

SEPTEMBER 10, 2017
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday (September 10) Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 Thomas Coogan and William Coogan Sr.
Requested by: Family
- 10:00 Ryan O’Gorman and Donald Ryan Sr.
Requested by: Donna ‘Gorman
- 12:00 Pro-populo
- 7:00 Spanish Mass

Monday (September 11)

- 7:00 Ramon Diesta
Requested by: Salve Delacruz
- 9:00 Kathleen Marone
Requested by: Lynne Roberge

Tuesday (September 12)

- 7:00 Fe Cosico
Requested by: Salve Delacruz
- 9:00 Diogo L. Fernandes
Requested by: Natalia and Family

Wednesday (September 13) Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

- 7:00 Karen Roberts
Requested by: Susan Kallata
- 9:00 Peter Kessinger
Requested by: Claire Mathey

Thursday (September 14) The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

- 7:00 Maria Luz Abanto
Requested by: Mariann Landolfi
- 9:00 Joseph Stinson
Requested by: Madeline Stinson

Friday (September 15) Our Lady of Sorrows

- 7:00 Angelo Chick Jr.
Requested by: Joseph Chick
- 9:00 Michael Anthony Malaspina – Happy Birthday
Requested by: Your mother, Antoinette
- 7:30 Spanish Mass – Arrival of The Virgin of Cisne

Saturday (September 16) Saint Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

- 9:00 Diogo Lino Fernandes
Requested by: Anonymous
- 5:00 Marion Stackhouse
Requested by: Loretta and Ralph Pelaia
- 7:00 Spanish Mass

Sunday (September 17) Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 Albert “Pete” DeCrenza
Requested by: Loretta and Ralph Pelaia
- 10:00 For all the Catechists of our Parish
Requested by: The Priests of Assumption
- 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

In memory of the Carey and Eible Families
Requested by: Family

ALTAR BREAD AND WINE

Jane Morris
Requested by: Raymond Morris

NOTES FROM THE LOFT

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 17, 2017

Next Sunday’s First Reading from the Book of Sirach confronts us with serious questions and admonitions. Could anyone nourish anger and expect healing from the Lord? Refuse mercy and seek pardon for his own sins? “Wrath and anger are hateful things... The vengeful will suffer the Lord’s vengeance...Forgive your neighbor’s injustice...over look faults; then...your own sins will be forgiven.”

The Responsorial Psalm calls us to reflect on our God who “pardons”, “heals”, “redeems”, and “crowns (us) with kindness”. He does not “always chide” nor “keep His wrath FOREVER”. Mindfully, we should sing the Responsorial: “The Lord is kind and merciful, SLOW to anger, and rich in compassion.” Six times we will hear the word ‘compassion’! So gracious is He that His mercy goes far beyond the justice we deserve! “Not according to our sins does He deal with us...nor does He requite us according to our crimes” ...putting our transgressions far from us, as far as the east is from the west!

In this context, we see that Jesus’ answer to Peter’s inquiry in the Gospel is not new. One wonders what prompts his question about “how often must I forgive?” Jesus responds with a parable about a king and master, so moved with COMPASSION, that he forgives a servant in dire financial straits. Yet, this ingrate goes out and almost strangles a fellow servant who owed him much less! He even had the man imprisoned – a fate he AND his entire family had been spared! Justifiably angered, the king hands the ingrate over to the torturers, a fate the heavenly Father will bring us to unless we forgive, for an unforgiving, vengeful heart, filled with anger and bitterness, is its own prison cell and torture.

What IS new is Jesus directive recalled in the Gospel Acclamation: “I give you a NEW commandment...love one another AS I HAVE LOVED YOU.” It goes beyond the First Reading’s warning, “think of the Commandments”, for Jesus demands radical, sacrificial love of neighbor.

Michael Ward’s A NEW COMMANDMENT and Dan Schutte’s AS I HAVE DONE FOR YOU are beautiful, musical settings for this theme. In addition to these pieces, the Choir’s Entrance song next week will be Scott Soper’s LOVING AND FORGIVING inspired by the Responsorial Psalm.

TITHING REPORT

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 2017....\$8,905.50
 (includes Parish Pay amount of \$632.50)
 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 2016...\$10,689.25
 (includes Parish Pay amount of \$839.25)

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

RESPECT LIFE

Come to the Church



"On what reasonable grounds and with what imaginable right can anyone suggest that any human life since that time of Abram, is less precious or valuable than that of Isaac? Or has less potential in the plan of our Creator? What a savage, unconscionable, heinous act it would have been to have put this special gift of God, Isaac, to death in his mother's womb. And to how many potential Isaacs has that happened and is still happening.....The right to life is the greatest civil rights issue of our time. This is the issue that will determine whether America remains a hospitable society, committed to caring for women in crisis and their unborn children, -- or whether America betrays our heritage and the truths on which the founders staked their claims to independence....No one has to have an abortion. To all those in crisis pregnancies, I pledge our support and our financial help. Come to the Catholic Church. Let us walk with you through your time of trouble. Let us help you affirm life. Abortion need not be an answer ..." (Archbishop Edwin O'Brien Maryland March for Life St. Mary's, Annapolis, March 13, 2008). **The next Respect Life Holy Hour: Thursday, September 21 at 7:00pm.**

BLESSING OUR CATECHISTS

Next **Sunday, September 17** is Catechetical Sunday and, at the 10:00am Mass that day, our catechists will receive a special blessing. Please note Religious Education registration is currently taking place, and students must be registered each year.

EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS!

Thank you to all our parishioners who are participating in the "AmazonSmile" program – by which Amazon donates one-half of one percent (0.5%) of the price of eligible purchases to your charity of choice. By choosing "Church of the Assumption" when shopping on Amazon.com, you enabled Amazon to deposit a total of \$63.50 (for the three-month period ending June 30, 2017) into our account. If you would like to participate – after all, one's shopping never seems to end – go to smile.amazon.com and choose "Church of the Assumption, Peekskill, NY" when prompted. It couldn't be easier!



DIVINE MERCY



September 10	3pm Assumption Church
September 17	3pm Assumption Church
September 24	3pm Assumption Church
October 1	No Holy Hour

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, Carli Hermina, and Leslie Hernandez.

PRAY ALSO FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

Lucy Bone

John Peter Franciosa

Francisco Vega Sanchez

Margaret "Greta" Summers

Jose Anir Arias

Michael O'Hanlon

Michael P. Galarza

Richie Curinga

Nicholas A. Gaetano

Hector G. Murillo

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

NEXT COFFEE HOUR IS NEXT WEEKEND: SEPTEMBER 17TH



Join fellow parishioners in Father Higgins Hall following the 12pm (noon) Mass next **Sunday, September 17** for our Coffee Hour, hosted by the Goan Group. It's always a great opportunity to socialize with parish friends, to meet newcomers and perhaps continue discussion of themes brought up during the Mass.

PRAYER FOR EMERGENCY RESPONDERS

This Monday, September 11 – the anniversary of the terrorist attacks of 9/11 – and every day, let us pray for all first responders:

Blessed are you, Lord God of mercy, who through your Son gave us a marvelous example of charity and the great commandment of love for one another.

Send down your blessings on your servants, who so generously devote themselves to helping others.

Grant them courage when they are afraid, wisdom when they must make quick decisions, strength when they are weary, and compassion in all their work.

When the alarm sounds and they are called to aid both friend and stranger, let them faithfully serve you in their neighbor.

*We ask this through Christ Our Lord.
Amen.*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION HAS BEGUN

Please don't forget to register your child(ren) for CCD classes, beginning on **Wednesday, September 13**. Parents of all new students must bring a copy of the child's baptismal certificate and birth certificate when registering. Tuition for the 2017-2018 school year is \$125 for a single student, and \$175 in total for two or more children from the same family. Registration is taking place in the CCD office during regular office hours. For more information, call the office at (914) 737-2231. [Please note all back tuition must be paid before a child can be registered for this upcoming year.]

Welcome Father Esteban Sánchez!!!



Church of the Assumption happily welcomes our new administrator Father Esteban. His first masses will be Saturday, September 16th at 7pm & Sunday, September 17th at 12pm. After the 12pm mass, all parishioners are invited to Father Wilson Hall to meet and greet Father Esteban. Light refreshments will be served.

RCIA & RCIT(teens) CLASSES BEGINNING SOON

Do you know an adult who would like to become a Catholic? Or perhaps you know someone who was baptized a Catholic but never received the sacraments of First Communion and/or Confirmation and would like to do so now? RCIA Inquiry classes will be starting soon. Teenagers who need sacraments are invited to sign-up for RCIT(teenn). Registrations will be held on **September 11** from 6pm to 8pm in Father Higgins Hall. The adult & teen classes begin Monday the 18th. Teens at 5pm in the Church and adults at 7:30pm in the rectory. Or you can contact the Rectory at (914)737-2071 for more information.

A NEW YEAR FOR OUR YOUTH GROUPS

Assumption's two youth groups - LifeTeen and Edge – got off to a great start two years ago and was once again a success last year. As with school, a new year is beginning for our youth groups, too, and eligible teens and pre-teens are encouraged to come back or join for the first time. LifeTeen – for high school students – meets on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm and will kick off **September 28**; the Edge group – for middle-schoolers – meets on Saturday evenings at 6:30pm, starting **September 23**. Come participate in the fellowship and the fun!

ENDOW

Endow is a Catholic educational program that brings women together to discover their God-given dignity and to understand their role in humanizing and transforming society. Endow helps women from all walks of life discover their God-given dignity and femininity through the richness and authenticity of Catholic teaching. When we as women grow in understanding the teachings of the Church and the truth of Jesus Christ, our faith becomes more fully defined, and so does our transforming influence in the family, the community, and society as a whole. Endow utilizes small study groups, conferences, and retreats to cultivate faith, fellowship, and formation. Endow study groups meet weekly over an eight-to ten-week period. No homework is required. An Endow study group is coming to Assumption in September! The start date will be September 12, and sign-ups will be available on September 9 and September 10 in the church vestibule after all masses. To learn more about a study group on Pope John Paul II's *Letter to Women* here at Church of the Assumption, please call Diana Kilarjian at (914) 486-8674.



Wedding Banns

Third Time: Jose S. Guevara & Reina D. Guevara
First Time: Allwyn G. Clemente & Roshni Kurian

EVERY MEMBER IS A MINISTER: THE GROUPS OF ASSUMPTION SERIES

*Assumption is blessed by many groups, devotions and ministries. This week we focus on the **Arimatheans**:*

The Arimatheans are a group of men comprising 6 in number, dedicated and committed to giving their full support to the priest serving in funeral masses; and to the family of deceased members who suffer loss of loved ones. Our service to the priest is to lessen the burden of the family's grief and pain during the closure with grace, dignity and peace and to comfort the loved ones, hopefully making the process of burying a loved one a little less burdensome. Luke 23:50 describes a virtuous man from the town of Arimathea, Joseph Nicodemus and a member of the Council who decanted the decision to put Jesus to death. When Jesus was crucified, Joseph and Council members of Arimathea asked Pilot for permission to take the body down from the cross to give Jesus a decent burial. Pilot consented, and after removal from the cross, Jesus was laid in the arms of his beloved mother Mary to bring closure of acceptance to the end of her son Jesus with grace and ease, supported by other family members and friends, such as Mary Magdalene. A significant change of event and transformation took place here. Mary Magdalene accused, condemned, and sentenced to death, was freed by Jesus who kneeled and wrote in the dust with his finger; then said to the accusers that he who is without sin can throw the first stone. When Jesus wrote on the ground, we see a woman condemned to death, standing over Jesus. Now we see Jesus on top, and Mary Magdalene at the bottom at the foot of the cross. What this means to me is: the Creator, from the highest to the lowest, and Mary from the lowest to the highest, sharing sympathy and empathy with her Creator, fully supporting the family sharing pain and grief. That is what we, as Arimatheans, do. Sharing full support with the priest to lessen the impact of loss of loved ones. With families, we share the passing from darkness to light with joy and radiance, to the transformation to eternal life and eternal light. We prepare the altar with 12 lighted candles, representing the tribes of Israel. Days of darkness to light with Jesus. With lighted candles, Incense, Cross, Holy Water, we greet the body and family at the church door. We pray, bless the coffin, and cover it with a Pall, bearing the Cross. We escort the coffin head first, to the foot of the Altar, where the Easter candle, lighted at the head of the coffin is in place. We ascend to the Altar with incense, cross, candles and Holy Water, and bow in reverence. The priest genuflects, walks around and kisses the Altar, representing Calvary where Jesus died, as hymns of praise are sung. The Mass begins; then the priest is seated. Then two readings are read, representing Old testament, and the New. The Gospel is read by the priest; then Homily is preached representing words of Jesus, and comfort, and security. After the Homily, the priest reads the Prayer of the Faithful, and then the gifts of bread, water and wine are carried by the family members at the foot of the Altar and given to the priest, and we carry it to the Altar as the priest prepares for consecration. The priest first receives the bread, and with raised hands offers the gift to God for acceptance; then likewise, the wine. The priest will then incense the Altar, and the servers will incense him. The priest will then wash his hands, consecrate the gifts and then offer peace to all. Communion follows. The Eulogy is read; then the priest and Altar servers descend to the foot of the Altar where final prayers are read; the coffin receives incense and blessing and proceeds from the foot of the Altar to the funeral hearse, and on to the final resting place. If anyone would be interested in joining this ministry, please contact the Rectory: (914) 737-2071 and ask to be put in contact with Mr. Dunbar.

ANUNCIOS EN ESPAÑOL

BIENVENIDO PADRE ESTEBAN SÁNCHEZ!!!



"La Iglesia de la Asunción recibe con alegría al Padre Esteban Sánchez, nuestro nuevo Administrador de la Iglesia de la Asunción. El Padre Sánchez no es ajeno a la Iglesia de la Asunción, visitando por primera vez en el verano de 2008 y regresando en el verano de 2009 como seminarista después de terminar sus clases en la Universidad de San Juan. Antes de unirse a la Arquidiócesis de Nueva York como seminarista pasó cinco años como hermano religioso con los capuchinos franciscanos. Él llama Parroquia de Asunción su "hogar espiritual" y honrar ese título que celebró su primera misa aquí el 26 de mayo de 2013 después de su ordenación. El Padre Esteban después de su ordenación, sirvió en la iglesia de San Pedro en Haverstraw, Nueva York durante dos años y luego dos años en la Catedral de San Patricio. El Padre Sánchez estará con nosotros el 15 de septiembre. ¡Comencemos a orar por él y le deseamos una cálida bienvenida de la parroquia de la Asunción!

PARROQUIANOS DE PEEKSILL DE LA
IGLESIA ASUNCIÓN
NO SE OLVIDEN - MISA EN ESPAÑOL SABADOS
Y DOMINGOS 7:00 PM.



Le recordamos el artículo publicado en el boletín parroquial Nro. 319, de Agosto del 2007

¿Es necesario que vaya precisamente a mi Parroquia, o da lo mismo que vaya a cualquiera? Para el cumplimiento legal de la obligación de oír-participar de La Santa Misa los días domingos, basta ir a cualquiera. Pero el hecho de que no vaya a mi Parroquia, ¿no implica una deficiencia en mi ser cristiano?

Analicemos:

¿El ir a otra Parroquia por simpatía con tal o cual Padre, no me estará indicando un poco mi falta de fe?. ¿El ir a otra Parroquia porque la Misa es más corta, no es signo de pereza o de ignorancia?. ¿El ir a otra Parroquia porque es más cómoda, bonita o elegante, de qué será signo?. ¿El ir a otra Parroquia, porque mi Párroco no da una y no trabaja, no exigirá de mí más compromiso con mi propia comunidad?.

De cualquier manera, si encuentras otra comunidad más de acuerdo con tus necesidades, aprovéchala con entera libertad de espíritu porque lo que importa es que tengas una comunidad parroquial.

Pero ten presente que algunos actos de tu vida de cristiano debes realizarlos precisamente en tu Parroquia y no en otra, tales como el Bautismo y el Matrimonio, ya que en los Libros Parroquiales queda registrada, a partir de tu Bautismo, tu historia como católico. En el caso concreto del Matrimonio, si deseas hacerlo en otra Parroquia, necesitarás siempre el permiso de tu Párroco o del Obispo para que tu Matrimonio sea lícito. Hay mucho que hacer en tu Parroquia, y eres necesario allí!!".

SANTÍSIMA VIRGEN DE EL CISNE BIENVENIDA A LA CIUDAD DE NUEVA YORK PROGRAMACIÓN

SEPTIEMBRE

Viernes 15 7:30 pm Santa Eucaristía de Bienvenida

OCTUBRE

Domingo 1 9:30 am Procesión a orillas del Riverfront
11:am Programa Cultural-Religioso
3:00 pm Santa Eucaristía campal- Riverfront

Domingo 8 Misa en la Catedral de San Patricio
Hora: 2:00pm

Celebrante: P. Armando Jiménez

Con celebrantes: P. Esteban Sánchez, P. Vicente Druding

Diacono: Carlos Campoverde

6 BUSES DISPONIBLES PARA IR DE PEREGRINACIÓN A LA CATEDRAL DE SAN PATRICIO SALIENDO DE PEEKSKILL VEN, CON NOSOTROS A CAMINAR!

INSTITUTO HISPANO DE FORMACIÓN PASTORAL PADRE FELÍX VARELA

Inicia sus clases el día Martes 12 de Septiembre 7:15 pm Por favor entrar por la puerta principal junto a la Sacristía.

Materia: Introducción a la Biblia

Profesor: Padre Esteban Sánchez

Materia: Introducción a la Teología

Profesor: P. Sandro Leyton

Coordina: Diacono Carlos Campoverde

RECUERDE QUE:"CATOLICO INSTRUIDO JAMAS SERA CONFUNDIDO!

Muy pronto en la Iglesia Asunción, Peekskill: Hno. Rafael Díaz, Hno. Yuan, Hno. Saulo Hidalgo, somos una parroquia bendecida!!!!