

Masses for the Week

Saturday	<u>August 29, 2009</u>
5:00 PM	Philomena Fino †
Sunday	<u>August 30, 2009</u>
8:00 AM	Feast of Madonna Della Guardia †
9:30 AM	Parishioners of St Jude
11:30 AM	Living Members of the Legion of Mary
5:00 PM	Arthur Powers †
Monday	<u>August 31, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	Anthony A. Minuto †
Tuesday	<u>September 1, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	John Andrzejewski †
Wednesday	<u>September 2, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	Thomas Ekberg †
12:00 PM	<u>St. Jude Guild: Poor Souls in Purgatory;</u> Philomena Fino †
Thursday	<u>September 3, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	Mary De Carlo †
Friday	<u>September 4, 2009 First Friday</u>
9:00 AM	Rose Scaccio †
Saturday	<u>September 5, 2009 First Saturday</u>
8:30 AM	Raymond Fox †
5:00 PM	Maddalen Paolucci †
Sunday	<u>September 6, 2009</u>
8:00 AM	Patrick Hickey †
9:30 AM	Deacon Thomas Gross †
11:30 AM	Parishioners of Saint Jude
5:00 PM	Barbara Cremona †

† denotes Mass is for deceased

Let Us Pray

For the Sick

Benjamin Archer; Mary De Guiseppa; Anthony Ronga, John Walsh, Geraldine Arnold, Benny Varriale, Bryan Gorycki Kristine, Grace and Edward Cuervo, Anthony Russo, Sue Freno Dawn Marie Kazanecki, Dan Clark, Edna Tanzer, Ann Kazanecki, Vic Mendolia; Ana Maria Ferrer, Anna Daly, 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, Martin Horstman, Carl Brouard, Jennie Parullo John Ruocco, Makayla Margulies, Isabella Grace, Kaylee Corpi Dobbeck, Denise Winecoop, Vincenzo Marcocella, Dominico Marcocella, Blakely Murphy, Elizabeth Parrinello, Viki Scicutella,

Christopher McBride, Christopher Gagnon, Christopher Barnes, Julius DeCarlo, Robert Justus, Brittany McKay-Lambert; Christos Raptis; Josephine Delia, Michelle Gonzalez, Joe Iannuzzi, Josephine Gamberale, Trevor McCade, Pat Albanese;

Byrant

Walker, Sr.; James J. McCarthy and Mary Vitale.

For the Deceased: Thomas John Kindo

For the Military:

Timothy Weisner, John Redding, Jr., Eric Reilly, Don Skelton, John Maresca, Vinnie Riveria, Matthew Parenti, David Sumwalt, Derek Trabocchi, Joe Occhineri, James Tagliamonte, Matt Corica, Gerard Posillico, Kenneth Drumm, Jr., Shawn Weismiller and Richard, Daniel Engo, Daniel Edwards & Tori Pickney.

MASS ATTENDANCE

	<u>Saturday</u>		<u>Sunday</u>				
	5p.m.	7:30pm	8:AM	9:30	11:30	5p.m.	Total
Aug 2	202	155	221	370	505	144	1597
Aug. 9	223	161	213	298	430	167	1492
Aug 16	250	107	189	252	445	165	1408
Aug 23	298	102	201	267	440	156	1464

Weekly Collections

Collection for Aug 23, 2009

\$8,618.00

Thank You!

Scripture Readings

Monday, August 31

Weekday

1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday, September 1

Weekday

1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday, September 2

Weekday

Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday, September 3

Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11

Friday, September 4

Weekday

Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39

Saturday, September 5

Weekday

Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5

Sunday, September 6

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 35:4-7a; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

Baptisms

We welcome our newly Baptized Children:



Anthony Michael Asquino; Adriana Lily Guillo; Timothy William Young; Julianna Marie Gledhill; Justin Thomas Torres; Kayla Jade Bjerke; Kiley Marie Bjerke; Kevin Thomas Cattell; John Frances Thornton IV; Elizabeth Marie Mayotte; and James Alexander McLennon; Rebecca Chelsea McLennon; Brianna Gissele McLennon
May God bless them and their families.

Wedding Banns

III Sally Riker & Brian Wheeler

I Theresa Debee & Daniel Oquendo



Altar Bread and Wine



The altar bread & wine for the week of August 31st, has been donated in memory of:

Thomas Kevin Boothe

Altar Flowers



The altar flowers for the weekend of August 29th and 30th has been donated in memory of:

Philomena Fino

on Facebook, at www.ProLifePrayers.org Be part of the largest prayer group in history!

**SATURDAY SEMINARS
KELLENBERG HIGH SCHOOL
SCOTT HAHN**

Scott Hahn is one of the most influential Catholic theologians in the Church today. A leading academic, author and popular speaker his presentations have helped thousands of Catholics to embrace (return) to the Catholic Faith.

“REASONS TO BELIEVE”

9:00 AM Registration; 9:30 am Father Anthony Stanganelli; 10:30 am Dr. Hahn’s 1st talk; 12 to 1pm lunch (please bring your own lunch) 1 pm Dr. Hahn’s 2nd talk; 2 pm Break; 2:30 pm Dr. Hahn’s 3rd talk; 3:30 Q & A and Wrap Up; and 4:00 pm Mass Fr. Tom Tassone, (satisfies Sunday Obligation). Admission: \$15 in advance \$20 at the door. To register or for more info: Toni Conforti 516-385-8963 or toticon@aol.com



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Having no place to turn to in a moment of need is a trying experience for anyone, but especially the poor. The Society of St Vincent de Paul with its many dedicated volunteers has been responding to the needs of the poor for year, but now we need your help. A Fundraising Walk, with the support and approval of Bishop Murphy, will be held on **Sat. September 26, 2009** at the Bethpage State Park Picnic are. At this time we are looking for pledges and walkers. Registration will begin at 10am with the 1 mile walk following at 11 am Please join us. Walk a mile in someone else’s shoes and find out how good it feels to give. For more information (516) 822-3132 or visit www.svdpfriendsofthepoorwalk.org.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY



Due to Labor Day Weekend, our next meeting will be held on Monday, September 14th at 7pm in Parish Center Classroom 1 (the old crying room). Please make note of this change. Anyone wishing to join is welcome to attend this meeting. Coffee and cake will be served. **MEMBERSHIP DRIVE FOR THE ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY.....**is now in progress. Anyone wishing information on the Society can see a Rosarian in the lobby after Mass. They will be able to answer any of your questions and applications will be handed out. Please take home an application and seriously consider joining this society which is so important to the Parish.

40th Annual San Gennaro Feast

Sacred Heart Church, Long Beach Rd., Island Park
(516-432-8585 or 516-432-0655)

Thursday , Sept. 10th - 6pm Mass & Procession
7-10pm

Friday, Sept 11th - 5-11pm

Saturday, Sept. 12th - 3pm- Midnight

Sunday, Sept. 13th 3pm -9pm

Homemade Italian Specialties - Rides for the young and the young at heart- Games of Chance and Skill- Free Admission

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY COLLECTION

The Catholic University of America is the national university of the Catholic Church, located in Washington D.C. It provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to 6,000 students every year. **Next weekend September 5th & 6th** the second collection is for The Catholic University of America. Every dollar given directly supports financial aid for students from dioceses across the country, including ours. Please give generously.

JOB SEARCH

Available at the Community Library
Tuesday, September 22 from 11am -1pm
Registration begins Sept. 1st. We invite you to join Li-ane Lewis from LICARES as she conducts a workshop on the nuts and bolts of the *Job Search*.
ALSO, JOB CLUB- Thursday, September 10 & 24 from 7pm-8pm. Have a cup of coffee; munch on a donut and **NETWORK, NETWORK, NETWORK!** Check the information desk for future dates. 399-1511x240. Registration began August 10^t

RCIA

The Parish of St. Jude
Welcomes any
Adult Non - Catholic
Who Would Like To Find Out More About The
CATHOLIC CHURCH

OR
ANY CATHOLIC

Who Would Like To Complete The
SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION.

(Baptism, Confirmation and/or Communion)

The group will be beginning Monday, September 14, 2009 at 7:45 p.m. for reception of sacraments in 2010.

It is very important that you come and stay for every class.

Please fill out and return to rectory,
Attn: St. Jude RCIA

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

ADDRESS : _____

SACRAMENTS NEEDED: please check what applies

() Baptism

() Confirmation

() Communion

() PLEASE CHECK IF BAPTIZED OTHER THAN ROMAN CATHOLIC

From the Pastor

August 30th, 2009

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony 2009 (Part II)

Last week's letter very basically covered the sacrament of holy matrimony. This week the topic is: Why is it that approximately half of all marriages end in divorce? Well, the usual overarching reason is that the woman and man should never have been married in the first place; that they were clearly not the 'right ones' for each other to begin with. That being said, there can be numerous subordinate factors that keep a particular couple from recognizing their incompatibility and/or inability to sustain the lifelong commitment to the other that is at the heart of the sacrament of matrimony.

Sometimes one of the parties has the spiritual and psychological goods to be committed to the other, but unfortunately, the other does not; or neither of them has the capacity and maturity to do so. In particular instances, it may be questionable whether such individuals are capable of entering into a marital relationship with *anyone*.

We often hear of a woman "marrying her father", or of a man "marrying his mother", by which is meant that they have been attracted to someone who is of similar personality or temperament, or habits as one of their parents. Often this may be used to describe certain disagreeable situations, such as the child of someone with substance abuse issues marrying the same type of person. Many times this arises from a subconscious desire to "save" or "fix" another who represents the parent they could not "fix". For better or worse, we tend to gravitate to familiar personalities, which is not necessarily a bad thing. It is, however, when it perpetuates unhealthy modes of living. We need to be aware of this and honest with ourselves.

Perhaps the greatest enemy to marriage is the materialist secularism which has enveloped our society wholesale. To greater or lesser degree, we are all affected by the consumerist mentality that has brainwashed our culture into seeing everything and *everyone* as a commodity. Is not abortion the clearest and most horrible example? Being "pro-choice" means it's a beautiful, precious baby *if I want it to be*; **or** it's a worthless blob of tissue *if I want it to be*. In other words, something has value if I say it does, and when it no longer holds that subjective value, I get rid of it or trade it in for a new model. Cash for Clunkers is one thing; a human being, be it my child, spouse, or neighbor, is totally another. Life is not to be created or destroyed according to our will.

Pre-marital sex, aside from the fact that it is a mortal sin, spiritually and psychologically bonds a man and a woman. However, it is not just a relationship without consequences. It is in reality, using another person for one's own gratification, and it makes one's vision very murky when it comes to the decision of a lifetime commitment to the sacred bond of marriage. God made our gift of human sexuality a most beautiful, powerful, and mysterious gift that unites husband and wife and brings forth new life. Misuse of that gift will always have negative consequences.

This gift of human sexuality created by God becomes thoroughly cheapened through pre-marital (fornication) and extra-marital (adultery) relations. Pornography, which is the using of third parties for one's gratification, (and is a form of infidelity); artificial contraception (birth control), which disconnects the unitive from the procreative ends of marriage; and the general intake of impurity which comes to us through the media, music, and the large and small screen, all contribute to the poisoning of relationships, before and after marriage. Just look (or really *don't!*) at the magazines and tabloids when in line at the supermarket checkout. You know

what the #1 subject is in all of them. And it all builds up totally fantastic and unrealistic expectations of what one has to look like and what I have to do in the bedroom if I want to be “happy”, according to *Cosmopolitan*, *et al.* It’s a pathetic lie, but too many keep buying into it, only finding unhappiness and desolation.

All of the above speaks of the focus being “*Me*”. And the worldly view of relationships and marriage is based on feelings. Feelings are important, but they are not everything, and will not sustain the life-long commitment that is marriage. Christ His Church speak of the focus being God, others, *then me*. True love, respect, generosity, sacrifice and openness to God’s will in one’s life, and realizing that one is an imperfect person and so is your spouse are essential for marriage to work. Hollywood and *Cosmopolitan* are not reality. God’s design is not part of their vision, and so they bear their bitter fruit. But God’s plan for marriage is better, because when He is invited into the relationship, wonderful things can happen. There is no 100% fool proof formula for making marriage work, but it is no surprise that statistically, couples who go to church and practice their faith report more satisfying love lives and have much stronger, faithful marriages and a lower rate of divorce. Try to find that information in a supermarket tabloid!

Is that the whole story? You know it’s not, and so much more has been left out, but that’s enough for now...

In Christ,
Fr. Greg