

Holy Name of Jesus Parish

2 Broadway, Valhalla, New York 10595

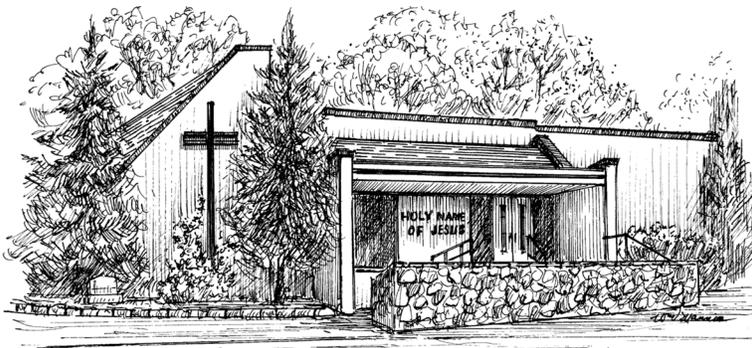
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Weekend Associate

Deacon Thomas J. Abbamont
Deacon

Mr. Frank Squillante
Organist

Mrs. Erin Sica
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Mr. Brian Clifford
B.A.S.I.C. 9:30 AM
769-4872

Mrs. Suzanne Gerbosi
Children's Choir
946-2221
Sessions from
September through May

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
From 12pm to 3pm

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. Phil Persico 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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Third Sunday of Lent

March 19, 2017

While we were still sinners

Christ died for us.

— *Romans 5:8*

MASSSES for the WEEK

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Saturday, March 18	
5:00 pm	Bea & Tom Morrow (Gail & Brian Morrow)
Sunday, March 19	
8:00am	Joseph Poidomani (Family)
10:00am	For All The People
12:00pm	Brother Joy Perez (25 th Anniversary of His Living Profession of Faith (Lucille & Tom Savoca)
Monday, March 20	
7:15am	Elena Banks (Joann Cavallo & Family)
9:00am	Manula Rogriquez (Mary Renna)
Tuesday, March 21	
7:15am	Anne Curcio (Mr. & Mrs. Joe Conte)
9:00am	Mary Ferrara (Ken Noonan)
Wednesday, March 22	
7:15am	Joseph Palmieri Ralmieri (Bette & Terry Kelly)
9:00am	Elizabeth Viviano (The Lester Family)
Thursday, March 23	
7:15am	Marion Oliva (Elaine & Jack Crock)
9:00am	Edward, John & Helen Roche (The Roche Family)
Friday, March 24	
7:15am	Brian, John & Ciss Clarke (John & Mary Ryan)
9:00am	Phil Waylonis (The Lester Family)
Saturday, March 25	
9:00am	Mario Cafagno, Sr. (Ada Jimenez-Parker)
5:00pm	Joe Viola (Wife, Barbara)
Sunday, March 26	
8:00am	Luciano Corsini, Sr. (Family)
10:00am	Robert Moser (Dan & Sue Oderifero)
12:00pm	For All The People



DIVINE MERCY cont.

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 neighbor' 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 neighbors. 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

THIRSTING FOR LIFE-GIVING WATERS -

Especially during the Lenten, Holy Week, and Easter seasons, the prayer texts of the Eastern Church revel in paradoxical images of Christ: the eternal life who is put to death, the host of the supper who is also its meal, the thirsty crucified one with living water streaming from his side. These images flow from the evangelists' portrayals of Jesus and from his very ministry, during which he often upset or reversed people's expectations about him or the ways of God. This "reversal" is at play in today's Gospel, as Jesus speaks to an enemy foreigner who is also a woman beneath his status. In addition he, the thirsting one, shows the woman to be the one truly thirsting. He—whose parched lips will say "I thirst" before he dies—is the source of life and life-giving water. Lent calls upon us to dwell on how each of us is thirsting for Christ, and it leads us, ultimately, back to the life-giving waters of our baptism into his Body.—Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION- Long ago, the custom of sending some pieces of consecrated bread from the Lord's table began to take hold. Originally it was a way of assuring the sick and imprisoned of their bonds of faith and affection with the community from whom they were separated. By the third century, at least in Rome, we have evidence that the bishop would consign some of the sacred elements to presbyters or deacons.

There was a crisis in the unity of the church early on, called the quartodeciman controversy, since some people wanted to celebrate the Pasch on the fourteenth day (quartodecima) of the Jewish month Nissan, even if it didn't fall on a Sunday. The debate so fractured the church that the historian of the era, Eusebius, reported a new development to the pope. He wrote that the churches holding to the Lord's Day sent out consecrated bread to the disgruntled people of the quartodeciman pastors with whom they were quarreling. Meanwhile, bishops complained about people taking the Eucharist home. St. Cyprian told a cautionary tale of a sinful woman who tried to open the "casket" containing the consecrated bread in her home. She was deterred from receiving, he said, by flames erupting from the box. Clearly, he wanted people to think twice before bringing Communion home!

The Council of Nicaea defined the "old rule of the church" as allowing for reserving the eucharistic bread for the sake of the dying. The same council could foresee circumstances of persecution when people might have the Eucharist on hand to administer to one another in a time of great danger, literally, at the point of a sword. The first and enduring purpose for reserving the Eucharist is viaticum for the dying.—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S.



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:

<i>Tommy Adimari</i>	<i>Sabrina Gerstle</i>
<i>Edward Altro</i>	<i>Joan</i>
<i>Rick Arkin</i>	<i>Nick Klaus</i>
<i>Ben Balldasamo</i>	<i>Teresa Lingardo</i>
<i>Peter Barbieri</i>	<i>Gavin Little</i>
<i>Inari Barnes</i>	<i>Holly Lynch</i>
<i>Gerry Blenkle, Sr.</i>	<i>Cynthia Miele</i>
<i>Mary Bonomo</i>	<i>Flavia Mirasole</i>
<i>Nick Cacciola</i>	<i>Francesco Mirasole</i>
<i>Jeff Caponera</i>	<i>Jaspere Miranda</i>
<i>Robert Carazo</i>	<i>Alexa Nitting</i>
<i>Tony Cestone</i>	<i>Matthew Philipps</i>
<i>Rocco Damiano</i>	<i>Ginger Ragusa</i>
<i>Andrea Damato</i>	<i>Frankie Ragusa</i>
<i>Lou Dearstyne</i>	<i>Madeline Ragusa</i>
<i>Donald DeLandri</i>	<i>Rosa</i>
<i>Ed Delliveau</i>	<i>Frank Rotelline</i>
<i>Linda Dempsey</i>	<i>Felicia Rosello</i>
<i>Frankie Dezell</i>	<i>Kathy Ryan</i>
<i>Edward DiCapril</i>	<i>Kathy Schilio</i>
<i>Joseph DiCioccio</i>	<i>Richard Schilio</i>
<i>Alexandra Diemoz</i>	<i>Daniel Schoen</i>
<i>Guido Doria</i>	<i>Traci Sinapi</i>
<i>John Edwards</i>	<i>Joseph Sinopoli</i>
<i>Family</i>	<i>Steve Soderquist</i>
<i>Jason Fiore</i>	<i>Carol Tucciarone</i>

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



Pray for all the souls of our faithfully departed, especially Peter Bucci and Saverio Procaro, grant eternal rest unto them O lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Matthew 5:4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.



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 III, 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!



Thank you for your continued support and generosity to Our Parish:

Sunday March 12th:	
Regular Collections:	\$ 8,377.00
Snow Removal	1,702.00
Parishpay	497.50

A Letter from the Cardinal about CRS:

Dear Friends in the Lord:

By participating in the Catholic Relief Service (CRSC) Collection, you are responding to Jesus in disguise in some of the most marginalized communities in our world. Catholic Relief Service Collection provides service for immigrants, humanitarian aid in the wake of natural disasters, refuge for the displaced, and advocacy for peace and justice around the world. Let us join together in this special collection to support those who are suffering and are on the margins of society.

For example, in Niger, changes in climate in Western Africa are adversely affecting poor and rural farmers. No matter how hard these farmers work, droughts are shortening the rainy season, leaving harvest too small to support families and communities.

Your support of the Catholic Relief Service collection makes a difference for so many around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support it this year. If you want to learn more about the collection and the people who benefit, please visit www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

With prayerful best wishes for a blessed Lenten season, I am,
Faithfully in Christ

Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York



HNJ ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY is offering a \$500 scholarship to any High School Senior who is a member in good standing at HNJ Church and has provided service to the Holy Name of Jesus

community. The application and requirements are available in the rectory during normal business hours. Rosary Altar's March Meeting is Wednesday March 22nd at 7 p.m. will begin with the Rosary at 7 in the Church followed by the meeting in the cafeteria. We invite all women in the parish to join us.

2017 Remember and Rejoice Donor Remembrance

Ecumenical Ceremony is being held at St. Patrick's Cathedral April 22, 2017 at 2:00 PM. Our parishioner, Frank J. Oderifero, who saved four lives with his donation, will be remembered along with countless donor families. The families come to celebrate the lives of their lost loved ones. Also recipients come to thank the families and let them know that something remarkable came from their personal tragedy.

Holy Name of Jesus has a website that is constantly updated so that you may be in the now....**WWW.HolyNameofJesus.Org.**

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary

anytime during 2016 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Dolan at St Patrick's on Sat June 25th at 1:30pm or Sunday, June 26th at 2pm Preregistration at our rectory is required and the closing date Tuesday, May 23rd

LAST MAN STANDING RAFFLE drawing will take place here at Holy Name of Jesus on May 13th at 6PM and the tickets are on sale at the rectory during normal business hours.

LAST MAN STANDING RAFFLE / REVERSE DRAW

HOW IT WORKS AND RULES -The trick is to be the last man standing. A last man standing raffle is the opposite of a normal raffle in that it is the LAST number drawn wins the Prize. Please visit our website for full rules and payouts at HNJValhallaNY@gmail.com

REMEMBER YOU HAVE TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT!

SUFFERING

Jesus did not come to do away with suffering or remove it. He came to fill it with his presence.—Paul Claudel

SOCIAL CONCERNS

SORTING THANKS- Many thanks to all parishioners who helped to sort the men's clothing and toiletries last Saturday. About 20 volunteers worked away and we finished in less than 2 hours. Special thanks to Angela Giustino for organizing all the clothing donations- she did a great job! All the clothing was given to the Don Bosco Community Center in Port Chester- they were so thrilled to have it all!!! Thanks to all our parishioners for your donations. Thanks to Pete Grant for driving all the clothes to Port Chester in his truck- it saved us many car trips. The toiletries were sorted and bagged and will be given to Open Arms Men's Shelter and to the Midnight Run organization. Many thanks to all our parishioners for your toiletry donations!!! Keep them coming!!! Thanks again, sorting volunteers, for helping others in need during this Lenten season!

EASTER CRAFTS- Volunteers needed!! We will be working on Easter Crafts for residents of local nursing homes on Sunday, April 2, from 1:15-3:15, in the school cafeteria. Note- we had to change from a Saturday to a Sunday because of scheduling difficulties. Please join us for this fun and rewarding activity. No special skills are needed- most crafts are peel and stick. The crafts will be given to residents of 6 area nursing homes. Please call or email Maureen if you can help, 946-9334, MMCL16@optonline.net Help brighten the day of our elderly neighbors and friends.

PRAYER SHAWL LUNCHEON- All Prayer Shawl Members are invited to attend a luncheon to be held at Sergios in Valhalla on Saturday, March 25, at 12:00 noon. Cost per member- approx \$16.00. Please contact Christine or Maureen if you can attend.

HELP FOR A REFUGEE FAMILY- We have been in contact with Catholic Charities about helping 2 Refugee Families settling in the NY area. They have arrived in the US with basically the clothes on their backs. Each family was asked for a "wish list" of needed items. Family #1 has responded. They recently arrived from Haiti, which was devastated by a hurricane and an earthquake. They are a family of 3- a mom and dad in their late 20's, plus their 1 and a half year old son. Their luggage never arrived from Haiti. Their wish list- Wal-Mart gift cards, clothing, toiletry items, toys for the child, and a monthly Metro (subway/bus) Card so they can travel around NYC. Can you help this young family???

A sign up list will be posted in the front vestibule next weekend March 18/19. Please sign up next to the item (s) you can provide (same procedure as for Christmas Angels) and return by next weekend. The Wal-Mart gift cards- as many as we can collect would be great. They can buy sheets, small appliances, food, If you cannot purchase a Wal-Mart gift card, cash is most welcome. This way they can purchase exactly what they need, including the Metro Cards. Maureen from Social Concerns will be in the front vestibule before/after all weekend masses on the 25th/26th to accept your donations. Or money/donations can be dropped off at the rectory during business hours. Questions? Please call or email Maureen at 946-9334, MMCL16@optonline.net Helping this family in great need would be a wonderful act of charity during this Lenten season. "Whatsoever you do for the least of my brothers, that you do unto me".

Thank You

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 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 CredoYoungAdults@gmail.com

2017 ITALIAN AMERICAN SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS. High school students of Italian heritage who are graduating in June are invited to apply for the three annual \$1000 Scholarship Awards given by the Mt. Pleasant Italian American Association, Thornwood, NY. Students must reside in the Town of Mt. Pleasant. These awards are also extended to students attending private and parochial schools. Application deadline is March 20th, 2017. Applications are available at local high school guidance offices. For further information call Frank Zappa at 914-769-5699 or email frankponfar@aol.com

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP at ST. AUGUSTINE CHURCH Will meet every until March 20th 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. Rectory, St. Augustine Church 18 Cherry Avenue, Larchmont, NY The sessions will be facilitated by Sister Muriel Cooney, O.P. and Chaplain Rosemary Parandelis

VALHALLA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

NURSERY SCHOOL- Registration has started for next year's program September 2017-2018. If you know anyone who is interested, please refer them to Lois Whartenby, Director, of the Valhalla United Methodist Nursery School. You can reach her at (914) 289-0489.

Girls' Day-By-Day-Agape (DDA) Retreat, Mar. 31-Apr. 2, 2017*(3 DAY!):High School teens 14+ years old, no matter where YOU are on your spiritual journey, come! Teen TEAM members present talks on their own lives, struggles and triumphs in Christ; Friars, adult Team and CYFM community help facilitate and support. Come to this amazing weekend of prayer, listening, sharing, growing, and feeling the love of Christ. enjoying a weekend full of laughter, prayer, music, wonderful meals and other awesome teens. Cost \$140.00/pp for materials, meals & lodging. Early Bird, \$125.00 must be post-marked 9 days prior to retreat. All paperwork & non-refundable \$75.00 deposit must be received by registration deadline, by Mar. 28. For info and application contact CYFM or visit our website: www.cyfm.org and click on "events" Find us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Flocknote: CYFMGarrison. Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries, 781 Route 9D, PO Box 192, Garrison, NY (845) 424-3609

FREE Lecture on Tuesday April 4th, 7-8:30 PM at the RDC Center, 52 N. Broadway, White Plains, NY 10603 SOCIAL MEDIA 101: Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, Youtube Social Videos- What Parents need to know Presenter: Joh Bagwell, MA, School Counselor, A.B, Davis Middle School, Mt Vernon and Computer Technician RSVP: psheridan@divinecompassion.org or 914-798-1103 by April 1st

FREE 6-Week Employment/Networking Support Group – Sponsored by The RDC Center and given at The White Plains Education & Technology Center, 303 Quarropas St., White Plains – 6:30-8 on April 10, 17, May 1, 8, 15 & 22 - Topics: Job Trends, The Myers Briggs Inventory, Resume Preparation, Interviewing and LinkedIn – To register or for more information – psheridan@divinecompassion.org or 914-798-1103