

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 5, 2017

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners:

It is good to have January behind us, and just one more full month of Winter left to go. Even though every one's thoughts are on the Super Bowl today, February always makes me think of Pitchers and Catchers arriving for Spring Training in just a couple of weeks, a sure sign that Spring is not far away.

In these next few weeks leading up to Lent, we are blessed to be hearing from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount from Saint Matthew's Gospel each Sunday, the core of Jesus' teaching. It began with the Beatitudes last Sunday and continues for the next four Sunday's, teaching us what a true disciple of Jesus looks like.

"*You are the salt of the earth,*" Jesus tells His disciples in today's Gospel. Salt is what makes food tasty and savory. Those who add flavor to life are those who are conduits of God's Grace, channeling God's love to our world, imbuing life with goodness and wholesomeness. Salt is also a preservative, keeping food from corrupting. We live in a very morally confused world. We just need to listen to the news every day to know that things are not the way they should be. But in the midst of it all, there is so much goodness, so many good, holy and virtuous people who make all the difference.

We who are baptized into Christ Jesus are supposed to be like salt, the preserving agents of all that is good, wholesome, and true. We are supposed to be living differently in this world, infusing the world around us with the values of Jesus Christ and elevating the moral values of our culture. We will never know how many lives we have touched and brought closer to God simply by living our Catholic Faith more authentically, more fervently, more courageously, and more devoutly.

"*You are the Light of the World*" is another image Jesus uses to describe those who belong to Him. That light, however, is not our own, but the Light of Jesus shining through us. That is why we need to be people of prayer, to be nourishing our minds and hearts with the Word of God and the Sanctifying Grace of the Sacraments, culminating in our union with Jesus in the Eucharist. We cannot give what we do not have. We cannot give off the Light of Christ if it is not first ablaze within us. How bright His Light shines right here in our Church emanating from His Real Presence in the Eucharist. May our reception of the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus in

Holy Communion rekindle His Light within us so that we can be conduits of His Light in a world filled with so much darkness, a Light that the darkness can never overcome, that leads us to Heaven. May God bless us all.

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Matthew J. Furey

CARDINAL'S APPEAL MISSION AND EVANGELIZATION

The *Cardinal's Appeal* helps spread the Good News. The *Appeal* supports the many programs that nurture our faith through each stage of spiritual development in 12 Ministry Offices, which include: Adult Faith Formation, Family Life/Respect Life, Hispanic Ministry, Black Ministry, Liturgy, University Apostolate, Young Adult Outreach, Youth Ministry, and Hospital apostolate. Please help sustain these vital programs by making your pledge to the *Appeal* today. Your commitment will help us reach our parish goal of \$114,000. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

ATTENTION MARRIED COUPLES CATHOLIC COUPLE CHECKUP GIVEAWAY!!

The Archdiocese of New York's Family Life & Respect Life Office is excited to announce that as part of World Marriage Week (and Valentin's Day), we are offering 100 free codes for married couples to take the *Catholic Couple checkup!*

What is the *Catholic Couple Checkup*?

The Catholic Couple Checkup is an online tool designed to identify the unique relationship strengths and growth areas of dating, engaged, or married couple. Research has shown this process improves relationships by stimulating honest dialogue, increasing understanding, and empowering couples. It's an enjoyable, easy, private way to take the temperature of your relationship and start some meaningful conversations.

Best of all...it's on us!

Visit nyfamilylife.org during the month of February to get your free code. Don't miss out-the free codes are first come, first serve!

For questions or further information, contact Izabella Nagle at izabella.nagle@archny.org.

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS'S NAME

January 22th Collection – \$14,874.
Last Year's Collection-\$16,865.

**BLOOD DRIVE
PRESIDENT'S DAY**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2017
2PM TO 8PM
WALK-INS WELCOME
(SACRED HEART SCHOOL GYMNASIUM)**

Please help save a life by donating. The New York Blood Center along with Cardinal Dolan ask for your help.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, February 5

CYO Clinic – 1:30pm in the gym

Monday, February 6

Rel. Ed. Grade 6 – 4:30pm in the school

CYO Basketball – 5pm in the gym

Rel. Ed. – Grade 7 – 7:00pm in the school

Hispanic RCIA – 7:00pm rectory

Tuesday, February 7

Rel. Ed. – Grades 3-5 – 4:30pm in the school

CYO Basketball – 5pm in the gym

Rel. Ed. – Grade 8 – 7:00pm

Wednesday, February 8

CYO Basketball – 5pm in the gym

Children's Choir Practice – 5pm Church

Choir Practice – 7:00pm in the Church

Hispanic Prayer Group – 8pm in the cafeteria

Thursday, February 9

CYO Basketball – 5pm in the gym

HSA Meeting – school library 7pm

RCIA – 7:00pm rectory

Friday, February 10

Prayer Shawl Mtg. – 1pm in the rectory

Father / Daughter Dance HSA – 6pm

Saturday, February 11

St. Joseph Group – 7:30am in the Rectory

Rel. Ed. Grades 1 & 2 – 9:30am in the school

Hispanic Baptisms – 1pm

CYO -11am – to 4pm in the gym

Sunday, February 12

CYO Clinic – 1:30pm in the gym

COLD AND FLU SEASON

In this season of colds and flu, please remember that you may give and receive the sign of peace with a simple wave of the hand or nod of the head. No insult is intended if anyone does not want to shake hands.

**CRISIS PREGNANCY HOTLINE
GOOD COUNSEL HOMES**

For Pregnancy emergencies call: 1-800-723-8331
www.goodcounselhomes.org

**ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK
FEEDING OUR NEIGHBORS:**

January 29 through February 5, 2017

Nearly 325,000 children have difficulty affording food; that's 22% of children in the 10 counties of the Archdiocese. **Since hunger has no season, the Archdiocese is choosing the week of Sunday, Jan. 29 thru Feb. 5, 2017 for the Feeding Our Neighbors Campaign.**

The three simple ways to participate are:

- Donate money to support emergency food programs
- **Participate in the food drive Sun. Jan.29 to Feb. 5 by bringing food to the parish**
- Volunteer at a food pantry

**OFFICE OF THE VICAR GENERAL
ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK
CHILD PROTECTION**

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P. at 212-371-1000 x 2949 or Deacon George J. Coppola at 917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via e-mail at victimassistance@archnyny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, www.archnyny.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.

Cualquier persona que necesite denunciar algún incidente de abuso sexual de un menor por un sacerdote, diacono, religioso/a, o laico que esté trabajando en la Arquidiócesis de Nueva York, se le pide que, por favor contacte con Herman Eileen Clifford, O.P. en el teléfono (212) 371-1000 extensión 2949 o con Deacon George J. Coppola en el teléfono 917-861-1762. También se pueden comunicar con ambos por correo electrónico: victimassistance@archy.org. Para más información pueden visitar la página en la red de la Arquidiócesis: www.archnyny.org. De acuerdo con las normas de la Arquidiócesis respecto al abuso sexual de menores, esta información se proporciona para asegurar que nuestros niños permanecen seguros.

**FORMED AT
SACRED HEART**

FORMED Is An Innovative Online Platform Through Which You Can Have Access To A Wide Range Of Top Quality Faith Formation Resources. Our parish has a free one-year subscription. Visit www.formed.org and click the "Register" link and use the parish code **CK6N9W**. You can then complete the simple registration form and create a username and password. You only need to register one time. After that, when you visit www.formed.org just click on the "Login" button to access all of the information on the **FORMED** web site.

ANUNCIOS

El Grupo de Oración en Español tiene lugar habitualmente los miércoles, a las 8 de la noche en la cafetería.

Los próximos bautizos en español tendrán lugar el 11 de febrero 2017 a la 1pm. Contactar en el 357-0035.



We pray for all those serving in the **Armed Forces** and for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them: Larry Adler, Keith Alanis, Daniel Albarelli, Frank Paul Allegretti, Luciano Antonucci, Jenna Applebaum, Peter Boano, Harris Brownstein, Lisa Eckert Brownstein, Annette Burbridge, Dolores Cangelose, Frank Calfa, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Lorraine Cortez, Robert Cosenza, Joe Davey, Lilla DiBerardino, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Mary Discini, Florence Downey, Lucy Donlon, John Duffy, Nicholas Eckert, Peter Eckert, Jamie Erwin, Denise Ferrara, Stefanie Gaudelli, Tia Gardner, Arlene Gentile, Debra Gravina, John Grasso, Sarah Hyman, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Susan Jarkiewicz, Adrienne Kelly, Mary Kierman, Jon Kip, Anthony Kulik, Jay Leone, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Vasily Lockhart, Laura Mack, Thomas Mathai, Barbara Mazza, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMenamin, Ken Meyer, Florence Mohan, Fr. Estella Morales, Jennifer O'Hara, Fr. Jack Oldfield, Stacey Olayan, Tina Osika, Joseph Pasculli, Patricia Plotkin, Adolf Radeljic, Maura Reynolds, Etta Rooney, Mary Russo, Virginia Ryan, Daniel Sammarone, Nicholas Salzman, Eleanor Scelza, Erica Scully, Ruth Schwetz, Jean Simons, Aurelia Sorgo, Claudia Spano, Kate Stack, Maureen Starke, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Margaret Szaro, James P. Toner, Phyllis Varacalli, Carol Van Vandt, Millie Vazquez, Peter Veraldo and Fr. Wing.

ALTAR MEMORIALS FEBRUARY 5, 2017

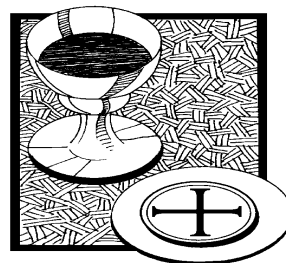
Altar Wines, Altar Breads, Altar Candles, and the
Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of

JOHN SPALLANZANI



BOOSTER CLUB WINNER

WEEK 15 – PAUL LEE



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

9:00am – Eustace “Hop” Morgese

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

5:30pm – Paddy Murtagh

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

7:00am – Parish Memorial Society

8:30am – Pat Hanley

10:00am – Gina Lorelli

11:30am – Gladys Armitage

1:00pm – All Parishioners

5:30pm – John Spallanzani

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

7:00am – John Jones

9:00am – McAdams & Howard Families

7:15pm – **Novena**

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

7:00am – Giosepe Papeleo

9:00am – David Briggs

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

7:00am – Saint Surin Family

9:00am – Raymond Bottamedi

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9

7:00am – Peter P. Scarpa

9:00am – Stephen Vines

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

7:00am – Special Intentions Kenneth Frank

9:00am – Dr. Leo Greco

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11

9:00am – Dr. Leo Greco

SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS FOR SUNDAY

5:30pm – Daniel Greeley

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

7:00am – Parish Memorial Society

8:30am – Francesco Varano

10:00am – Jason Builard

11:30am – Thomas Witt

1:00pm – All Parishioners

5:30pm – Carmela Cogliano



All Parishioners Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, friends, benefactors, relatives, priests, religious. and especially **Mary A. Gilmartin and Loris Duvo.**