

**JANUARY 25, 2015**  
**THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MEMORIALIZATIONS**

**Sunday (January 25) Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 8:00 Adriana D'Ottavio  
*Requested By: Domenico Federico*
- 10:00 Thaddeus Jescavage  
*Requested By: Del Rosario Family*
- 12:00 Pro-Populo
- 7:00 Spanish Mass

**Monday (January 26) St. Timothy & St. Titus**

- 7:00 Thomas Michael Coogan  
*Requested By: Family*
- 9:00 Catherine E. Delaney  
*Requested By: Family*

**Tuesday (January 27)**

- 7:00 Anthony Martino  
*Requested By: Joseph & Helen Pisano*
- 9:00 Rosaria Federico  
*Requested By: The Boryk Family*

**Wednesday (January 28) St. Thomas Aquinas**

- 7:00 Jennifer Fetzer  
*Requested By: Tom Pisani*
- 9:00 Peter Anthony & Maria Augusta Lopes  
*Requested By: Carlos & Dorina Lopes*

**Thursday (January 29)**

- 7:00 Francesca Valente  
*Requested By: Daughter in law, Santina*
- 9:00 Alton Clemente  
*Requested By: Family*

**Friday (January 30)**

- 7:00 Carlos Luis Martinez  
*Requested By: Grandparents: Carlos & Ana Martinez*
- 9:00 Maria V. DeLuca  
*Requested By: Family*

**Saturday (January 31) Saint John Bosco**

- 9:00 Purgatorial Society
- 5:00 Pro-Populo

**Sunday (February 1) Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 8:00 Edward Ajello  
*Requested By: Mr. & Mrs. Mann & Angela Marano*
- 10:00 Arlindo Moreilo  
*Requested By: Lee & Tom Kulsha*
- 12:00 Rosaria Federico  
*Requested By: Mr. & Mrs. Arturo Baldini*
- 7:00 Spanish Mass

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

**DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR SCHEDULE**

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| February 1  | 3PM | Mt. St. Francis Convent |
| February 8  | 3PM | Assumption Church       |
| February 15 | 3PM | Assumption Church       |
| February 22 | 3PM | Assumption Church       |

**FEEDING OUR NEIGHBORS CAMPAIGN**

Cardinal Dolan has asked the whole Archdiocese to respond once again to the needs of the hungry in our area with a special food drive from January 25 - February 1, 2015. Assumption Church (in conjunction with Fred's Food Pantry) is already doing a great deal to meet the needs of Peekskill's neighbors. We still wish to join in this Archdiocesan wide effort. So, on the weekends of January 26 or February 2, if your means allow you to do so, please consider bringing a bag of food to Mass. Our volunteer crew will be ready to 1) replenish our own Food Pantry and 2) Bring the extra food to Fred's Food Pantry after the Masses.

**Altar Candle**

George Vaz  
*Requested By: Family*

**Altar Bread & Wine**

Fred J. Bianco  
*Requested By: Friend*

**NOTES FROM THE LOFT**

A Brief History of the Church Organ – Part I

“What’s so great about the ORGAN?” The question was posed in a fairly recent article, ‘Frequently Asked Questions on Sacred Music’ circulated by the Church Music Association of America. It was answered thus: “Since gaining acceptance for liturgical use in the Middle Ages, the organ has been esteemed for its contribution to sacred music. Its method of producing sound recalls the human voice itself, which the Church has given primacy in her worship. Its use over the centuries in a solo and supportive role has given the organ a unique status above all other instruments.”

The response is in accord with the recognition of this magnificent instrument given in the major Vatican II document “The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy” (SC) (Dec. 4, 1963) and the directive “Instruction on Music in the Liturgy” (MS) (Sacred Congregation of Rites, Mar. 5, 1967): “The PIPE ORGAN is to be held in high esteem in the Latin Church\*, for it is the traditional musical instrument, the sound of which can add a wonderful splendor to the Church’s ceremonies and powerfully lifts up men’s minds to God and higher things.” (SC #120) (MS # 62) \* Roman Catholic Church

During his 2006 visit to Regensburg, Germany, Pope Benedict XVI (himself a musician) blessed the new organ at the Alte Kapelle (High Chapel), saying, “The organ has always been considered, and rightly so, the king of musical instruments, because it takes up all the sounds of creation...and gives resonance to the fullness of human sentiments, from joy to sadness, from praise to lamentation. By transcending the merely human sphere, as all music of quality does, it evokes the divine. The organ’s great range of timbre, from ‘piano’ (soft) through to a thundering ‘fortissimo’, makes it an instrument superior to all others. It is capable of echoing and expressing all the experiences of human life. The manifold possibilities of the organ in some way remind us of the immensity and the magnificence of God.”

PIPE organs have also found a home in synagogues, concert halls and stadiums, boasting a repertoire spanning over 500 years!

(Next week: Brief history of the PIPE and other church organs)

**MOSES APRIL 14-15, 2015**

Join us as we depart from Hudson Valley, on a fully escorted Leprechaun motorcoach, to experience the breathtaking presentation of Moses. He had an action-packed life, from being sent down the Nile in a basket, to the Ten Commandments. All of these events will be portrayed at Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster, PA. For a complete two day itinerary, please call Judy LoSasso at Treasure Time Tours 914-739-8111. Limited availability.

**TITHING REPORT**

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| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 2015..... | \$ 7,620.50* |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 2014..... | \$10,868.00  |
| *Includes Parish Pay.....                         | \$ 510.50    |



**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, Walter Bittal, Patricia Cothren, Guadalupe Arango, Mario Garziona, Catherine Gleba, and James Brian Dolman

**RESPECT LIFE**



**A Tragic Commemoration** On January 22, 1973, the Supreme Court, in the Roe vs. Wade decision, made its worst mistake in history. By declaring that children in the womb are not “persons,” it opened the door to tens of millions of abortions. The website of the Alan Guttmacher Institute (formerly the research arm of Planned Parenthood, which is the single largest source of abortions in America), states, “From 1973 through 2011, nearly 53 million legal abortions occurred.” It also points out that “Twenty-one percent of all pregnancies (excluding miscarriages) end in abortion,” and that abortions at 21 weeks of pregnancy or later number somewhere around 12,720 per year in America. In 2011, there were 1.06 million abortions in our country. Indeed, as we mark another Roe vs. Wade commemoration, it is time for all of us to get involved in the efforts to end abortion. Visit [www.TenStepsToEndAbortion.com](http://www.TenStepsToEndAbortion.com) to learn what you can do. **The next Respect Life Holy Hour will be on Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 7:00 PM**

**HOW THE BELLS WILL TOLL**

Assumption is delighted to have her bell ringing again. The bell will ring at the following moments:

- For the recitation of the **Angelus** at 6:00am, 12 Noon, and 6:00pm
- An hourly **chime** from 7:00am-9:00 pm
- 15 minutes before each Sunday Mass
- Funeral Toll: as the casket of the beloved deceased person enters and leaves the church, the bell will toll (single ringing at 8 to 10 second interval).
- Wedding Peal: As the newly married couple exits the Church our church bell will peal (the joyful sound of a swinging bell).

**ASH WEDNESDAY PREPARATIONS**

According to the liturgical norms of the Church, the Ashes imposed on Ash Wednesday are to be made from burning the blessed palms from Palm Sunday of the previous year. To prepare for Ash Wednesday, we ask parishioners to please bring your palms from last year and place them in the receptacle provided in the back of the Church the weekend of February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015, next weekend.

**FEAST OF ST. BLAISE**



“Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit” (Blessing of St. Blaise). On Tuesday, February 3, 2015 is the traditional date of the feast of Saint Blaise – the Patron Saint of health of the throat. We will offer the blessing of the throats for all after the 7am and 9am Mass that day.

**A.C.T.S. RETREAT**

Men, are you looking for a Spiritual New Year's Resolution? This may be the answer for you. The world is shouting for our attention with answers to our relationship struggles, solutions to our financial trouble, and explanations to our search for meaning and purpose. But the world's promises leave us empty and always searching for more. God's is the ONLY answer that promises to transform our lives... from the inside out! GROW in your relationship with Christ. Let the Holy Spirit bring real change to your life in this New Year! Take this exciting next step in your faith journey by joining other men just like you. The next NY ACTS Retreat for men is March 5th to March 8th at Don Bosco Retreat Center, in Stoney Point, and hosted by Holy Name of Mary Church. For more information and an application send an email to [hnmactsny@yahoo.com](mailto:hnmactsny@yahoo.com) or call (914) 736-110.

**CHILD PROTECTION**

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sister 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@archny.org](mailto:victimassistance@archny.org). Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, [www.archny.org](http://www.archny.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.

*Our Lady of Assumption... Pray for Us!*

| <b>Pre Lenten Preaching Series at Assumption Church</b>   |                               |   |
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| <b>God's Purpose For You in the Church</b>  |                               |   |
| <i>In the Sunday's Leading up to Lent, a special message will be delivered at each Sunday Mass:</i> |                               |   |
| <b>WEEKEND</b>  | <b>THEME</b>                  | <b>GOSPEL</b>                                     |
| Sunday, January 25, 2015  | Pillar #2 Confession          | “Call to Repentance—Apostles”                     |
| Sunday, February 1, 2015  | Pillar #3 Devotion to Mary    | “Expulsion of Demon”                              |
| Sunday, February 8, 2015  | Pillar #4 Loving our Neighbor | “Healing of Peter’s Mother in Law Night in Prayer |
| Sunday, February 15, 2015   | Pillar #5 Eucharist           | Cure of the Leper                                 |
| <b>Lent Begins February 18, 2015</b><br><b>Ash Wednesday</b>  |                               |   |