

**MARCH 19, 2017
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

MASS INTENTIONS

- Sunday (March 19) Third Sunday of Lent**
8:00 Peter Anthony and Maria Augusta Lopes
Requested by: Carlos and Dorina Lopes
10:00 Pro Populo
12:00 José Zaldivar
Requested by: June Ramos and Family
7:00 Spanish Mass
- Monday (March 20) Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary (observed)**
7:00 Joan Sewalk
Requested by: James B. Olsen
9:00 Lucia and Silvio D'Ottavio
Requested by: Family
- Tuesday (March 21)**
7:00 Gerard Fedro
Requested by: The Fedro Family
9:00 John Leardi
Requested by: Christopher Columbus Ladies' Auxiliary
- Wednesday (March 22)**
7:00 Vincenzo Vivencio
Requested by: Daughter Michelle
9:00 Grace LoSasso
Requested by: Judy and Frank LoSasso
- Thursday (March 23) Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop**
7:00 Joan M. Sewalk
Requested by: Eugene W. Byrne
9:00 Antonietta DiTomasso
Requested by: The Gaetano and DeLuca Family
- Friday (March 24) Blessed Oscar Romero, Bishop and Martyr**
7:00 Joan M. Sewalk
Requested by: John Fisher
9:00 Paolo and Erminia DiPaterio
Requested by: Pietro & Concetta DiPaterio and Family
- Saturday (March 25) The Annunciation of the Lord**
9:00 For Those Enrolled in the Purgatorial Society
5:00 Constancio Clement
Requested by: Filomena Rodrigues
7:00 Spanish Mass
- Sunday (March 26) Fourth Sunday of Lent**
8:00 Geraldo Quiñones
Requested by: Family
10:00 Members of the Schuka Family
Requested by: Family
12:00 Pro Populo
7:00 Spanish Mass

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

MEMORIALIZATIONS

ALTAR CANDLES

Joan M. Sewalk
Requested by: Eugene W. Byrne

SANCTUARY LAMPS

In Memory of the Carey & Eible Families
Requested by: Family

ALTAR BREAD AND WINE

Madeline Turrone
Requested by: A Family Friend

NEWLY-ENROLLED IN PURGATORIAL MASS SOCIETY

(Enrolled for one year for monthly Masses normally celebrated on the last Saturday of the month)

John Dvozenja

Joan M. Sewalk
Requested by: Eugene W. Byrne

Tina Guglielmo Ferrari
Requested by: The Esposito Family

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

Cardinal Dolan asks for our support in the annual Catholic Relief Services Collection, to be taken up at every Mass on **Saturday, April 1 and Sunday, April 2.**

*March 2017
Season of Lent*

Dear Friends in the Lord:

By participating in the Catholic Relief Services collection (CRSC), you are responding to Jesus in disguise in some of the most marginalized communities in our world.

The CRSC provides services for immigrants, humanitarian aid in the wake of natural disasters, refuge for the displaced, and advocacy for peace and justice world-wide.

Changes in climate in Western Africa, for example, are adversely affecting poor and rural farmers in Niger. No matter how hard these farmers work, droughts are shortening the rainy season, leaving harvests too small to support their families and communities. Catholic Relief Services is helping to connect businesses that provide drought-resistant seeds with such communities and, in turn, providing hope for a sustainable future.

Please prayerfully consider your support for this special collection that makes a difference in the lives of so many who are suffering and on the margins of society. If you want to learn more about the CRSC and the people it benefits, visit www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

With prayerful best wishes for a blessed Lenten season, I am,

*Faithfully in Christ,
Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York*

TITHING REPORT

March 12, 2017.....\$11,696.00
 (includes Parish Pay amount of \$752.00)
 March 13, 2016.....\$10,945.30
 (includes Parish Pay amount of \$795.94)

If you would like to enroll in Parish Pay, please go to www.parishpay.com OR call the Rectory

RESPECT LIFE



In the Dark. A young lady who had an abortion wrote the following: *“The counseling [I received] was only pro-abortion. No information was given to me at the abortion clinic about pro-life choices or agencies. They also told me it wouldn’t hurt. It was extremely painful! I was not told anything about how this [abortion] would affect me for the rest of my life.”* This young woman’s experience is not uncommon among those who have had abortions, showing the need for efforts by the pro-life movement to counsel those who feel pressured to abort and give them alternatives.

The next Respect Life Holy Hour is Monday, March 27 at 7:00 pm.

GET YOUR DAILY DOSE OF LENT

Have you heard the latest? Those who signed up to receive their daily “Lenten Moments” – a series of short videos “starring” Father Higgins and Father Vincent – have not been disappointed. (In fact, it’s been overheard that parishioners of all ages have been doing their social-media duty of linking to the videos and sharing messages on Facebook, etc.) It’s not too late to sign up to get each day’s “Lenten Moment” sent directly to your inbox or mobile device. Simply text PEEKSKILL to 84576 or go to www.flocknote.com/assumptionpeekskill. (If texting, you’ll receive a confirmation text back from Flocknote and a second message with a link to click to complete the process; click the link, choose “Assumption Lent” and any other groups of interest.) “Lenten Moments” can also be viewed on our website (www.assumptionpeekskill.org), on our Catholic Peekskill YouTube Channel, and on our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/CatholicPeekskill). To catch up on any you may have missed, binge-watching is encouraged!

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR SCHEDULE



March 19	3 pm	Assumption Church
March 26		– No Holy Hour –
April 2	3 pm	Assumption Church
April 9		– No Holy Hour –



Wedding Banns

Third Time: Darren R. Duffy & Ana Y. Duffy (née Lopez)
 Second Time: Santiago Hernandez & Maira Mendez



PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Catherine Chesser, Janet Fortier, Linda McGarr, Andrew Muller, George Strumke, Mario Garziona, Tony DeMilio, James Brian Dolman, Suzi Jo Bondra, Margaret Kang and Carli Hermina.

PRAY ALSO FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

Madeline F. Turrone
 Dalton R. Tompkins

“Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.”

A VERY SPECIAL HEALING MASS ON APRIL 1

We all know someone in need of healing – physical, emotional and/or spiritual healing. Just so, all are invited to attend a special Mass with Healing Prayers in our church at 2:00 pm on **Saturday, April 1**. Father Ubald Rugirangoga from Rwanda will celebrate the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, along with Father Vincent, which will be followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and a procession through the Sanctuary. (Prior to the Mass, at 1:30 pm, Immaculée Ilibagiza of Rwanda – author of the New York Times bestseller *Left to Tell: Discovering God Amidst the Rwandan Holocaust* – will lead recitation of the Holy Rosary.) Thousands upon thousands have gathered to pray with Father Ubald who, like Miss Ilibagiza, is a survivor of the 1994 Rwandan genocide. [SEE article below.] Assumption is truly honored to host this ministry of healing, forgiveness and reconciliation. Come pray for yourself and for others who may not be able to attend. Prayer intentions and questions may be sent to ServantsofChristHealing@aol.com.

FATHER UBALD RUGIRANGOGA



Father Ubald Rugirangoga has been a Catholic priest in the Cyangugu Diocese of southeastern Rwanda for 25 years. During the Rwandan genocide, Father Ubald lost more than 80 family members and more than 45,000 of his parishioners. (Approximately 800,000 Rwandans were slaughtered in a period of 100 days in 1994.) But Father Ubald survived and first came to the United States in 2009 at the invitation of Immaculée Ilibagiza. Over the years, Father Ubald has brought the power of forgiveness and the love of Christ into the lives of countless individuals. (To learn more about his ministry, go to www.frubald.com.)

IT’S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN...

... when hundreds of high-school youth from around the Archdiocese will congregate for New York Catholic Youth Day, to be held on **Saturday, April 29**. Sponsored by the Archdiocese of New York and the Office of Youth Ministry, the event will take place on the grounds of St. Joseph’s Seminary in Yonkers from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm. This year’s theme is ABLAZE, inspired by the famous quote of Saint Catherine of Siena – *“If you are what you should be, you will set the whole world ablaze.”* Stay tuned to the bulletin for further details.

NOTES FROM THE LOFT

The Connection between Catechesis and Worship

St. Joseph's Seminary recently hosted a two-day national conference on the role of sacred music, especially Gregorian Chant, in pastoral ministry and religious education. Participants and presenters hailed from California to Virginia – not to mention Australia! Topics ranged from choirs, to the challenge of musical "inculturation" in multilingual parishes, to the pastoral care of musicians.

One theme, however, is central to music in the Liturgy and that is the importance of authentic Catholic catechesis. Music has a role to play in supplementing what is learned in the religion classroom, but the classroom is precisely where good liturgical formation begins.

The Church's task is to train souls in holiness. Liturgy provides the universal setting for this ongoing formation. In 1903 Pope St. Pius X called for the restoration of chant to its primacy of place in Catholic worship. Although incredibly beautiful, the magnificent orchestrated Masses of previous centuries – and the styles of singing which accompanied them – had come to obscure liturgical action and exclude participation of the people. Pius called for simplified renditions of the Latin chant, with texts taken solely from Scripture, establishing it as the primary prayerful song of the Liturgy. Chant uniquely connects sacred Scripture with sacred action, creating a resonant link between Heaven and Earth.

In 1908, assessing the widespread ignorance of the Faith among Catholics, this same Pope published a simple question-and-answer catechism, on the belief that one cannot authentically worship Him whom one does not know! Sound catechesis prepares both mind and body, fostering the internal movement of the heart and the external worship of gesture and song. It follows that, if Catholics have an impoverished understanding of the Mass, they will likely have a misguided understanding of sacred music. Therefore, the catechetical and spiritual formation of Church musicians is key.

A sense of solemnity in Liturgy is an effective catechetical tool. Solemnity opens the door to holiness. Solemnity is an "act of faith" in what is going on at Mass. Well-ordered, serene, unhurried actions "speak" solemnity.

Solemnity, however, does not have to be somber! The "changing of the guard" impresses, not depresses! Order expresses beauty. The high art of sacred music – and its counterpart, sacred silence – have their own distinct "voices."

Next Sunday (March 26) is Laetare Sunday, marking the halfway point of Lent. Our Choir will sing Owen Alstott's LUKE 1: MY SOUL REJOICES (#816), a joyful and dignified rendition of Mary's *Magnificat*.

COFFEE HOUR COMING SOON!



To quote the Beatles, "It's been a long, cold, lonely winter." Especially this past week! But spring IS almost here – time to shake off the shackles of winter and socialize with fellow parishioners in the Annex Hall following the 12:00 pm Mass on **Sunday, April 2** for the first Coffee Hour of 2017, hosted by the Cenacle Group.

A SIMPLE LENTEN MEAL



During Lent, we are obliged to fast and, on Fridays, to abstain from meat. Each Friday of Lent, our CCD Confirmation students will offer a simple meal of soup and salad at 5:30 pm in the Music Room (second floor of the Annex Hall), prior to

Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm. Please join us this **Friday, March 24** for an evening of nourishment, both physical and spiritual.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



The centuries-old practice of praying the Stations of the Cross is a way to show our union with Jesus Christ in His Passion and death, which becomes ever more meaningful during the season of Lent.

Please join us in the Church for Stations of the Cross each Lenten Friday at 7:00 pm. This Lenten season, the Stations of the Cross will be led each week by a different parish group. The upcoming schedule:

Friday, March 24 – Catechists

Friday, March 31 – Men's Group

Friday, April 7 (First Friday) – Pro-Life

Friday, April 14 (Good Friday) – Legion of Mary

LAST CHANCE TO RENEW + REBUILD

We've more than surpassed our original goal of \$1,115,500 in the Renew + Rebuild capital campaign, but we're still at less than 20% participation in terms of the number of parish families who have joined in. How wonderful it would be if more of our families and individuals would contribute any amount to our renewing and rebuilding. If you have already made your pledge, thank you! If you are still pondering the matter, a "one last chance" mailing was sent out several days ago to ask that you prayerfully consider making a contribution. Pledge forms are also available on the tables near the back of the Church as well as in the Rectory or by accessing our website at www.assumptionpeekskill.org. Our current numbers (at the time of this bulletin's printing):

Initial Goal	Total Amount Pledged	% of Goal	# of Pledges	% of Families
\$1,115,500*	\$1,332,615	127%	386	18.4%

*(This "Initial Goal" figure of \$1,115,500 includes Assumption's 2017 Cardinal's Appeal goal of \$68,000; the "% of Goal" figure in the chart above is based on the Initial Goal figure less the Cardinal's Appeal figure – i.e., \$1,047,500.)

A PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Because March 19 is a Sunday this year, St. Joseph's Day will be observed on **Monday, March 20**.



Glorious Saint Joseph, spouse of the immaculate Virgin, obtain for me a pure, humble, charitable mind and perfect resignation to the divine Will. Be my guide, my father and my model through life that I may merit to die as you did in the arms of Jesus and Mary. Amen.

ANUNCIOS EN ESPAÑOL

REZO DEL VIA CRUCIS - EUCARISTICO
8:15-9:30 PM - TEMPLO PARROQUIAL
Servicio de Confesiones



MARZO

Viernes 24 "Matrimonial Jesús, María y José"
"Virgen de la Merced/Altagracia"
"Niño Viajero"

Viernes 31 "Legión de María"
"Purísima de Macas"
"Señor de los Milagros de Cumbe"
"Divino Niño"

ABRIL

Viernes 7 Ministerio de la Sacristía
Ministerio de Acogimiento
Ministerio de Lectorado
Ministerio de Visita a los enfermos
Ministerio de Funerales

VIRGEN DE EL CISNE

SANTA EUCARISTIA MENSUAL EN SU HONOR



Invitamos para el próximo día **Martes 21 de Marzo** a partir de las 7:30 de la noche, celebraremos la Santa Eucaristía mensual en honor a la Virgen de El Cisne. El ofertorio y el café serán donados por la Comunidad de San

Fernando miembros activos de la devoción de la Santísima Virgen de El Cisne.

CURIA "NUESTRA SEÑORA DEL VALLE" INVITA A LA FIESTA DEL ACIES

DOMINGO 26 DE MARZO/2017

2:30 - 5:30 PM

TEMPLO PARROQUIAL
IGLESIA DE LA ASUNCIÓN



"ACIES"

"Voz latina "que significa un ejército en orden de batalla" Designa a la ceremonia que se celebra generalmente el 25 de marzo (Fiesta de la Anunciación) en la que nos reunimos los Legionarios, activos y auxiliares, para renovar nuestro homenaje a la Reina de la Legión, y para recibir de Ella fuerza y bendición para otro año más de lucha contra las fuerzas del mal."



REUNION DE LOS PADRES Y PADRINOS DE LOS NIÑOS QUE SERAN BAUTIZADOS EN LA IX EDICIÓN DE BAUTISMOS COMUNITARIOS EL DIA SABADO 22 DE ABRIL DEL 2017 7:00 PM

Invitamos a los padres y padrinos de los niños que se han anotado para la Novena Celebración de Bautismos Comunitarios, que la reunión de programación será el próximo día **DOMINGO 19 DE MARZO, desde las 5 de la tarde en el Anexo de la Escuela**. Informes en la Casa Parroquial o en la Sacristía después de nuestras Misas en Español con el Diacono Carlos Campoverde o con la Sra. Elizabeth Recinos.

DOMINGO DE RAMOS EN LA PASIÓN DE NUESTRO SEÑOR JESUCRISTO



HORARIOS DE LAS MISAS

Sábado 8 de Abril Santa Misa 7:00 pm

Domingo 9 de Abril Santa Misa 2:30 pm

(Con procesión)

Domingo 9 de Abril Santa Misa 7:00 pm

En las tres celebraciones obsequiaremos los ramos para que sean bendecidos.

LA SEMANA SANTA EN NUESTRA PARROQUIA

TRIDUO PASCUAL LA GRAN FIESTA CRISTIANA



1. JUEVES 13 DE ABRIL - JUEVES SANTO

HORA: 7:30 PM - MISA BILINGUE VESPERTINA DE LA CENA DEL SEÑOR, LAVATORIO DE PIES - ADORACIÓN AL SANTÍSIMO

2. VIERNES 14 DE ABRIL - VIERNES SANTO

HORA: 12:00 MD - REZO DEL VIA CRUCIS EN EL DEPEW PARK EN VIVO!

Participación de los Grupos Apostólicos, Ministerios y las Devociones de nuestra Parroquia

VIERNES 14 DE ABRIL - VIERNES SANTO

HORA: 7:00 PM - EN EL TEMPLO PARROQUIAL LECTURA DE LA PASION - VENERACION DE LA SANTA CRUZ (BESAR LA CRUZ) - Y RECIBIR LA SANTA COMUNIÓN.

3. SÁBADO 15 DE ABRIL - SABADO SANTO

HORA: 8:00 PM - VIGILIA DE PASCUA - SANTA EUCARISTIA BILINGÜE - CELEBRACION DE LOS SACRAMENTOS, ALUMNOS DE R.I.C.A.

DOMINGO 16 DE ABRIL PASCUA DE RESURRECCIÓN

HORA: 7:00 PM - SANTA EUCARISTIA