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MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Devotions every Monday

after each Mass.

at 12 noon –3PM

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.

WEEKDAY: Monday - Friday: 7:15AM & 9AM

Saturday: 9AM

Morning Prayer: Daily - 8:30 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4PM—5PM or by appointment

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.



SERVED BY:

Rev. Philip T. Persico, *Pastor*

Rev. Nana Ampah, *Weekend Associate*

Deacon Thomas J. Abbamont, *Deacon*

Mrs. Fran Berger, *Parish Manager*

Mrs. Janan Lane, *Rel Ed Coordinator*

Miss Anita Ghilardi, *Rel Ed Secretary*

Mr. Robert DeLuccia, *Trustee*

Mrs. Cathy Krug, *Trustee*

Mrs. Erin Sica, *Choir Director*

Mr. Frank Squillante, *Organist*

Mr. Brian Clifford, B.A.S.I.C.S.

Mrs. Suzanne Gerbosi, *Children's Choir*

Choir is in Session September through May

Meetings:

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

Pancake Breakfast:

February 11th and May 20th

Social Concerns:

Maureen Mc Loughlin - 946-9334

Prayer Shawl Ministry:

Maureen Mc Loughlin - 946-9334

Christine Stephens - 761-7243

Rosary Altar Society:

Meetings: 4th Wednesday of the month at 7 P.M in the Church. No meetings January & February.

President: Fritzi McClintock, 747-9104

High School Youth Group:

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



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 Balldasam
Gerry Blenkle, Sr.
Mary Bonomo
Nick Cacciola
Jeff Caponera
Al Cobuzzi
Rene Cobuzzi
Andrea Damato
Lou Dearstyne
Donald DeLandri
Anita DelVecchio
Matthew Phillips
Ed Delliveau
Frankie Dezell
Edward Di Capril
Joseph DiCioccio
Guido Doria
Alexandria Diemoz
John Edwards
Walter Franzken
Jason Fiore
Sabrina Gerstle
Fred Gillu*

*Joan
Nick Klaus
Teresa Lingardo
Gavin Little
Holly Lynch
Flavia Mirasole
Francesco Mirasole
Jaspere Miranda
Frank Morganthaler
Michelle Morganthaler
Alexa Nitting
Ginger Ragusa
Frankie Ragusa
Madeline Ragusa
Frank Rotelline
Kathy Schilio
Richard Schilio
Daniel Schoen
Traci Sinapi
Steven Soderquist
The Family
Carol Tucciarone
Vincent Zappi*

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



Pray for all the souls of our faithfully departed, especially Rev. Msgr. James K. Vaughey and Deacon Victor Tosi, 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
Capt. 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!

Saturday, December 16
 5:00pm Dominick Massaro, Jr.
 (Daughter, Marian)

Sunday, December 17
 8:00am Salvatore & Assunta Conte
 (Mario & LucyAnn Conte)
 10:00am Frank J. Oderifero
 (Mom & Dad)
 12:00pm Lawrence Sposato
 (Family)

Monday, December 18
 7:15am Don Guarnieri
 (Pat McCarthy)
 9:00am For All The People

Tuesday, December 19
 7:15am Sr. Norbert McNamee,
 Sr Regina Melican,
 Sr. Marie McNamee,
 Sr. Mercedes McNamee
 9:00am Edward MacDonald
 (Wife, Catherine)

Wednesday, December 20
 7:15am Richard Pizziona
 (Marian, Dom &
 Yvonne Massaro)
 9:00am Angele & Charles Bench
 (The Abbamont Family)

Thursday, December 21
 7:15am Msgr. Jeremiah Monihan,
 Rev. Frank Corry,
 Carl Dottore
 (The Eliseo Family)
 9:00am Richard Souter
 (Irene Schilio)

Friday, December 22
 7:15am Phyllis C. Burke
 (Husband, Ed)
 9:00am Sherie Fierro
 (The Fierro Family)

Saturday, December 23
 9:00am The Sicuranzo Family
 (Marie Sicuranzo)
 5:00pm Dec'd Members of the Renna
 & Rigano Families
 (Mary Renna)

Sunday, December 24
 8:00am Anthony Sicuranzo
 (Wife)
 10:00am Edward A. Tompkins
 (Wife, Jen)
 12:00pm Michael & Carmela Greco
 (Daughter, Patricia)

Sunday, Christmas Eve
 4:00pm For All The People
 7:30pm For All The People
 10:30pm For All The People

REJOICE

Isaiah proclaims truly good news to us! God's coming brings not sadness, guilt, fear, wrath, or condemnation. No, God's coming is a source of comfort and joy. Saying it once is not enough, for today's readings are full of joy. Mary's Magnificat substitutes for our psalm today, and our second reading encourages us to rejoice, to give thanks and praise. This is the root meaning of the Greek word for eucharist. We are urged to rejoice and give thanks, because the coming of the Lord brings joy, healing, liberty, release, vindication. It makes the very earth spring up with new life! Good tidings! Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Last week, we looked at a form of nativity scene called a *presepio*, characterized by framing the crèche of Jesus with a vast array of personalities and a rich geographical context. The tradition was carried to the New World, and finds very rich expression in Latin America today. While in Europe the *presepio* was reserved mostly to the homes of wealthy nobles and great churches, in Latin America it was claimed by the poor and expressed the skills of native artisans. In Mexico, you can still find clay figures in every village market. In a way, the native people took the religion of Spanish rule and baptized it with their Indian culture by surrounding the crib of Jesus with local geography and people. In Brazil, where Christmas falls in summer, the figure of the baby Jesus is wrapped in gold and gems, and set on a hillside surrounded by flowers and animals of all kinds. Sometimes there is a double *presepio*, presenting both Nativity and Crucifixion.

In some places in Latin America, even non-religious people take care to have a *presepio* in the home, sometimes dedicating one whole room in the house or apartment to the scene. Some cities have markets where people from the countryside sell plants and figurines. In Cuzco, churches and families provide hot chocolate for the children of the poor who come down to help create the nativity scenes. In Paraguay, the baby Jesus grows—the small infant who arrives on Christmas Eve is replaced at New Year with a toddler Jesus who holds in one hand the globe and in the other a cross. Few Christmas traditions have the vitality and variety of *presepios* and crèches honoring the Nativity.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

PROPER UNDERTAKING

Never undertake anything for which you wouldn't have the courage to ask the blessings of heaven.

—Georg C. Lichtenberg



DIVINE MERCY CONTINUED:

What does Jesus want for Christmas? After all, it's *his* birthday. And he has told us what he wants. When Jesus appeared to St. Faustina, to whom he entrusted his messages of Divine Mercy, he told her: "But child, you are not in your homeland: so fortify yourself by my grace and fight for My kingdom as a king's child would, and remember that the days of your exile will pass quickly, and with them, the possibility of earning merit for heaven. I expect from you, My child, a great number of souls who will glorify My mercy for all eternity." (Diary, 1489)



On behalf of myself, Fr. Nana and Deacon Tom, we wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year. Also at this time we want 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!! Fr. Phil



CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING ENVELOPES are available in the Church vestibules. If you would like to remember a loved one by donating toward the flowers that will decorate our

Church, please put their name (s) on the envelope. You may place the envelope in the collection basket or drop it at the Rectory.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION—Our Advent Reconciliation will be Monday, December 18th from 3-8pm at Holy Name, as well as other parishes in the NY Archdiocese. (Times may vary.) Come to know more fully Jesus' Divine Mercy in this beautiful Sacrament of love and forgiveness.



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:

Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24th
Masses will be at 4pm

(Children's Choir), 7:30pm and 10:30pm .The Adult Choir will sing Carols at 10pm on Christmas Eve. On Christmas Day, Monday, December 25th Masses will be at 8am, 10am and 12noon

Please note: The 4th Sunday of Advent, December 24th morning masses do not count for Christmas Eve. There will be no Masses on Tuesday, December 26th and no 7:15am Mass on Wednesday, December 27th.

The **RECTORY WILL BE CLOSED ON Tuesday, December 26th** in observance of the Christmas Holiday.

CHRISTMAS ANGELS – Christmas Gifts for Families- Thanks to all our parishioners who have so generously donated Christmas presents for local families in need. The packages were delivered to the recipients this past week. It will make it possible for sixty families to have a more joyous Christmas.. A special thanks to Gail and Brian Morrow for coordinating, organizing, and distributing the gifts.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

BABY COLLECTION THANKS- Thanks to all who donated baby items to help out a local young mom-to-be in need. Now she has everything she needs! Please do not drop off any more items. The baby is due this week. We will give you an update next week!

THANK YOU FOR THE WINTER COATS
Thanks so much to all who have donated coats for people in need- the coats will greatly help to keep people warm this winter! Thanks so much!

ITEMS NEEDED YEAR ROUND- We are collecting the following items year round-Travel Sized Toiletries- i.e.- soap, shampoo, deodorant, shaving cream, Men's sneakers and backpacks. The items may be dropped off in the Social Concerns Green Bins in the church foyers

PRAYER SHAWL REQUESTS- Do you know someone who is ill or bereaved, or is feeling the effects of aging and could use a shawl or lap blanket for comfort and warmth? We will be happy to donate one to them. Please call or email Christine at 761-7243, crosestephens@optimum.net or Maureen at 946-9334, MMCL16@optonline.net to request a shawl or lap blanket.

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 2018!

NEW COATS (and gently used) FOR FR NANA'S FAMILIES –When Fr Nana was picking up Christmas Angel gifts we found out that he helps almost 500 families throughout the Bronx, Westchester and Putnam. Fr Nana would greatly appreciate donations for these families who are in need of winter coats-For Men, Women, Boys and Girls any age. If you wish to help, please drop off new coats at the rectory weekdays from 9:30 to 4:30pm or call the rectory 949-2323 to arrange a drop off time.

The ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY LADIES sincerely thank everyone who supported our Bake Sale, Christmas Sale, Basket Raffle and Munchkins with Santa last Sunday. Due to the snow storm last weekend we will be finishing up our Christmas Sale and Basket Raffle at the 8:00 & 10:00 masses this Sunday.

Also the Rosary Altar Society sends a huge thank you to all the RE students who participated in last week's Munchkins with Santa. The bakers provided lots and lots of beautifully wrapped goodies, the elves were great and sharing the munchkins and juice and directing the children to Santa



May the Lord watch over and protect them! Thank you support and generosity

December 10th	
Saturday Snowed	
Regular Collection:	\$ 7,699.00
Regular Collection 2016:	9,148.50
Retired Religious	1,110.00
Immaculate Conception	1,200.00

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.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

**62nd ANNUAL MID-WINTER BALL
 SATURDAY, JANUARY 27th, 2018
 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
 FR NANA**

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 four selections of 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 Fr Nana.” You can take this opportunity to write a note of thanks for his dedication and service to Holy name of Jesus Church

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 putting aside the profits from both for our roof fund

Mid-Winter Ball—Program Advertisement Company/Name

Address

Phone Number _____

___ **Gold Page- \$200.00**

___ **Full Page- \$100.00**

___ **1/2 Page- \$50.00**

___ **1/4 Page Ad -\$25**

___ **Notes to Fr Nana \$25.00 and up**



THREE TO GET MARRIED- you, your fiancé and God The program satisfies the Pre-Cana requirements for the Archdiocese of New York. Offered by Legionaries of Christ priests and Regnum Christi NY Tri-State, January 19th through 21st. For more information, visit regnumchristi-nyctnj.org or call 914 244-3685

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 Hope to see you there!
www.facebook.com/groups/credofaith Credo
YoungAdults@gmail.com

CATHOLIC UNDERGROUND – every 2nd Saturday of the month at Our Lady of Fatima Church in Scarsdale, NY beginning at 7pm for young adults and young at heart. Next Date – January 13th. Check out their Facebook for all events - <https://www.facebook.com/catholicundergroundcentral>

THE LOOK OF LOVE

What does love look like?

It has feet to go to the poor and needy.

It has eyes to see misery and want.

It has ears to hear

the sighs and sorrows of others.—St. Augustine

JUSTICE AND OBEDIENCE- Justice is the insurance we have on our lives, and obedience is the premium we pay for it. —William Penn

PATIENCE-Patience is the companion of wisdom. —St. Augustine

THE TRUE MEASURE-When I die, God won't measure my head to see how clever I was. God will measure my heart to see how loving I was.

—Anonymous

A GOOD TEST-A test of worship is how sensitive it makes me to the needs of those around me.—
Anonymous

MT. PLEASANT ITALIAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION invites you to attend one of our monthly general meetings, which is held every third Wednesday of each month. Our meetings are held at The American Legion, 52 Garrigan Avenue, Thornwood, NY 10594. For more information about our association, please feel free to call Elinor Marzelli at 914-946-6736.

SOCIAL WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS GROUP-

We meet monthly, usually on the fourth Monday of the month, at Church of St Pius X, 91 Secor Rd, Scarsdale to honor our deceased spouses with a Mass at 7 PM in the small chapel off the main church, followed by a social meeting with refreshments. We plan activities and have meals at local area restaurants. We are planning a Christmas brunch at the Doral Arrowwood in December We welcome all Catholic Widows/Widowers.. For inquiries, call 914-715-5817 or email: cww10583@gmail.com.

FOOD FOR OUR FURRY FRIENDS- Our parishioner, Kathy Ferri, helps run the Hudson Valley Pet Food Pantry located in White Plains. They could use donations for cats and dogs, wet or dry. For further information call Kathy at 914-473-9551.

MEDICARE : Jack Lofaso who held an educational seminar on Medicare made simple here in September will be offering complimentary consultations to assist those enrolling in Medicare for the first time as well as those exploring a possible change in the current coverage during the upcoming Medicare Annual Enrollment Period (10/15 – 12/07) or thereafter. Contact Jack at 914-230-4517 to schedule your complimentary consultation.

ARCHCARE (The Continuing Care Community of the Archdiocese of New York)- Need help caring for yourself or someone else, but not sure where to turn with questions about: Housing for seniors and disabled persons, Access to healthcare, Health-related legal and financial issues, Dementia care, Transportation options, Caregiver support groups, Food and nutrition, Volunteer Opportunities. Call ArchCare. We'll answer. ArchCare Navigation Center-call 855-951-CARE.Care Navigators are there to help you from 8am to 8pm, seven days a week. Help from a Care Navigator is totally free.

Thank You

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