

Masses for the Week

Saturday	<u>April 25, 2009</u>
5:00 PM	Dorothy Murphy †
Sunday	<u>April 26, 2009</u>
8:00 AM	Filomena Careccia †
9:30 AM	Ann & Albert Reichert †
11:30 AM	Joseph Lanni †
5:00 PM	Parishioners of St Jude
Monday	<u>April 27, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	Barbara Rosselli †
Tuesday	<u>April 28, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	Louise Alen †
Wednesday	<u>April 29, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	Catherine Famularo †
12:00 PM	Mary & Joseph Thompson †
Thursday	<u>April 30, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	Patricia Ann Harrington †
Friday	<u>May 1, 2009, First Friday</u>
9:00 AM	Barbara Rosselli †
Saturday	<u>May 2, 2009, First Saturday</u>
8:30 AM	Margaret Weis †
5:00 PM	Parishioners of St Jude
Sunday	<u>May 3, 2009</u>
8:00 AM	Members of the Rosary Altar Society †
9:30 AM	Anthony Charles Campo †
11:30 AM	Rutkowski Family †
5:00 PM	Robert Douglas Cairns †

† denotes Mass is for the deceased

Let Us Pray

For the Sick

Benjamin Archer; Mary De Guiseppe; Anthony Ronga, John Walsh, Geraldine Arnold, Debra Pedersen, Benny Varriale, Kristine Cuervo, Bryan Gorycki, Anthony Russo, Dawn Marie Kazanecki, Ann Kazanecki, Michael A. DeLuca, Vic Mendolia; Ana Maria Ferrer, Baby Raymond Michael Dhyne, Trinity Kotsonis, Frances Naglieri, Francis X. Butler, Eve Granati, Mary Polcha, Rosalie Densing, Alberto Montalvo, Dawn Marie Kudreyko, Theresa Salvaggio, Deacon Ken Geoghan, Gil Teofilo, Michael Hiffman, Martin Horstman, Carl Brouard, John Ruocco, Makayla Margulies, Isabella Grace Dobbeck, Denise Winecoop, Vincenzo Marcorella, Dominico Marcorella, Grace Cuervo, Blakely Murphy, Elizabeth Parrinello, Viki Scicutella, Michael Savino and Christopher Barnes.

For the Deceased: Rhoda Ann Arnold and Barbara Jacobellis

For the Military:

Timothy Weisner, John Redding, Jr., Eric Reilly, Don Skelton, John Maresca, Keith W. Burd, Vinnie Riveria, Matthew Parenti, David Sumwalt, Derek Trabocchi, Joe Occhineri, James Tagliamonte, Matt Corica, Gerard Posillico and Shawn Weismiller.

If anyone would like to include the name of a active member of military duty to be prayed for by the faithful of the Parish, please contact the rectory.

Weekly Collections

Weekly Collection for April 19th \$ 8,284.52
Thank You!

Scripture Readings

Monday ■ April 27
Easter Weekday
Acts 6:8-15 • Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday ■ April 28
Easter Weekday
Acts 7:51-8:1a • Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday ■ April 29
Saint Catherine of Siena, virgin and doctor of the Church
Acts 8:1b-8 • Jn 6:35-40

Thursday ■ April 30
Easter Weekday
Acts 8:26-40 • Jn 6:44-51

Friday ■ May 1
Easter Weekday
Acts 9:1-20 • Jn 6:52-59

Saturday ■ May 2
Saint Athanasius, bishop and doctor of the Church
Acts 9:31-42 • Jn 6:60-69

Sunday ■ May 3
Fourth Sunday of Easter
Acts 4:8-12 • 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-

Wedding Banns

III Jennifer Jones & Richard Watkleviez
I Erica Peters & Kevin Miller



Baptisms



We welcome our newly Baptized Children:

Joshua Caraballo; Liam Thomas Gannon; Amelia Rae Chua; Jake Ryan Misiagno; Jordan Joseph Sarringer; and Brian Oliver Toro

May God bless them and their families

Altar Bread and Wine

The altar bread & wine for the week of April 27th donated in loving memory of:

Harry Albertina, Jr.

Catholic Ministries Appeal – Our Parish Goal \$45,612.00
Pledges rec'd \$43,360.00
Needed to reach goal \$ 2,252.00

First Friday Devotions

May 1st is First Friday. There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament from 8-9 PM. We encourage all of our parishioners to participate in the hour of Adoration.

First Saturday Devotions

The First Saturday of each month is especially dedicated to Our Blessed Mother. Please join in the praying of the Rosary and the First Saturday Devotion prayers, **May 2nd** at 8 AM and followed by the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. For additional information, please visit www.drvc.org and click on the tab Protecting Children. Copies of the newsletter are available in the church lobby.



MASS ATTENDANCE

	Sat. 5p.m.	7:30p.m.	8a.m.	9:30	11:30	1:00	5p.m.	Total
Apr 5 th	541	151	295	579	645	70	370	2651
April 12 th -			463	868	975	470	---	3391
8p.m. Easter Vigil	475		10:30p.m. Spanish Vigil	140				
April 21	337	120	227	397	445		225	1751



Saint Jude Baby Bottle Campaign

Benefits the Life Center of LI

The Baby Bottle Campaign benefits the Life Center of Long Island which helps pre-born children and their parents who are faced with an unexpected pregnancy. The campaign will be completed with the collection of the filled bottles the weekend of May 2nd & 3rd. Please continue to say the prayer attached to the bottle.

Thank you for your continued prayerful and financial support and be assured it is making a difference in the lives of the many people served by this busy crisis pregnancy center.

Mother & Daughter Tea

Respect Life Office



"God's Plan for Growing Up" a chastity program. These programs explore the beauty and Wonder of God's plan for growing up and becoming a woman. To be held At St. Agnes Cathedral Parish Center, Rockville Centre, from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. May 9th is for 10-12 yr olds and May 23rd is for 13-15 yr. olds. The fee is \$25 per family (more than two children is an additional \$5 per child) for one session, \$40 for two sessions. Reservations are required and forms are available at the rectory or contact RESPECTLIFE@DRVC.ORG.



Faith Formation

The Faith Formation Office will no longer be open on Saturdays, beginning May 2, 2009. Office hours are Monday-Friday, 10-5:00pm.

As of April 27th, all faith formation classes will have ended. Home Study Students please remember to bring your end of year packet to the office.

This year went by so quickly, we will soon be celebrating the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Please remember to pray for our students as they prepare to receive these sacraments.

April 29, 2009 -Confirmation Preparation 1 Readiness review is for our 6th level students who will be entering the Confirmation program in 2009-10. You have been scheduled to come to the office for a review. Please remember your assigned times. For those 6th level students who have not completed this task please contact the office at 281-2835 to schedule an appointment.

May 3rd, at the 9:30AM Mass we will be Crowning our Blessed Mother, Queen of the May. All families are invited to attend and the students receiving First Holy Communion are invited to wear their communion attire and participate in a procession around the Church. The children will sit in reserved pews.

Registration and re-registration for the school year 2009-2010 year will begin July 7, 2009. This year, the Faith Formation Office will not automatically mail to your home the re-registration forms. You will be able to download the forms from the website, www.stjudemb.org of July 1, 2009. Complete the form and mail it to us with the registration fee. If you do not have a computer, please call the office and we will gladly mail your form to you.



MOTHER'S DAY CARDS

Remember, Mother's Day is Sunday May 10th.

*Mother's Day cards can be purchased at the rectory for \$1.00. The charge is to offset the parish cost for the card. You can return the remembrance envelope at a later time.

*Remembrance envelopes without cards are available in the church vestibule for your intention offering.

*All offering envelopes can be placed in the collection basket or brought into the rectory.

*Your intentions will be remembered in our Mother's Day Novena.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Free Food for those in need: The commodity supplemental food program/ FAN is offering free food for women 6 to 12 months post- partum children from age 5 until their 6th birthday, seniors age 60 and over, who are income eligible (Single senior \$1,127 or less monthly; senior couples \$1,517 gross monthly income). The package includes cheese, milk, starches, cereals, juices, canned fruits, vegetables, fish, meat and more. Please call 631-491-4169/491-4166 for more information.

WHAT IS LUKE'S MESSAGE TODAY?

Jesus offers His disciples peace and they are terrified. What was it like for them to meet the risen Christ? The eleven closest followers of Jesus are together in Jerusalem. Two of their friends have just told about meeting Jesus on their way out of town. They were heading to Emmaus. They didn't know who they were talking to. They couldn't understand why their hearts were burning, drawn by this stranger. Yet, *when he broke bread with them, they recognized him*. Does hearing from others about the risen Christ put them at ease? Is it hard for us to believe these stories? Was it hard for them? What will convince us of Christ's presence? In Luke's Gospel, the disciples had Jesus standing with them—and they were startled. Jesus wished them peace—and they were *terrified*. He invited them to touch him. Did they dare? What do they fear? What do we fear?

We fear death. The witnesses to Christ's resurrection were forced to face that fear. Christ risen, standing with them, overcame that fear because he overcame death. Jesus' hands and feet were the most striking reminder of what he had suffered. What turns his followers from fear to joy and amazement? They saw him standing there, scarred, yet alive. They were convinced by the marks of his death—they saw him changed by what he had faced, changed to a whole new life he now presented. He met a terror as great as theirs, and now he was alive, standing there, wishing them peace, and eating with them.

What is Luke describing? Facing fear, seeing what Christ risen meant, being where Christ is present— eating with Christ. *That is where we meet him too.*

DAN FINUCANE



FATIMA DAY

Shrine of Our Lady of the Island

May 13, 2009, Wednesday

10:00 AM - Stations

11:30 AM - Holy Mass

12:30 PM - Lunch

1:30 PM - Speaker

3:00 PM - Benediction

Guest Speaker: Immaculee Ilibagiza, she is the renowned author of "LEFT TO TELL"; "OUR LADY OF KIBEHO" and "LED BY FAITH". She lost her entire family in the Rwandan holocaust of 1994 caused by ethnic hatred. She forgave her family's killers and teaches the power of MERCY and FORGIVENESS. She has appeared on PBS, EWTN and TELECARE.

Update on Statute of Legislation:

Stop the Markey Bill A2596/S2568 The Markey/Duane bill) will not prevent a single instance or sexual abuse anywhere.

The Markey/Duane Bill would waive a fundamental principle of American law- the statute of limitations- on civil lawsuits claiming abuse. Statute of limitations requires that claims be brought in a reasonable period of time after an incident so that evidence is still available and can be evaluated fairly.

The Markey/Duane Bill would slap a lawsuit magnet on the Catholic Church and other institutions, not the abusers themselves. The Catholic Church is the largest non-governmental provider of health care, education, and human services in New York State. This bill is a direct threat to these vital services.

The Markey/Duane Bill discriminates and creates two classes of victims, because it exempts public schools and other government entities. Despite the fact that there were 485 professional misconduct complaints against New York State teachers over 5 year period compared to 300 against Catholic clergy in 57 year period.

Pass the Lopez Bill A5708/S3107

The Lopez/Kruger Bill does what the public really wants- protects children from predators now and in the future by extending the statute of limitations for certain sex crimes committed against minors and amends the law to provide an equal treatment for all institutions.

The Lopez/Kruger Bill treats all victims equally by extending the statute of limitations to provide an equal opportunity for all victims to bring a claim.

The following website enables you to educate yourself on the issue and contact your legislators with just a few mouse clicks. Visit www.protectnychildren.com

IMMEDIATE ACTION NEEDED!!!!

Please call Assemblyman Fred Thiele at 631-537-2583 and or/ 518-455-5997 and email him at THIELEF@assembly.state.ny.us PLEASE ACT NOW TO SUPPORT AND PROTECT OUR CHURCH.



Additional Easter Flower Offerings....

Robotham Family

Rose DeRosa

ST. JUDE'S BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

**HAVE YOU EXPERIENCED THE DEATH OF A SPOUSE?
FOR SUPPORT, THERE WILL BE EIGHT SESSIONS STARTING
TUESDAY May 5th, 7:00PM- 8:30PM. TO REGISTER OR FOR
MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY AT
281-5743 EXT 4. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED PRIOR TO START OF SESSION.**

Bereavement Support Groups have multiple functions.
They are places of:

EMPATHY...

- To receive positive feedback that the experiences of grief are normal-
“I’m not going crazy”.
- To know that others- “just like me” have been there too, and have survived.

ACCEPTANCE...

- To be encouraged to share pain, fears and frustrations.
 - To be enabled to tell your story- repeatedly.
- To be able to share the physical, emotional and spiritual pain of loss and to be understood
by a caring group of friends.

SAFETY (CONFIDENTIALITY)...

- To ask for help and receive encouragement.
 - To give to others as they give to you.
 - To revive and review memories.
- To receive the strength to let go- to say goodbye.

GROWTH...

- To test the appropriateness of decisions.
- To find more effective coping strategies.
 - To tolerate unanswerable questions.
- To become open to God’s presence in your life.
- To experience God’s love through His Church in the companionship of sisters and
brothers in faith.

From the Pastor
April 26th, 2009
Third Sunday of Easter

Archbishops, Cardinals, Metropolitans, Monsignors...???

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St Jude Parish,

Last Sunday was the fourth anniversary of the election of Pope Benedict XVI to the See of Peter. With the death of Pope John Paul II, and the subsequent conclave that elected Benedict, curiosity arose as to the titles, terms and processes which surround such a unique event. Last week, we happily witnessed the installation of The Most Reverend Timothy Dolan as the 10th Archbishop of New York. He certainly brings with him a spirit of great joy, and we offer our prayers for his efforts as the spiritual leader of the Archdiocese, and as our Metropolitan.

As with a papal election, this installation has many people asking what's the difference between a diocese and an archdiocese; a bishop and a cardinal, etc. Since a number of questions have been sent my way, I thought that putting some definitions in writing might help our knowledge of ecclesiastical ("church") titles, structures, and organization, without making it too complicated. I will try my best.

Placing things on the simplest of levels, the Sacrament of Holy Orders consists of only three major orders: deacon, priest, and bishop. The minor orders (perhaps the subject of a future article) are all subsumed when a man receives the diaconate. A deacon is ordained by the bishop to a position of service in the Church. He may baptize and witness marriages, but neither celebrate nor confer any other sacraments. A bishop has the "fullness of the priesthood" – to teach, govern, and sanctify; and a priest is ordained to offer the sacrifice of the Mass, and provide the sacraments, yet only with the authority of the bishop, and usually, in a parish. A priest does not have the power to ordain anyone, as the bishop does.

Though "Monsignor" (French for "My lord") sounds impressive, it is merely an honorary title (no pay increase) of false nobility. It is not an order and carries no power, save the value anyone wishes to place upon it. (If the bishop reads this, I will assuredly never be named a "monsignor" - and that's just fine with me. I truly believe that being addressed as "Father" is much better than being called "My lord".)

A diocese is an ecclesiastical territory ruled by a bishop. Ours is the Rockville Centre Diocese, covering Nassau and Suffolk. We are under the jurisdiction of Bishop William Murphy. An archbishop (typically) is the head of an archdiocese, like New York, which is a metropolitan see: he has mediate jurisdiction over one or more dioceses, (like ours) which together, with his own, form an ecclesiastical province. Loosely, it's sort of like having a governor, and a number of county executives under his mediation. In some cases, (as in New York) the metropolitan archbishop is also created cardinal. The "red hat" will almost certainly be given to Dolan at some point in the future, which will make him a member of the senate of the Church and to whom is entrusted the election of the Roman Pontiff.

Our Holy Father, the Pope, is also Bishop of the Diocese of Rome. He is the successor to St. Peter who received from Christ our Lord supreme power (honor and jurisdiction) over the Universal Church, which is passed on to his successors.

I hope this thumbnail sketch was a little helpful. If not, what can I tell you? Please feel free to search Catholic websites for further information, and see if I have *my* facts straight.

In Christ,
Fr. Greg