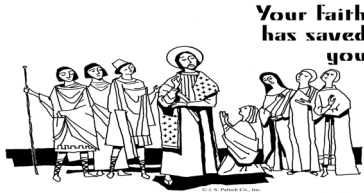


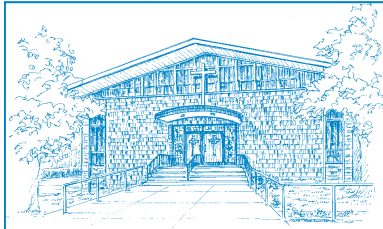
*You changed my
mourning*



*into dancing,
O Lord, my God!*

St. John the Baptist Church

JUNE 28, 2015— 13th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME



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Health Ministry	Mary Loftus
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Hospitality	Robin Miller
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Sound Engineer	David Chilson
Outreach	Maria Nest
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Religious Education	Kathleen Dunn
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	Janet Zahn	

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Phil McCartin James Pontone

OFFICE HOURS

Isabelle 10:15 AM—3:15 PM
May 11:00 AM—4:00 PM

REV. GEORGE TOROK, C.O., ADMINISTRATOR
Rev. Roman Dominic Palecko, C.O., Parochial Vicar

Deacon John Cunningham
Deacon Robert Pang

Parish Secretaries:

Isabelle M. Fenton, isabellefenton1@optonline.net
May Pang, maysoohoo@optonline.net

We invite visitors to explore membership at St. John's. Visitors may have their questions answered by contacting the Rectory (359-0078) and asking to have a member of our Welcoming Ministry contact you by telephone.

OUR SACRAMENTAL LIFE

We celebrate the Eucharist:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am
Spanish Mass: 1:00 pm
Weekday: Monday thru Friday: 8:00 am
Saturday Morning: 9:00 am

Holy Days: As announced

First Friday: Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place from 8:30—10:00 AM. It will resume at 5:00 PM followed by a Holy Hour at 7:30 and ending with Benediction.

We celebrate Baptism:

Please call the Rectory well in advance of the expected day of Baptism to arrange an appointment for an interview.

Pre-baptismal meeting for parents is required. We require all Baptismal families to be registered at St. John's. Godparents must be confirmed, practicing Catholics. Generally Baptisms are celebrated the third Sunday of each month at 12:00 pm.

We celebrate Reconciliation:

Confessions are heard from 4:30-5:00 pm on Saturday. You may also make an appointment with one of the priests.

We celebrate Marriage:

Marriages should be arranged at least six months in advance. Participation in Pre-Cana is essential. Please call the Rectory to schedule an appointment with one of the priests.

We celebrate Anointing of the Sick:

Planning to enter the hospital for elective surgery or other serious treatment, and for those who have need of spiritual healing. In an emergency, call the Rectory at any time.

We celebrate Holy Orders:

Any gentleman interested in exploring the question of vocation to the priesthood or the permanent diaconate should contact Fr. George Torok. We would also be happy to direct anyone interested in living their lives as Religious Sisters or Brothers.

We celebrate the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults: We welcome you to full membership in the life of the Church. The instruction for Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist for adults.

Parish Registration: All adults (over age 21) should register in the parish themselves and should use envelopes or parishpay.com. Tithing is 5% of income. This registration is our only means of certifying anyone as a member of the parish, especially for Baptism and Confirmation sponsorship letters and for scheduling Baptisms and Weddings.

Mass Schedule

Sat.	06/27 5:00 AM	Rosemary Chesterman By Warren Berry
Sun.	06/28 8:00 AM 11:00 AM	Father's Day Novena Father's Day Novena at Goswick Pavilion Picnic
Mon.	06/29 8:00 AM	Pedro Castillo By The Family
Tue.	06/30 8:00 AM	Rev. John Dwyer By Bazala Family
Wed.	07/01 8:00 AM	Gabriel Armstrong By Family
Thurs.	07/02 8:00 AM	Marie Meyer Catholic Daughters
Fri.	07/03 8:00 AM	Mary Ann Gallucci By Lee McGarvey
Sat.	07/04 9:00 AM 5:00 PM	William D. Smith By The Parish Mary Cornetta By Connie Lynch
Sun.	07/05 8:00 AM 10:30 AM	Elena Regala (Healing) Eden Ronquillo Bud Sedlack By Family

BLESSINGS & CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WONDERFUL PRIESTS!

We have been blessed with several great priests and it is our joy to congratulate them, thank them and pray for them on the anniversary of their Priestly ordination.

Fr. George	57 years
Fr. Vladimir	20 years
Fr. Martin	20 years
Fr. Francis	17 years
Fr. Roman	17 years



AD MULTOS ANNOS!

Please remember in your prayers the Sick and/or Homebound of our Parish Family.

Theresa Veen, John Miraglia, Bill Stein, Francis and Mary Conka, Sr., Martin Casey, Ken Yelonek, (all Giblin's relatives), John Set (Deacon Bob Pang's uncle), Gerri Sherwood, Nijole Paronetto, Larry Sorriento, Ginny Tercer, Casey Smith, Ray Sheehan, Anna Ely, Marcelo Giuliant, Arys Ramos, Anthony Berardi, Connie Lynch, Bo DiFrancesca, Joan Wheeler. As a Parish Family, let us remember in our prayers all our beloved departed members of our Parish Community, Regina Miraglia, Francis Taulman, Magnolia Velez, Dominick DeYorgi, Lina Martellacci, Anthony Berardi, Vivian Kelly.

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.

These two stories are quite touching, perhaps because they involve so much touching— forbidden touching, as a matter of fact. The father starts it off by falling at Jesus' feet and begging Jesus to help his dying daughter: "Come lay your hands on her that she may get well and live" (Mark 5:23). Only touching her will do. Then as Jesus is passing through the crowd, a woman suddenly appears on the scene, reaching out to Jesus and saying to herself: "If I but touch his clothes, I shall be cured" (5:28). Jesus knows immediately that he's been touched: "Who has touched my clothes?" he asks (5:30). And the disciples wryly observe that the crowd is . . . well, crowding him . . . so how can you ask "Who touched me?" It is important to remember that because the woman was bleeding, a condition that made her "unclean" according to the law of Moses, her touch would have made Jesus unclean. However, her touching Jesus has the opposite effect: the bleeding stops and she is made clean once again.

When word comes that the little girl is dead, Jesus calls on the father to set aside fear and put on faith. Arriving at the house, Jesus goes in and takes the child by the hand and says, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!" (Mark 5:41). Sixteen times in Mark's Gospel Jesus touches or takes someone by the hand. She does arise and he tells them to bring her some food. Again, touching her would have made Jesus unclean, but instead his touch cleanses her of death's hold.

Two desperate people—a dying girl and a bleeding woman. Jesus touches them and they both touch him—the woman through her own faith, the little girl through the faith of her father. It seems that healing depends on a flow between healer and the one being healed. The great news is that God allows a proxy.

WEEK IN FOCUS

Sun. June 28

PARISH PICNIC, 11:00 AM



No 10:30 AM or 1:00 PM Mass

Mon. June 29

AA Mtg. 7:00 PM

Tues. June 30

CDA Knitting, 1:00 PM

Wed. July 01

Baptism Prep. Span. 7:00 PM

Thurs. July 02

Span. Bible Study 7:00 PM

Spanish Choir Practice, 7:00 PM

Fri. July 03

CDA Knitting, 1:00 PM

Span. Choir Practice, 6:30 PM

Span. Council Mtg., 7:00 PM

FIRST FRIDAY, NO ADORATION

RECTORY CLOSED

Spanish Prayer Group, 7 PM

Sat. July 04

INDEPENDENCE DAY

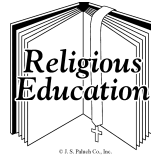


Sun. July 05

Baptism Prep. Span. 11 AM

Legion de Maria, 11:30 AM

AA Mtg. 7:00 PM



**THE GOOD NEWS FROM
OUR SCHOOL OF
RELIGION**

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SCHOOL OF RELIGION**

There is still time to register your youngsters for 2015-2016, but do hurry as a LATE FEE of \$50 goes into effect on August 1st. Please remember, books have to be ordered, classes have to be organized and paperwork has to be completed, so get your forms in ASAP.

Registration forms are in the Church vestibule, at the Rectory and outside the Office in the Church Hall.

We are also still looking for a number of volunteers to help in a variety of ways. Please email kathleendunn47@gmail.com to offer your help in our dynamic Religious Education program.

Let us pray for the victims of the Charleston tragedy, for their families and yes, for the perpetrator of this horrible crime.

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP
Is Being Offered Today
In Memory Of
MARY CORNETTA
By
CONNIE LYNCH**



LITURGICAL MINISTERS JULY 4-5, 2015

Time	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
5:00 PM	Mike Yannazzo	Jeanne Sheehan	Elizabeth Coyle Meghan Coyle Derek Gazzetta
8:00 AM	Jean DeLongis	Diana Gensel	Shane Cawley Elizabeth Chesterman Catherine Callan
10:30 AM	Jeanine Kennedy	Janet Zahn	Gerry Caltagirone Peter Shine Christy Kohlbrenner
1:00 PM			

SUMMER HOSPITALITY



As we do every year we are asking for volunteers to continue hospitality through the summer.

This includes all Sundays beginning **June 28th through September 13th** (eleven Sundays). The sign-up sheet will be in the kitchen.

Or you can e-mail Robin at robmiller124@aol.com. Making coffee is not a prerequisite -- punch and cookies will do just fine. This is a great way to meet fellow parishioners, get your children involved or just give back if you have been enjoying Hospitality all year!

THE SANCTUARY LAMP Was Offered on June 21st In Memory of **FRANCIS TAULMAN** By **JANET ZAHN**



We received a thank you note from the Propagation of the Faith for our generosity during their Lenten appeal.

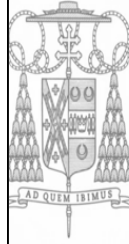
PILGRIMAGE TO GREECE

We will be following the footsteps of Apostle Paul from April 10—19 next year! Visit Thessalonika, Philippi, Corinth, Ephesus, plus the Meteora Monasteries. The trip includes a 3-day cruise to Santorini and Patmos, where St. John the Evangelist wrote Revelation.

The price is \$2,740 per person.

There is a special \$100 super saver discount if deposit of over \$500 is received by July 10, 2015.

Please contact Robin Miller, 359-0793, for a brochure and more information, or robmiller124@aol.com.



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June 19, 2015
Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Year of Consecrated Life

The Reverend George Torok, CO, Administrator
St. John Parish
895 Piermont Avenue
Piermont, NY 10968

Dear Father Torok,

Congratulations to you and St. John Parish on surpassing your 2015 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal goal! Please know that I am deeply grateful for your commitment to this important endeavor. We are indeed once again on track to reach our \$20 million target. You and your faithful parishioners answered the call to serve our brothers and sisters in need, as Jesus asked us to do.

You helped ensure that our archdiocese can continue providing essential services which keep our parishes strong and guarantee a solid foundation for our future. Keep up the good work!

With renewed gratitude and prayerful best wishes, I remain

Fraternally in Christ,

Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan

Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24 God did not make death, nor does God rejoice in the destruction of the living.

Psalm 30 I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15 Your abundance should supply the needs of the others.

Mark 5:21-43 Your faith has saved you.



TIPS FROM THE HEALTH EDUCATION MINISTRY

Pray for one another that you may find healing."

• James 16

June is National Safety Month.

This week we discuss food safety.

Food Poisoning is a Summer Hazard!

Don't let food-borne illness, commonly known as food poisoning, spoil your summer.

Follow these four rules to ensure that your food is safe to eat:

- **Wash hands** thoroughly and frequently. Nearly half of all cases of food-borne illness could be prevented by good hand washing.
 - Avoid **cross contamination**. Keep raw meats and surfaces they touch (e.g. cutting boards) separate from ready to eat foods such as fruits or salads.
 - Learn the **proper temperatures** to ensure that foods are thoroughly cooked. Use a meat thermometer!
 - **Refrigerate** foods promptly, below 40° F.
- For detailed information on food safety, visit www.homefoodsafety.org.

SUMMER ENRICHMENT ACADEMY DON BOSCO PREP

This program offers a COOP exam course to 8th grade male students. This is the examination for admission to Catholic High Schools. 12 students/class. Session 1: **July 6th—16th**. Session 2: **July 20th—30th. Monday through Thursday, 8:15 AM—12:15 PM.** \$500. Extra help will be available.

Rue Eisen: (201) 327-8003, Ext. 174.

COOP PREP CLASS

ALBERTUS MAGUS HIGH SCHOOL

A COOP Prep Class will be offered at Albertus Magnus H.S. to prepare students entering 8th grade for the November 6, 2015, Catholic High School Entrance Exam.

Monday through Thursday, from 9 am to 12 noon, for two weeks, **August 17, 18, 19, 20, 24, 25, 26 and 27.** \$450 (includes COOP Review Book).

Contact Noreen Power (845) 623-8842, or e-mail npower@albertusmagnus.net, for more info.

MEMORIALS

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A meaningful way to honor your dear ones, deceased or alive, is by contributing towards the purchase of weekly flowers for the Altar. The house of the Lord should always be beautiful.

Of course, another way is by buying bricks in their name for the walkway leading up to Our Lady's outdoor shrine. This is a permanent memorial that is also very meaningful and only costs \$125 per brick. If interested, please contact the Rectory at 359-0078.

ADULT LEARNING CENTER OF ROCKLAND

The Adult Learning Center of Rockland is an organization of retired Seniors who volunteer to teach other Seniors (and over 50s) how to use computers.

We are now accepting applications for our July/August, 2015 classes.

Classes are 2 hours, once a week for 6 weeks at a cost of \$60. More advanced classes are 4 weeks at a cost of \$40.

We teach Introduction to Computers, Word Processing, Excel—Spreadsheets & Databases, Power Point, Internet and E-Mail, Digital Imaging, Photo Editing using Picasa, Genealogy — Finding Your Ancestors, and Using Widows 8 and Using Windows 10. More advanced classes will be given if requested.

The new iPad and iPhone classes and How to make full use of your Cell Phone, How to Use Your Digital Camera, Computer Maintenance, How to Use Kindles, Using Skype, Facebook, Safe Online Shopping and Using Tablets are 2-hour classes and cost \$20.

Classes are small — only 8 students per class, with 1 instructor and 2 coaches.

Call Eileen Herkes at (845) 623-

2015 CARDINAL'S ANNUAL APPEAL

We did not receive any gifts this week and only 117 parishioners have contributed. ***It's NOT too late to do so***; therefore, 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!**

WANTED! NEEDED!

Due to Joan's illness, we are in dire need of an organist/keyboard player. Please contact Ted Simone as soon as possible at (845) 268-5143, or at theosimone@aol.com.

CATHOLIC WIDOW & WIDOWERS CLUB OF ROCKLAND COUNTY

The Club will be meeting on **July 19th, at 6:30 PM** at St. Augustine's Church (downstairs). Dessert and coffee will be served. We are playing Bingo and having an ice cream social. Guests are welcome. For information, call Dotty at (845) 623-1739.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

July 3rd

Just a reminder that **during the months of July and August** there will **NOT** be any public Eucharistic Adoration. We can still pray and adore privately.

TAPPAN ZEE THRIFT SHOP

The shop is in need of volunteers to donate their time to this worthy cause.

They also would appreciate any donations such as: household goods, linens, clothing (summer), unwanted jewelry etc. — all in good condition.

A federal appeals court has issued a ruling banning Choose Life license plates in New York state and claimed in its decision that pro-life views are "patently offensive." The court issued ruling in *The Children First Foundation v. Fiaila*, which rejects a pro-adoption group's application to sponsor a "Choose Life" specialty plate with the New York Department of Motor Vehicles. The appeals court ruling overturned a lower court decision upholding the right of drivers in New York to purchase the pro-life plates.

As the Daily Caller reports:

A new decision by the Second Circuit Court of Appeals holds that New York's state government has the right to ban "Choose Life" license plates on the grounds that such a statement is "patently offensive."

The dispute stems from a now-suspended program offered by New York's Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) which allowed private organizations to create custom license plates. If drivers purchased the plates, the purchasing price was split between the DMV and the non-profit.

The Children First Foundation (CFF), an organization promoting adoption as an alternative to abortion, submitted a design for a "Choose Life" license plate, which featured a drawing of two children's faces in front of a yellow sun.

The proposed plate was rejected, with the DMV citing a policy that allows it to ban "patently offensive" plates in order to prevent incidents of road rage. The "patently offensive" category in U.S. speech is typically related to public obscenity laws, and allows for limitations on things like the public display of pornography or other materials that blatantly violate community standards.

Judge Rosemary Pooler, a Clinton appointee, agreed with New York's position in her majority opinion. She took this view even though she also ruled that license plates are private speech subject to First Amendment protections. Despite these protections, however, she said that so many New Yorkers could find a plate advocating an anti-abortion position "patently offensive" that the DMV was justified in suppressing the speech.

In a strong dissent, Judge Debra Ann Livingston said the court was essentially granting the New York DMV the right to suppress any viewpoints it did not like. Alliance Defending Freedom Senior Legal Counsel Jeremy Tedesco decried the decision.

"Pro-adoption organizations should have the same speech rights as any other organization. While the district court affirmed this basic freedom, the circuit court denied free speech in favor of government censorship. The state doesn't have the authority to target The Children First Foundation specialty plates for censorship based on its life-affirming viewpoint. The state has wrongly gotten away with speech discrimination against our client for more than 10 years. We will review our legal options."

The Annual Vigil for Life will be held at the Marian Shrine on **Saturday, July 4th**, beginning with 10 AM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 11:15 AM Rosary and 12 noon, Mass.

Contact Eileen Peterson (845) 492-6709, or Elizabeth Golemba (914) 450-4759.

Monday, July 6th, Pro-Life Mass will be held at St. Francis of Assisi Church in West Nyack at **7:30 PM**.

The Collection for 6/21 was \$4,197

THE WINNER OF THE 300 CLUB DRAWING ON 6/21 WERE LINDA & TONY D'ALLEVA, #269.

Words of Wisdom:

Bad fruit creates jams!

Opportunity may knock only once, but temptation bangs on the front door forever.

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.



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.

Sab. 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Sal 29; 2 Cor. 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mar 5:21-43

En este tiempo tan fecundo del año nuestras lecturas dominicales rebosan con vida y abundancia. Tanto la primera lectura, del libro de la Sabiduría, como la tercera del Evangelio de san Marcos nos aseguran que Dios no creó la muerte, ni quiere que suframos de ninguna enfermedad. Fue por la envidia del diablo que la muerte entró al mundo, según nos dice el Sabio. Y lo que san Marcos nos cuenta sobre la curación de la hemorroisa y cómo revivió la hija de Jairo nos muestran claramente que Jesús viene de Dios. Como Hijo de Dios, Jesús no quiere que nadie sufra enfermedad ni muerte. Pero en el contexto de tanto poder, la segunda lectura, de la segunda carta de san Pablo a los corintios, nos presenta un fuerte contraste. Jesús, que puede levantar a los muertos a una nueva vida, "siendo rico se hizo pobre por ustedes" (2 Corintios 8:9). Así pues, la nueva vida que recibimos como regalo de Cristo exige una respuesta: nuestra caridad.

Para los cursos pre-bautismales llamar a:

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 12:1-11; Sal 33:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
- Martes: Gn 19:15-29; Sal 25:2-3, 9-12; Mt 8:23-27
- Miércoles: Gn 21:5, 8-20a; Sal 33:7-8, 10-13; Mt 8:28-34
- Jueves: Gn 22:1b-19; Sal 114:1-6, 8-9; Mt 9:1-8
- Viernes: Ef 2:19-22; Sal 111:1bc-2; Jn 20:24-29
- Sábado: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29; Sal 134:1b-6; Mt 9:14-17



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

Junio Es el Mes Nacional de Seguridad

¡Envenenamiento de Alimentos Es un Peligro del Verano!

No permita que enfermedades producidas en los alimentos, lo que se llama envenenamiento de alimentos, dañen su verano.

Siga estas cuatro reglas para asegurarse que su comida esté buena para comer:

- **Lávese las manos**, muy bien y muy frecuentemente. Casi la mitad de todos los casos de enfermedades producidas en los alimentos podrían ser prevenidas lavándose las manos bien.
- Previenga contaminación cruzada. Mantenga carnes crudas y áreas que ellas han tocado (tablas para cortar) separadas de alimentos listos para comer, como frutas y ensaladas.
- Aprenda cuales son las **temperaturas apropiadas** para asegurar que los alimentos estén bien cocinados. ¡Usen un termómetro para las carnes!

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