

Masses for the Week

Saturday	<u>October 3, 2009 First Saturday</u>
5:00 PM	Anthony Lepre †
7:30 PM	Ines Rivera †
Sunday	<u>October 4, 2009</u>
8:00 AM	Emelia Novelli †
9:30 AM	Parishioners of Saint Jude
11:30 AM	Liz Jimenez Palermo †
5:00 PM	Barbara Cremona †
Monday	<u>October 5, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	Louise Iozzino †
Tuesday	<u>October 6, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	Maria Osterberg †
Wednesday	<u>October 7, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	St. Jude Guild: Robert Tenaglia †; Elizabeth Jimenez Palermo †
12:00 PM	Constance Engellis & Gregory Levine †
Thursday	<u>October 8, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	Anna Mondì †
Friday	<u>October 9, 2009</u>
9:00 AM	George Scott †
Saturday	<u>October 10, 2009</u>
8:30 AM	Natalie Sannino †
5:00 PM	Ana Z Anast
7:30 PM	Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sunday	<u>October 11, 2009</u>
8:00 AM	Dorothea Schnauder †
9:30 AM	Carol Buonaiuto †
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, Dan Clark, 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 Marcorella, Dominico Marco Ella, Blakely Murphy, Elizabeth Parrinello, Viki Scicutella, Christopher McBride, Christopher Gagnon, Christopher Barnes, Julius DeCarlo, Robert Justus, Christos Raptis; Josephine Delia, Michelle Gonzalez, Josephine Gamberale, Trevor McCade, Pat Albanese; James J. McCarthy, Mary Vitale, Mary Hughes, Kimberly Turner, Angelo V. Cassarino, Mary Agnes Stock, Jean Scholl, Ann Petralia and Jessica.

For the Deceased: Tony Macaluso; Joseph Infantolino, George Slackford and Gloria Chirisano

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, Bryant Walker, Bobby Sosa & Tori Pickney.

MASS ATTENDANCE

	<u>Saturday</u>		<u>Sunday</u>			
	5p.m.	7:30pm	8:AM	9:30	11:30	5p.m. Total
Sept 06	227	110	191	329	415	155 1427
Sept 13	278	140	194	318	425	205 1560
Sept 20	267	170	169	332	535	181 1654
Sept 27	266	150	171	300	445	209 1541

Weekly Collections

Collection for Sept. 27th, 2009 \$8,374.15
Spare a Dime \$ 809.00

Thank you !

Scripture Readings

Monday - October 5
Weekday

Jon 1:1-2:2, 11; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday - October 6
Weekday

Jon 3:1-10 • Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday - October 7
Our Lady of the Rosary

Jon 4:1-11 • Lk 11:1-4

Thursday - October 8
Weekday

Mal 3:13-20b • Lk 11:5-13

Friday - October 9
Weekday

Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2 • Lk 11:15-26

Saturday - October 10
Weekday

Jl 4:12-21 • Lk 11:27-28

Sunday - October 11

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

Baptisms

We welcome our newly Baptized Children:

London Guerra Barnes; Madison Jordan Laezza;

Joseph Matthew McGrady;

Anthony Salvatore Trossi;

Christopher Robert Scala;

Nicholas William Gulick; &

Alyssa Michelle Wood

May God bless them and their families.



Wedding Banns

III Michelle Sommerlad & James G. Argast

I Sara Di Giorgi & Salvatore Gesualdi

I Maria Catherine Alaimo & Paul James Drysdale



Altar Bread and Wine



The altar bread & wine for the week of
October 5th, has been donated by:
St. Jude's Breakfast Club

Altar Flowers



The altar flowers for the weekend of
October 3rd & 4th has been donated in memory of:

Peter and Edna Clancy

Monday, October 12th is
Columbus Day, a National Holiday.
There will be one Mass at 9:00am.
All Parish offices will be closed.



Faith Formation



Faith Formation Classes begin Monday, October 5th Parents, you will be receiving a call from your child's Catechist, reminding you of class time and class room- it will be a meet the teacher session.

Faith Formation classes and office will be closed on Monday, October 12th, in observation of Columbus Day.

Just a reminder.....To view our Faith Formation events, go on the website (stjudemb.org) and follow the links to Faith Formation calendar, to see the activities for the month. Calendars will no longer be printed for to students to bring home.

Students assigned to home study, books will be available for pickup the week of Oct 12th.

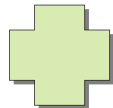
LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA



Please consider joining the CD of the Month Club to receive a new CD each month shipped directly to your home. Our parish will receive a donation back from each subscription. When you visit the web site www.lighthousecatholicmedia.com, don't forget to enter promo code 23385 when prompted in the subscription form.

Lighthouse Catholic Media is looking for more paid, part-time helpers to respond to the Holy Father's call to evangelization. We serve the local and Universal Church by distributing CD talks on the Catholic faith by well known speakers. Contact Theresa Piekut 631-886-1280 or by e-mail; tpiekut@yahoo.com.

Brookhaven Hospice



Hospice offers several bereavement support groups to the community - free of charge. All groups are facilitated by licensed social workers. We offer General Bereavement Support, Wednesdays; Young Widow and Widowers, Thursdays; Children's Support Groups (8 sessions) Tuesdays; Parents/Grandparents Who Lost a Child, Thursday; Adults Who are Grieving the Loss of a Parent/Grandparent, Mondays; and Survivors of Suicide, Thursdays. For further information and times, please contact 631-2687-2960 at Brookhaven Memorial hospital Medical Center Hospice, 105 West Main Street, Patchogue, New York

ST. JUDE BLOOD DRIVE SIGN UP

St. Jude's will be hosting a Blood Drive on Friday, October 16, 2009 in the Parish Center. Outreach volunteers will be taking pledges after Sunday Masses. Please sign up at that time, if that is not possible, then call Outreach at 281-5634 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Mon-Thurs.

Thank you, in advance, for the "Gift of Life" and your support.

J. V. Kavanaugh Knights & Columbiettes

SECOND ANNUAL

"BREAST CANCER AWARENESS SPAGHETTI DINNER"



Thursday, October 15, 2009 176 Madison Street, Mastic 5:00pm - 8:30pm; \$7.00 pp 50/50 raffles & much more

ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS

WILL MEET ON SATURDAY, October 17th at 10 am in the church. Remember to bring lemon oil and rags.



Shrine Our Lady of the Island Fatima Day- Tuesday, October 13th

Come and celebrate Our Lady's Special Apparitions to her Children! 10:30am Stations of the Cross 11:30am Mass 12noon Lunch break 2 pm Rosary followed by diction.



The Rosary is the Answer. Say it. Pray it. Teach it. Preach it.

Home teaching Moms -Come join us at the shrine of Our Lady of the Island on the First Friday of every month after the 11:30 am Mass, Fr. Roy will say a few words relevant to the day's readings, Gospel, etc. We invite you to attend with your children and pray to for Our Blessed Mother's continued blessings as we start up a new school year. Chinese Auction/Dinner Dance at the Shrine on October 23rd at East Wind Caters, Wading River at 6pm. Tickets are \$45.00 Please call 631-325-0061 for more information.

Ancient Order of Hibernians

Next weekend, October 10th & 11th members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians will be outside after Mass selling chances. Drawing will be held on Saturday, November 14th at their annual fundraiser dance. Chances are \$5.00 or 3 for \$10.00

1st Prize- 5 day, 4 night vacation for 2 at the Irish Village in Cape Cod, Ma.

2nd Prize-Waterford crystal

3rd Prize-Rug cleaning (800 sq. feet)

Funds raised help support many charitable causes throughout our area.



St. ANNE'S, Brentwood 88 Second Avenue

Parish "Indoor" Garage Sale, Saturday, October 10th, 9am to 5 pm, Lower Church, Refreshments available All profits will go to our New Organ Fund

THE LIVING ROSARY

In honor of the **Feast of the Most Holy Rosary**, the Rosary Altar Society will host a living rosary on **Saturday, October 10th immediately following the 5:00 p.m. Mass**. Anyone wishing to participate can remain after Mass or come to the church at 6:00 p.m. Everyone joining us for this beautiful, prayerful event will be invited to a coffee & cake gathering in the Parish Center following the rosary at 7:00. Please try to attend.
October is the month dedicated to the Holy Rosary.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING



Enrollment of new members will take place on **Monday, Oct. 5th** at 7:00 pm in the Church. Our meeting will immediately follow at 7:45pm in the parish center. A "Wine and Cheese" reception will be held after our meeting to celebrate and welcome our new Rosarians. Coffee and cake will also be served.



PREGNANCY SERVICES NETWORK OF GREATER NY

A resource that seeks to support and encourage individuals with confidential, caring compassion.

www.psnnny.org

A lot of trouble...

is caused when people use Scripture to set the genders against each other. In today's reading from Mark, Jesus reminds us that from the beginning of creation, "God made them male and female." Does that mean tension between men and women goes back to our earliest roots?

Genesis teaches something very different. The story in the garden shows us that God created man and woman to live their lives together. The famous biblical scene where we meet the first man and the first woman is the result of God creating *partners*.

Look at the passage carefully. God says it isn't good for the new earthly dweller to be alone. He needs a partner. First God goes back to the clay from which Adam was formed. God shapes animals and birds and shows them to the man. Adam gets to name them! In the Scriptures, naming is a big deal. It shows insight, authority—the person naming has the power to do so. But in these newly named candidates, "none proved to be the suitable partner for the man."

God tries again. (Was the Creator having a bad day on the first attempt? No—the story is for us; it compares what doesn't work with what does work.) This time Adam is asleep; he doesn't watch the mystery, the forming of a new being from his own side.

When he meets the woman, he doesn't name her. He *recognizes* her. This is *woman*, for out of *man* she is taken (the pun occurs in the original Hebrew too). Here is flesh of my flesh, just like me! Well, not *just* like me... The difference is wonderful. Here's a *partner* for me to embrace.

Dan Finucane

The trouble between these two comes after their fall into sin—when they try to become something they're not.

Airport Playhouse

www.airportplayhouse.com



Fall/Winter

Opening Nights—Sunday Matinees—Senior Matinees

Lend Me A Tenor-Oct. 23 –Nov. 8

Airport Holiday Extravaganza-Nov. 27-Dec. 20

Always, Patsy Cline- Dec. 31- Jan. 24

Dirty Rotten Scoundrels – Feb. 5- Feb. 21

Children's Theater

Hocus Pocus –Oct 22 & 31

31st includes Halloween Goodie Bag- \$ 9.00

Olive, the Other Reindeer-Dec. 5, 12 & 19th

Includes visit with Santa \$ 9.00

Aladdin - Feb 6, 13, 19, 20-

With Tea Party before performance \$8

SPECIAL EVENT

RENT~ Nov. 13, 14, 20, & 21

(Subject to availability)

For information call 631-589-7588

BIRTHRIGHT

12th Annual "Walk for Life"



"It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth and of every child to be born"

On Saturday, October 10, 2009 9a.m. to 1p.m. Indian Island Park, Rte. 105 Riverhead, NY., please come walk with us for Life. Birthright is a non-profit organization completely staffed by volunteers and offers counseling, assistance, transportation, clothing, parenting classes, referrals for medical care and adoption and positive alternatives to abortions.

CENACLE

Sisters



BUSY PERSONS' AT HOME RETREAT

Thursday Evenings: October 8, 15, 22, 29 and Nov. 5, 2009 (7:30-9:30 pm) This six week retreat provides an opportunity for ½ hour of daily prayer at home as well as a weekly gathering time for input and sharing in a supportive atmosphere. OFFERING \$100

A DAY OF SILENCE AND SOLITUDE

Sunday, October 18th, 2009 (10 am- 4 pm) Register at 9am this day offers a day to withdraw from daily activities to pray and reflect in an atmosphere of silence and solitude OFFERING \$35 for the day. Please bring a bag lunch. For more information please call us at 631-588-8366.

From the Pastor

October 4th, 2009

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

A “Taste” of St. Francis of Assisi (1181 – 1226)

“While it was yet twilight a figure appeared silently and suddenly on a little hill above the city, dark against the fading darkness. For it was the end of a long and stern night, a night of vigil, not unvisited by stars. He stood with his hands lifted, as in so many statues and pictures, and about him was a burst of birds singing; and behind him was the break of day.”

These beautiful words of G. K. Chesterton from his book, St. Francis of Assisi, figuratively describe this so well loved, very misunderstood man, who became a great instrument of reform in the Church and the 13th century world; and reaching even into our own day.

Today, October 4th, we have the annual blessing of the animals in commemoration of this saint’s feast-day. Many people, Christian and pagan alike, connect with St. Francis in this sentiment, and with good reason: Francis had a reverence for all creation. But leaving our understanding of him there is akin to looking upon one of his disciples, St. Anthony of Padua, as simply the one who helps you to find lost articles and in whose honor we bless bread (on his feast-day, June 13). As St. Anthony is much more than a holy bloodhound and disburser of food, St. Francis was no mere nature-lover. To be totally frank (pun *intended*), Francis probably would be upset to be referred to by that term. The reason he had a reverence for trees, animals, and all that had been created, was strictly *because* of the Creator who had fashioned them. For Francis, everything began and ended with God. *Deus meus et omnia - My God and my all!*

Francis was born in the Umbrian hill town of Assisi, Italy, to a comfortable cloth merchant, Pietro Bernadone. He first saw the light of day when his father was away on business in France, and his mother had him baptized John. The name “Francesco”, (Frenchy or Little Frenchman) was later either given to him by his companions on account of his affection for the troubadours who originated in that neighboring land, or that his father gave it to him because of his frequent selling trips there. Either way, Francesco he will always remain.

He was not a practical young man who could be trusted to make a profit in the marketplace. An early example of his particular call to holiness came while offering his father’s velvet and embroideries in the village. As he was making a deal with a local citizen, a hungry beggar rudely vied for his attention. When Francis finished conducting his business, the beggar was gone. Filled with remorse, he left his father’s wares unguarded, and ran through the market in search of the beggar. When he finally found the man, he gave him a good sum of money and rashly vowed to God that he would never refuse help to a poor man. It was a humanly unreasonable promise that he would keep to the end of his life.

He was always courteous and had the revolutionary (Christ-like) attitude of seeing all men as being equal, regardless of their material wealth or complete lack thereof. Perhaps he is the only true practitioner of democracy the world has ever known.

Wars were fought on and off between neighboring rival cities in the medieval world. Assisi and Perugia were two such, and at a particular moment, Francis and some of his companions became soldiers, filled with romantic, fantastic notions of chivalry: wearing gallant uniforms and armor; brandishing polished swords; doing battle, and emerging victorious. As he left the city gate he proudly cried out, "I shall come back a great prince." It was not long before he fell ill, and in a dream, he was told he should return home.

It was on his journey home from quickly crushed military ambitions, that he encountered the type of person that instilled a deeper fear in a man much more than his wartime enemy: a leper. Yet what his human nature recoiled from, the love of God impelled him to embrace. Upon reaching the leper, Francis dismounted his horse, threw his arms around the man, and gave him all the money he had. He remounted and rode off. As he turned to look back, he saw that there was no one on the road.

Some time after his brief and less-than-glorious military career came to an end, Francis received the great call of his life. While praying in the badly disrepaired church of San Damiano, a voice told him, "Francis do you not see that my house is in ruins. Go and repair it for me." The saint thought God meant the building Francis was in, which he set out to rebuild by begging for stones. Long story short, he came to realize that the voice of God which spoke to him meant not to reconstruct a mere edifice, but the house that is the Body of Christ, which was in a very bad state indeed. St. Francis and the band of beggars he soon assembled were to do just that and bring renewal to a Church and world that had grown cold to the love of God and neighbor.

The rest of the story – and there is so much to tell of what he accomplished for the glory of God in his 45 years - defies human logic: He gained all by giving all away. He fought his enemies by embracing them. He remained safe by plunging into dangerous situations. He plumbed the depths of the spiritual life through the humblest simplicity. He became famous by being a nobody. He found the greatest of joy through the pain and suffering of the cross.

As has been said, the only way to really understand a saint is to be one; and St. Francis is a saint among saints. Pagans appreciate him for (what in their eyes is) his pagan "love" of nature and such. This understanding could be likened to an illiterate person appreciating a book of poetry for its beautiful typography. Without the gift of our Catholic Christian faith, St. Francis is seen as just a really, really nice-guy, happy "cool-hippie-dude" who liked everything and everyone. This is not a disagreeable image by any means; hence his popularity. But unfortunately, it's just not true. It is inviting, but completely shallow and misses the core of a man whose heart beat with the heart of Jesus Christ, crucified and risen. Francis was in love with Love Himself: Hopefully, this is closer to how you and I understand him. St Francis of Assisi, pray for us!

In Christ,
Fr. Greg