

Parish of St. Sylvester

*21st Week
in Ordinary Time
August 27, 2017*



*"Whatever you bind on earth
shall be bound in heaven;
and whatever you loose on earth
shall be loosed in heaven."*

--Mat. 16:19



Liturgies and Intentions for the Week

Saturday, Aug. 26 - Vigil Mass - 21st Sunday-Ord. Time

4:00 p.m. = John Roselle

Aug. 27 - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30a.m. = for our parish family

10:00 a.m. = Thomas Smth

12:00 noon = continued blessings for John J. Gilhooly

Monday, Aug. 28 - St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

8:30 a.m. = Lady Augustina Onyenacada

Tuesday, Aug. 29 - The Passion of St. John the Baptist

8:30 a.m. = Michael Ollis

Wednesday, Aug. 30 - Weekday of 21st Week in Ord. Time

8:30 a.m. = Marie Palumbo

7:00 p.m. = HOUR OF EUCHARISTIC PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

Thursday, Aug. 31 - Weekday of 21st Week in Ord. Time

8:30 a.m. = Regina Montalban

Friday, Sept. 1 - Weekday-21st Week in Ord. Time;

FIRST FRIDAY

8:30 a.m. = _____



World Day
of Prayer
for the
Care of
Creation

Saturday, Sept. 2 - Weekday of 21st Week in Ord. Time

FIRST SATURDAY

9:00 a.m. = Melencio Lopez & Miguela De Jesus

Saturday, Sept. 2 - Vigil Mass - 22nd Sunday-Ord. Time

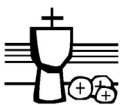
4:00 p.m. = Richard Famiglietti

Sept. 3 - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30a.m. = for our parish family

10:00 a.m. = John Garbarino

12:00 noon = Catherine McCoy (happy birthday in heaven)



*Bread and Wine at all the Masses
this week are offered in memory of*

Mary Bhatia

requested by Anne

*This week the Sanctuary Lamp burning
before the tabernacle is offered in memory of*

Marie Palumbo

requested by the Ballard family



STAY IN TOUCH WITH OUR PARISH: READ OUR BULLETIN ONLINE-

You can read our parish bulletins even if you are traveling or are ill/homebound by going to this website address:

<http://StSylvesterSI.org>

Weekly Collections

Our Parish Family's
Support on . . .

Assumption of the B.V.M. - \$635.00

August 20, 2017

1st Collection - \$3,896.00

Reserve Fund - \$ 898.00



**PLEASE PRAY . . . for those anticipating a
hospital stay, recuperating, and
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, Joseph Bertolini, Cecilia Brennan,
Nancy J. Bushman, Antonia Carlino, Lucille Chatznoff,
Frances Cirincione, Stephen Cucci, Fr. Paul Duffy, MM,
Robert Golden, Dr. Nicolas C. Lansigan, Jr.,
Jean De Santis, Thomas Galvin, Connie Garbarino,
Richard Hassel, Bridget Kehley, Frank Labano,
Louis Matos, George Moresca,
Delia Murguia, Amy O'Donnell, Linda Orber,
Lee Poyntz, Carmela Rogan, Phyllis Savarese,
Annette Scardigno, Louise Stanley,
John and Ann Vincenzo**

*Please let us know if anyone for whom we are praying
has recovered from illness/surgery so that we may
rejoice with you and then make room for others in need*



*Lord, hold our troops in your loving
hands . . .*

**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.

Alvin S. Joseph II - U. S. Navy

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. II 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

*Has someone here been transferred, demobilized, discharged,
retired? Please let us know.*



Pastor's Corner

My Dear Parishioners,

As he moves toward Jerusalem and his Passion, Jesus has now reached Caesarea Philippi, a richly symbolic location for Peter's profession of faith and commissioning by Jesus. Nearby, the Jordan River originates. Here, after building a pagan shrine, Herod established his capitol, naming the city for the emperor and himself. Thus, Peter's profession and Jesus' commission transform the location. Jordan's source—where pagan worship and worldly power joined forces to dominate people's lives—now becomes the fountainhead of Christian faith to water the earth and make it fruitful. Jesus' kingdom is born to eclipse Herod's kingdom, Caesar's empire and every succeeding power system by offering its "subjects" spiritual and eternal life. Since these 2 kingdoms forever vie for the heart's absolute allegiance, Jesus challenges his disciples (and us) to make a personal choice: "Who do you say that I am?" (*Mat. 16.15*).

Not only do we hear our own profession of faith in Peter's response, we should also recognize our personalities in Peter's: spirit willing, but flesh weak; words bold, deeds not so much; often enthusiastic, but easily frightened. Yet God worked wonders through Peter!

God's hand, through Peter, sustains the Church through every age, prompting Paul's exclamation: "Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How inscrutable His judgments and unsearchable His ways (*Romans 11:33*). When we see what wonders God has wrought of the fragile stuff of disciples' lives—centuries of prayer and praise, mystery and ministry—from Peter to Francis, from the first disciples to us, how can we doubt God's power at work here and now, even in us?

Asking ourselves: *How does Peter's continuing presence in the Church through the ministry of Pope Francis impact MY life of witness?* might evoke some rewarding thought.

Keep smiling,

Fr. Jacob

St. Sylvester's Parish family



welcomes

Isabella Grace Hoo

daughter of

Yolanda Sendón-Balayo and Craig Hoo

presented to the Lord by her Godparents

Matthew Rivera and Estela Sendón

on **Sunday, August 20, 2017**



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

Emelita Mendoza

has returned to the Lord's embrace



Welcome

Do you know someone who is interested in learning more about our Catholic Faith? Or asks about becoming a Catholic? Our next **R.C.I.A.** program begins in September. Invite her/him to call the Parish Office for time and information.



REGISTRATION

- Wednesday, Sept 6 from 2:30 to 5 p.m.
 - Thursday, September 7 from 5 to 7p.m.
 - Monday, Sept 11 from 5 to 6:30 p.m.
- Each child's Baptism certificate must be presented at initial registration.*

YEARLY TUITION

\$130 for 1 child, \$195 for 2 children in the same family, and \$225 for 3 or more children in the same family.

All must register for the 2017-18 year including those returning from previous years if not previously registered last spring.

CLASSES BEGIN

Grades 6-8 on Monday Sept 11 at 6 p. m.
Grades 1-5 on Wednesday Sept 13 at 3 p.m.



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Remember to catch up on your weekly contribution envelopes... because our parish bills never take a vacation.

Responding to the Word

Jesus demands that his disciples understand who he is.

- ◆ Today, how do I answer Jesus' question: "Who do you say that I am?"
- Jesus, you are . . .*