

# St. John the Baptist Church

895 Piermont Avenue, Piermont, NY



**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**

May 10, 2015

# Mass Schedule

Sat.	05/09	5:00 PM	Bridget & John Brennan By Evelyn Cahill & Family
Sun.	05/10	8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Mother's Day Novena Eileen Keane & Jean Simon By Eileen Simon
Mon.	05/11	8:00 AM	Mother's Day Novena
Tue.	05/12	8:00 AM	Mother's Day Novena
Wed.	05/13	8:00 AM	Mother's Day Novena
Thurs.	05/14	8:00 AM 7:30 PM	Mother's Day Novena Ascension Mass
Fri.	05/15	8:00 AM	Mother's Day Novena
Sat.	05/16	9:00 AM 5:00 PM	Mother's Day Novena Michael & Ellen Pruenty By Armstrong Family
Sun.	05/17	9:00 AM 10:30 AM	Mother's Day Novena Veronica Hickey By Anna Hickey

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Because of the race taking place here in Piermont on Sunday, May 17th, we will have to change our Mass schedule as follows:

**The 8:00 AM Mass will be said at 9:00 AM.**  
The 10:30 AM Mass is not affected so it remains unchanged.

**Please remember in your prayers the Sick and/or Homebound of our Parish Family.** Theresa Veen, John Miraglia, Bill Stein, John Steppone, Francis Conka, Sr., Martin Casey, Ken Yelonek, and Susie Bernier (all Giblin's relatives), John Set (Deacon Bob Pang's uncle), Gerri Sherwood, Nijole Paronetto, Larry Sorriento, Ginny Tercer, Casey Smith, Ray Sheehan, Linda Krasinski, Anna Ely, Marcelo Giuliante.

As a Parish Family, let us remember in our prayers all our beloved departed members of our Parish Community including Rosalie Codello, Rosemary Chesterman, Pat Dumphy (Helen Bark's sister).

**PLEASE ADVISE THE RECTORY (359-0078) WHENEVER A PARISHIONER BECOMES HOMEBOUND, ILL, OR HOSPITALIZED SO ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE FOR A PRIEST, DEACON OR EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TO VISIT AND BRING COMMUNION TO THEM.**

# Pastor's Notes

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On Saturday, May 9th, we celebrate with joy the First Communions of our children. I want to thank them for their eagerness to receive Jesus in their hearts. Now they can consider themselves "first-class citizens" in the church, and enjoy receiving Jesus whenever they come for Mass. Thank you also, parents, for offering to the Lord a most precious sacrifice of caring for the religious education of your children. The Lord will reward you greatly! And finally, thank you all on the staff of our religious education program for your generous and volunteering work. How precious you are to the Lord, to me, and to the people of God in our parish. Thank you from the bottom of my heart!

Next Tuesday, at 7:30 PM, Bishop Walsh will come to confirm our 8th graders. This will finalize their education in our religious program and turn a new page in their life, the high school. We have only to pray that they can take something valuable from our school, and hold on it for the rest of their lives. May the Holy Spirit also inspire them to always seek God and greater knowledge of His infinite love and wisdom. How I wish we had a youth group where they could continue to grow in the spirit of the Gospel and with mutual Christian support! Congratulations and may the Holy Spirit guide you and strengthen you through life.

I am very encouraged by our contributions to the Cardinal's Appeal 2015. This is important not only for the help we offer to more unfortunate in the name of Jesus, but also because in many ways it is good for our own church. May I once more encourage those who did not yet have the opportunity to make their offering to please do so. Thank you so much!

May the Mother of Jesus, whom we venerate during this beautiful month of May, bless especially all our mothers, living and deceased, indeed all our women, and bless our spiritual mother-church of St. John The Baptist, as we await the decisions in our regard, which should be published this month. Continue to pray!

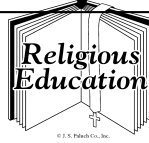
## ASCENSION THURSDAY, MAY 14TH

We will be celebrating the Lord's Ascension on **Thursday, May 14th**. Masses that day will be at **8 AM and 7:30 PM**.

This is a **Holy Day of Obligation** and we are obliged to attend Mass.

## WEEK IN FOCUS

Sat. May 09	1st Communion Eng. 11 AM 1st Communion Span. 1 PM Music Rehearsal, 4:15 PM
Sun. May 10	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MOTHER'S DAY CHILDREN'S MASS, 10:30 AM Religious Ed., 9:45 AM Rel.Ed PreK-Kdg., 10:30 AM Legión de María, 11:30 AM Span. Rel. Ed., 11:30 AM AA Meeting, 7:00 PM
Mon. May 11	CDA Knitting, 1:00 PM Confirmation Practice, 5:00 PM Rel. Ed., 6:30 PM
Tues. May 12	Scripture Class 9:30 AM Baptism Prep. Span. 7:00 PM Span. Bible Study 7:00 PM Spanish Leaders Mtg., 7:00 PM CONFIRMATION, 7:30 PM
Wed. May 13	OUR LADY OF FATIMA Piermont Seniors Mtg. , 1:30 PM Spanish Choir Practice, 7:00 PM
Thurs. May 14	THE LORD'S ASCENSION Outreach Meeting, 10:00 AM CDA Knitting, 1:00 PM Span. Choir Practice, 6:30 PM Span. Council Mtg., 7:00 PM
Fri. May 15	Friday Renew Group, 10 AM Spanish Prayer/Mass, 7:00 PM
Sun. May 17	SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 25th & 50th ANIVERSARIES Baptism Preparation 11 AM Religious Ed., 9:45 AM Rel.Ed PreK-Kdg., 10:30 AM Legión de María, 11:30 AM Span. Rel. Ed., 11:30 AM AA Meeting, 7:00 PM



## THE GOOD NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOL OF RELIGION

**Happy Mother's Day to all our  
Moms & Grans!**

***Yesterday was a joyous day for the parish as a total of 35 children received Holy Communion for the first time.***

***On Tuesday evening, the parish will once again shine as 25 young people receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit in the sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Gerald Walsh.***

***REMINDER: Registration is now open for 2015-2016. Current students have received registration forms.***

***Additional forms may be found on the table outside the Religious Ed. Office in the Church Hall as well as in the Church vestibule. NEW STUDENTS WILL BE WELCOMED FOR PRE-SCHOOL/KTGN (must be at least 4 years old by September 1, 2015) THROUGH GRADE EIGHT.***

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS MAY 16th & 17th

Time	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
5:00 PM	Johanna Krumm	May Pang	Chris O'Brien Paige Gillen Elizabeth Chesterman
8:00 AM	John Lawler	Lucy Bosco	Taylor Gazzetta Derek Gazzetta Kiera Cameron
10:30 AM	Mary Loftus	Bill Loftus	Keilty Fowler Ryan Brady Alex Gottlieb
1:00 PM	Santiago Nova Armando Guzman Erasmus Maldonado Marvin Vivar	Elvia Mazariego	Michael Perez Kelly Perez Dayanna Garcia





## TIPS FROM THE HEALTH EDUCATION MINISTRY

*Pray for one another that you may find healing."*

• James 16

### Kidney Stones

Kidney stones occur when substances in the urine do not dissolve as they should. Kidney stones are made up of a variety of chemicals such as calcium, oxalate, uric acid and cysteine. Kidney stones are often small enough to pass through the urinary tract without any symptoms, but larger stones can lodge anywhere in the ureters (tube from the kidney to the bladder) and cause pain.

Symptoms of kidney stones:

- Severe pain that moves from the back to the groin
- Bloody urine
- Painful and frequent urination

Nausea and vomiting

Diagnosis of kidney stones:

- Abdominal x-rays, ultrasound, or CT scan
- Urinalysis (to find microscopic blood)

Treatment of kidney stones:

- Endoscopy - involves passing a tube through the urethra and up to the ureter or kidney so that kidney stones may be removed or broken up into smaller pieces.

Lithotripsy - uses shock waves which penetrate the body to break up the stones to smaller pieces which can be passed.

Prevention: Drink plenty of water!

## 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary any time during 2015 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with His Eminence Timothy Cardinal Dolan at St. Patrick's Cathedral on **Saturday, June 20th, at 2 PM, or Sunday, June 21st, at 2 PM.**

Pre-registration is required. Please contact us here at the Rectory if you wish to register.

*Anniversary*



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WILL TO LIVE (pro-life living will) is a legal document that can help protect you and those you love when you cannot speak for yourselves.

**THE WILL TO LIVE protects your own life and the lives of your family members when you cannot speak for yourselves**

- **Names** someone you trust to safeguard your life when you cannot speak for yourself as your "health care agent"
- **Names** backup agents if your first choice can't serve
- **Describes** the treatment you do and do not want to guide your health care agent and physicians
- **Protects** your family and health care agent from pressure from health care providers and others by allowing them to prove what you really did want

**Relieves** the agony of decision making for them by making your wishes clear

### What is the Will to Live?

The Will to Live is a legal document that you can sign which:

- Names someone to make health care decisions for you (your "health care agent") if you develop a condition that makes it impossible for you to speak for yourself (become "incompetent"), **and**
- Makes clear (in the form of written instructions to your health care agent) what medical treatment you would want if you can no longer speak for yourself.

### Free Legal Help With the Will to Live

While you may be able to complete the "Will to Live" advance directive on your own, if you feel the need for legal advice in doing so, volunteer attorneys working with the Alliance Defense Fund are willing, free of charge, to help you make your health care wishes legally clear. If you have any questions concerning your advance directive, we urge you to seek proper legal counsel.

**2015 CARDINAL'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

Our current total pledge is \$45,700. This represents only 102 parishioners, so if you have not yet sent in your pledge/gift, please do so as soon as possible. Remember, for every dollar we send in excess of our goal, 60% is returned to us!

**What a nice way to improve our finances, help the needy, and look good!**

**Introducing  
FLOCK NOTES**

Get important updates from the parish in a timely and convenient way. This new tool we're using lets you choose what info you'd like to receive - via email or text message - from the various ministries and groups in the parish. You can unsubscribe at any time.

There are 2 easy ways to connect (pick one)

1. Visit our parish at: [www.flocknote.com/stjohnbaptist](http://www.flocknote.com/stjohnbaptist) *or*
2. Text SJPIermont to 84576  
Text STOP to stop txt notifications at any time. Text HELP for help. There is no charge for this service, but your carrier message and data rates may apply.

**MOTHER'S DAY CARDS  
May 10th**

**For your convenience we have Mother's Day cards in the Vestibule of the Church.**

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**PARISH BLOOD DRIVE**  
**Connelly Hall**  
**Sunday, June 7th**  
**Before and after all the Masses.**  
**Sign-up Weekends**  
**May 16/17**  
**May 23/24**  
**May 30/31**

  
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**BLOOD DRIVE**

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**SACRED RELICS—**  
**CHURCH TREASURES**  
**115 W. Central Avenue, Pearl River, NY**  
**Monday, May 18th, at 7:00 PM**  
St. Margaret of Antioch Parish is hosting an exposition of over 150 Sacred Relics, some as old as 2000 years.  
Among the relics will be some from St. Maria Goretti, St. Therese of Lisieux, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony, etc.  
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**MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS**  
**MAY 23, 2015**  
**Marian Shrine, 174 Filors Lane, Stony Point**

**10 AM—12 PM** Visit Becchi House, replica of Don Bosco's boyhood home. Relic available  
**10 AM** Mass in Spanish, Shrine Chapel  
**11:00** Confessions, Shrine Chapel  
**12:00 PM** Mass in English  
**1:00 PM** Lunch, Bring your own  
**2:30 PM** Skit & Songs , Outdoor Altar  
**3:00 PM** Rosary Procession  
**3:30 PM** Crowning of the Statue of Mary  
**7:00 PM** Procession with Blessed Sacrament  
**8:30PM** Youth Movement, music/refreshments  
**10 PM** Candlelight Rosary, **10:45** Good Night  
*Info: (973) 851-7422, (914) 939-0547*

**MEMORIALS**  
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Now that Spring has sprung and that Nature is beguiling us with her beauty, it is time to think about beautifying Our Lady's outdoor Shrine by remembering and celebrating your dear ones, whether living or deceased. A wonderful way to do so is by buying bricks in their name for the walkway leading up to Our Lady's statue. This is a permanent memorial that is very meaningful and only costs \$125 per brick. If interested, please contact the Rectory at 359-0078.

Of course, another great way to do so is by contributing towards the purchase of flowers for the Altar.



**Hech 10:25-26; Sal 97; 1 Juan 4:7-10; Juan 15:9-17**

Collection for 5/03/15	\$ 4,453
Central & Eastern Europe	\$ 1,024

El domingo pasado escuchamos el familiar pasaje del Evangelio de san Juan en el que Jesús usa el símbolo de la viña y las ramas. En ese pasaje escuchamos que si permanecemos en Cristo daremos mucho fruto. El Evangelio de hoy nos dice cuál es ese fruto: el amor. La segunda lectura de hoy junto con el Evangelio crean un gran himno de amor. El coro de este himno es sencillo –Dios nos ama tanto que envió a Jesús al mundo para que tuviéramos vida. El Señor Jesús que nos dijo la semana pasada que permaneciéramos en él, esta semana nos dice que permanezcamos en su amor. En un mundo marcado por las divisiones y el terrorismo, las últimas palabras del Evangelio de hoy son un gran reto: “Esto es lo que les mando: que se amen los unos a los otros”.

**God is love.**

**Para los cursos pre-bautismales llamar a:**



**THE WINNER OF THE  
300 CLUB DRAWING  
ON 4/26th WAS  
THERESE O'DOWD, #55  
ON 5/3rd IT WAS  
NANCY BERGERMAN, #254**

Alex Aguilar 845-480-1502 y Carlos Ortiz 845-893-9718. Los cursos se dan previa cita los martes 7pm y domingos 11am.

**LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

- Lunes: Hch 16:11-15; Sal 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
- Martes: Hch 16:22-34; Sal 137:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
- Miércoles: Hch 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Sal 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
- Jueves: Hch 1:15-27, 20-26; Sal 112:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
- Viernes: Hch 18:9-18; Sal 46:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
- Sábado: Hch 18:23-28; Sal 46:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28

**MESSAGE FOR PARENTS!**  
A reminder that we have closed-circuit television for parents with young children. You and the children will feel more comfortable attending Mass downstairs in Connelly Hall if they become noisy and/or fidgety. Communion will be brought downstairs if you advise the Ushers. Take advantage of this service and everyone will be happier.


**CONSEJOS DE PARTE DEL MINISTERIO DE SALUD**  
“Ruegen por los otros para que encuentren sanación.”  
— Jaime 16

**Cálculos Renales**  
Cálculos renales ocurren cuando sustancias en la orina no se disuelven apropiadamente. Cálculos renales son compuestos de una variedad de sustancias químicas como calcio, oxalato, ácido úrico y cistíneo. Estos cálculos frecuentemente son suficientemente pequeños para poder pasar por el tracto urinario, sin haber síntomas, pero los cálculos mas grandes pueden meterse en cualquier sitio en los uréteres (tubo que va del riñón a la vejiga) y producen dolor.

**Síntomas:**  
Dolor muy fuerte que pasa de la espalda a la ingle  
Orina con sangre  
Orina que duele y es frecuente  
Nausea y vómito

**Diagnosis de Cálculos Renales:**  
Rayos X del abdomen, ultrasonido, o CT Scan  
Análisis de la orina (para buscar si hay sangre microscópica)

**Tratamiento para Cálculos Renales:**  
Endoscopia—pasar un tubo dentro del uréter y subirlo hasta el uréter o el riñón para sacar o quebrar los cálculos para que pedazos pequeños puedan pasar.  
Lithotripsy—olas de shock que penetran el cuerpo para quebrar los cálculos y que los pedazos pequeños puedan pasar. **Prevención:** !Tome mucha agua!



**We welcome all our new parishioners and kindly ask you to register for the parish. Our new parish census forms are available in the Vestibule or at the Rectory. Please return the form to the Rectory, to an usher or to Fr. George. May God bless your entering into our parish family! Having your name in our records is the only way we have of certifying that you are a practicing Catholic, as we have to do for people who are being asked to serve as sponsors of Baptism and Confirmation.**