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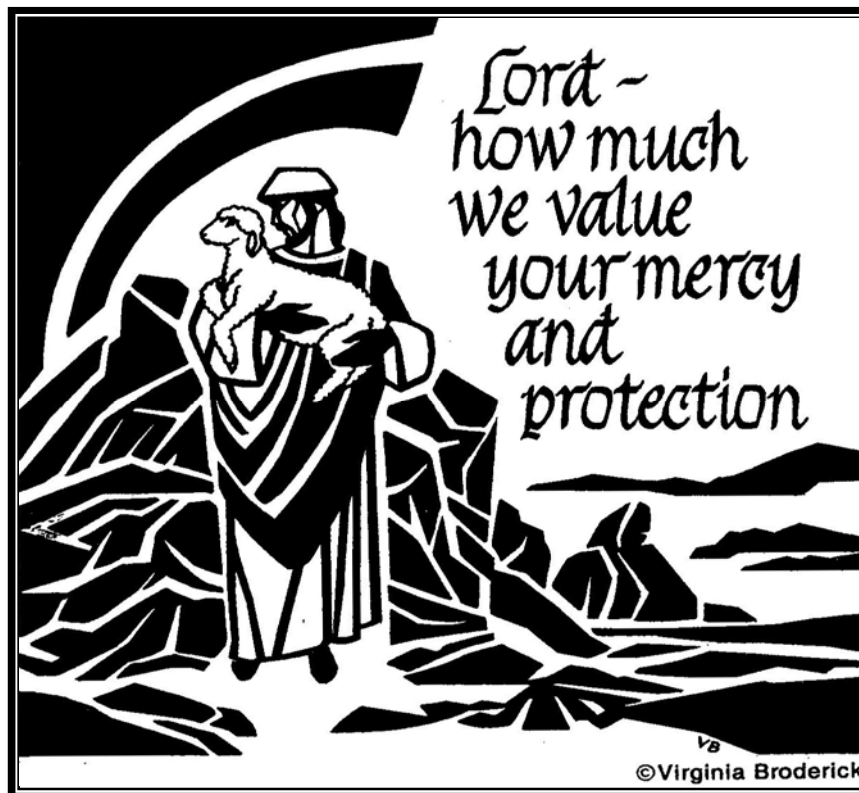
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Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 11, 2016

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Masses
Saturday Vigil:
5:00 p.m.

Sunday:
8:00, 9:30,
11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m.

Monday thru Friday:
8:00 a.m. & 12:00 noon

Saturday:
8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance
Saturday:
4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

Sacrament of Marriage
Make arrangements six months
prior to wedding

Sacrament of Baptism
Every Sunday
after the 12:30 Mass



Saturday, September 10, 2016

Vigil: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. Ludwig Kuznicki and Family

Sunday, September 11, 2016

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Margaret and John Vaughan

**9:30 a.m. Mass for the Parishioners of
St. John the Baptist**

11:00 a.m. John and Helen McAvoy

12:30 p.m. Michael, Frances and Nicholas Fortuna

Monday, September 12, 2016

Feast of the Most Holy Name of Mary

8:00 a.m. Pietro and Clementina Filancia

12:00 noon Charles and David Kerr and Karen Meltz

Tuesday, September 13, 2016

**Feast of St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the
Church**

8:00 a.m. John and Julia Soracco

12:00 noon Alma Layug

Wednesday, September 14, 2016

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:00 a.m. Falco and Ada DiBiase

12:00 noon Elizabeth L. Salutare

Thursday, September 15, 2016

Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows

8:00 a.m. Roy McLaughlin

12:00 noon Marie Flynn

Friday, September 16, 2016

Feast of Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

8:00 a.m. Gloria Bonfiglio

12:00 noon Helen and Tom DeVoy

Saturday, September 17, 2016

**Feast of St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the
Church**

8:00 a.m. Salome Guignard

Saturday, September 17, 2016

Vigil: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**5:00 p.m. For the Deceased Members of the
Burke Family**

Sunday, September 18, 2016

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. John Kenny

9:30 a.m. Anthony Esposito

**11:00 a.m. Mass for the Parishioners of
St. John the Baptist**

**12:30 p.m. Conte Family, Daniel Fama, Robert
Brescia and Edward Makowski**



Wedding Banns

I. Robert Bergman and Sabrina DiPaola

WEEKLY PARISH CALENDAR

Wednesday, September 14th

PreK thru 8th Grades – 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. – School
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

Friday, September 16th

School Mass – 9:00 a.m – Church

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, September 10th

5:00 p.m. – M. Barrett and P. Tozzi

Sunday, September 11th

8:00 a.m. – R. Peter and R. Peter

9:30 a.m. – A. Burke and K. Burke

11:00 a.m. – C. Castaldi and N. DeMatteo

12:30 p.m. – F. Albano and J. Velasquez

Saturday, September 17th

5:00 p.m. – M. McCarthy and T. McCarthy

Sunday, September 18th

8:00 a.m. – D. Browne and T. Browne

9:30 a.m. – E. McLaughlin and D. Vanadia

11:00 a.m. – N. Camacho and K. McGarvey

12:30 p.m. – S. Joyce and N. Leo



Remembrance: This Sunday, as we are all well aware, is the fifteenth anniversary of the terrible attacks that caused so much loss of life and destruction. It will be a solemn day of mourning, remembrance, prayer, and commitment for New Yorkers, for Americans and for all people who are dedicated to freedom and justice. We will remember those who died in the terrorist attacks and those who gave their lives trying to rescue them. We will ask God to give strength and hope to families who lost loved ones. We will pray for the men and women of the Armed Forces who are defending freedom against terrorism. We will pray for our leaders – that they will be wise, prudent and courageous. May God bless America!



S.J.B. ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 11, 2016

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: It should come as no surprise that feeling themselves abandoned by Moses, the Israelites reverted to the customs they had so recently left behind. In today's first reading (Ex. 32:7-14), Moses daringly petitions God on behalf of the people, and God turns away from the threatened punishment. Living up to the ethical demands of Yahweh and the covenant requires continuing conversions. Like our ancestors in the desert, we will be tempted to fall back into other ways, to put money and power before the needs of others, to worship at the shrines of greed and exploitation. Only sincere repentance and a deep love for God will keep us on the right path.

In our second reading (1Tm. 1:12-17), St. Paul exemplifies this attitude when he describes himself as the worst of sinners. Unembarrassed by this admission, Paul rejoices that he can serve as a model for us; if Jesus treated Paul with mercy and forgiveness, He will surely be just as generous with all who believe and seek His grace.

Luke's three parables of loss in today's gospel (Lk. 15:1-32) are variations on this same theme of God's willingness to search out and forgive those who stray. The images of father, shepherd and homemaker assure us that each of us is precious in God's eyes. When we are lost through sin, the community is incomplete. Our acceptance of forgiveness is cause for joy and celebration.

SPECIAL LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Monday, September 12th – The Most Holy Name of Mary

Our late Holy Father, Pope John Paul II restored this celebration to the liturgical calendar. Because of her special role in salvation history, Mary's name is a name of honor, a holy name; today we celebrate her role as Mother of the Church.

Tuesday, September 13th – St. John Chrysostom

Elected Bishop of Constantinople in 397, John was an eloquent preacher, a deeply prayerful and kindly "shepherd of souls" who defended Catholic doctrine so persuasively that he was nicknamed "Golden-mouth".

Wednesday, September 14th – Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Today's feast has its origin in the dedication of a basilica erected by Constantine in 335 on the site of the crucifixion – Mt. Calvary. The basilica remains one of the most important Christian shrines in the world.

Thursday, September 15th – Our lady of Sorrows

Today we honor not only the personal sorrows of Mary, Mother of Jesus – but the sufferings she shares as Mother of the Church with all the poor, the persecuted, the oppressed of the world. May her faith and courage inspire us in our trials!

Friday, September 16th – Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian

Both these men lived in the 3rd century and were engaged in the struggles of the early Christian Church against internal heresies and external persecution. Both were martyred for the faith.

Saturday, September 17th – St. Robert Bellarmine

This brilliant Jesuit scholar, preacher, writer and theologian lived in the 17th century, and promoted the Christian education of youth. He is the patron of catechists and catechumens.



School Summer Project: It was just a little over two months ago when Sr. Maryalice spoke at all our Masses about the need to repair the ceiling of our school gym and to replace our school windows with new, energy-efficient windows. That was the start of the 2016 Summer Project Campaign – to raise \$100,000 to cover the cost of this work. Your response has been most generous – and, as this bulletin is being prepared, we are very close to the goal we set last June. The work on the gym ceiling has been completed; the work on the windows will not begin until later in the fall. In the next few weeks we plan to conclude the fund-raising part of this project – but for now, we invite parishioners who have not as yet made a contribution (and who wish to do so) to take one of the envelopes marked "Summer Project" which can be found at the exits of the church (or in the rectory). Those envelopes contain letters explaining how you can make your contribution; also enclosed is a return card and envelope. We are hoping that many more parishioners will help during this final stage of our project because – no surprise!! – it turns out the work involved will cost a few thousand dollars more than originally estimated! We are very grateful to everyone who has helped make this Summer Project such a success.

Sunday Report: Last weekend 1,250 parishioners attended Mass; our collection totaled \$7,551.00; average contribution: \$6.04. 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 Anna Marie Luciano and Helen DiGirolamo who were buried from our church this past week. Our prayers go out to their families and friends.

Employment Help: A free 6 week Employment Networking Support Group, for anyone who recently lost a job or is returning to the workforce, will be sponsored by The RDC Center for Counseling and Human Development beginning on September 19th. This program will be offered at the White Plains Education & Training Center, 303 Quarropas St., White Plains. For more information or to register call Pat Sheridan, LCSW, 798-1103

St. John's Senior Club: With the arrival of September, the Senior Club has resumed its calendar. Our Wednesday meetings after the noon Mass in the lower Church have begun; our fall plans are taking shape. On October 7th, we will have our first of the season's "First Friday" Masses, followed by a lunch (Chinese -- \$6.00) in the lower Church. Thursday, October 13th features the production of "Squabbles" a comedy, at the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse. The cost is \$70.00 per person and includes a delicious luncheon and transportation. There is a lot more to come in November and December. New members are always welcome—just come to our next Wednesday meeting and you'll be glad you did! You'll enjoy good company, Bingo, and an opportunity to socialize with old friends and meet some new ones! For more information call Deacon Olivieri at 423-4859.



Holy Name Society Scholarship Golf Tournament:

The H.N.S. will be holding their annual Scholarship Golf Tournament at Sprain Lake Golf Course on Friday, September 30th. Tee times start at 10:00 a.m. This tournament funds two scholarships that are given annually to graduating 8th graders from St. John's. The price per golfer is \$160.00. This includes the round of golf, breakfast, lunch, cocktail hour, dinner, greens and cart fees. Reservations and payment must be made by September 21st and are on a first come basis. Become a sponsor by making a donation to the Holy Name Society Scholarship Fund. For more information, please call Vinny Vanadia at 646-721-0700 or vinny316@aol.com.



H.S. Open House: Regis High School (55E. 84th St., Manhattan), an all-scholarship Jesuit secondary school for Catholic boys, announces its Open House for 8th grade boys and their parents, on Wednesday, October 5th from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. For additional information call 212-288-1100.

Daily Mass: As of this Monday, September 12th, we will resume our 12:00 noon Mass. Our daily schedule of Masses (Monday – Friday) will be 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon.



2106 - 2017 Music Program: The adult, junior and children's choir season will soon begin under the direction of Mr. John Stufano. All parishioners wishing to join are invited to

visit the choir loft after any weekend Mass to introduce themselves. The adult choir sings at the 11:00 a.m. Mass every Sunday and many special events throughout the year. Rehearsal for the adult choir is held on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. in the Church beginning on September 15th. More information about the two youth choirs (which will sing at the 9:30 a.m. Mass) will be distributed in school and the Religious Education program. Being part of the choir is a wonderful way to participate more fully in the Sacred Liturgy. Please consider making the commitment and being part of what promises to be an exciting new season.



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (popularly known as "RCIA") is the process

designed by the Church for adults to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion. The goals are to give a complete overview of Catholic teaching and practice and to begin to deepen a Christian spiritual life centered in the Sunday Scripture readings. The sacraments are received at the Easter Vigil Mass. The 2016-2017 program at St. John's which prepares adults (and older adolescents) to receive sacraments will begin in October. However, if you (or anyone you know) is interested in learning more about our program, please leave your name at the rectory 963-1486.



Adult Bingo: The Rosary Altar Society is planning an evening for adult (i.e. 18 years and older) Bingo on Friday, October 21st at 8:00 p.m. More details will follow. Please save the date!

Advanced Planning: This December, Msgr. Maloney will celebrate his 50th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood. Msgr. Maloney was ordained in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome on December 17, 1966. On Sunday, December 18th, Msgr. will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. John's at 11:00 a.m. and a reception for our parishioners with light refreshments will follow in the lower church. In addition, the Holy Name and Rosary Altar Societies are planning a Golden Anniversary Celebration Dinner for the parish on Saturday, November 26th. Details about the dinner will be forthcoming in a few weeks.

Mission Sunday: This Sunday, September 11th is Mission Sunday – a 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 this week after communion to assist their efforts. Please be generous.



Knights of Columbus: The Knights of Columbus will be selling raffles at the exits of the church on Saturday, September 17th after the 5:00 p.m. Mass and on Sunday, September 18th after all Masses.

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On the HAIL MARY BEADS you will say the following words:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion have mercy on us and on the whole world.

In conclusion THREE TIMES you will recite these words:

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

From the Diary of the Servant of God Sr. Faustina - Note Book I, p 197

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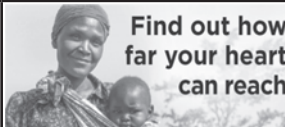
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