

**APRIL 5, 2015
EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

MASS INTENTIONS

MEMORIALIZATIONS

Sunday (April 5) Easter Sunday
8:00 Pro-Populo
10:00 Deceased Members of the Roman Family
Requested By: Daughter, Ana Martinez
12:00 Stanley John, Edwin & Clothilda John
Requested By: Dunbar John
2:30 Spanish Mass
7:00 Spanish Mass

Monday (April 6) Monday within the Octave of Easter
7:00 Maria & Rocco Peco
Requested By: MaryLou & Sam Mascalina
9:00 Celestino Delacruz
Requested By: Salvacion Delacruz

Tuesday (April 7) Tuesday within the Octave of Easter
7:00 Robert Bennett
Requested By: Ellen Bennett
9:00 Valentino Deluca
Requested By: Domenico Federico

Wednesday (April 8) Wednesday within the Octave of Easter
7:00 Angelica Fernandez
Requested By: Her grandfather
9:00 Dominick A. Delia Sr.
Requested By: Anthony Antunes

Thursday (April 9) Thursday within the Octave of Easter
7:00 Macario Ortega
Requested By: Juliet Juarez
9:00 George Vaz
Requested By: Cacilda Vaz

Friday (April 10) Friday within the Octave of Easter
7:00 Robert S. Matthews
Requested By: Natalie & Vicki
9:00 Adele Loudisi
Requested By: Annmarie & Damion & Jessica Ajello

Saturday (April 11) Saturday within the Octave of Easter
9:00 Alton Clemente-Birthday Remembrance
Requested By: Family
5:00 John & Mary Donohue
Requested By: John & Loretta Donohue

Sunday (April 12) Second Sunday of Easter
8:00 Vincent Coppeto
Requested By: Family
10:00 Pro-Populo
12:00 Gemma Romano
Requested By: Pietro & Concetta, DiPaterio & Family
7:00 Spanish Mass

**Please notify an usher if you would like to bring up the gifts during a Mass for your loved one.*

ALTAR CANDLES
Giuseppe Ciotti
Requested By: Elsa Salvate & Family
James J. Kiley
Requested By: Margaret A. Kiley
Ann Lisa Chick
Requested By: Frances & Pete Chick
Maria and Clement D'Costa
Requested By: Anthony D'Costa and Family

SANCTUARY LAMPS
John S. Agosta
Requested By: The Mulé Family
Ann Lisa Chick
Requested By: The Mulé Family

ALTAR BREAD AND WINE
Nicholas DiCola & Victoria Bushey DiCola
Requested By: The DiCola Family

NOTES FROM THE LOFT The Music of EASTER!

While Easter is the greatest feast on the Christian calendar, the music of this glorious season resounds with two themes which highlight our relationship with the children of Abraham and show the fulfillment of what our Jewish brethren celebrate annually at Passover: 1. the saving power of the blood of the Paschal lamb, and 2. the safe passage of the children of Israel through the Red Sea

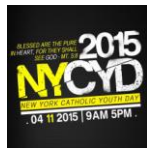
At the Easter Vigil, the "Exultet" proclaims, "These then are the feasts of Passover in which is slain THE LAMB, THE ONE TRUE LAMB, whose Blood anoints the door-posts of believers." The music of Easter elaborates on this theme: "For the sheep THE LAMB has bled." (#178) "Where THE PASCHAL BLOOD is poured, death's dark angel sheaths his sword." (#172) "He who gave for us His life, who for us endured the strife IS OUR PASCHAL LAMB today!" (#175) As proclaimed by John the Baptist, JESUS is the Lamb of God who destroys death, fulfilling the promise of salvation made to Adam in Genesis 3:15. At every Mass we also proclaim, "Ecce, Agnus Dei! Behold the LAMB OF GOD. Behold Him who takes away the sins of the world!"

The Exultet introduces the second theme: "This is the night when...You led... Israel's children, from slavery in Egypt and made them pass dry-shod THROUGH THE RED SEA.." The Easter music sings: "Come, ye Faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness! God hath brought His Israel into joy from sadness! Loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters! LED THEM WITH UNMOISTENED FOOT THROUGH THE RED SEA WATERS." (#186) "Israel's hosts triumphant go THROUGH THE WAVE THAT DROWNS THE FOE." (#172)

The Choir introduces a harmonized version of WORTHY IS THE LAMB (#583) by Ricky Manalo and a new Mass setting for the Easter season: Randall DeBruyn's "Mass of the Resurrection" (#860-869). The opening notes of the "Gloria" were inspired by the "Duke Street" tune, familiar to us as "I Know That My Redeemer Lives". Fr. Ricky Manalo is a Filipino-American Paulist priest. Composer Dr. DeBruyn is a member of the Editorial Board for Oregon Catholic Press which publishes our missalette, BREAKING BREAD.

TRANSPORTATION FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS
A Town Hall meeting is being planned **Thursday, April 9th, at Peekskill Middle School** to discuss Peekskill's busing program for students in grades K-12. The possibility to provide students transportation to schools within a 15 mile radius from the center of Peekskill will be discussed. To learn more about this event, contact Peekskill City School District at 914-737-3300. <http://www.peakskillcsd.org/Page/1>

YOUTH CONFERENCE



The Archdiocese of New York and the Office of Youth Ministry with Father Joseph Espailat is sponsoring a Youth Conference: NYCYD2015* New York Catholic Youth Day 2015 at Saint Joseph Seminary in Yonkers, NY on April 11, 2015. Assumption Church will be sponsoring a bus for this exciting event that features Brian Greenfield (Hard as Nails Ministry) and music by the Ike NDolo Band. Cardinal Dolan will celebrate the Holy Mass. For more information please contact Assumption Rectory at 914-737-2071.

*"This is my beloved Son. Listen to him."
Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone
but Jesus alone with them.*
MK 9:7-8

Easter 2015

Dear Assumption Parishioners,

"Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed,"

- John 20:8

The Gospel of John tells us it was after the beloved disciple entered the tomb he was able to believe what Jesus had preached to his disciples. That message was that Jesus would suffer his passion, death, and be resurrected from the dead. Our belief in eternal life is plausible after we too have experienced the preaching, healing, and forgiveness of our savior Jesus Christ. We can come to our belief in the resurrection only after we take the time to enter the tomb.

We are so blessed here at Assumption to have experienced Jesus' presence through our parish. Thank you to our parishioners who have made Christ real by your loving service to our parish and to our priests. We are so deeply grateful.

Please be assured that myself and Fr. Vincent are both keeping you, your loved ones, and all the faithful of Assumption Parish in our prayers this Easter. Our hope is that all who have died with Christ will also share in the triumph of the Resurrection.

Faithfully Yours in Christ,
Father John Higgins
Pastor

TITHING REPORT

Palm Sunday of Lent 2015.....	\$12,521.03*
Palm Sunday of Lent 2014.....	\$13,809.25
Second Collection for Catholic Education.....	\$ 3,250.00
*Includes Parish Pay.....	\$ 738.03

NEW ALTAR SERVERS VESTMENTS – FROM FR. VINCENT

Our altar servers do such a wonderful job and give their time to our church! They are overdue for a replacement of their vestments. We would like to purchase and memorialize new cassocks and surplices for the Altar Boys. And, going forward, our Altar Girls will vest in white contemporary monastic hooded albs which will also be purchased and available for memorialization. We also wish to purchase some Roman styled surplices for the Team Captains and the Master of Ceremonies. We invite any parishioner who may be interested to help defray the cost by memorializing the new vestments in remembrance of a loved one. Each memorialized vestment will be labeled accordingly. The servers who use them will be instructed to pray for your loved one when they serve Mass wearing that vestment.

- Roman styled surplices can be memorialized for \$150
- Regular Cassocks (black) for \$100
- Monastic Albs for girls for \$100
- Regular Surplices for \$75

Please make a **check** out to "**Assumption Church**" and indicate in the **Memo line**, "**Altar Servers Vestments.**" Please include a note indicating the type of vestment(s) you want to memorialize, the name of the person, your name and phone number, so we can contact you about the details of the memorialization.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL



Gladys Latimer, Catherine Chesser, Janet Fortier, Linda McGarr, Loretta Donohue, Andrew Muller, George Strumke, Daniel Cairl, George Smith, Fr. Steven Clark, Cecilia Murphy, Patricia Cothren, Guadalupe Arango, Mario Garziona, Catherine Gleba, and James Brian Dolman

RESPECT LIFE



Our Easter Mission "Have no fear. The outcome of the battle for life is already decided, even though the struggle goes on against great odds and with much suffering... "Christ is now raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep ... so in Christ all will come to life again" (1 Cor. 15:20,22). The paradox of the Christian message is this: Christ - the head - has already conquered sin and death. Christ in his body - the pilgrim people of God - continually suffers the onslaught of the Evil One and all the evil which sinful humanity is capable of." The liberating message of the Gospel of life has been put into your hands. And the mission of proclaiming it to the ends of the earth is now passing to your generation. Like the great apostle Paul, you too must feel the full urgency of the task: "Woe to me if I do not evangelize" (1 Cor. 9:16). Woe to you if you do not succeed in defending life. The church needs your energies, your enthusiasm, your youthful ideals, in order to make the Gospel of life penetrate the fabric of society, transforming people's hearts and the structures of society in order to create a civilization of true justice and love." – St. John Paul II to Youth, August 15, 1993, Denver, Colorado. **The next Respect Life Holy Hour will be on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at 7:00 PM**

CARDINAL'S APPEAL 2015

Cardinal Dolan said: "I pray that you will join me and consider renewing your commitment to the Church in New York with a gift to the *Cardinal's Annual Appeal*. I ask not for me, but on behalf of the thousands of men, women and children who are so grateful for your love and care. Please help me in making the *Appeal* a success".

Summary to Date

Goal	Pledge	Paid	Number of Gifts	Average Gift
\$72,000.00	\$25,626.00	\$17,596.00	80	\$320.33

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR SCHEDULE



April 5	No Holy Hour -----
April 12	3PM Assumption Church*
April 19	3PM Assumption Church

*April 12 will be a special multilingual Divine Mercy Holy Hour

FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

On **Friday, May 1st at 7:00pm**, please join us for Mass as we celebrate St. Joseph, the foster father of Jesus, who lived with Him in closest intimacy and community of family life and work. Mass will be celebrated by Monsignor Hilary Franco in Italian and English. Following the Mass will be a procession as well as an "Evening in the Piazza" in Father Wilson Hall. Sample many homemade Italian "dolci" with an espresso while enjoying authentic Italian music and entertainment! Don't forget to join in a Tarantella or two! You won't want to miss this evening!

WHEN WILL OUR MASS BOOK OPEN?

In the process of *Making All Things New*, the Archdiocese of NY has asked parishes to not accept Mass intentions for the second half of 2015. We are currently awaiting word from the Archdiocese as to when we will be able to open our Mass book for July - December 2015. We will allow plenty of time for notification so that families will be able to reserve their Masses.