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# Holy Name of Jesus Parish

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## Mary, The Holy Mother of God

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## WELCOME TO ALL!

*Our Parish Family invites all to be active and participating members in every aspect of parish life! We care for each other and want to worship and serve our Lord and one another. Every family moving into the Parish is invited to register at the Rectory. If you change your address, please notify us. AGAIN, WELCOME!*

### MASSES:

**Saturday:** 5:00 PM

**Sunday:** 8:00AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00PM

**Holy Days:** Vigil: 5:00 P.M.  
7:15 AM, 9:00 AM, and 6:30 PM.

**Weekdays:** Monday - Friday: 7:15 AM & 9:00 AM  
Saturday: 9:00 AM  
Morning Prayer: Daily - 8:30 AM  
Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions every  
Monday after each Mass.  
Holy Hour /Adoration-2nd Monday of the Month

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions)

**Saturday:** 4:00pm - 5:00pm or by appointment

### BAPTISM:

Baptisms are held on the First and Third Sundays of every month at 1:30 pm To register for a Baptism please call the rectory at least two months in advance as Sundays fill up.

### WEDDINGS:

Please contact the priest as soon as you have an approximate date for your wedding. You will be asked to attend preparation sessions and some paperwork is also involved. A year in advance is not too early to see a priest.

**RCIA:** Catechumenate Program- Persons interested in becoming a Catholic or learning more about our faith, please call Fr. Frank Bassett at the Rectory.

### MEETINGS:

**Parish Council:** 4th Monday of the Month at 7:00 PM in the Father Dave Library.  
Chairman: Brian Morrow 761-7294

**Pancake Breakfast:** 2nd Sunday of the month. In June, it will be the third Sunday of the month for Father's Day

**Social Concerns:** Maureen McLoughlin - 946-9334

**Rosary Altar Meetings:** 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:00 P.M in the Church. No meetings January & February.  
Co-Presidents: Mary Coleman & Joelen Donohue- 422-0990

### High School Youth Group:

6:00-8:00PM, 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month.

**Sponsor Letters:** Please know that if you are in need of a sponsor letter you must be a registered and a active parishioner for at least six months. An active parishioner is one who attends Mass regularly and receives the sacraments. The importance of this is that by being a sponsor you will be taking on active part in raising the child in the Catholic faith.

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# Mary, the Holy Mother of God

## January 1, 2017

Mary kept all these things,  
reflecting on them in her heart.

— Luke 2:19

### MASSSES for the WEEK

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Saturday, December 24	
9:00am	Edward A. Tompkins
4:00pm	For All
7:30pm	The
10:30pm	People
Sunday, December 25	
8:00am	For All
10:00am	The
12:00pm	People
Monday, December 26	
7:15am	No Mass
9:00am	Anna, Charles & Joseph Arbore (The Arbore Family)
Tuesday, December 27	
7:15am	Robert Derr (Fran & Jim Berger)
9:00am	Marie Cooney (Janan Lane, Cheryl Mahan, Anita Ghilardi and Fran Berger)
Wednesday December 28	
7:15am	Kevin Molloy (Mom & Dad)
9:00am	Agnes Rotundo (The Taranto Family)
Thursday, December 29	
7:15am	Stephen Rose (The Fusaro Family)
9:00am	James Casolaro (Brian & Gail Morrow)
Friday, December 30	
7:15am	Charles Clayton (Mr. & Mrs. Brian Lynch)
9:00am	Rev. Sabbas Kilian (Deacon Tom & Fran)
Saturday, December 31	
9:00am	Rose Liuzzi (The Totillo Family)
5:00pm	Dec'd Members of the Sacco & Mercadante Family (The Mercadante Family)
Sunday, January 1	
8:00am	For All The People
10:00am	Joan Flanigen Drexelius (Sr. Gertrude)
12:00pm	Giovanni Tassone (Birthday) (Children)



### DIVINE MERCY PRAYERS (continued)

Help me, O Lord, that my eyes may be merciful, so that I may never suspect or judge from appearances, but look for what is beautiful in my neighbors' souls and come to their rescue. Help me, that my ears may be merciful, so that I may give heed to my neighbors' needs and not be indifferent to their pains and moanings. Help me, O Lord, that my tongue may be merciful, so that I should never speak negatively of my neighbor, but have a word of comfort and forgiveness for all. Help me, O Lord, that my hands may be merciful and filled with good deeds, so that I may do only good to my neighbors and take upon myself the more difficult and toilsome tasks. Help me, that my feet may be merciful, so that I may hurry to assist my neighbor, overcoming my own fatigue and weariness. My true rest is in the service of my neighbor.

Help me, O Lord, that my heart may be merciful so that I myself may feel all the sufferings of my neighbor. I will refuse my heart to no one. I will be sincere even with those who, I know, will abuse my kindness. And I will lock myself up in the most merciful Heart of Jesus. I will bear my own Suffering in silence. May Your mercy, O Lord, rest upon me. You Yourself

command me to exercise the three degrees of mercy.

The first: the act of mercy, of whatever kind.

The second: the word of mercy — if I cannot carry out a work of mercy, I will assist by my words.

The third: prayer — if I cannot show mercy by deeds or words, I can always do so by prayer.

My prayer reaches out even there where I cannot reach out physically. O my Jesus, transform me into Yourself, for you can do all things.

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

“Octave” comes from the Latin word for “eight,” and since eight is one step beyond seven, the number of days in a week, it has long been seen as a symbol of perfection, completion, and new beginnings. Early Christians called Sunday the “eighth day,” since it was the day after the Sabbath and a day of resurrected life, the Lord’s Day. By the seventh century, people regarded the eight days after Easter Sunday as one great day, an octave, one glorious feast when people were forbidden to fast or kneel. In the seventh century, Pentecost acquired an Octave, too. Christmas didn’t claim the honor of a continuous feast, but it did get an Octave Day. January 1 is the oldest Marian feast, the Octave of Christmas. It was originally a feast of the motherhood of Mary, although for centuries until 1969 it was called the Feast of the Circumcision. Our reformed calendar follows the earlier tradition of celebrating Mary as Mother of God.—James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

### THE BLESSING WE RECEIVE

The blessing we experience in Christ Jesus is proclaimed in Numbers as the special blessing for the people of Israel. They and we are to be blessed by the invocation of God’s loving kindness, the shining glory of God’s face turned toward us in love, not away from us in anger. We are blessed by God’s own peace!

Our wish and our hope are fulfilled in this blessing, which is made visible in the coming of Jesus. In Jesus, the image of the invisible God, God’s face is shown to us and God’s presence is made known to us in faithful and loving kindness. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

**TIME**—Do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of. —Benjamin Franklin

**The Way to Heaven**—Love of heaven is the only way to heaven.—John Henry Newman



## PRAY FOR

*To everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven.....A time to be healed...*

**Please remember to pray for:**

*Peter Barbieri  
Ben Balldasamo  
Gerry Blenkle, Sr.  
Nick Cacciola  
Jeff Caponera  
Andrea Damato  
Lou Dearstynne  
Donald DeLandri  
Matthew Phillips  
Ed Delliveau  
Linda Dempsey  
Frankie Dezell  
Edward DiCapril  
Joseph DiCiccio  
Alexandria Dimeo  
Guido Doria  
John Edwards  
Walter Franzken  
Jason Fiore  
Sabrina Gerstle  
The Family  
Fred Gillu  
Joan*

*Nick Klaus  
Teresa Lingardo  
Gavin Little  
Holly Lynch  
Flavia Mirasole  
Francesco Mirasole  
Jaspere Miranda  
Alexa Nitting  
Alex Pacor  
Robert Pruner, Sr.  
Ginger Ragusa  
Frankie Ragusa  
Madeline Ragusa  
Frank Rotelline  
Kathy Ryan  
Kathy Schilio  
Richard Schilio  
Daniel Schoen  
Traci Sinapi  
Special Intention  
Steven Soderquist  
Carol Tucciarone*

And for all those who have no one to pray for them....

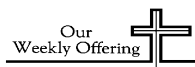


Pray for all the souls of our faithfully departed grant eternal rest unto them O lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.



*Pray for Our Military  
Please pray for those who are serving our country in the military, especially,  
Nicholas Capasso, U. S. Marine  
Ensign Louis DePaolis, U.S. Coast Guard  
Capt. Peter M Kavanagh 111, U.S. Army  
1st Lt Kyle J. Kavanagh, U.S. Marine  
Sgt. Kyle Ross Martin, U.S. Marine  
Alyson Oderifero, US Air Force  
Christopher T. Oderifero, Sr. Airman, Air Force  
Lt. Daniel Spies, U.S. Army  
Capt. Michael Tillson, U.S. Army*

May the Lord watch over and protect them!



Due to the bulletin having to be in early for the Christmas Holiday, the Christmas collections will be updated on January 8th .

We take this time to sincerely thank you for your generosity and support to our Parish. Your weekly contributions are very important to us. They help to keep our Parish running smoothly, and they are very much appreciated!

**THANK YOU** to all of our parishioners who graciously gave the rectory gifts this Christmas— gifts of homemade cookies, cake, and fruit. Your gifts and love are greatly appreciated by Fr. Phil, Fr. Frank and Fr. Nana. It truly is special to serve in such a caring community.

**THE RECTORY WILL BE CLOSED ON** Monday, January 2nd in observance of the New Year..

The **GYM FLOOR** is being redone and will be completed by January 5th. There is no access to the bathroom ..... Thank you for your cooperation!!

### ROSARY ALTAR NOTE:

Thank You to every one who helped make our Bake Sale and Basket Raffle a great success. Congratulations to the following winners of our Basket Raffle: Karen Miceli, Isabell Saville, Lou Dearstynne (2) , M. Smith (2) and Anita Ghilardi

**CALLING ALL YOUNG ADULTS**-Are you a young adult looking for fellowship and faith formation? If so, please join the Credo young adult group based in Yorktown Heights. Credo is a group of Young Adults (18-35) whose mission is to lead young adults to the Faith for the renewal of the Church and the culture at large. Our activities include faith formation, retreats, adoration, social events, community service, and much more! Our monthly gatherings occur the 3rd Friday of every month at 7pm at St Patrick's Church in Yorktown Heights, NY.

## SOCIAL CONCERNS

**THANKS FROM SOCIAL CONCERNS**- Thank you to all Parishioners who have supported our many activities throughout the year. From volunteering at the Food Bank, donating Thanksgiving food baskets, making crafts for residents of nursing homes, donating clothing and toiletries, helping to make meals at the Ronald McDonald House, donating school supplies for families in the South Bronx, etc. etc.- we have such a generous parish!!! Thanks all for your support! Merry Christmas to you all, and hoping you have a happy and healthy 2017!

**NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION**- All of us have been given "talents" to use. Let's make sure this is the year we offer our gifts, which come from God, to God's service and for the good of our brothers and sisters. Whether it be knitting/crocheting for our Prayer Shawl Ministry, becoming a Eucharistic Minister or Lector, participating in arts and crafts for the elderly, making sandwiches for the Midnight Run, becoming an RE teacher, joining the choir, etc.- make this the year you use your talents for others. God will bless your work. Make it your New Year's Resolution!

James 2: 14-17 What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? ... faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

**PRAYER SHAWL REQUESTS**- Do you know someone who is ill or bereaved, or is feeling the effects of aging and could use a shawl for comfort and warmth? . Please call or email Christine at 761-7243, cstephens@pace.edu or Maureen McLoughlin at 946-9334, MMCL16@optonline.net

# Thank You

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### GOOD COUNSEL ACADEMY ELEMENTARY at

**Holy Name of Jesus**— is offering a PreK3through 8th grade program. For more information please call the office for further information at 761-4423 or email good-counsel@gcaelem.net

**WELCOME TO  
HOLY NAME OF JESUS CHURCH**

We welcome all who celebrate with us. If you would like to register in our Parish, or if changes were made after you registered, please fill out this form and drop it into the collection basket, or mail/bring it to the Rectory. If required, we will contact you after receiving your information.

(Please Print)

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

New to Parish  Change of Address/Phone Number

I would like to receive donation envelopes

I would like to receive the Catholic New York

I would not like to receive the Catholic New York



**THE COLUMBIETTES OPEN HOUSE!** The St Dominic Knights of Columbus is having an Open House Any woman interested in being a part of the Columbiette Auxiliary is welcome. Open House will be at St. Dominic Council at 874 Franklin Avenue, Thornwood on Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Bring a friend or two. The Columbiettes are a united international charitable organization of Catholic women dedicate to our Patronesses, Blessed Virgin Mary, St Theresa of the Little Flower and St Joan of Arc. We are comprised of affiliated Auxiliaries with close relations to the St Dominic's council. If you have any questions feel free to call Fran Berger, a Columbiette at the rectory-949-2323

Calling All Catholic Teachers in Public Schools-Fellowship, Inspirations & Lunch with Rev. Brian McWeeney on Saturday, January 28th from 9am to 1:30pm at the Maryknoll Society Center, 55 Ryder Road, Ossining, The cost is \$25 per person and mail your check to 56 Dunston Avenue, Yonkers by January 10th. Your prompt response is most appreciated. With any questions call St. Zelide at 965-0490

EWTN can be seen in our area on Cablevision – channel 135 (24/7), channel 69 (8pm to 11am); Comcast – channel 68; DISH Network 261; and DIRECTV 370. Visit [www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com)

**61st ANNUAL MID-WINTER BALL  
SATURDAY, JANUARY 28th, 2017  
WHITE PLAINS WOMEN'S CLUB  
Cocktail Hour– 6:30PM Sit Down Dinner– 7:30PM  
DANCING AND OPEN BAR ALL EVENING  
\$85.00 Per Person—\$170.00 Per Couple**

Now is the time to make your reservation. All reservations must be paid in full by January 14th.

**THIS YEAR OUR HONOREE IS PAM MATOTT, Good Counsel Academy Principal**

**In order to keep the price down the entrée must be selected ahead of time. Therefore there are reservation forms in the church foyers to be completed noting your entree selection:**

The cocktail hour will have a hot Italian Antipasto Station with a cheese and market vegetables tapas bar.

The dinner menu choices are: Prime Rib of Beef, French Breast of Chicken and Parsley Crusted Salmon

**With any questions about reservations, please call Gail and Brian Morrow at 761-7294**

A PROGRAM WILL BE HANDED OUT THE EVENING OF THE BALL! The program will include Business Advertising from our local merchants, as well as congratulatory "Notes to Pam Matott." You can take this opportunity to write a note of thanks for her dedication and service to the Good Counsel Academy and our Parish. Please fill out the form below, and make sure to mark your envelope "Mid-Winter Ball."

This is Holy Name of Jesus' second largest fund raiser, the first being Last Man Standing. Fr Phil is able to use these profits for extraordinary expenses that occur during the year .

**Mid-Winter Ball—Program Advertisement (Deadline is January 4th)**

Company/Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Full Page- \$100.00 \_\_\_ 1/2 Page- \$50.00 \_\_\_ 1/4 Page Ad or "Notes"- \$25.00