

HOLY CHILD CHURCH



Mass Intentions for the Week

FIRST TIME:

Frederick Sorbera & Maria Luccrate

SECOND TIME:

Michael Burns & Jennifer Diaz
Lawrence Mazzelli & Kimberly Rodriguez
Richard Roras & Lisa Tedeschi

THIRD TIME:

Joseph D. Coniglio & Lisa Marie Ferrante
Justin Kurys & Tracy Babicke
Anthony Lia & Natalie Ventafrida
David J. Smith III & JesseAnn Pirraglia



Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. Marriage/holy orders involves many little self-denials. Hear more about decisions to love that help keep marriage/holy orders strong. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is November 13-15. For more information go to: www.wwmearchny.org or call 718-317-5881, or 1-877-NYS-WWME.

Ave Maria Gift Shop

Regular Hours

Monday --- Friday
11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Saturday
3:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Sunday
8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.



St. Joseph Seminary

Next weekend, our second collection will be to help support St. Joseph's Seminary.



Scripture/Faith Sharing

Sessions are on Mondays after the 9 A.M. Mass in the Forum.

SATURDAY VIGIL, SEPTEMBER 12, 2009

5:00 PM Umberto & Rose Angelillo
7:00 PM Nancy Di Maria & Lola Verdicchio

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2009

6:30 AM People of Holy Child
8:00 AM William & Rae Roe
9:30 AM Elaine Principe
11:00 AM Gaspar Mangieri
12:30 PM Leonard Wanglund & Ralph Nocerino
5:30 PM Catherine Williams

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2009

6:30 AM Mauro Rivera
9:00 AM Gaetano Mangano
12:10 PM Anne Alexander

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2009

6:30 AM Christine Ford/Reguero
9:00 AM Msgr. John Sheehan
12:10 PM Mrs. Rose Angelillo

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2009

6:30 AM For the Intention of the Hahn Family (Living)
9:00 AM Anna Lacagnino
12:10 PM Gabriella Laudanski

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2009

6:30 AM Charles Wallace
9:00 AM For the Intention of Frank, Jr. & Denise Geary (Living)
12:10 PM Coccoaro, Liotta & Ganley Families

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2009

6:30 AM Angelo, Anna & Joseph Perrone
9:00 AM Vincent & James Scarcella
12:10 PM William Festo

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2009

9:00 AM Magrino, DeNuzzia & Moeller Families
12:10 PM Martin T. Cavanagh

SATURDAY VIGIL, SEPTEMBER 19, 2009

5:00 PM Anthony & Vincenza Sileo
7:00 PM Mary Crumlish

Readings for September 20, 2009

Next Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16---4:3/Mk 9:30-37

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THIS WEEK'S DONATIONS:



Bread & Wine – In Memory of **Patrick Breslin**
Offered by Mariellen & Walter Blackhall



Sanctuary Lamp – In Memory of
Walter & Peter Sudol
Offered by Joan Sudol & Family



Adoration Chapel Candles – In Memory of
Thomas & Anne Bennett
Offered by Barbara Bennett

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BAPTISM

To preserve a more devout and reverent celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism, only six families will be accommodated each week. Please make arrangements with the Church at least a month beforehand.

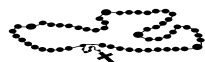


Get Well Soon!

John Ippoliti
Gerard Gallagher
Linda Cardinale
Melissa Cicio
Jason D'Angelo
Anthony Parise
Roseann Esposito
Bill Magrino, Sr.
Helen Vigilante
Aloysius Mazzella
Anthony Sutera
Mary Jane Walczyszcz

Helen Del Zoppo
Carol Lyn Anderson
Emma Cate DiMola
Steve Cicio
George Andrews
Billy Sherwood, Jr.
Lucille Frigiano
Claire Geary
Alyssa Trivalone
Joseph Henry
Anthony Barone
Anthony Dimesa

Eva Raia
Al Frezzo
Mary Anthony
Jim Ursillo
Clare Barone
Mary Caleca
Nico DiBono
Cathy Bradley
Roger Sledz
Erika Balk
Loretta Treval
James Naimoli



HOLY CHILD ROSARY MAKERS

Holy Child Rosary Makers meet on
Thursdays in the Rectory after the 9
a.m. Mass. All are welcome.



TACHS

To qualify for entrance to almost all of our Catholic High Schools, eighth grade pupils must take the TACHS – Test for Admission into Catholic High School. The examination will be held on **Friday, November 13, 2009**. **Paper applications** for the exam **must be made by October 7th**. **Internet or telephone by October 22, 2009**.

Students may register 7 days a week online via www.tachsinfo.com, or via telephone from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. at 1-866-61TACHS (1-866-618-2247). Students may obtain applications from Catholic High Schools participating in the program or in the rectory.

Further details regarding the examination may be obtained by calling the TACHS Admissions Office at 1-866-618-2247.

Fall Buffet Dinner Dance

Saturday 31 October

Halloween!!!

8 p.m. to Midnite

- Buffet Dinner -
- Dancing -
- Music by John Buccheri -
- ***Best Costume Contest -***
- ***Prizes -***

Ticket Sales TBA



The **SCHOOL OF RELIGION** Office is now open and School starts this **Monday, September 14, 2009** for all registered children.

Late Registration for Religious Education will be held on **Monday, September 21st**. The times are as follows:

12:00 P.M. to 1:00 P.M.

7:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE TAKEN AFTER THIS DATE.

Any questions, please call the **School of Religion Office** at **718-356-5277** between **10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.**

“GO AND TEACH” – Mt 28:29

The Faculty and Staff of our School of Religion will attend the 11 o'clock Sunday Mass on September 20 when the congregation will celebrate the dedicated ladies and gentlemen of our parish who have responded to the call to be catechists, teachers of the principles of our religious creed.



RCIA begins Tuesday, September 15th at 7:45 p.m. in the large conference room of the rectory. Any adult interested in receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Communion or Confirmation is welcome to come. Please call the rectory at 718-356-5890.



FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING

“Faith Seeking Understanding” will resume this **Monday, September 14th, 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.**, in the small conference room, with the study of the letter to the Hebrews. Contact Fr. Ed if you are interested.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MUSIC MINISTRY 2009-2010

Children's Choir will begin on September 23rd at 3:30 p.m. in the church and will end at 4:45 p.m. We welcome back our existing members and **encourage all of Holy Child's Parish children to sign up.** They will, however, be split into two groups - Level 1 and Level 2 - according to age and experience. Both groups will participate in the Children's Mass the last Sunday of each month at 12:30 p.m. liturgy, as well as the 9:30 a.m. Mass all other Sundays. More information will be available at rehearsal.

Traditional Choir will begin rehearsals on September 22nd at 7:30 p.m. ending at 9:00 p.m. in the church. **We welcome back our existing members and look forward to new recruits!**

Bell Choir will resume rehearsals on the first week of October 2009. This group rehearses every Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. ending at 6:15 p.m. We welcome back our existing members and look forward to new recruits. **Please note that neither experience, or musical training is required.** Sandra Pace, Bell Choir Director, will guide members in "basic bell ringing techniques" and other musical skills.

Contemporary Choir and Musicians will start performing at the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Sunday, September 27, 2009. **New Members - both vocalists and instrumentalists interested in joining this ensemble,** please call Anne Lukasiewicz at 1-917-842-2122 to set up a meeting. More detail on rehearsal dates will be posted in the following weeks.

Recovery Sunday

This year marks the 11th Commemoration of Recovery Sunday in the Archdiocese of New York, inaugurated by Cardinal O'Connor in 1999. It is an annual day of prayer for all those struggling with and in recovery from addictive illnesses.

Addictive illnesses are many; here are a couple of leads for help in two of them:

Gamblers Anonymous meets on Staten Island 7 days a week. For information contact:

New York Intergroup,
P.O. Box 7 – New York, NY 10116-0007

Phone: (888) GA-HELPS.

Nar-Anon Family Group is for you who know or have known a feeling of desperation concerning the addiction problem of someone very near to you.

Nar-Anon meets Sunday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings on Staten Island. For meeting information call 1-800-984-0066.

May our concern and prayers bring many who suffer from addictive illness or those who suffer because of them to healing treatments!

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World-Class Organist to Perform on S.I.

Sunday, September 27th at 3:00 p.m. the spectacular Felix Hell, one of the world's greatest concert organists, will be performing a free concert at St. Teresa's Church, (Victory Blvd. & Slosson Ave.) followed by a "meet the artist" reception at 4:30 p.m. More details are available from www.SaintTeresaSI.org or 718-442-5412. Go and hear the "King of Instruments" in concert -- All are welcome.

"Thou Spreadest the Table My Cup Runneth Over"

—Ps23

The *Evening with Father Basil* was a successful one due in no small measure to the generous preparation of a bountiful buffet supper by Maria Ferrantelli and Michael Parker. As grateful as all of us are to them, is Father Basil himself!

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Cub Scout Registration will be held in the School Building (lower level) Friday, September 18th at 7:30 p.m. Ages 6-10 (1st grade – 5th grade.)

If you have any questions, please call Rita Martin 718-356-9381.

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Staten Island Council for Animal Welfare, Inc.

P.O. Box 120125

Staten Island, NY 10312-0125

Presents

WALK-A-THON at Clove Lakes Park

Sunday 20 September

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

All proceeds help SICAW in its mission to save stray animals on Staten Island. For participant and sponsor information call: (718) 356- 2334

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“Hear Ye! Hear Ye!”

Musical Chairs Chamber Ensemble (MCCE)

Offers three concert presentations here on
September 19th, October 17th and November 6th

Free Admission.

The upcoming one is :

Saturday 19 September at 8 p.m.

“Precious Metals, a Russian Music and Poetry Event”

Explores the correlation between chamber music and literature
In Russian culture.

In anticipation of the Canonization of Fr. Damien of Moloka'i on October 10, 2009
Holy Child Parish presents:

Damien

A One Man Play

Written by Aldyth Morris and performed by

Casey Groves

The true story of the heroic Catholic priest who was a fountain of light to those suffering
the darkness of leprosy on the Hawaiian Island of Moloka'i in the 1800's.

Friday, September 25th at 7 pm

At Holy Child Parish

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Admission is free.

Pushing the Envelope*

Depicted on the small envelopes used by our children to make their weekly contributions at Mass is a charming line drawing reminiscent of an old fashioned picture and also a popular advertisement of yesteryear. It shows a friendly angel hovering over a little girl and a little boy who are happily depositing a coin in their piggy bank.

The sentimental painting suggested by these lines shows the Guardian Angel in attentive concentration over a little boy and a little girl on a wood and rope footbridge that is about to let go over a rushing river. An alternate version shows the Angel over one of them slipping on one of the stepping stones in the middle of the rapidly flowing river while the other small companion watches with worry from the bank. Our line drawing does not have outstanding sharpness of detail. Therefore, at a glance, the piggy bank looks much like a pitcher ... that pitcher that used to appear with a smiling face drawn on its steamy surface to invite us to drink Kool Aid.

One of these children's envelopes was placed in the collection basket on August 23rd. And I must say it runs true to the forms I just described - for on its back was neatly printed these words:

**My Sister and I sold lemonade on our vacation again;
and we would like to donate some of our money to the church.**

Sincerely, -----.

Because I see them every week at Mass, I can tell you that the envelope picture looks just like these two small youngsters happily tending to their pitcher of refreshing drink with their Summer Angel looking on protectively and benevolently.

I am sure we all join the Angel in looking on their \$20 offering with hearts stirred by the goodness of their innocence.

Father Travers

*To push the envelope = to go beyond commonly accepted boundaries.