

# The Parish of Immaculate Conception & Assumption of Our Lady

Church and Rectory:  
53 Winter Hill Road  
Tuckahoe, NY 10707

Church and Fr. Fata Hall:  
125 Wallace Street  
Tuckahoe, NY 10707

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## Pastoral Staff

Rev. Anthony Sorgie, *Pastor*  
Rev. Adolfo Novio, *Parochial Vicar*  
Rev. Lakmin Silva, *Parochial Vicar*  
Deacon Anthony Viola  
Deacon Carl Degenhardt

## Parish Staff

Sr. Cora Lombardo, ASCJ, *Director*  
*Religious Education*: (914) 961-1076  
Ms. Maureen Harten, *Principal*  
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*Trustees*: Jeanne Altenau, Gerard Colaio

**Parish Office** -- (914) 961-3643

**Hours**: Monday-Friday: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM  
*During the pandemic, there are no office hours  
on Saturday or Sunday.*

**Holy Mount Cemetery** -- (914) 961-3643

**Hours**: Daily 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

## Weekday Masses:

*(recitation of the Rosary before Mass)*

### Monday - Friday:

7:30 AM at Assumption

8:30 AM • 12:00\* PM at Immaculate Conception

**Saturday**: 8:30\* AM at Immaculate Conception  
**Miraculous Medal Novena, Blessing with the Relic,  
and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**

Mondays and First Fridays after the 12:00 PM Mass  
at Immaculate Conception with Benediction at 3:00 PM

## Weekend Masses

**Saturday, Assumption**: 4:00 PM

**Saturday, Immaculate Conception**: 5:00\* PM

**Sunday at Immaculate Conception:**

8:00 AM • 10:00\* AM • 12:00 PM • 5:00 PM

**Sunday at Assumption**: 9:00 AM • 11:30 AM (Spanish)

**Spanish Mass/Misa en Español:**

11:30 AM at Assumption (*todos los Domingos*)

**Bilingual Italian/English Mass/Messa in Italiano:**

9:00 AM at Assumption (*first Sunday of the month*)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturday, 4:00-5:00 PM at Immaculate Conception;

3:30-3:55 PM at Assumption; and

anytime by calling the priest on duty: (914) 961-3643.

\* *Livestreaming Masses*: [www.icaparish.org/livestream](http://www.icaparish.org/livestream)



"Parable of Workers in the Vineyard" from the lectionary  
of Henry III, circa 1050, by an unknown German miniaturist.

September 20, 2020



Twenty-Fifth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

## Prayers for our Parishioners

### Mass Intentions

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, *Vigil*, 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM Gaetano and Filomena Viola Mem.  
5:00 PM Joan-Marie Strawbridge Mem.

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Intentions of our Parishioners Mem.  
9:00 AM Vito and Filippo Cangialosi Mem.  
10:00 AM Maria and Sabino Nardone; Lisa Aufiero Mem.  
11:30 AM Francisco and Elvira Trueba Mem.  
12:00 PM Constance Chesmore Mem.

#### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

7:30 AM Joseph Jr., Anna Maria, and Joseph Martin Marinello Mem.  
8:30 AM Rosa Graziella Solano Mem.  
12:00 PM Antoinette Porrazzo Mem.

#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

7:30 AM Mario Mignardi Mem.  
8:30 AM Lisa Aufiero Mem.  
12:00 PM Fred and Mary Valentino Mem.

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

7:30 AM Harry Auns and Rose White Mem.  
8:30 AM Charles Scalisi Mem.  
12:00 PM Richard Zuccaro, Richard Zuccaro, Jr., and Adele Zuccaro Mem.

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

7:30 AM Romeo Bassi Mem.  
8:30 AM Carmelo Guadagnino Mem.  
12:00 PM Rosa Solano Mem.

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

7:30 AM Joseph Jr., Anna Maria, and Joseph Martin Marinello Mem.  
8:30 AM Anthony Parinello, Sr. Mem.  
12:00 PM Rosemary Albano Mem.

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

8:30 AM Carmine DiRienzo and Joyce Negrete Mem.

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, *Vigil*, 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM Delia and James Noone Mem.  
5:00 PM Joseph Paul McEnery Mem.

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM The Siclare Family Mem.  
9:00 AM Gerardo, Florinda, and Loreto Mignardi Mem.  
10:00 AM Johanna Tenore Mem.  
11:30 AM Raynelda Henriquez Mem.  
12:00 PM Antonio, Rocco and Teresa Solano Mem.  
5:00 PM Mary and Rose Maltese Mem.

*There is an appointed time for everything,  
and a time for every affair under the heavens.*

- Ecclesiastes 3:1

#### *A time to be Born: Baptisms ...*

Giovanna Marie Carfora, Leoni D'Auria, Alessia Rose DiLeo, Mason Ferder, Henry Gindele, Nicholas Lukic, Sienna Lily Simons, Lorenzo Suarez, Adelyn Francesca Sutantio, Matteo Trombetta

#### *A time to Love: Banns of Marriage...*

I: Michael Nardini and Lisa Mastroserio  
III: John Barbezat and Jenna Cercone  
III: Anthony Cambareri and Ashley Stewart

#### *A time to Die: Those who have died...*

Philip Formisano, Brooke Biondi, Frederick Moreschi, Mary Iamónico, Kevin Quigley, Pauline M. Spatafore, Edythe Provenzano, and Giovanni DelMistro

#### *A time to Heal: Those who are ill...*

Salvatore Naclerio, Vincent Bonnanzio, Richard Piluso, and Maria Rose D'Onofrio

#### *A time for War: And a time for Peace...*

For those in the military who have died in the service of our country.

### Memorial Offerings: Sept. 20-26, 2020

#### THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

at Immaculate Conception Church will  
burn in memory of

**Fred and Mary Valentino,**  
donated by Marietta DelDuco.

At Assumption Church it will burn for

**Elizabeth Lockhart,**  
donated by Kathleen and Bill Humphries.

#### THE ALTAR FLOWERS



at Assumption of Our Lady Church are in  
memory of **Romeo Bassi,**  
donated by Julia Bassi and James Celestino.

*For information on how to memorialize the Bread & Wine,  
Sanctuary Candle and Flower Arrangement,  
please call the parish office: (914) 961-3643*



## From the Desk of Fr. André Cirino, OFM

### Getting to Know Me A Little Better...

I am a friar minor of the Franciscan Province of the Immaculate Conception, NYC. I studied at Immaculate Conception College and did graduate studies at West Virginia University, Woodstock Jesuit School of Theology, and Franciscan studies at the Pontifical University of St. Anthony, Rome.



Fr. André

My ministerial experience includes parishes, Franciscan formation, education, and publication. I have also worked at the Little Portion Retreat House for the poor in the Bronx, and I lectured at the Franciscan International Study Centre, Canterbury, England. Since 1984, I have conducted pilgrimages annually to Italy, Prague, England, Mallorca,

France, Germany, and the California Missions.

At the invitation of Fr. Sorgie, I began working at Immaculate Conception and Assumption of Our Lady Parish in the summer of 2016. In my 54 years of ministry, I have always enjoyed parish work but only had the opportunity to do so twice for just four years. The invitation to return to some parish work

has reconnected me with the reality the Second Vatican Council beautifully called the *People of God*. Since I grew up in Brooklyn in an Italian national parish, Our Lady of Peace, I have been touched on occasion by one of your songs or traditions that have brought me back home to my roots.

### Introducing the RCIA to Others: Last Call for Candidates, Classes Begin Sept. 27

*Preparation for Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults begins after the 10AM Mass, Immaculate Conception*

Experience has taught us that the single most effective method to encourage people who may want to become Catholic or to complete their Sacraments of Initiation — Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist — is by PERSONAL invitation from someone they know.



We have six people interested in the RCIA class who will receive their Sacraments at the Easter Vigil, April 3, 2021. This year, because of COVID-19, more than ever, we need you to reach out to those people -- your relatives, friends, or acquaintances. Fr.

Sorgie asks you, "the choir," who read the bulletin, check the website and get Flocknotes, to do just that. A gentle approach might be something like "Have you ever considered becoming

a full member of the Church?" or "What's been holding you back from taking the next step?" or "Did you finish your Sacraments or make your Confirmation?" See page 8 for a helpful form.

Feel free to give the rectory phone number to anyone who asks, (914) 961-3643, or our website, [icaParish.org](http://icaParish.org). God will surely bless your efforts.

### Our Parish Mission Statement

The Roman Catholic Parish of Immaculate Conception and Assumption of Our Lady is a Eucharistic community: glorifying the Father, united with the Son, led by the Holy Spirit and protected by Mary. We are called to pray, educate and serve God's people in this life and in the hope of eternal life.





## Sacraments and Liturgy

*If you have a question about any aspect of our Catholic Church and faith, contact us and we will answer to the best of our ability.*



### 247. "How do you become a Catholic priest?"

Priesthood is a sacred vocation within the Catholic Church, one that is not simply chosen by an individual but a gift given to him from God. The primary purpose of a priest is to share in Jesus' mission of evangelization, bringing the Gospel to all people, just as Jesus chose 12 men to share in His unique mission.

**DISCERNMENT OF A DIVINE CALLING.** The first step is always discernment. This does not mean the person needs to be 100% certain they are called to the priesthood, but they have a considerable intuition that God may be calling them to it. Discernment includes personal prayer and discussion with a trusted spiritual director.

**INQUIRY STAGE.** After careful discernment, the next step is to contact a local diocese or religious order. The vocation to the priesthood is nearly always specific, being called to serve in a particular diocese or religious order. There will be a vetting period during which the vocation is tested to see if it is from God or simply a human desire.

**PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS.** All Catholic organizations have an in-depth process of psychological examinations and criminal background checks. Some areas can be improved with proper counseling and growth, while others are impediments to the priesthood.

**ACCEPTANCE & SEMINARY FORMATION.** After these stages are completed, the individual is accepted as a candidate for the priesthood. He is given the task of seminary formation, being sent to *college* seminary where he receives a college education or a *major* seminary where the education is adjusted to his situation.

**ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE.** Before being ordained a priest, a man must first be ordained a transitional deacon. This is the last and final stage of discernment.

**ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD.** The last and final step is the actual ordination given at the hands of a bishop. The sacramental character of Holy Orders, like that of Baptism, is indelible.

### Next Weekend's Celebrants

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

#### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

**Vigil, Saturday, September 26, 2020**

5:00 PM: Fr. Silva

**Sunday, September 27, 2020**

8:00 AM: Fr. Sorgie

10:00 AM: Fr. André

12:00 PM: Fr. Collins

5:00 PM: Fr. Silva

#### ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY CHURCH

**Vigil, Saturday, September 26, 2020**

4:00 PM: Fr. Sorgie

**Sunday, September 27, 2020**

9:00 AM: Fr. Silva

11:30 AM: Fr. Ulloa (Spanish)

### Next Weekend's Readings

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

#### Reading I: Ezekiel 18: 25-28

In a question and answer format, the author deals both with people who repent of their evil and those who turn to it. He provides his responses to both.

#### Reading II: Philippians 2: 1-11, or 2: 1-5

The scholars tell us this beautiful passage Paul quotes is actually from an early Church hymn. The first part sings of the Lord's abasement; the second of His earned exaltation.

#### The Gospel: Matthew 21: 28-32

This parable continues earlier stories in Matthew about the people who actually are part of God's kingdom. Jesus tells the religious leaders in his audience that "tax collectors and prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you." The folks who look the least religious will enter God's kingdom ahead of religious leaders because in the end they do God's will.

## Your Stewardship

### YOUR GIVING MATTERS!

During the COVID-19 pandemic, your safety is our first concern so we offer several

ways to continue your stewardship:

#### Give Online Through WeShare

While we have resumed public Masses, we urge all who can to please consider joining the convenient online **WeShare** automated giving program.

Visit [assumption-immaculate.churchgiving.com](http://assumption-immaculate.churchgiving.com) to set up automatic giving to keep our Parish ready and solvent to reopen with strength and speed when we can. Visit the site and follow directions.

#### Offertory Collections; Mail-In or Drop-Off

- Drop your envelopes and contributions in the offertory basket during Mass. Or,
- You can also place them in the donation boxes located in the Main Aisle of both churches. Or,
- You can mail or drop them off at the Rectory during our current office hours: Weekdays, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM. Address is on the cover of the bulletin.
- You can place them in the donation box located in the back porch of the rectory (where H.O.P.E. food donations are dropped off) which will always be open.
- Lastly, you can mail your stewardship offerings directly to the Parish: Immaculate Conception & Assumption Parish, 53 Winter Hill Road, Tuckahoe, NY 10707

### Mass Cards for the Living and Deceased

To obtain Mass cards or schedule an intention in honor of someone living or deceased, please visit the parish office during these times:

Monday through  
Friday, from  
8:30 AM-4:30 PM

(During the pandemic,  
no Sat. or Sun. hours.)



### Stewardship: Weekend of Sept. 13, 2020

#### SUNDAY COLLECTION:

Church: .....\$8,745.00\*  
WeShare: .....\$6,696.25  
**TOTAL: .....\$15,441.25**

#### GOLD ENVELOPE DONATIONS for gym debt and extraordinary maintenance:

Church: .....\$520.00  
WeShare: .....\$281.25  
**TOTAL:.....\$801.25**

*\*as of this printing, we have not received mail in 5 days from the Tuckahoe Post Office, an ongoing problem. This does not represent the full collection of Offertory for September 13. Look for a correction next week.*

### A Letter from the Archbishop of New York Annual Seminary Appeal Next Weekend

Dear Friends in the Lord:

Whenever I receive letters from parishioners, no letter delights me more than when I read how much they love their priests. And, as you may know, many were educated and formed at St. Joseph's Seminary, Dunwoodie.

Our Seminarians are not only the future shepherds of our flock, but they will also be spiritual guides and leaders in our wider communities. We must be sure that they are as well prepared as possible to serve the Church in New York. And for the last 124 years, Dunwoodie has been that place of formation. Thousands of holy, dedicated and faithful priests have been ordained over the years. It is nationally renowned and held in the highest regard by bishops from around the country...

... I ask you to consider, in your own prayer, a sacrificial gift to the Annual Seminary Appeal. Your support will provide tuition, room and board, academic training and spiritual formation for about 25 seminarians studying here...Please help in providing for our seminarians who will hand on the life and traditions of the Church as they embark on their training to become your priests. With gratitude,

*Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan*

## Parish News and Events

### Walking With Purpose

#### A Bible Study for Middle School Girls

This 20-week Bible study begins Wednesday, Sept. 30, at 4:30 PM on Zoom. All Middle School girls in grades 6-8 are invited to participate.



We will be using the BLAZE Belong program, which must be purchased prior to our first meeting. It can be found at [walkingwithpurpose.com/collections/](http://walkingwithpurpose.com/collections/). A picture of the kit is shown here. **Please register by Sept. 25** by sending an email message to both:

**msvictoria.rodriguez@gmail.com and  
diobhanschenk22@gmail.com**

### Life Chain on ProLife Sunday

October 4 | 2-3 PM

On Sunday, Oct. 4, our Immaculate Conception ProLife Committee will again participate in "Life Chain," a national *Respect Life* event of standing up to protest abortion.



Participants will be asked to wear masks, stand properly socially-distanced along Rt. 22 outside our parish grounds and pray to change the hearts and minds of those who perform, promote or assist in the killing of the unborn.

Please come for any length of time you are able. We gather from 2-3 PM. Posters are available to all in the parking lot. Every age is welcome.

**For more information, call Fran at (914) 779-4604.**

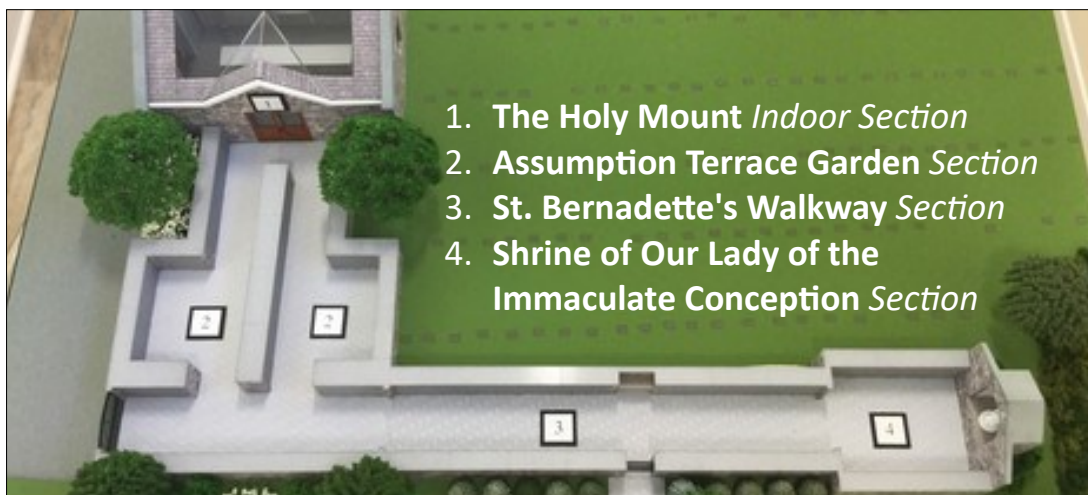
### Niches Available: Holy Mount Cemetery Terrace Gardens and Columbarium

We are weeks away from breaking ground on our new Holy Mount Columbarium. This project, when finished, will give our Parishioners -- and anyone else -- an opportunity to spiritually and respectfully have their loved one's ashes rest intact on the Sacred Grounds of Holy Mount Cemetery. There will be 1,642 niches; some are already sold. Each niche holds up to two urns of cremains.

Please call Maria, Admin. Asst., to reserve a niche(s) for you or your loved ones at (914) 961-3643 on Monday - Friday from 8:30 AM-4:30 PM or email her at [secretary@icaparish.org](mailto:secretary@icaparish.org). A 50% deposit is required for reservations.

**Niches are available  
indoor or outdoor and  
at these prices:**

Niche Size	Price	# of Niches Available	Section <i>See Image Below</i>
8" X 8"	\$2,500	76	1
12" X 12"	\$3,500	1,492	1, 2, 3, 4
16" X 16"	\$4,500	66	1



1. The Holy Mount *Indoor Section*
2. Assumption Terrace Garden *Section*
3. St. Bernadette's Walkway *Section*
4. Shrine of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception *Section*



## Parish News and Events

### Learning Our Faith At Home

#### How will your child MEET Jesus? Through You!

You are the BEST Teacher your child will ever have! You teach just by being YOU! God chose YOU to be the parent of YOUR child, so TRUST Him to give you what you need when you need it.

Have fun as you use **Gospel Weeklies** with your child. Know you are NOT alone. The Holy Spirit inspires you when you're not sure what your child needs to hear! Remember YOU are God's gift to your child!

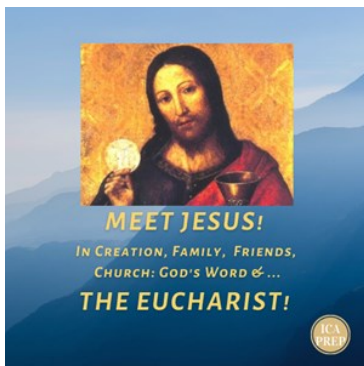
#### **MASS Jump Starts the Week!**

*Next Sunday, Sept. 27, ICA Parish  
returns to all 8 Masses!*

1. **Use Gospel Weeklies, GWs**, to facilitate your children's encounter with Jesus by having a **conversation** with them! Share your own love for the Lord!
2. **Set up a routine.** Decide when to use GWs! Several parents said they read a story at bedtime, so they intend to use GWs then. What works for your family?
3. **THE WEEK: Mondays**, receive GWs. **Tuesdays-Fridays**, read, play, discuss, and do the fun activities with them. **Saturdays**, your child takes the test and you email the results to me.

**NEW Office Hours 10-4 PM, M-F  
or by appointment.  
Oftentimes earlier and later.**

Following the Archdiocesan guidelines, no one may enter ICS or the PREP Office during the school day, for the safety of the children. Appointments available beginning at 3:15 PM.



### Men: Join the Knights of Columbus — Special Offer Now Available

In honor of the upcoming beatification of its founder, Fr. Michael McGivney, for a limited time the Knights of Columbus is offering Catholic men in New York State one year of FREE online membership. By selecting "Join" on the menu at [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) and entering NYKOFC in the promo code, busy Catholic family men and professionals can instantly be part of the largest Catholic fraternal benefit society for FREE. No credit card will be required. Catholic men aged 18 and up are encouraged to take advantage of this no-risk opportunity.

Online members have the option of transitioning to traditional, council-based membership with a local council. For more information contact:

**Bob Maffucci, (917) 319-5525 or  
[Robert.Maffucci@kofc.org](mailto:Robert.Maffucci@kofc.org)**



### With Jesus in the Night

God, good night.  
Thank you for the day.  
The good bits were good.  
The tough bits are over for another day.  
Help me to sleep well tonight.  
Help me to face into another day tomorrow.  
Bless and protect all my loved ones this night.  
Bless and protect all those, too, with whom  
I disagree or with whom I don't get on —  
they're your children too, I know.  
May tomorrow bring about your will for the  
world—peace, love, joy and mercy.  
May I play my part. For now, good night, God.  
I love you and know you love me, warts and all.  
*(Sacred Heart Messenger, 2020)*

## Parish News and Events

### Help Other People Eat (HOPE)

*The soup kitchen in New Rochelle*

Our parish is assigned to the soup kitchen on the second Wednesday and the third Tuesday of each month. Volunteers prepare food for their choice of one or both dates: to feed about 10-15 people.

Aluminum containers or plastic bags are available at the rectory porch for entrees. Please leave meals in the rectory porch on the assigned date no later than 2:30 PM. They are picked up by 2:45 PM.

As a family, choose a date that works best and serve others in this powerful way:

#### October 14 and 20

- Turkey Chili (*right*)
- 2 Large Bags Peas and Carrots (frozen)
- 2 Large Bags of Mixed Green Salad
- Bottle of Italian Dressing

#### November 17 only

- Hamburgers (cooked)
- One package of cheese slices
- 2 Large Cans of Baked Beans
- 2 Large Bags of Mixed Green Salad, Bottle of French Dressing
- Two Bags of eight Hamburger Rolls

#### December 9 and 15:

- Meatloaf (sliced - over wide noodles)
- 2 Large Bags Mixed Vegetables (frozen)
- 2 Large Bags of Mixed Green Salad
- Bottle of Italian Dressing

#### Turkey Chili:

- 1 lb. lean ground turkey, crumbled
- 1 tbsp. all-purpose flour
- 1 tbsp. olive oil
- 1 14.5-oz. can diced tomatoes
- 1 14.5-oz. can black beans
- ¼ cup tomato paste
- 1 package McCormick chili mix at desired spice level

Heat oil in a wide skillet or pot over medium heat. Add turkey, sprinkle flour over turkey and work into turkey with a spoon. Cook turkey until browned, about 5 minutes. Add tomatoes and their liquid, beans, tomato paste, and chili mix. Stir to combine and simmer over medium-low heat until chili is slightly thick, about 8 min.



### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

#### Do Any of These Describe You?

*Check all that apply and return to Fr. Sorgie*

- ◇ I have never been Baptized and want to learn more.
- ◇ I was Baptized as a Christian, and I wish to become Catholic.
- ◇ I was Baptized Catholic but have not received any other Sacraments.
- ◇ I am Married to a Catholic and would like to receive the Sacraments.
- ◇ I am Baptized, made my First Communion, but was never Confirmed.
- ◇ I have a friend who would like to become Catholic.
- ◇ My \_\_\_\_\_ needs to make their First Communion and Confirmation.
- ◇ I know someone I would like to invite to become Catholic.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### *Return to Fr. Sorgie:*

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*Or call him at: (914) 961-3643*



## La Comunidad Hispana

### Carta del Arzobispo de Nueva York Apelación Anual del Seminario La Próxima Semana

Queridos amigos en el Señor:

Cada vez que recibo cartas de los parroquianos, ninguna carta me deleita más que cuando leo acerca de cuanto aman a sus sacerdotes. Y cómo ustedes a lo mejor lo sabrán, muchos de ellos se educaron y formaron en el Seminario St. Joseph's, Dunwoodie. Nuestros seminaristas no sólo son los futuros pastores de nuestro rebaño, sino que también son nuestras guías espirituales y líderes de nuestras amplias comunidades.

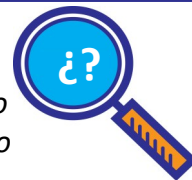
Nos aseguramos de que los seminaristas estén muy bien preparados para servir a la Iglesia de Nueva York. Por los últimos 124 años Dunwoodie ha sido un lugar de formación. Miles de dedicados sacerdotes han sido ordenados a través de los años. Dunwoodie es nacionalmente reconocida y guardada en alta estima por los obispos de la nación.

...Pido en, su propia oración, consideren una ofrenda para la Apelación Anual del Seminario. Su apoyo proveerá matrícula, habitación y estadía, entrenamiento académico y formación espiritual a 25 seminaristas que se encuentran estudiando allí....por favor ayúdenos a proveer a nuestros seminaristas, quienes mantendrán la vida y tradiciones de la Iglesia, mientras se preparan para ser sacerdotes.

Con gratitude,  
Timothy Micheal Dolan Cardenal

### Pregúntale al padre

Si tiene preguntas acerca de cualquier aspecto nuestra Fe o Religión Católica. Deje una nota o le responderemos de la mejor manera posible.



#### 247. "¿Cómo hacerse sacerdote Católico?"

El sacerdocio es una vocación sagrada de la Iglesia Católica, vocación que no es simplemente escogida por un individuo, sino que es un regalo de Dios. El propósito primario de un sacerdote es compartir en Jesús la "misión de la evangelización," traer el Evangelio a toda la gente, tal como Jesús lo hizo con 12 hombres para así, compartir Su misión única.

**DISCERNIMIENTO DE LA LLAMADA DIVINA:** El primer escalón es siempre el discernimiento. Esto no quiere decir que la persona necesita estar 100% segura de su llamado al sacerdocio, pero tienen una intuición considerable de que Dios les está llamando para ser sacerdote. El discernimiento incluye oración y discusión con un director espiritual personal y de plena confianza.

**PERIODO DE PREGUNTAS:** Después de un discernimiento cuidadoso el próximo escalón en ponerse en contacto con la diócesis local o con una orden religiosa. Existirá un periodo en el que se pondrá la vocación a prueba para ver si el llamado procede de Dios o solamente de un simple deseo mortal.

**EXAMEN PSICOLÓGICO:** Todas las organizaciones Católicas tienen un proceso profundo de exámenes Psicológicos y de revisión de carpetas policiales. Algunas de estas áreas pueden ser mejoradas con orientación adecuada, mientras que otras son simplemente impedimentos para el sacerdocio.

**ACEPTACIÓN Y FORMACION EN EL SEMINARIO:** Después que estos escalones han sido logrados y aceptado, el individuo es ingresa como candidato para el sacerdocio. Se les da la tarea de la formación en el seminario, pueden ser enviados a una universidad/seminario donde recibirán una educación universitaria ajustada a las necesidades de la situación.

**ORDENACIÓN PARA EL DIACONADO:** Antes de ser ordenado sacerdote, el candidato debe ser ordenado diácono de manera transitoria. Este es la etapa final discernimiento.

**ORDENACIÓN PARA EL SACERDOCIO:** El último escalón es el de la ordenación Sacerdotal dada por la mano del obispo mismo Este sacramento de Ordenación Sacerdotal, es como el bautismo, indeleble.