

Parish of St. Sylvester

*Divine Mercy
Sunday
(2nd Sunday of Easter)
April 23, 2017*



*"Blessed are those who have not seen
and have believed."*

—John 20:29b



Liturgies and Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 22 - Vigil Mass for Sunday of the Divine Mercy

4:00 p.m. = Joseph and Victor Cirincione

April 23- Sunday of the Divine Mercy

7:30 a.m. = Louis and Margaret Curcio

10:00 a.m. = Catherine and Felix Jerolino

12:00 noon = Marie Gagliardi

Monday, April 24 - Easter weekday;

St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr

8:30 a.m. = _____

Tuesday, April 25- St. Mark, Evangelist

8:30 a.m. = _____

Wednesday, April 26 - Easter weekday

8:30 a.m. = John Scicutella

7:00 - 8:00 p.m. = Hour of Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, April 27- Easter weekday

8:30 a.m. = Agnes Nobis

Friday, April 28 - Easter weekday; St. Peter Chanel, Priest

& Martyr; St. Louis Grignon de Montfort, Priest

8:30 a.m. = Rose Cafiero

Saturday, April 29 - St. Catherine of Sienna, Virgin

& Doctor of the Church

9:00 a.m. = Lisa Leeds & Carmela Puglise

Saturday, April 29 - Vigil Mass for 3rd Sunday of Easter

4:00 p.m. = Felice & Elizabeth Maneggia

April 30- 3rd Sunday of Easter

7:30 a.m. = Elizabeth McCarroll & Joseph Curcio

10:00 a.m. = Maria Zingone

12:00 noon = Robert Koeth



Weekly Collections Our Parish Family's Support on . . .

The Easter Triduum:

Holy Thursday - \$ 702.00

Good Friday [Holy Land support] - \$ 725.00

Sunday, April 16-1st collection - \$ 3,204.00

Easter Gifts - \$10,386.00

PLEASE PRAY . . . for those anticipating a hospital stay, recuperating, the homebound in our parish, and in our families. Please keep this list near the place where you pray each day so that you remember them throughout the week.

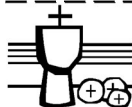
Victor Andrea, Cecilia Brennan, Antonia Carlino, Lucille Chatznoff, Frances Cirincione, Stephen Cucci, Fr. Paul Duffy, MM, Dr. Nicolas C. Lansigan, Jr., Jean De Santis, Thomas Galvin, Connie Garbarino, Sandra Gargaloni, Richard Hassel, Bridget Kehley, Frank Labano, Louis Matos, Delia Murguia, Amy O'Donnell, Lee Poyntz, Carmela Rogan, Annette Scardigno, Louise Stanley



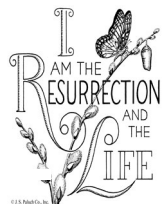
Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands, especially those from our parish family and community . . .

**Seaman Daniel Brennan - U.S. Navy
SR Francis S. Cummings - U.S. Navy
SR Michael J. Cummings - U.S. Navy
Col. Jeffrey N. Davila, MD - U.S. Air Force
Francesca DiSimone-Biggins - U.S. M.C.
Lucia DiSimone-Biggins - U.S. M.C.
Ryan Foley - U.S. M.C.
Lt. Col. Jay Le Pore - U.S. Air Force in Japan
Col. Patrick J. Mahaney, Jr. - U.S. Army
Prescod Montgomery - U.S. Army in Iraq
Ens. Il Steven Passignajen-Trimble - U.S. Navy/Persian Gulf
Samuel Rios - U.S. Air Force
Darrin Sack
Joseph Somma - U.S. Marine Corps
Major Michael Volpe - U.S. Army**

*The Bread and Wine offered
this week for the swift recovery of
Sandra Gargaloni*



requested by Patricia Mulligan De Respino



*"...they shall be greatly blessed,
because God tried them
and found them worth of Himself."*

Antonio Masullo

has returned to the Lord's embrace



**Pastor's
Corner**

My Dear Parishioners,
**"Yes, the first Sunday
 after Easter is the Feast of
 Mercy, but there must also
 be acts of mercy"** (*Jesus' words*
 from *St. Faustina's Diary - 742*).

Jesus Himself designated this day. This message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy are based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread. The first Mass during which the Divine Mercy image was displayed was on April 28, 1935, *the first Sunday after Easter* and was attended by Sr. Faustina. (*Diary of St. Faustina, item 420*).

The **Divine Mercy image** is a depiction of Jesus based on His instructions to Saint Faustina. **"I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish,"** Jesus told Faustina, according to her diary, which has been studied and authenticated by the Church over several decades."

The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:
A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.
B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.
C - Completely trust in Jesus. God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

Keep smiling,

Fr. Jacob



REMEMBER . . .
**St. Sylvester Parish
 Red Cross
 Spring Blood Donation Drive
 Monday, April 24th**

*This week the **Sanctuary Lamp** burns before the tabernacle for the good health and prosperity of **Nick Raynin and Irene Starigyna** requested by *their mother**



on **Thursday, May 4th** we're going to the **Sands** our bus leaves the parish at 10a.m. **BETHLEHEM Casino**
I **SHOPPING** Shop at the 'high end' Outlets Find the perfect Mother's Day gift!
Make seat reservations in person at the Parish Office (cost-\$35 ea.) At the Casino you will receive \$20 for play and \$5 for food (so your round trip will be \$10!)

Spirituality **Come and See**
 Discerning a Religious Vocation as a Daughter of Divine Charity
 St. Joseph Hill Retreat Center
 850 Hylan Blvd., 10305
May 12th and 13th of 2017
 further info: please call Sr. Denise @ 347-224-4310 or Sr. Rita @ 917-940-0784

TROOP 85
 - All ranks will resume meetings on **Tuesday, April 25**
 - Our next **Camping Trip** will be Friday, April 28 through Sunday, April 30 at **Camp Conron**. This is a new location for us, with lots of open space for games, exploring, adventure and learning new things.

Youth Group **Save the Date!**
June 23, 2017
'Spring into Summer' Bash
 5 p.m. - Parish Hall
 * Adults-\$10 * teens & pre-teens-\$5 *
 * Free for children under 7 and Altar Servers and current Youth Group members *
 call Parish House Office for reservations
Reminder: Members of the Youth Group will be attending the March of Dimes Walk on **April 30th**. Anyone interested should meet in the parish parking lot at 8 AM.

Fr. Jacob's *Hospitality Sunday* **wishlist** is now well filled!
THANK YOU!