

**MASS INTENTIONS
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

Sunday, March 12

5:00pm (Sat. Eve. Vigil) Debbie Miller
8:00 Lucille Clark
10:00 Matthew Pines
12:00 Paul Dronzek

Monday, March 13

9:00 People of Holy Spirit Parish

Tuesday, March 14

9:00 Christian Ortiz Louis

Wednesday, March 15

9:00 Marion Ann Ferrante

Thursday, March 16

9:00 Domenick Campagna

Friday, March 17 – St. Patrick

9:00 Theresa & Patrick Connolly

Saturday, March 18

9:00 Molly Hyland

Sunday, March 19

5:00pm (Sat. Eve. Vigil) Margaret Theresa Trogan
8:00 Cathy Benke
10:00 Helen & Gasper Modica
12:00 Vera Selvaggi

**The Sacramental Bread and Wine for the Week of
March 12th was donated in memory of:
Evelynne Wickrematunge**



READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY

First Reading	Genesis 12:1-4
Second Reading	2 Timothy 1:8b-10
Gospel	Matthew 17:1-9

RESPONSE

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For courage

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Exodus 17:3-7
Romans 5:1-8
John 4:5-42

**CELEBRANT SCHEDULE FOR NEXT
WEEKEND**

Saturday, March 18th

5:00pm Fr. Francis

Sunday, March 19th

8:00am Fr. Vernon

10:00am Fr. Vernon

12:00 noon Fr. DeBellis

Thank you for your generosity

Offering

\$10,533

Buildings and Grounds Maintenance

\$2,344

Please mark your envelope with the amount of your contribution, your name and address, so that we are able to record it for your year-end statement. If you are not a registered Parishioner we will gladly send you a registration form.

The 2016 tax contribution statements are available. **Please call** the Parish Office to request your copy, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. You may also fax or e-mail us as well. Thank you.



The sick are comforted just knowing that we pray for them. Please remember these members of our Parish Family, who are ill, in your prayers: **Barbara Ravoli, Paul Cirillo and Rose DeLuca.**

Please also remember the deceased members of our Parish Family in your prayers: **Marge Salvatore, Mary Ann Russo and Gerri Ann Celio.**

Coffee Sunday



Next weekend is Coffee Sunday. Please join your fellow parishioners in the Parish Activity Center after all Sunday Masses for coffee, donuts and conversation.



From the Desk of Fr. John

“Come, Holy Spirit and renew the face of the earth.”

I would like this week to encourage everyone to join us for a **Special Mass of Healing with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**. The Mass will be held this **Saturday, March 18th at 11:00am**.

The Sacrament is offered to all who are ill as an aid, by the grace of the Holy Spirit, to their recovery. The occasion of illness can be physical, psychological etc. The Church desires all to know that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is available to all who seek the help of the Holy Spirit in their recovery of health. Join us as we call upon the Holy Spirit to help us in all our needs.

“Through this holy anointing, may the Lord in His love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit.

May the Lord who frees you from sin save you and raise you up.”

(Prayer of Blessing from the Rite of the Anointing of the Sick)

Souvenir Jubilee History Book -

I am delighted to announce that the History Book has been completed and is now available for distribution. We thank all who have been eagerly waiting for the book for their patience. Bringing all the different parts together took much time but I think you will enjoy the final product. I thank Mr. Jeff Canning, our resident historian for the countless hours he spent in researching and in the writing of the history. Thanks to all who shared stories and pictures of their time here at Holy Spirit.

Thanks to all the “pioneers” and founding members of our parish, whose tireless efforts have made Holy Spirit the good parish it is today.

I want to personally thank all who made donations which not only made the book possible but allowed us to create a rich quality work.

Here is how the distribution of the books will happen:

All benefactors, patrons, sponsors and boosters will have a copy reserved for them. You can pick it up at the Rectory Office starting on Monday, March 13th.

All other requests for a copy of the book can be made at the Rectory Office. We believe we have ordered enough for all to receive a copy.

** Please note that all copies of the book are complimentary but are limited to one per family. **

Thank you 6th and 7th Grade Religious Education Children -

Thank you and your families for a great Mass last Sunday at the 10am Mass. I am always happy to see your support in such great numbers as I enjoy the opportunity to speak with you and also have some fun together... God Bless you all this Lent and always.

Congratulations to our RCIA Catechumens -

Last Sunday, the adults who have been following a course of study to receive their Sacraments took the next step in their journey. In a ceremony called the “Rite of Election”, they along with their sponsors stated their firm intention to receive the Sacraments at the Easter Vigil in April. Let us keep them in our prayers during this Lenten Season as they make their final preparations in becoming Catholics and/or completing their Sacraments of First communion and Confirmation.



I would like to extend a Happy St. Patrick’s Day to everyone as we celebrate the Patronal Feast of the Archdiocese of New York. Enjoy the day. God bless. **Fr. John**

ROSARY



Please join us for **Recitation of the Rosary** during Lent on Thursday evenings at 7:30pm in the Church. The Rosary provides an opportunity for meditation on the life of Christ.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent, **Stations of the Cross** will be held in the Church at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.



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2017 ARCHDIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE

At St. Joseph's Seminary
Yonkers, New York
April 1, 2017

11:00am – 5:30pm

The theme for the conference is
"Faith Every Day"

and the hope is that you will be inspired, but also come away with practical ways to continue living out your Catholic faith beyond Sunday.

For more information about the conference and to register, please visit

www.ArchNYMensConference.eventbrite.com

Parish Mission in Lent

Our Parish Mission will be held in the Church at 7:30pm on the evenings of Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 27th, 28th and 29th.

This year, I'm delighted to announce that Sr. Danielle Baran, of the Congregation of the Sisters of Resurrection in Rye, New York will be leading our Mission. Sr. Danielle comes to us with great insights on the Christian Life, with a "down to earth" disposition and a great sense of humor. We encourage all to participate.

Attention:

30- & 40- Somethings!
**Catholic in Real Life has 2 great events
for you this winter and spring:**

Lenten Movie Night and Discussion, Saturday, 3/18/17 at 6:00pm: Our Annual Lenten Faith Sharing and Potluck with a twist! We'll be watching "The Way", starring Martin Sheen, followed by a brief discussion. Bring appetizers or snacks to share. Feel free to bring camping chairs or blankets, too!

Join us as we bring Theology on Tap talks back to our area! The speaker will be our very own Fr. John DeBellis! A question and answer session will follow the talk. More details to follow. Mark your calendars! RSVP to CatholicinRealLife@gmail.com or Meetup.com/Catholic-in-Real-Life

Hearing God's voice

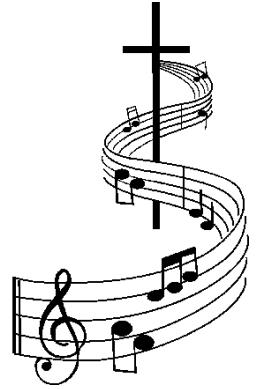
It can be difficult to "hear" God's voice in today's world, but with some effort, we can learn to recognize it. Read a chapter of the Gospels and listen: a phrase may grab your attention or you may experience peace and joy. Remember, God often speaks to our hearts, not our ears.

"So be imitators of God...and live in love, as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us" (Ephesians 5:1). – Growing in Faith



LENTEN REFLECTION CONCERT

Presented by the Holy Spirit Adult and
Children's Choirs
under the direction of Joan Rojas



Sunday, March 19th at
5:00 PM

Tickets: \$10 per person, \$25 per family of 3 or more
Tickets can be purchased from any choir member after Masses, at the Rectory
Office or at the door
Proceeds benefit the Holy Spirit Music Ministry



50th Wedding Anniversary Mass At. St. Patrick's Cathedral

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2017 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Sunday, June 11th at 2:00pm. Pre-registration is required. Please contact your parish office for registration. The closing date to register for the Mass is Friday, May 12th, 2017. This event is sponsored by the Family Life & Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.