

St. Sylvester Church

A Roman Catholic Praying Community

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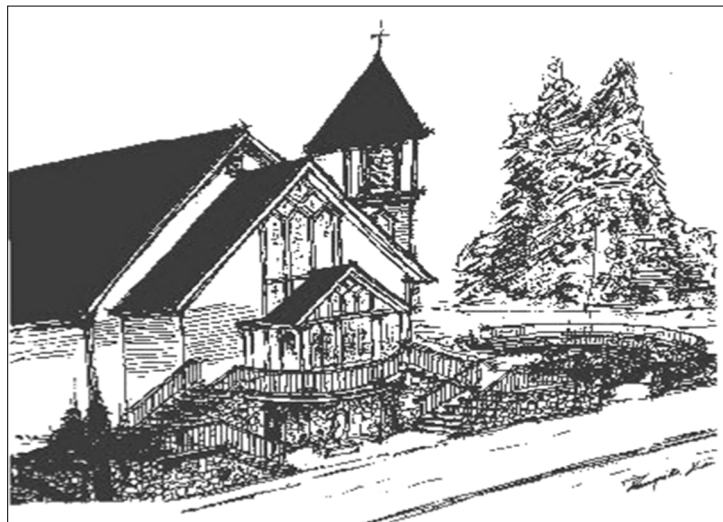
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Parish House Office Hours:

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

May 31, 2020

Pentecost Sunday

May 31, 2020



There appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them.

— Acts 2:3

Liturgies and Intentions for the Week

Previously arranged daily Mass intentions will be commemorated at the Pastor's private Masses. Others may be rescheduled at a later date.

Saturday, May 30 - Vigil Mass for Pentecost Sunday 4:00 p.m. = Rose Fortunato

Sunday, May 31 - Pentecost Sunday [7:30 a.m. = Frank and Jennie Buttermark] 10:00 a.m. = [12:00 noon = deceased members of McCoy and Bhatia family]

Monday, June 1 - Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; [9th Week in Ord. Time] 8:30 a.m. = Andrew Lee family

Tuesday, June 2 - 9th Week in Ord. Time; [Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs] 8:30 a.m. = John Arnone

Wednesday, June 3 - St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs 8:30 a.m. = Michael P. Donahue (happy b'day. in heaven)

Thursday, June 4 - 9th Week in Ord. Time 8:30 a.m. =

Friday, June 5 - Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr; FIRST FRIDAY 8:30 a.m. =

Saturday, June 6 - 9th Week in Ord. Time [St. Norbert, Bishop; BVM]; FIRST SATURDAY 9:00 a.m. = Rose Noone, Jim Noone, Joe Pugliese

Saturday, June 6 - Vigil Mass for the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity 4:00 p.m. = F. Barry Mulligan (6th anniversary)

Sunday, June 7 - Feast of the Most Holy Trinity [7:30 a.m. =] [10:00 a.m. =] [12:00 noon =]

Weekly Collections Our Parish Family's Support:

rec'd. as of May 22nd - 1st Collections - \$3,276. Reserve Fund - \$ 306.

Thank you for supporting your parish family throughout these weeks of crisis.

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 homebound 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.



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

Maryanne Stapleton

requested by

Patricia Mulligan De Respino



Pastor's Corner

My Dear Parishioners,

The disciples were cowering behind locked doors. Fear has a way of imprisoning, away from the outer world, but also from our inner world, taking away our freedom to hope, imagine, and dream. We can become comfortable working in cramped spaces, isolated and unattached, removed from life and contact with others. But then along comes the risen Lord, arms outstretched, heart wide open, bearing gifts to transform our lives. The first gift of the risen Lord is **peace** (*shalom*), which translates as all good things, physically, mentally, and spiritually—all that is needed to be alive inside. This peace is a gift that the world cannot give.

The second gift is **a mission**: we are sent, as Jesus was sent, by the Father. Where? To the world. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him" (*John 3:16-17*). Now the Son sends the disciples—us!—to bring life.

The third gift is **the Holy Spirit**, given for the forgiveness of sins. The Holy Spirit is the gift of the Father and the Son, given to us at baptism, again at confirmation, and whose gifts are given to the church and its members for the good of all, within and outside the church. Primary among these gifts is the gift of forgiveness.

To pray about this during the week, read the Sequence before the Gospel used at Mass for Pentecost —"**Come, Holy Spirit, come!**" Notice especially the request for healing, refreshment, and cleansing. Good petitions for these days.

Keep smiling,

Fr. Jacob

PENTECOST SEQUENCE: VENI, SANCTE SPIRITUS

(Chanted at Mass on Pentecost Sunday.)

Come, Holy Spirit, come!
And from your celestial home
Shed a ray of light divine!
Come, Father of the poor!
Come, source of all our store!
Come, within our bosoms shine.
You, of comforters the best;
You, the soul's most welcome guest;
Sweet refreshment here below;
In our labor, rest most sweet;
Grateful coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.
O most blessed Light divine,
Shine within these hearts of yours,
And our inmost being fill!
Where you are not, we have naught,
Nothing good in deed or thought,
Nothing free from taint of ill.
Heal our wounds, our strength renew;
On our dryness pour your dew;
Wash the stains of guilt away;
Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.
On the faithful, who adore
And confess you, evermore
In your sevenfold gift descend;
Give them virtue's sure reward;
Give them your salvation, Lord;
Give them joys that never end. Amen. Alleluia.

For leaders and people in positions of responsibility great and small, that during this pandemic they will make decisions to support the value and dignity of human life above other concerns, let us pray to the Lord.

WHAT IS A NOVENA?

A *novena* is a nine day period of private or public prayer to obtain special graces, to implore special favors, or make special petitions.

WHEN WAS THE 1ST NOVENA PRAYED?

The apostles and disciples, gathered in frightened secrecy during the 9 days between the Lord's Ascension and the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost, offered prayers and supplications for courage and spiritual strength.

