

St. Sylvester Church

A Roman Catholic Praying Community

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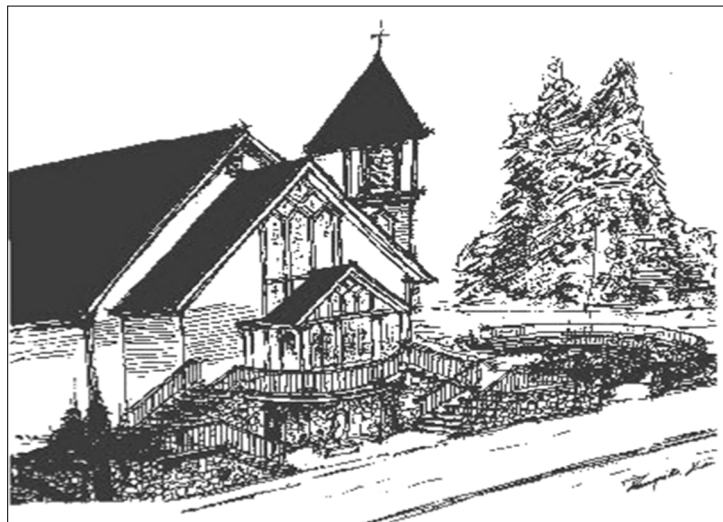
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Parish House Office Hours:

not available during COVID-19 restrictions



Eucharist.....*our life as a praying community*

Saturday evening vigil Mass—4:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses—7:30, 10:00 a.m. (Choir), 12 noon

Holy Day Masses—7:00 p.m. Vigil, 9:00 a.m., 12 noon, 7:00 p.m.

Weekdays—Rosary Chapel: Mon. through Fri. at 8:30 a.m.

Saturdays at 9:00 a.m.

Devotions

Monday through Saturday—Rosary following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Mondays—Miraculous Medal following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Tuesdays—St. Anthony of Padua following 8:30 a.m. Mass

Wednesdays—Eucharistic Holy Hour: 7 - 8 p.m.

Fridays of Lent—Stations of the Cross: 12 noon & 7:00 p.m.

Parish Activities

Men's Holy Name Society, Women's Guild, Golden Age,
Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Funeral Ministry, Ushers/
Greeters, Teen Youth Activities Group, A.C.A., B.S.A. Cub Den
and Troop 85, Manresa Christian Life Community, Altar Servers,
Hospitality Sunday - 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month, Sept.
thru June...Continental Breakfast and good conversation in
the Parish Hall following the 10 o'clock Mass.

Parish Registration →

Our Parish family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. Every family moving into the Parish is requested to register at the Rectory. You may fill out the adjacent form and mail it in or drop it in the Parish Office. front door mail slot.

Baptism..... *our life as a Christian begins!*

We rejoice with families on the occasion of the birth of a new child. Please call 718-727-4639 and speak to a member of the parish staff to arrange for an interview and registration for the required baptismal preparation class.

Reconciliation...*the loving power of the Father's forgiveness*

Confessions on Saturdays—3:00 pm to 3:45 p.m.

Matrimony

Arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance and prior to making any plans for the reception. Please call the Parish Office for an appointment with a priest. All couples are expected to attend a Diocesan Marriage Preparation Program.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone # _____ listed/unlisted?

Email _____

Please send census card for my parish registration

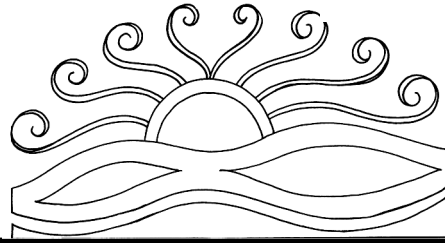
I would like to receive Offering Envelopes

I would like a Priest to contact

June 28, 2020

Parish of St. Sylvester

Thirteenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
June 28, 2020



Think of yourselves as dead to sin
and living for God in Christ Jesus.

—Romans 6:11

Liturgies and Intentions for the Week

Daily celebration of Mass @ St. Sylvester can
be found on our *Flocknotes* website:
mail@flocknote.com

Saturday, June 27 – Vigil Mass 13th Sun. in Ord. Time
4:00 p.m. = Jill and Keoni Ruiz

Sunday, June 28 – 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 a.m. = Father's Day Intentions
10:00 a.m. = Father's Day Intentions
12:00 noon = Father's Day Intentions

Monday, June 29 – STS. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES
8:30 a.m. = James Tierney

Tuesday, June 30 – 13th Week in Ord. Time;
[The 1st Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church]
8:30 a.m. = John Anthony and Anna Peres

Wednesday, July 1 – 13th Week in Ord. Time;
[St. Junipero Serra, Priest]
8:30 a.m. = Louise and Salvatore Dapolito

Thursday, July 2 – 13th Week in Ord. Time
8:30 a.m. = Barbara Kerman

Friday, July 3 – St. Thomas, Apostle; FIRST FRIDAY
8:30 a.m. = James Tierney

Saturday, July 4 – 13th Week in Ord. Time;
FIRST SATURDAY
9:00 a.m. = Pedro Nocon



Saturday, July 4 – Vigil Mass 13th Sun. in Ord. Time
4:00 p.m. = Vincent and Lawrence Capelli

Sunday, July 5 – 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 a.m. = Rachael Roselle
10:00 a.m. = _____
12:00 noon = deceased of McCoy and Bhatia families

The **Bread and Wine** offered at this week's Masses
are presented with prayers in memory of

Bernard Iammatteo

requested by **his wife, Mary**



This week the **Sanctuary Lamp** burns before
the **Tabernacle** with prayers in memory of

Semabia/Diogo Family

requested by
Melanie

Weekly Collections Our Parish Family's Support
*Thank you for supporting your parish family
throughout these weeks of crisis.*

envelopes rec'd. through June 7th - \$2,386.
June 14, 2020 –Corpus Christi - \$5,442.
Reserve Fund - \$ 342.

Received via WeShare:

April – \$733.84 May - \$1,368.50

To contribute via WeShare, our online program
for weekly parish contributions, go to our parish
website: <http://StSylvesterSI.org>

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

Daniela Agucia, Robert Ballard, Sr., Nancy J. Bushman,
Antonia Carlino, Lucille Chatznoff, Frances Cirincione,
Conley family, Stephen Cucci, Maureen De Meo,
Maria Erlinger, Robert Forlenza, Virginia Gallagher,
Thomas Galvin, Rosemarie Garlisi, Robert Golden,
John Andrew Hunton, Debra S. Iammatteo, Bridget Kehley,
Frank Labano, Dr. Nicolas C. Lansigan, Jr., Louis Matos,
Travis Mayhew, John Miles, George Moresca,
Delia Murguia, William Murphy, Amy O'Donnell,
Patrick Moroney, Sr. Carrie Portu, Lee Poyntz,
Sharon Poyntz, Irene Reilly, Eulah Ryan, Paul Sabella,
Alice Santamays, John Savarese, Annette Scardigno,
Robert Shepherd, Louise Stanley, Tom Varisi,
John Vincenzo, Joan Walter, Robert Williams

Please let us know if anyone for whom we are praying has
recovered from illness/surgery so that we may rejoice with you

Lord, hold our troops safe in your loving hands



Staff Sgt. Victor L. Andrea, Jr. - U. S. Air Force

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

Ryan Foley - U.S. M.C.

Alvin S. Joseph II - U. S. Navy

Lt. Col. Jay Le Pore - U. S. Air Force in Japan

Prescod Montgomery - U. S. Army in Iraq

Ens. II Steven Passignajen-Trimble - U.S. Navy/Persian Gulf

Samuel Rios - U. S. Air Force

Joseph Somma - U. S. Marine Corps

Lt. Col. Michael Volpe - U. S. Army-South Korea

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



Pastor's Corner

My Dear Parishioners,

"Come to me, all you who labor" (*Matthew 11:28*).

When we are overburdened, weary, confused, or sick, Jesus' invitation sounds like music to our ears. Other people seem to be so much better at coping than we are, and we wonder what their secret is. The promise of rest in Jesus seems very sweet, except for a small complication. Jesus says, "Take my yoke upon you" (*Matthew 11:29*). How does this give rest to our souls? In another Gospel narrative, Jesus rebukes the Pharisees for laying burdensome religious regulations on people's backs and not lifting a finger to help them carry the load. Jesus does not weigh his disciples down with teaching that they cannot follow. Jesus invites them to shoulder his yoke and learn from him, for he is gentle and humble of heart. For generations farmers have yoked a young and inexperienced plough animal alongside one that is well trained. The more experienced animal trains the other by example; the novice gradually learns how to work until it can manage alone. An older animal near the end of its working life may likewise be yoked to one in its prime, so that the strain of the hardest work is taken by the stronger partner. So too with us. Jesus invites us to take on his yoke so he can teach us, not by laying burdens upon us, but by walking alongside us and helping us to do things his way. He promised never to leave us to "pull" alone. When it all gets too much or we lose our way, he will be there alongside us again—gentle, humble, but infinitely powerful and wise. At times when we are strong we in turn can yoke ourselves to someone who needs that extra pull to get to firmer ground.

Keep smiling,

Fr. Jacob



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Intention for July 2020

Our Families

We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.



ST. SYLVESTER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (CCD) PROGRAM REGISTRATION

For information or appointment
please call 718 816-0093

Drive-thru registration on

Friday, August 28th from 4pm-6pm

and

Thursday, September 3, 2020 from 4pm-7pm.

8th grade Students in a private Catholic school who would like to receive the **Sacrament of Confirmation** on November 20th—please call the Parish Office (718-727-4639) or our Religious Ed. Director, Miss Neale (718) 816 0093. The deadline for this registration is Sept. 22, 2020.

NOTE: (1) All registration forms for Confirmation and for First Communion classes may be found on the parish website: <http://StSylvesterSI.org>

(2) Days, times and locations/'zoom-ing' of classes are being tentatively formulated and will be finalized once the COVID-19 regulations for this coming fall schooling are announced.

A New Serenity Prayer

God, grant me the serenity
to accept the people I cannot change,
which is pretty much everyone,
since I'm clearly not you, God.
At least not the last time I checked.
And while you're at it, God,
please give me the courage
to change what I need to change about myself,
which is frankly a lot, since, once again,
I'm not you, which means I'm not perfect.
It's better for me to focus on changing myself
than to worry about changing other people,
who, as you'll no doubt remember me saying,
I can't change anyway.
Finally, give me the wisdom to just shut up
whenever I think that I'm clearly smarter
than everyone else in the room
that no one knows what they're talking about except me,
or that I alone have all the answers.
Basically, God,
grant me the wisdom
to remember that I'm
not you. Amen

jamesmartinsj@jesuitpost.org

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