

# Parish of St. Sylvester

Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe  
November 20, 2016

I rejoiced because they said to me,  
"We will go up to the house  
of the LORD."  
—Psalm 122:1



## Liturgies and Intentions for the Week

**Nov. 19 - Vigil for Sunday of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

4:00 p.m. = F. Barry Mulligan

**Nov. 20 - Sunday of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

7:30 a.m. = All Souls intention

10:00 a.m. = deceased members of Coughlin and O'Donnell families

12:00 noon = Anne D'Amato

**Monday, Nov. 21 - PRESENTATION OF THE B.V.M.**

8:30 a.m. = Joseph Golden

**Tuesday, Nov. 22 - St. Cecelia**

8:30 a.m. = Guy Di Maria

**Wednesday, Nov. 23 - St. Clement I, Pope and Martyr; St. Columban, Irish missionary abbot; Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro, Priest & Martyr**

8:30 a.m. = Mario Peralta

7:00 p.m. = Mass of thanksgiving

**Thursday, Nov. 24 - THANKSGIVING DAY**

St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest & Martyr; and Companions, Martyrs;

8:30 a.m. = E. Chico



**Friday, Nov. 25 - St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr**

8:30 a.m. = Ligaya Decano (happy ann. in heaven)

**Saturday, Nov. 26 - B.V.M.; Weekday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 a.m. = Lakshman Jayamaha

**Nov. 26 - Vigil for First Sunday of Advent**

4:00 p.m. = Rosa Noone

**Nov. 27 - First Sunday of Advent**

7:30 a.m. = All souls intentions

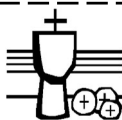
10:00 a.m. = Ismael and Marciana Holipas

12:00 noon = All souls intentions



The **Bread and Wine** offered this week are presented with prayers for

**Sr. Barbara Ann Hecla**  
in celebration of 60 years in religious life  
requested by **Gregoria Di Maria** and  
**Patricia Mulligan De Respino**



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

Nov. 13, 2016

1st Collection - \$4,567.00

Reserve Fund - \$1,111.00



**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, Antonia Carlino, Lucille Chatznoff, Frances Cirincione, Dr. Nicolas C. Lansigan, Jr., Stephen Cucci, Jean De Santis, Robert Forlenza, Thomas Galvin, John and Connie Garbarino, Connie Gorrasi, Agnes Jennings, Bridget Kehley, Frank Labano, Rose Marchese, Louis Matos, Delia Murguia, Joseph Murguia, Amy O'Donnell, Joseph Palumbo, 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 - USN  
SR Francis S. Cummings - USN  
SR Michael J. Cummings - USN  
Col. Jeffrey N. Davila, MD - USAF  
Francesca DiSimone-Biggins - US Army  
Lucia DiSimone-Biggins - USMC  
Ryan Foley - USMC  
Lt. Col. Jay Le Pore - USAF in Japan  
Col. Patrick J. Mahaney, Jr. - US Army  
Prescod Montgomery - US Army in Iraq  
Ensign II Steven Passignajen-Trimble - US N/Persian Gulf  
Samuel Rios - USAF  
Darrin Sack  
Major Michael Volpe - US Army



before the Tabernacle this week the **Sanctuary Lamp** burns in thanksgiving  
requested by **Miriam Lumbreras**



**Pastor's  
Corner**

My Dear Parishioners,

It's Nov. 20th and the Church's observance of the Jubilee Year of Mercy ends.

Ours must continue.

When Pope Francis proclaimed The Year of Mercy he was challenging all of us—through prayer, reflection, and our individual actions—to view everything we do through 3 overriding principles: *compassion, forgiveness and mercy.*

For us, *compassion* means we reach out to provide help and comfort—share what we have—with those who might be in need. It is often a simple, genuine offer to help with little thought of ourselves.

For us, *forgiveness* means we are slow to anger and quick to show that our reaction has God as its base, just as Jesus forgave others.

For us, *mercy* means we treat others with kindness, whether they may be poor or weak, or their actions may appear selfish. In our eyes, Jesus is the face of God's mercy.

Last Sunday, at our Holy Name Society's *Annual Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner*, the Parish Hall was filled with the warmth and congeniality of good friends sharing both an excellent meal and fine conversation. It was catered (*as usual*) by **Pastosa's of Richmond Road**, and we *finally* had the opportunity to present them with a much-deserved plaque declaring our parish's appreciation of their excellent and continued service to our community. Due to their generosity we were able to share our feast, sending some over to our Firefighter neighbors of Engine 160 & Rescue 5.

Spaghetti and meatballs weren't alone on the menu. An excellent salad, wine, beer, and a bountiful dessert table (*enough to take some home!*) with coffee and tea available, completed our feast which lasted 'til well after 3 o'clock.

Rounding out the event were a "50/50" (won by Pat Bertolini), chances on an Adult Trike (*more about that soon*) plus raffles for Pat and Judy's always excellent Baskets of treats. Did you miss it all? ☺ Happily, you'll have another chance. Keep Dec. 11 open to join us for the *Parish Christmas Dinner Dance*.

Keep smiling,

*Fr. Jacob*



On November 13, at the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass, the robes of our **School of Religion Confirmation candidates** were blessed and presented to them. On Friday, November 18—

**Tattiana Andaluz  
Deric Borrero  
Emily Cummings  
Olivia Francis  
Jacob Gil  
Antonino Giordano  
Stephen Haney**

**Sean Hionas  
Christopher Longo  
Daniella Montedoro  
Giorgia Musselwhite  
Mariadel Pelayo  
Nicholas Vecchione  
Ravenn Viau**


received the Holy Spirit in the sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop John O'Hara, Co-Vicar for Staten Island presiding.


St. Sylvester Parish family welcomes these young people in prayer, asking the guidance and blessings of the Holy Spirit for all their future endeavors.

**HOSPITALITY SUNDAY**  
NOVEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup> AFTER THE 10 O'CLOCK MASS  
*Please come and join us for friendship, conversation and refreshments. The season is changing—how do you feel about this; and whatever else is on your mind. Hope to see you—bring a friend.*


**October Students-of-the-Month**

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|---------|---------------------|
| Grade 1 | Gwendolyn Pascual   |
| Grade 2 | Gianna Pascual      |
| Grade 3 | Sam Januska         |
| Grade 4 | Teresa Hionas       |
| Grade 5 | Lily Januska        |
| Grade 6 | Elena Borrero       |
| Grade 7 | Luciano Spagnuolo   |
| Grade 8 | Giorgia Musselwhite |

  
*Nice Work!*

 **A.C.A.**, A 12-step program for adults who grew up in a dysfunctional home, meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Rosary Hall. Call Larry at 718-619-5545 for more information.

**MEETINGS**

 **WEDNESDAY EVENING**  
**NOV. 23 AT 7:00 P.M.**  
Join us in celebrating a Mass of Thanksgiving. Bring non-perishable food donations to carry up to the altar in the Offertory Procession.



*Marriage  
Banns*

*Suzanne Reale Criscione  
and  
Christopher David Vuoncino  
to be wed Dec. 3, 2016*