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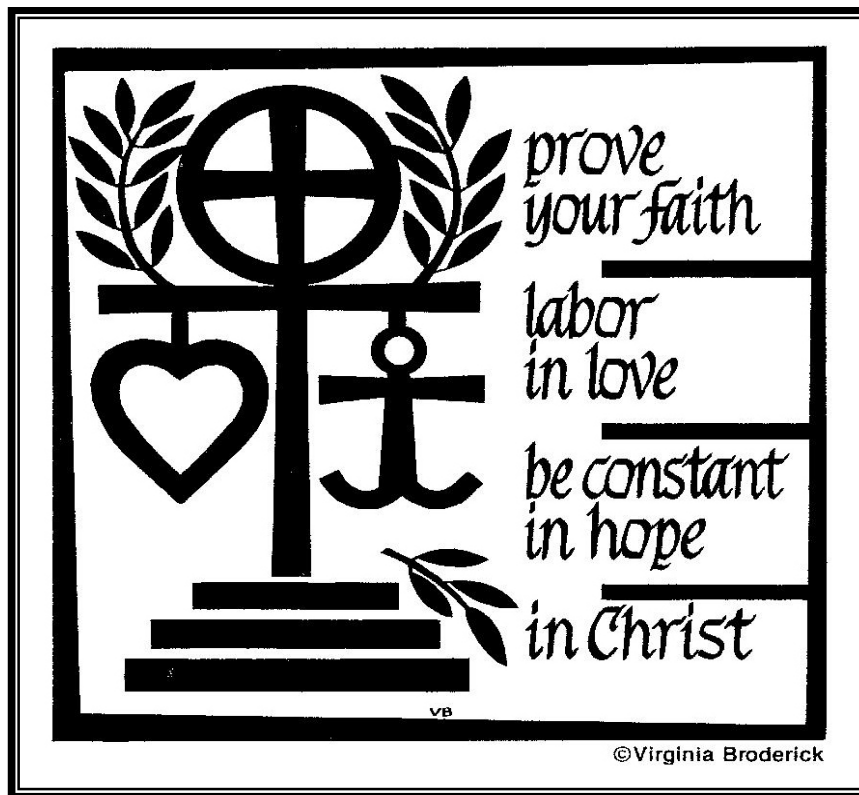
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Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 22, 2017

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5:00 p.m.

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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
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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

@Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 21, 2017

Vigil: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. For the deceased Members of the
D'Addato and Rendine Families

Sunday, October 22, 2017

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Angelo, Enzo and Settimia Soprano

9:30 a.m. For the Deceased Members of the
Zangrilli Family

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

12:30 p.m. Angelo (Andy) Monte

Monday, October 23, 2017

Feast of St. John Capistrano, Priest

8:00 a.m. Peggy Enright

12:00 noon Louis Falsetta, Jr.

Tuesday, October 24, 2017

Feast of St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

8:00 a.m. Rory O'Flaherty

12:00 noon Demenico Branca

Wednesday, October 25, 2017

8:00 a.m. Peter and Eva Agoston

12:00 noon Kristen Renee Mc Redmond

Thursday, October 26, 2017

8:00 a.m. Alberto Ferrari

12:00 noon Eugene Rooney

Friday, October 27, 2017

8:00 a.m. Bridie Coughlan

12:00 noon Rae Tavernia

Saturday, October 28, 2017

Feast of Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles

8:00 a.m. Franco Zito – 2nd Anniversary

Saturday, October 28, 2017

Vigil: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Sunday, October 29, 2017

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Ludwik Kuznicki

9:30 a.m. For the Deceased Members of the
Purdy Family

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

12:30 p.m. Josephine and Salvatore Miceli

WEDDING BANNs

III. Ernesto Sanzi and Johnna Malara

III. Emmett Martin and Caroline Moran

WEEKLY PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, October 22nd

Confirmation Enrollment Mass – 9:30 a.m. – Church
Family Breakfast (8th & PK) – following Mass – lower Church

Wednesday, October 25th

Seniors' Leisure Club – 12:00 noon – lower Church
Medicare Meeting – 1:15 p.m. – 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, October 27th

Cub Scouts Meeting – 2:30 p.m. – lower Church
H.N.S. Halloween Party – 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. – lower Church

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, October 21st

5:00 p.m. – G. Boynes, L. Calhoun and A. Kocovic

Sunday, October 22nd

8:00 a.m. – M. Albanese and N. Crisp
9:30 a.m. – D. Corcoran, O' Luby and T. McCarthy
11:00 a.m. – N. Gilligan and K. Postighone
12:30 p.m. – C. Maher, R. Peter and E. Ruge-Howard

Saturday, October 28th

5:00 p.m. – P. Tozzi and R. Tuffy

Sunday, October 29th

8:00 a.m. – C. Murphy and P. Winter
9:30 a.m. – A. Farrelly and V. Milizia
11:00 a.m. – A. Cassidy and M. McLaughlin
12:30 p.m. – C. Carroll and P. Coyle

A Little While: Hard as it is to believe, we are coming to the end of Msgr. Birkle's annual sojourn at St. John's. On Tuesday afternoon he will begin his trip to Florida where he will spend the winter assisting at St. Patrick's parish in Palm Beach Gardens and missing all of us at St. John's desperately! We thank him for his priestly service among us and wish him "Bon Voyage!" Anyone who wishes to write to Msgr. Birkle, may do so c/o St. John's – we forward his mail regularly. Please keep Msgr. Birkle in your prayers.

S.J.B. ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 22, 2017

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: Today's readings suggest two powerful questions which have caused people to lose sleep for countless generations. Just how important is God in the unfolding of human history? What is the proper relationship between church and state, or between our spiritual and our civic duties?

Our first reading from the prophet Isaiah (Is. 45:1-6) sees God at work in a very direct way, using Cyrus the Persian, a non-Jew, to rescue the Israelites, end the exile, and show forth the greatness of Yahweh. As spokesmen for God, prophets arose at times of crisis, and their God is an intervening, saving God, one who plays a decisive role in the working out of human history. The later Wisdom literature of the Old Testament on the other hand places responsibility squarely on human shoulders. So the Bible chooses to be ambiguous. Our God is both the Yahweh who parts the water and the God who tells us we must take care of our world.

Likewise, in today's Gospel (Mt. 22:15-21) Our Blessed Lord may disappoint some who hope to hear that Christians have some sort of privileged exemption from the duties of citizenship. No, Jesus seems to say, even though you are citizens of the Kingdom, you are also citizens of your home country, bound by its laws and owing it proper allegiance. In fact, the Biblical worldview demands involvement so that in each generation human needs may be met and the Kingdom of God may become more visible on earth. This Biblical mandate for involvement, moreover, demands that we respect the differences that exist in a pluralistic society. The real challenge is to live a life of Christian commitment, being true to our gospel values, without looking down on or judging those who do not share our beliefs.

SPECIAL SAINTS' DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday, October 23rd – John of Capistrano

In the 15th century, John became a reformer within his Franciscan Order and preached devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus. John is the patron saint of military chaplains.

Tuesday, October 24th – St. Anthony Mary Claret

Born in Spain in 1807, Anthony founded a society of missionary priests ("the Claretians"); he became a bishop in Cuba and was noted for his preaching and for championing spiritual and social reforms.

Saturday, October 28th – Sts. Simon and Jude

These two saints are numbered among the chosen twelve – but they are apostles about whom we know very little. Simon is the "zealot" (not Simon Peter) who is said to have preached in Egypt; Jude (or Thaddeus) is known today as the saint of impossible cases.

Congratulations: We welcome into our parish family the following children who were baptized at St. John's over the past few months: Samuel Lazaro, Lily Grace Bracchitta, Catarina Alexa DeSalvo, Grayson Cole Yustin, Serenity Gisela Dash, Stephen Ariel Hinton, Amilia Tiffany Orellana, Luke Michael Anderson, Sarina Nicole Vincenzo, Gallus Arthur Buckenmeyer, Sofia Veronica Dedi, Rory William Rodden, Agatha Louise Haelen, Sasha Persaud, Christopher Troy, Logan Thomas Lasky, Anastaja Annalore Nieves, Miranda Flores, Omar Flores, Ivan E. Castillo, Aaron E. Castillo, Jayleen Soriano, Audrina Mae Biancardi, Austin Vasquez, Joseph Angelo Cupo, Isabella Star Wilkens, Julius Garcia, Phoenix James Viglietta, Caitlin Siobhan Dollard, Logan Genao, Francesca Haepier Iannuzzo, Jennie Rose Rigaglia, Randall James Franquera III, Everly Ann O'Brien. We extend our congratulations and prayers in a special way to their parents and godparents!

All Saints Day: This annual feast falls on Wednesday, November 1st and is a holy day of obligation. Our Masses for All Saints Day begin with the Vigil Mass on Tuesday evening (October 31st) at 5:00 p.m.; Masses on Wednesday, November 1st are at 8:00 a.m.; 12:00 noon and 7:30 p.m. On this day, the Church celebrates not only our canonized saints but all those who have reached their heavenly glory.

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 this week, envelopes are available at the exits of the church for those who have not received them in the mail.

Sunday Report: Last weekend 1,170 parishioners attended Mass; our collection totaled \$7675.00; average contribution: \$6.56. 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 Rocco Bonitatibus, Patrick Donohoe and Cesare Recine who were buried from our church this past week. Our prayers go out to their families and friends.



H.S. Open Houses: Many high schools are hosting open houses in the next few weeks and some 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: Kennedy Catholic H.S. (Somers), Sunday October 22nd, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.; Cardinal Spellman (Bronx), Sunday, October 22nd, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Iona Prep (New Rochelle), Sunday, October 22nd, 12:00 noon. to 3:00 p.m. and Wednesday, October 25th, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.; The Ursuline School, Saturday, October 28th, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Maria Regina H.S., Saturday, October 28th, 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.

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.

Career Opportunity: The Knights of Columbus is seeking a candidate for a career opportunity representing their insurance company. They offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information, please contact Bill Schneider, General Agent, at 914-420-6836 or William.schneider@kofc.org.

Save the Date: The Holy Name Society's Annual Father Daughter Dance will be held on Friday, November 17th in the lower church. More details to follow.



Volunteer Request: Volunteers are needed at Cabrini of Westchester in Dobbs Ferry. If you have a few hours to give to this rewarding experience please contact Simone Smith (Director of Human Resources and Volunteers) at 914-693-6800 ext. 571 or Yvonne at ext. 592.



Mission Sunday: This Sunday 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 this weekend after communion to assist their efforts. Please be generous.

Local Fair: St. Paul the Apostle Parish on McLean and Lee Avenues will sponsor a Christmas Fair on Saturday, November 4th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Clothing and household items as well as Christmas items will be for sale. All are welcome!



Halloween Party: Once again this year the H.N.S. is sponsoring a Halloween Party on Friday, October 27th from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. in the lower church. Pizza, soda and “goodies” provided; costumes are required. A \$5.00 donation for children 11 years old and under, \$10.00 for adults and children 12 years and older is requested. Please R.S.V.P. by Friday, October 23rd through school or R.E.



Time Change: For many years, Daylight Savings Time ended and we returned to Standard Time on the last Sunday in October; however, a few years ago, Congress in its wisdom decided to extend D.S.T. for one week. Which means that D.S.T. will end on Sunday, November 5th at 2:00 a.m. Clocks should be turned **BACK** by 2:00 a.m. on November 5th (so better do it before going to bed on Saturday, November 4th). Remember: “Spring Ahead! Fall back!” This means we gain an hour of sleep.



Second Collection: Next weekend we will take up our monthly special collection to support our school and maintain our school facilities. The school is not only used for our grammar school children, our CCD classes and our RCIA program, but for a variety of community and parish activities. It is vital that we keep our school facilities in excellent condition. We ask for a contribution of \$7.00 in this monthly collection and once again express our appreciation for your generosity.

Calvary Hospital: On Sunday, November 5th at 11:00 a.m., there will be a special Mass and breakfast at the Bronx hospital chapel to assist the wonderful work at this very special hospital. The donation is \$25.00. Call Kathleen Gallagher (718-822-2791) for information.

Medicare Meeting: The nation is currently conducting its annual “Medicare Open Enrollment” period during which senior citizens (and others) can make changes in or choices about health care insurance. This Wednesday, October 25th starting at 1:15 p.m. representatives from United Health Care will be in the lower church to discuss the various options available to those eligible for Medicare. There will be a Q and A period and even time for individual consultations. All are welcome – and we thank Deacon Olivieri and our regular Leisure Club members for providing light refreshments. If at all possible call Deacon Olivieri (423-4859) or the rectory (963-1486) and let us know if you are going to attend.

H.N.S. Father/Son Basketball: Calling all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade boys to compete against their dads for “bragging rights.” Please join us on Saturday, November 4th at 5:30 p.m. in the school gym. The cost is \$10.00 per person which includes pizza, snacks, dessert and drinks. For more information please call John Sanchez at 476-1776.



Lectors: Your “2018” workbooks are ready to be picked up in the Sacristy. They are filed for each Mass Team alphabetically.

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