

Week of Mar 9<sup>th</sup> – Mar 16<sup>th</sup>Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup>

Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3,9b-12/Jn 7:40-53

8:30 Decd Mary Knapp

4:00(Mnr) Decd Helen M. Stanford

5:00 PM Sp Int Parish Cana Celebration

Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup> – Fifth Sunday of Lent

Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-8/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45

7:00 AM Decd William Donovan

8:30 Decd Sergio Marques

10:00 Decd Stanislas &amp; Alice Deguire

11:30 Decd Madeline &amp; John Settembrino

Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup>

Dn 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62/Ps 23:1-6/Jn 8:1-11

6:45 Decd Edith Peters

8:30 Decd Anna Mary Leavey (Anniv)

Tuesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>

Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3,16-21/Jn 8:21-30

6:45 Decd John Roche

8:30 Decd Ann &amp; David Little

Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>

Dn 3:14-20,91-92,95/Dn 3:52-56/Jn 8:31-42

6:45 Decd Neal Moynihan (Anniv)

8:30 Decd Joseph R. Gallagher

7:30 PM Decd Amore & Andrew D. Giannantonio  
& Decd Mmbrs of FamilyThursday, March 13<sup>th</sup>

Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-9/Jn 8:51-59

6:45 Decd Margaret Kockodon

8:30 Decd Eileen Roche Clarke

&amp; Decd Mmbrs Roche Family

Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup> – St. Patrick

Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-7/Jn 10:31-42

6:45 Decd Darlene Leone

8:30 Decd Andy Rutledge

Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> – St. Joseph

Sm 7:4-5a,12-16/Ps 89:2-5,27,29/Rom 4:13-22/Mt 1:16-24a

8:30 Decd Fr. Finian Sullivan OFM Cap

4:00(Mnr) Decd Kalata Family

5:00 PM Decd Janet Filardi

Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup> – Palm Sunday

Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9,17-24/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-27,66

7:00 AM Decd Joseph, Catherine, Helen  
& William Burke8:30 Decd John Lepart (40<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

10:00 Sp Int Our Parish Family

11:30 Decd Eileen Landy (Anniv)

MEMORIALS: Week of March 9<sup>th</sup>

SANCTUARY LAMP: In memory of John Panko

BREAD &amp; WINE: In memory of Neal Moynihan

## STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S BLESSINGS - TITHING

March 1 - 2, 2008 ..... \$7,956.13

Last year ..... \$7,283.10

Thank you for your on-going sacrifices and support!

*"Bring your tithes to the storehouse ....and see if I do not pour out my blessings upon you in abundance....." (Malachi 3: 10)*

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK....** Lent V – Raising of Lazarus: All of the characters in today's gospel are filled with human emotions. We encounter love between Martha, Mary, Jesus and Lazarus; sorrow at their brother's death; Jesus' sorrow at his friend's passing; the fear of the disciples; the awe and amazement of the crowd. Praise and lament are the two melodies that accompany the Christian on our pilgrim journey. John presents Jesus' words of a promised resurrection in this beautiful human situation. Jesus' words, "I am the resurrection and the life" (11:25) have changed the longing of the human family for all time.

Traditionally these last two weeks of Lent were known as **Passiontide**, a shift in liturgical focus where the Passion of Christ began to take on greater prominence in the liturgy. This is the time when statues and crosses were covered until the Easter Vigil. It was meant to focus all our attention on the person of Christ as we celebrate his Passion.

We celebrate the Third and final scrutiny for those preparing for Baptism at Easter. We also continue to pray for all those preparing to continue or complete their initiation into the Catholic faith by Holy Communion or Confirmation. We congratulate our 2<sup>nd</sup> graders who celebrated the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation for the first time on Saturday. **We thank our many catechists** who assist the children and adults along the path toward full Christian life. – Fr. John

**PALM SUNDAY** – Next Sunday is "Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion". Weather permitting, we will begin the 10 AM Liturgy with the "Solemn Procession" at the office entrance in front of the Friary. Otherwise, we will use the "Solemn Entrance" which begins in the back of church. - Fr. John

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** - Join us for the Stations of the Cross each Friday of Lent at 12 Noon in church.



**The Bicentennial Campaign Office** informed us that they inadvertently mailed out January statements in February. These did not reflect payments already made. They apologize for the error and will mail corrected statements right away.

**BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN** - We thank all who have returned pledges and payments to the Parish Bicentennial Campaign. To date, we have received **\$646,490 in pledges from 196 parish families**. It is gratifying to see that the number of pledges continues to increase. God bless you! You are in our daily prayer and remembrance. The east elevation of the upper roof has been stripped and prepared for the installation of new slate. This phase of roof replacement is expected to be completed by the end of April, depending on the weather.



**CHRISM MASS** - All parishioners are invited to attend the Chrism Mass celebrated by Cardinal Egan at St. Patrick Cathedral on **Tuesday, March 18 at 5:30 PM**. At this liturgy, the Archbishop blesses the oils that will be distributed throughout the Archdiocese and used for the blessing of the sick and catechumens and the ordination of priests and deacons and the consecration of churches and altars. This ceremony is a sign of our unity as the church of New York.

#### **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

##### **PALM SUNDAY**

Simple Blessing of Palms

Masses: Saturday 4:00 p.m. Tower & 5:00 p.m. Church

Sunday....7:00, 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 a.m.

Solemn Blessing at 10:00 a.m.

##### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

###### **Confessions**

Monday, 1:30 p.m. Tower & Manor

Tuesday, 9:30 to 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, 6:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

##### **HOLY THURSDAY**

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer

7:30 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper & Procession

Adoration at the Altar of Reposition until 10:00 p.m.

##### **GOOD FRIDAY**

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (Tenebrae)

12:00 Stations of the Cross

3:00 p.m. Solemn Liturgy of the Passion of Our Lord

##### **HOLY SATURDAY**

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (Tenebrae)

9:00 a.m. Blessing of Easter Food

**(There will be NO Mass at 5:00 p.m.)**

7:30 p.m. Solemn Easter Vigil

##### **EASTER SUNDAY**

Church: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 a.m.

Manor: 9:30 a.m.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** During the Holy Thursday Liturgy, twelve (12) of our parishioners are needed to represent the twelve Apostles during the Foot Washing Ceremony just after the Homily. Anyone interested in volunteering for this honor should contact Fr. Christopher at 963-4205 ext 806 as soon as possible.

#### **EVENTS AND MEETINGS OF THE WEEK**

##### **Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**

Holy Name 8:30 Mass

Religious Education 11:00 am

##### **Monday, March 10<sup>th</sup>**

RCIA 7:00 pm

Religious Education 7:00 pm

Holy Name 7:30 pm

##### **Tuesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>**

Respect Life 7:30 pm

##### **Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

O.L.P.H. 7:00 PM - Novena 7:30 Mass

Rosary following 7:30 Mass

Boy Scouts 7:30 pm

Pastoral Council 7:30 pm

##### **Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**

Children' Liturgy 10:00 am

Religious Education 11:00 am

#### **FUNERALS**

Mar 1 Marie Virtuoso

Mar 3 Raffeala Girolomo

Mar 5 Parina Valenti

Mar 6 Lorraine Keays

Mar 6 Sithie Bageloo

Mar 7 Mary Mayer



#### **BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

III Thomas Dedde II & Katherine Murphy

#### **PARISH REQUESTS PRAYERS FOR THE FOLLOWING:**

Rose Panessa, Carol Moran, Franklin Sid, 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

The **MASS BOOK** for the months of **September, October, November and December, 2008** is now open. We ask that you do not request more than one Saturday Vigil or Sunday Mass during these four months. The stipend for a Saturday Vigil or Sunday Mass in the Church is \$15.00 per Mass. The stipend for a weekday Mass and Finian Sullivan Tower or Monastery Manor is \$10.00 per Mass. Your cooperation with these stipulations will be appreciated.

**EASTER NOVENA CARD:** There is an attractive EASTER NOVENA CARD available in the pews this weekend. This is an excellent way for us to remember our relatives and friends, living and deceased in a special novena of Masses beginning on Easter Sunday. The cards are also available in the parish office. The stipend envelope can be placed either in the collection basket or brought to the parish office.

**Monastery Manor**, a recently renovated senior citizen residence at 2 Finian Sullivan Drive, has immediate openings. Please call 914-963-0202 for information or an application.

### **SACRED HEART GRADE SCHOOL**

Registration is now open for our parish grade school. The grade school offers classes for Pre-K to Grade 8. The school offers student an opportunity to learn. Mature and develop a Catholic approach to life. Our programs are based on the Archdiocesan Essentials and the New York State Academic Curriculum. Please call 963-5318 now for an appointment to tour the school and to register for the coming Fall 2008 term.

### **THE FAMILY CLOSET**

The Family Closet will be closed Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> in observance of Holy Week. We will reopen on Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>.

Come visit and take advantage of our sale prices on winter clothing and browse our spring inventory of clothing, accessories, household items and knick-knacks. There is something for everyone.

### **CAPUCHIN YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRIES:**

Living Stations of the Cross: Palm Sunday, March 16, 3:00 PM. Bring Holy week into focus as we journey with Jesus down the Via Dolorosa. Concludes with Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction.

Lenten Day of Reflection for Adults Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 am - 2:30 pm. Join for a day of Prayer, Reflection, Insight and Discussion. Cost is \$30, includes lunch.

For information and registration, visit our website [www.cyfm.org](http://www.cyfm.org) or call 845-424-3609

### **PAX CHRISTI'S 26<sup>TH</sup> GOOD FRIDAY WAY OF THE CROSS**

Join with nearly 1,000 people in the largest public Christian peace witness in New York City. The Way of the Cross is a modern day enactment of the Stations of the Cross, witnessing for peace and justice in the streets of our city. At each station, we reflect on our participation in a world still characterized by crucifixion. The walk begins at 8:30 AM on March 21<sup>st</sup> at 47<sup>th</sup> Street between First and Second Avenues, proceeds along 42<sup>nd</sup> Street and ends on 42<sup>nd</sup> Street between Eighth and Ninth Avenues around noon. For more info, please call Pax Christ Metro NY at 212-420-0250.

### **WOMEN OF SACRED HEART...**

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 (or 1 day) at the Passionist Spiritual Center (Cardinal Spellman Retreat House), in Riverdale, NY March 28<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>. Bring along a friend! For details call: Olga Jakubek 914-969-1725

### **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Jesus brings new life to those of us here on earth, and he can bring a new exciting life into our marriage. Plan to enrich your marriage by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend: April 18-20. For more information call: Ray & Diane @ 914-524-7088.

### **OPERATION SUPPORT OUR TROOPS**

One of the ways we can show support to those many people who cannot be with their families. Drop off at the friary or place in the box in the vestibule any goodies you would like to donate to the troops. DVDs, CDs, and telephone cards go a long way to help raise morale of the troops. Crystal Lite, fruit snacks, beef jerky and nuts are especially welcomed treats. Towels, underwear and socks help replenish supplies that some don't have. Checks made out to OSOT (tax deductible) are most welcome to help with the cost of the mailings. Thanks to all for helping our troops.



### **NORTH YONKERS BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**

Baseball, Softball & T-Ball Sign-ups for boys ages 5-16 and girls 5-18 Thurs. Mar 13, 27 7-9pm and Sat. Mar 15, 29 10-noon. Information: Tony 914-610-9385 or Tina 914-557-0116

### **THE NORTH YONKERS PRESERVATION & DEVELOPMENT CORP.** announces the following upcoming events:

Health Education Program: Westchester Senior Health at Home Program will sponsor a workshop led by Montefiore Staff, Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Talk on high blood pressure, description of the many services Montefiore offers. Light Breakfast: 11:00 am – 12:30 pm. Free. Call to register.

#### Dial-A-Ride Service:

Tues Mar 11 Groceries South

Thurs Mar 13 Groceries North

Call 423-9754 for information and reservations.

### **BICENTENNIAL YEAR: CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Concert Series: The Irish Heritage Concert: Thursday, March 13, 7pm. Celebrate St. Patrick's Day at a concert featuring traditional and contemporary Irish music to honor our patron saint at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Performances by The Cathedral of St Patrick Choir, The Cathedral of Saint Patrick Young Singers, and Mick Maloney and friends. Seating is free and open to the public!

St. Patrick's Day Bicentennial Mass: Please join Edward Cardinal Egan, Rev. Msgr. Robert T. Ritchie, the priests and parishioners to celebrate the feast day of our patron saint. Please note that this Mass is being held on the Friday prior to the parade because Holy Week observances begin on Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>.

**CAPUCHIN FRANCISCAN PILGRIMAGES-** Capuchin Journey Pilgrimage Program invites you to join them on various Pilgrimages, Weekend Getaways and days of Recollections. Some of the highlights for the year are; Southern Italy, The Holy Land, Washington DC, Philadelphia, Montreal and many more exciting and spiritual locations. Please call Capuchin Journeys office at 1-866-363-5917 x5917 for a schedule and programs to our exciting pilgrimages or e-mail [pilgrimiges@capuchin.org](mailto:pilgrimiges@capuchin.org).