

March 1, 2009

Sacred Heart Church

Week of March 1st – March 8th

Saturday, February 28th

Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-6/Lk 5:27-32
8:30 Decd Regina & Pietro DelMonaco
4:00 (M) Decd Angelina Quintavalle
5:00 pm Decd Bill Mannix

Sunday, March 1st – First Sunday of Lent

Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-9/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15
7:00 am Decd William Donovan
8:30 Decd Arlene McDonald
10:00 Sp Int For Our Parish Family
11:30 Decd Irene Romano

Monday, March 2nd

Lv 19:1-2,11-18/Ps 19:8-10,15/Mt 25:31-46
6:45 Decd Francis X. Byrnes
8:30 Decd Jerry Faer

Tuesday, March 3rd

Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-7,16-19/Mt 6:7-15
6:45 Decd John Roche & Eileen Roche Clarke &
Decd Mbrs Roche Family
8:30 Decd Amerino Germani

Wednesday, March 4th

Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4,12-13,18-19/Lk 11:29-32
6:45 Decd Dorothy Lawlor
8:30 Decd Francis X. Byrnes
7:30 pm Decd Diane Kamp

Thursday, March 5th

Est C:12,14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-3,7c-8/Mt 7:7-12
6:45 Decd Jean Picani
8:30 Decd Francis X. Byrnes

Friday, March 6th

Ez 18:21-29/Ps 130:1-8/Mt 5:20-26
6:45 Decd Matthew Keegan Jr.
8:30 Decd Francis X. Byrnes

Saturday, March 7th

Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2,4-5,7-8/Mt 5:43-48
8:30 Decd George & Minna Miehle
4:00 (T) Decd Kalata Family
5:00 pm Sp Int For Our Parish Family

Sunday, March 8th – Second Sunday of Lent

Gn 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18/Ps 116:10,15-19/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10
7:00 am Sp Int In Honor of the Infant Jesus
8:30 Decd Marc & Gertrude Moreau
10:00 Decd Philip & Palma DeCandido & Angelina Turiello
11:30 Decd Antonio DosReis

MEMORIALS: Week of March 1st

SANCTUARY LAMP:

Decd Farrell Allison

BREAD & WINE:

Decd Mary Occhigrossi



STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S BLESSINGS - TITHING

February 22, 2009 \$7,353.50
Last year..... \$6,950.85

Peter's Pence1,764.95

*Thank you for your continued support of our parish and its many needs.
May God bless your generosity to Sacred Heart!*

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK.... LENT – The word "Lent" comes from an old English word for Spring. Lent arrives at a time when our part of the world is beginning a new growing cycle. Just like seeds need to be planted and nourished to insure a harvest, Lent is a time to plant seeds of new behaviors and attitudes. These seeds may seem small and insignificant: a kind word, a choice to be silent rather than argue, a small sacrifice or an act of generosity. One temptation for Lent might be to think that only great acts serve God, whereas, in truth, it is our good intentions and faithfulness to even the smallest effort that pleases God.

It is also the period of enlightenment and purification for those who are preparing to be initiated into the church by Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. Let us keep these brothers and sisters in our prayer and sacrifices throughout the forty days and beyond. In addition to initiation at the Easter Vigil, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 21 and First Eucharist on May 3.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Fr. Moe

LENTEN LUNCH - STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St. Francis of Assisi is credited with popularizing the devotion known as the Stations of the Cross. It is a particularly Franciscan devotion because it asks us to look at and reflect on images of Jesus in his final hours of suffering and glory and respond from our hearts in prayer.



Join us for a Lenten Lunch (Soup and Salad) hosted by the Holy Name Committee this Friday at 11:45 in the Church Hall followed by the Stations of the Cross at 12:30 in the church.

Dominic Villara, Ellen Boyle, Al Femia, Sr. Gloria Sullivan OSU, Mary Leavey, Dorothy Aurisy, Marion Travers, Lucia Rampa, Rose Panessa, Louis Mehrtens, Irene Bybel, Mary Galle, Ada Russak, Margaret Castle, Winifred Persise, Judy Persise, Kathleen Liberati, Constantine Castiglione, Ronald Milne, Faye Siami, Irene Hickey, Marietta Rasulo, Mary Hanczor



MARRIAGE BANNES

- III Paul Anthony Zaino & Lisa Constantinople
- III Michael Williams & Jo-Ann Rodriguez

CARDINAL'S APPEAL

The Cardinal's Annual Appeal dedicates \$1,250,000 to the support of retired priests and religious who have served our parishes and communities well. Your gift to the 2009 Cardinal's Annual Appeal will help to support these men and women who have dedicated their lives to the service of others as they live out their golden years.



Coming Events

Sunday, March 1st

Children's Liturgy of the Word 10:00am
Religious Education 11:00 am

Monday, March 2nd

Religious Education 7:00 pm
RCIA 7:30 pm

Wednesday, March 4th

Friends of Fr. Solanus 9:00 am
O.L.P.H. Novena 7:00 pm; Mass - 7:30 pm

Saturday, March 7th

Scripture Study 9:15 am
Sacred Heart Fraternity 9:15 am
St. Francis Fraternity 9:15 am
Nocturnal Adoration 7:00 pm

Sunday, March 8th

Holy Name 8:30 Mass
Religious Education 11:00 am

54TH YONKERS ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Sunday, March 8th at 1:30 pm. Rain or Shine! It will start at South Broadway & McLean Ave and end in Getty Square. The 2009 Grand Marshal is **Richard Fitzgerald**. His Aides include: **Thomas Allison**, Kay Amicone, Oliver Charles, Jack McCrudden, **Agnes McNamara**, Gerry O'Shea, Br. John Reidy and Robert Taggart.



All festivities start with the flag raising at City Hall at 11:00 followed by Parade Mass celebrated at 12 noon at St. Mary's Church - 103 South Broadway. The Parade Dinner Dance starts at 6:00 pm at the Polish Community Center, 92 Waverly Street. Music by the Guss Hayes Band. Price \$75. For reservations please call 965-4682.

CHILD PROTECTION

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious, or lay person serving the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford at 212-371-1000 x2949 or Deacon Lawrence O'Toole at 914-594-4646. Both may also be reached via e-mail at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, <http://ny-archdiocese.org>. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

WEDDING JUBILARIANS DURING 2009:

Our **PARISH CANA CELEBRATION** will be held on **Saturday, May 30th**. This year, we would like to add our Diamond Jubilarians to our celebration. If you are celebrating 60 years of marriage during 2009, please contact the Parish Office by March 20th. To qualify for our Parish Cana Celebration, couples **must be registered, participating members of the parish**.



NORTH YONKERS PRESERVATION & DEVELOPMENT CORP. **DIAL-A-RIDE SERVICE**

Tuesday	Mar 3	Groceries South
Wednesday	Mar 4	Cross County
Thursday	Mar 5	Groceries North

YONKERS EMPIRE CITY

The NYPDG is sponsoring a trip to Empire City on Monday, March 2 at 10:30 am. Cost is \$6.00 per person - receive \$10.00 food voucher.

HOME BUYERS SEMINAR

The NYPCD will host a Home Buyers Seminar on Thursday, March 5 at 6:30 pm sponsored by REMN. Come join us for some information on Real Estate Ownership and the current housing market.

For information or reservations, please call 423-9754.

CABRINI CAREGIVER'S SUPPORT GROUP

This group meeting offers encouragement and support to those who provide care to a family member at home or an adult in the community. Meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month. Next meeting: Mar 5, 6-7:30 pm at St Cabrini Nursing Home, Msgr Attridge Adult Day Health Center. Please RSVP on Monday at 914-693-6800 x850.

NORTH YONKERS BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

The NYBGC is holding early bird registration for Baseball, Softball and Teeball for boys and girls ages 5-18 at the Boys & Girls Club on Ridge Ave on Tuesday, March 3 from 7:00-9:00 pm. Regular registration begins Saturdays of March from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. You may also register at IGA Market on Lake Avenue. For information, please call Tina Hickey at 557-0116 or tinanjerry2002@yahoo.com.

FAITH AND FORGIVENESS

ST EUGENE'S, 31 MASSITOA RD, YONKERS

St Eugene's Parish will host NYPD Detective Steven McDonald on March 8th at 1:45 in the church. 22 ½ years ago, Detective McDonald was shot in the line of duty and paralyzed from the neck down. Together with his wife Patti Ann and son Connor, he has dedicated himself to sharing the Gospel of Life. He will speak on "Faith and Forgiveness" emphasizing his forgiveness of the young man who shot him. Please join us and listen to this inspiring message. Refreshments will follow.



SACRED HEART GRADE SCHOOL

ACADEMIC HONORS

The following students earned First Honors for the second marking period: Lance Faltinsky, Joseph Flynn, Ronald Tacandong, Celine Lindain, Janice Mofunanya.

SETTING WORLD RECORDS

The students are taking part in a Guinness World Record Event on Tuesday, March 3rd. As a way to focus on the importance of recess during National Recess Week, students all around the country will play the "foursquare game." Two independent witnesses will be on hand to verify our numbers.

SHROVE TUESDAY

Shrove Tuesday was marked by a pancake breakfast. Over 300 pancakes were served and enjoyed. A good way to lead into Lent.

CAPUCHIN BOOK DRIVE

The Capuchin Book Drive is coming to an end on March 3rd. There is still one last chance to empty those bookshelves and contribute some books. Br. Tino OFM Cap. will be visiting the children on Tuesday, March 3rd to tell the students of the work of the Capuchin Missions and accept their book drive donations. We thank all the parishioners who have been so generous with this drive.

AVON FUNDRAISER

The Grade School will be holding an Avon Fundraiser to benefit the general needs of the school. Catalogs and order forms are available in the Grade School and Parish Offices. Please call the Grade School (963-5318) for information.

NEWS FROM THE CLASSROOMS

The sixth graders wrote about a personal conflict they experienced in their life, having learned about internal and external conflicts during class time. They were able to connect their own experiences with the material learned in reading class.

The seventh graders have been learning about Jesus' public ministry and the great sacrifices He made to save us from sin.

The eighth graders have been preparing for Confirmation. They have learned about the Holy Spirit and what role the Spirit plays in their lives. They have also learned about Church history in the Middle Ages. They learned about the various changes that took place in the Church during the time of the Bubonic Plague as well as during the Crusades and the Inquisition.

LENTEN REFLECTIONS AND RETREATS

PASSIONIST SPIRITUAL CENTER

CARDINAL SPELLMAN RETREAT HOUSE, 5801 PALISADE AVE, BRONX

PAUL THE APOSTLE; AN INCREDIBLE JOURNEY OF FAITH

Join the Women of Sacred Heart on a Weekend Retreat (or Saturday only) for Lent. Do you feel that the world is closing in on you? Is there hunger in your soul? Then this is the time you should turn to prayer and consider a week-end retreat at the Passionist Spiritual Center March 13th- 15th. Bring along a friend! For details call: Olga Jakubek 914-969-1725

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE CHURCH, 77 LEE AVE, YONKERS

Have you been looking to revitalize your faith, deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ, enrich your prayer life and learn about the gifts of the Holy Spirit? Join this seminar for the Tuesdays of Lent, March 3,10,17,24,31, April 7 & 14 at 8:00 sharp. Register now. Meet at the Prayer Meeting in the Church Hall between 7:20 and 7:45. Call 965-9333 for further information.



Our Men and Women in the Service

OPERATION SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

Please remember to drop off at the friary or place in the box in the vestibule any goodies you would like to donate to the troops. Toiletries, NO BAR SOAPS, chap stick, hand sanitizers, baby wipes. Food and snacks: powdered drink mixes, Pringles, peanuts, dried fruits, fruit in pop top cans or plastic containers, nuts, beef jerky, power bars, breakfast bars, M&Ms, chocolate bars. To help keep them 'busy': DVDs, CDs, AT&T telephone cards – international use, magazines, word puzzle books, Sudoku puzzles, current magazines. Things to keep them more comfortable: socks, towels, flashlights/with batteries, fly paper, insect repellent, deodorant, jockey shorts underwear (all sizes), more socks!! Checks made out to OSOT (tax deductible) are most welcome to help with the cost of the mailings. Thanks to all for helping the morale raising for our troops.

OUR MILITARY PRAYER LIST

Please pray for peace and the safe return of our men and women serving in the armed forces everywhere, especially those listed below:



Joseph Norcini - Army,	Matt Stough - Marines,
Brendan Mayer-Army,	Joseph Uzzi - Marines,
Michael Jones – Navy,	Walter Urtz III – Navy,
Thomas Sabol - Marines,	James Allen – Navy,
Robert M. Wilson – Air Force,	Daniel Bronner – Navy,
Adrienne Serbaroli-Bronner – Marines,	