of

St. John the Baptist

11:00 a.m. For the Deceased Members of the

Naryniecki and Kozlowski Family

12:30 p.m. Robert Manz



III. Brian Higgins and Nicole Stabile
II. Rigoberto Trejo and Maria Medina
II. Michael Buckenmeyer and Cara Galterio
II. Luis Manzo and Gayle Batham
I. Barry McElduff and Caroline Murphy
I. Anthony Falardo and Krista Santo

WEEKLY PARISH CALENDAR

Monday, October 12th Rectory Office Closed

Wednesday, October 14th

Senior Club – following 12:00 noon Mass – lower Church R.E. Grades 1st through 5th -- 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. – School R.E. Grades 6th through 8th -- 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. – School Baptismal Instructions – 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. – lower Church

Thursday, October 15th

2nd Grade Cub Scouts -- 2:30 p.m. – lower Church R.E. Parents Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – lower Church

Friday, October 16th

4th Grade Girl Scouts – 2:30 p.m. – lower Church Pack Night – 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. – lower Church

<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>

Saturday, October 10th

5:00 p.m. – J. Corcoran and R. Corcoran

Sunday, October 11th

8:00 a.m. – D. Browne and T. Browne 9:30 a.m. – D. Odume and R. Tuffy 11:00 a.m. – S. Healy and N. Tierney 12:30 p.m. – E. Carbin and R. Duffy

Saturday, October 17th

5:00 p.m. – D. Reidy and P. Tozzi

Sunday, October 18th

8:00 a.m. – E. Loughran and M. Loughran 9:30 a.m. – B. Doran and N. Camacho 11:00 a.m. – V. Cotza and McGarvey 12:30 p.m. – M. DiRosa and P. DiRosa

All Souls Day: November is the month that we pray for all our dearly departed. On All Souls Day, November 2nd, we remember our friends and loved ones who have gone before us into eternal life. Those whose names are returned to us on All Souls envelopes will be remembered at all Masses at St. John's during the month of November. Starting next week, envelopes will be available at the exits of the Church for those who have not received them in the mail.

S.J.B. ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 11, 2015



TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: The "Spirit of Wisdom" extolled so beautifully by Solomon in today's first reading (Wis. 7:7-11), is not just intellectual understanding, but a whole philosophy of life. Biblically, wisdom is real insight into life, the discernment required to live life well. This Wisdom, which is a gift from God, is at the heart of human existence, so basic that "all good things" come together with her and nothing is more precious. "All gold in view of her, is a little sand."

The rich man in St. Mark's gospel (Mk. 10:17-30) is apparently sincere enough. When Jesus offers him the commandments as a pattern of life, the man assures him that he has been observing them since childhood. It is Jesus' directive that he divest himself of everything that is the rich man's stumbling block. Jesus then reminds His followers, and us, that being too caught up in possessions and wealth can distract us from the real values of a committed life. It is our attitude that is important, and for the wealthy that means a spirit of detachment from their riches, as well as a willingness to share with those in need.

To emphasize this point, our second reading from the letter to the Hebrews (Heb. 4:12-13) reminds us that nothing is hidden from God. Whatever our status or resources, each of us is responsible for what we have been given, and will one day have to render an account of our stewardship.



SPECIAL SAINTS' DAYS THIS WEEK

Wednesday, October 14th – St. Callustus

Callistus, born at the end of the first century, was a Roman slave, a convert to Christianity and eventually a pope! He established the first cemetery on the outskirts of Rome – and the catacombs that bear his name are still visited by pilgrims to the Eternal City.

He was martyred in 222.

Thursday, October 15th - St. Teresa of Avila

Teresa lived in Spain in the 16th century and along with another famous mystic, St. John of the Cross, founded the reformed order of Carmelite friars and nuns. The author of several religious classics, Teresa was the first of three women to be named "Doctor of the Church". She is also the patroness of Spain.

Friday, October 16th – St. Margaret Mary

Margaret Mary Alacoque lived in the 17th century France and spent most of her life in a convent where she lived, worked and prayed as a Visitation nun. She is remembered as a mystic whose devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus was principally responsible for the spread of that devotion to the entire Church.

Saturday, October 17th - St. Ignatius of Antioch

One of the greatest and earliest martyrs, Ignatius was bishop of Antioch when he was brought to Rome for execution and martyred there (by being thrown to wild animals) under the Emperor Trajan in the year 107. On his way to Rome he wrote seven letters (still extant) to different Churches on the Christian life and the need for faith and courage in the face of adversity.

Being and Becoming Catholic: Very shortly we will begin a series of meetings that will prepare teenagers and adults to receive the sacrament of baptism, communion, and/or confirmation. Often adult and young adult Catholics (for a variety of reasons) have never received confirmation. In other cases, persons from another (non-Catholic) Christian tradition wish to become Catholics; such persons are prepared for reception into the Church by this program. Finally, there are individuals who were never baptized who may wish to become Catholics – this group is meant for them as well. If you know any such an individual, please have him or her contact Sr. Mary Beth Read at 965-2338 as soon as possible.

<u>Special Appeal</u>: Many of our parishioners are aware of the tragic case of 5 year old Leah Carmody who has been diagnosed with a brain tumor which has affected her memory and left her partially paralyzed. She will require special care for years to come. A benefit to defray medical costs will be held in Gaelic Park on Sunday, October 18th from 2:00 to 10:00 p.m. \$100 raffle tickets are on sale now – and your help would be appreciated. Visit the website: www.leahcarmodybenefitfund.com for more information. Please keep Leah and her family in your prayers.

Sunday Report: Last weekend 1,330 parishioners attended Mass; our collection totaled \$8459.00; average contribution: \$636. Thank you for your continued financial support of St. John's and its many needs. Your generosity is essential and greatly appreciated.



Rest in Peace: Let us pray for Richard A. Gandolfi, Ruby Capilla, Carmina Giampietro and Robert Mancini who were buried from our church this past week. Our prayers go out to their families and friends.

Special Support Group: There will be a Free 6-Week Employment Networking Support Group offered on the following Monday evenings (6:30 – 8:00 p.m.): October 19th, 26th and November 2nd at the RDC Center for Counseling and Human Development, 52 N. Broadway, White Plains. Please see our website: rdccenter.org for more information or call Pat Sheridan, LCSW at 798-1103 for more information or to register.



Parish Picnic: The St. John the Baptist Holy Name Society is planning a parish picnic! Come join us for some fall fun on October 17th, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at St. Joseph's Seminary. There will be

softball, volleyball, soccer and other fun games. The cost is \$30.00 per family or \$10.00 per person which includes hamburgers, hotdogs, soda, juice and water. We will also have a 50/50 raffles. Only 100 50/50 tickets will be sold for \$100.00 a ticket -- \$5000.00 winner! Drawing will take place at 4:00 p.m. at the picnic. If interested in the picnic and/or raffle email Danny Vanadia at dvanadia@aol.com.

Volunteer Opportunity: Habitat for Humanity, an organization that builds houses for those in need, is planning a project in our own backyard. The house will be in southwest Yonkers and will be called the Pope Francis House in honor of his visit. This is a perfect opportunity to live out the gospel message our Holy Father preaches by volunteering your time and effort. The minimum age for volunteers is sixteen and the project will take place on upcoming Saturdays. If vou are interested either call the rectory or Deacon Nick Ramoni at 914-274-1641.



Special Month: October is considered the Month of the Holy Rosary – a time for special devotion to Our Lady. During our sung Masses this month our Communion Hymn will be a Marian hymn. We encourage everyone to pray

the rosary during October.

Please Note: Due to the Columbus Day holiday, there will be no 12:00 noon Mass on Monday October 12th. We will have only one Mass at 8:00 a.m. and the Novena to the Miraculous Medal will follow the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Both our school and parish offices will be closed that day.

Compassionate Counseling: The RDC Center for Counseling and Human Development, located on the grounds of the Good Counsel Campus, 52 N. Broadway, White Plains, provides a breadth of high quality affordable counseling services in an inclusive spirit of compassion to individuals, couples and families of all ages, in an atmosphere of welcome. Open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday – Friday, we can be reached at 914-949-0504 to get more information or to make an appointment or visit our website at rdccenter.org.

The Holy Name Society will host their **save the date** annual Father/Daughter dance on Friday, November 13^m, in the lower Church from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.. The cost will be \$15.00 per person and will include dinner and DJ entertainment. This year's theme will be a Father/Daughter Hoedown, so please get those cowboy/girl boots ready! Details to follow. Any questions, please contact Tina Osso at (914) 879-2975.

St. John's Senior Club: The Senior Club will be attending a performance of "Show Boat" at the Westchester Broadway Theatre and are offering ALL interested parishioners a chance to join us on Thursday, October 29th. Tickets are \$55.00 per person. Provide your own transportation. Doors open at 11:00 a.m. Please contact Deacon Olivieri at 914-423-4859.



Mission Sunday: Next Sunday, October 18th is Mission Sunday – the day we are invited to pray for missionaries and to support by our contributions the tremendous work being done all over the world by priests, religious, and

lay people who are part of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. They have dedicated their lives to serving the poorest of God's people. We will take up a special collection next week after communion to assist their efforts. Please be generous.

Halloween Party: Once again this year the H.N.S. is sponsoring a Halloween Party on Saturday, Party Sponsoring a manowed law, on the Church October 31st from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Church

Hall. Pizza, soda and "goodies" provided; costumes are required. A \$5.00 donation for children 10 years old and under, \$10.00 for children 11 years and older is requested. Please R.S.V.P. by Friday, October 23rd through school, R.E. or call the rectory at 963-1486.

High School Open Houses: Many high schools are hosting open houses in the next few weeks and all ask for bulletin space. We will limit space for those who contact us directly and can provide only basic information. The following have contacted us: Dominican Academy (Manhattan), Saturday, October 17th, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; St. Barnabas H.S. (Bronx), Thursday, October 22nd, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.; Iona Prep, Saturday, October 24th, 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m. and Wednesday, October 28th, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.; and Fordham Prep (Bronx), Sunday, November 1st, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Catholic Widows/Widowers: The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers will hold their monthly meeting at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 15th, in the Fr. Anthony Hall, next to St. Ann's Church, 31 College Place, Yonkers. Coffee and cake will follow after the meeting. New members welcome. For further information, please call 914-423-5331.



Special Children's Mass: Next week – on Sunday, October 18th at our 9:30 a.m. Mass, we will once again welcome younger boys and girls

to a special Mass where they will be excused after the Opening Prayer and go to the Church Hall for a special Liturgy of the Word. After this Mass please join us for a Family Coffee and Craft Hour in the school cafeteria at which we will have refreshments and make crafts for the family. We are very grateful to the parent-leaders (as well as some older children) who are assisting with this program.

Red Mass: The annual Red Mass for Westchester lawyers will be celebrated at St. John the Evangelist Church (Hamilton Avenue, White Plains) on Wednesday, October 14th at 6:00 p.m. The principal celebrant will be Rev. Thomas Collins, president of Archbishop Stepinac High School.



Knight of Columbus: The members of the Knights of Columbus would like to thank the parishioners of St. John's for their generous support of their annual fundraiser.

Local Meeting: Please join Lincoln Park Taxpayers Association for Candidates' Night on Thursday, October 15th at Dia Y Noche, 640 McLean Avenue at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome.



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