

*Jesus began to
send out*



*the twelve
two by two.*

St. John the Baptist Church

JULY 12, 2015— 15th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME



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TRUSTEES

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

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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.	07/11 5:00 PM	Vaneck & Utchel Families By Mildred Oslica
Sun.	07/12 8:00 AM	Ada Gianna Giblin (Birthday) By Joann & Scott Giblin
	10:30 AM	Elizabeth Cartwright By Therese O'Dowd
Mon.	07/13 8:00 AM	Eddie Reiner By Helen, Anthony & Kathy Koza
Tue.	07/14 8:00 AM	Mary Cornetta By Deacon Rob & May Pang
Wed.	07/15 8:00 AM	Joseph Kopac By Helen, Anthony & Kathy Koza
Thurs.	07/16 8:00 AM	Anna Ely (Healing) By The Parish
Fri.	07/17 8:00 AM	Michael Zuccaro By Catholic Daughters
Sat.	07/18 9:00 AM	Mary DeMaio By Helen, Anthony & Kathy Koza
	5:00 PM	Bernard & Gerard Ross By The Armstrong Family
Sun.	07/19 8:00 AM	Anna Cavanaugh By Gina & Joe O'Keefe
	10:30 AM	Robert Armstrong By The Armstrong Family

**IF YOU CAN'T STAND IT ANYMORE,
TRY *KNEELING* DOWN.**

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 Giuliante, Arys Ramos, 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, 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.

Dear Parishioners,

Traveling by plane these days calls for careful preparation. One airline recently posted notice that if your bag weighs more than fifty pounds, there is an additional fee of fifty dollars. Add in the restrictions on carry-on baggage: no liquids more than three ounces, no bags beyond a certain size. It encourages you to travel light.

Jesus is issuing his own travel instructions to those he chose to work with him. First, he gives them "authority over unclean spirits" (Mark 6:7), a sharing in the authority the Father has given him for the work of spreading the gospel that the reign of evil is over and the reign of God is beginning.

Then, Jesus gets practical: Take nothing but a walking stick—to be used in climbing hills, driving off wild animals, or pushing away snakes found on the paths. No food, no sack to hold extra clothing—not even a second tunic—or to carry off anything from the towns you visit, and no money! Permission granted to wear sandals.

Finally, when you get to a place, do not look for the most comfortable lodging, take what comes first and be content there. The focus is clear: Stay on message—God's kingdom is at hand. Repent and believe. And show it in action: Deliver the sick and possessed from what burdens them. If people don't like the message? Move on.

Over two thousand years later, Jesus, risen Lord, continues to call ordinary folk. Back then it was some fishermen, a tax collector, a political activist; now it's workers from every way of life, every profession and job. People raising families, singles, the elderly, anyone willing to confess that God is at work in our world, that evil will not have the last word, and that all creation finds its deepest meaning in Christ.

Let's do something beautiful for God!

WEEK IN FOCUS

Sun. July 12 Baptism Prep. Span. 11 AM
 Legion de Maria, 11:30 AM
 AA Mtg. 7:00 PM

Mon. July 13 CDA Knitting, 1:00 PM

Tues. July 14 Baptism Prep. Span. 7:00 PM
 Span. Bible Study 7:00 PM
 Spanish Choir Practice, 7:00 PM

Wed. July 15 **Our Lady of Mount Carmel**
 CDA Knitting, 1:00 PM
 Span. Choir Practice, 6:30 PM
 Span. Council Mtg., 7:00 PM

Thurs. July 16 Friday Renew Group, 10:00 AM
 Span. Prayer Group, 7:00 PM

Fri. July 17 Music Rehearsal, 4:15 PM

Sat. July 18 Baptism Prep Span., 11:00 AM
 Legion de Maria, 11:30 AM

Sun. July 19 AA Mtg., 7:00 PM



Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Pray for us!

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: (845) 268-5143, or theosimone@aol.com.



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THE GOOD NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOL OF RELIGION

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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.



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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.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS JULY 18-19, 2015

Time	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
5:00 PM	Anna Vorse	Janet Zahn	Chris O'Brien Paige Gillen Keilty Fowler
8:00 AM	Lucy Bosco	Lynne Dennerlein	Patrick Daly
10:30 AM	Johanna Krumm	Marge Olsen	Gianluca Gonzalez Matthew Palmer
1:00 PM	Epifania Aguilar Ana Gomez Mariza Sanabria Rudy Felipe	Natalia Lemus	Emanuel Santiago Nova David Alfonso Nova Ana Mariela Ramirez

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!

RECTORY THEFT

We regret to announce that we had a rather heavy theft at the Rectory this past week.

The Police have been notified and they are investigating the case.

It seems so sad that apparently nothing is safe or sacred anymore.

It would be good if the perpetrator(s) would have a change of heart and returned the cash taken. May God bless him/her/them!

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.



DID YOU KNOW . . .

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that the **Franciscan Sisters of Peace** be-

came a new congregation in 1986? Unique to our situation is the fact that our religious institute was co-founded by 112 vowed members who committed themselves to live a simple lifestyle in the spirit of St. Francis. The Congregation Center, housing the administrative offices, is located in the former convent in St. Peter's parish in Haverstraw. As the congregation name indicates, our members and Associates strive to be messengers of peace wherever we are living and ministering. Our sisters are located in the New York metropolitan area and are engaged in a variety of ministries, including teaching, religious education, pastoral ministry and social services. We are active in areas of social justice, particularly in efforts to abolish human trafficking.

You can learn more about the Franciscan Sisters of Peace by visiting our website: www.fspnet.org.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22; Ps 124:1b-8;
Mt 10:34 — 11:1

Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a; Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Ps 103:1b-4, 6-7;
Mt 11:25-27

Thursday: Ex 3:13-20; Ps 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27;
Mt 11:28-30

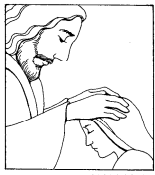
Friday: Ex 11:10 — 12:14; Ps 116:12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8

Saturday: Ex 12:37-42; Ps 136:1, 23-24, 10-15; Mt 12:14-21

Sunday: Jer 23:1-6; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18;
Mk 6:30-34

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TIPS FROM THE HEALTH EDUCATION MINISTRY

Pray for one another that you may find healing.”

• James 16

What's your number?

Screening for cholesterol and triglycerides (TG) is an important aspect of determining and controlling your risk of heart attack, stroke peripheral artery disease and kidney disease. Total serum cholesterol should be 200 or less, and above 240, it more than doubles your risk for these problems. It is also important to have high levels of good, HDL, cholesterol. Above 60 is considered protective while below 40 for men or 50 for women, puts you at risk. Regular exercise, a healthy body weight and avoiding smoking can all increase HDL. Bad cholesterol, LDL, should be below 100, or less if you have diabetes or heart disease. TG should be below 150. Very high levels of cholesterol or TG are often genetic in origin and can lead to disease at an early age. Lifestyle modifications are usually the first step in controlling these numbers. If this doesn't correct the problem there are a number of medications that can help to normalize your cholesterol and TG. Get it checked. Find out what your number is.

COOP PREP CLASS

ALBERTUS MAGNUS 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.

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.

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.



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Catholic Homeschool Conference July 31st & August 1st

The Immaculate Heart of Mary New York Homeschool Conference will be held at Mercy College (at the Rotonda of Mercy Hall), 555 Broadway, in Dobbs Ferry, on **Friday, July 31st (12:00 pm—6:00 pm)** and on **Saturday, August 1 (9:30 am—3:30 pm).**

Admission is free and pre-registration is not required. Call (540) 636-1946 or visit

MONS NUBIFER SANCTUS

“Holy Cloud-Bearing Mountain” offers weekend, week-long and longer-term residential programs which assist people of all walks and stations of life to explore and to enter the spiritual wisdom and ways of the ancient Christian faith. Located by the Little Delaware River in New York's northwestern Catskill Mountains. Visit info@mons nubifer.org or contact Fr. James Krueger at (607) 832-4401.

2015 CARDINAL'S ANNUAL APPEAL

We did not receive any gifts again 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!** **We've done so well so far — let's not stop doing good!** Our Church number is: **504.**

DOMINICAN COLLEGE

470 Western Highway, Orangeburg, NY 10962

An **Information Session** interested in **Undergraduate and Graduate Degrees**, including Undergraduate online programs, is scheduled for **Wednesday, July 22nd**, from **5:30 to 7:30 PM** in the Hennessy Center.

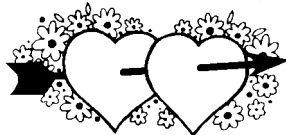
Contact Brian Fernandes, (845) 359-7800, or brian.fernandes@dc.edu.

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.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

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"Come away by yourselves..." Modern life can slowly erode the intimacy in marriage. Come away with your spouse and rekindle your romance on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Contact www.wwme.org or call toll free (877) NYS-WWME, Ext. 3.

PRO-LIFE NEWS

Right to Life Messages from Pope Francis

- It is God who gives life. Let us respect and love human life, especially vulnerable life in a mother's womb.
- All life has inestimable value; even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in His own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.

Message to Catholics taking part in annual Day for Life in Britain and Ireland July 28, 2013

- Let's say "yes" to life and "No" to death.

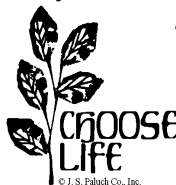
Message to Catholics taking part in March for Life in France, January 19, 2014

- Every child who, rather than being born, is condemned unjustly to being aborted, bears the face of Jesus Christ, bears the face of the Lord, who even before He was born, and then just after birth, experienced the world's rejection. And every elderly person — even if he is ill or at the end of his days, bears the face of Christ. They cannot be discarded, as the "culture of waste" suggests!

Speech to Catholic healthcare professionals and gynecologists, September 20, 2013

- All too often, as we know from experience, people do not choose life, they do not accept the "Gospel of Life" but let themselves be led by ideologies and ways of thinking that block life, that do not respect life, because they are dictated by selfishness, self-interest, profit, power and pleasure, and not by love, by concern for the good of others. As a result, the living God is replaced by fleeting human idols which offer the intoxication of a flash of freedom, but in the end bring new forms of slavery and death.

From Homily at Mass for "Evangelium Vitae Day", June 16, 2013



The Collection for 7/5 was \$4,503

THE WINNER OF THE 300 CLUB
DRAWING ON 7/5 WAS
Marge Culletto #26

PERFECT EQUATION

3 NAILS + 1 CROSS = 4 GIVEN

The first duty of love is to listen.

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.

Am 7:12-15; Sal 84;; Ef 1:3-14; Mar 6:7-13

En la época de Amós la vocación de profeta había adquirido una posición muy formal en Israel. Originalmente los profetas habían surgido como los portavoces de Dios cuando Israel ya no se veía guiado por las figuras religioso-civiles a quienes conocemos como los "Jueces", sino por los Reyes. Al correr del tiempo la monarquía de Israel se había apropiado los oficios de sacerdote y de profeta, estableciéndolos como órdenes, y reservándose el derecho de nombrar profetas oficiales para la corte real. Entonces, como ahora, cuando los que estaban en el poder escogían a los que iban a servirles de "conciencia oficial", a veces las cosas se torcían. Y entonces Dios escogía profetas de donde menos se les esperaba. Así fue como Amós recibió su llamado a profetizar. En el Evangelio del domingo pasado vimos cómo Jesús surgió como el Ungido del Señor aunque venía de un lugar que muchos consideraban poco probable. Y nosotros, cuando continuamos discerniendo nuestro propio llamado bautismal a ser discípulos, podemos estar seguros de que estamos, en las palabras de san Pablo: "destinados [para eso], por decisión del que lo hace todo según su voluntad" (Efesios 1:11).

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: Ex 1:8-14, 22; Sal 123:1b-8; Mt 10:34 — 11:1
Martes: Ex 2:1-15a; Sal 68:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 11:20-24
Miércoles: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12; Sal 102:1b-4, 6-7; Mt 11:25-27
Jueves: Ex 3:13-20; Sal 104:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27; Mt 11:28-30
Viernes: Ex 11:10 — 12:14; Sal 115:12-13, 15, 16bc, 17-18; Mt 12:1-8
Sábado: Ex 12:37-42; Sal 135:1, 23-24, 10-15; Mt 12:14-21
Domingo: Jer 23:1-6; Sal 22:1-6; Ef 2:13-18; Mc 6:30-34

CONSEJOS DE PARTE DEL MINISTERIO DE SALUD

"Ruegen por los otros para que encuentren sanación."

— Jaime 16



?Cuál Es Su Número?

Chequeandose para colesterol y triglicéridos (TG) es un aspecto importante para determinar y controlar su riesgo de un ataque al corazón, un derrame cerebral, enfermedad periferia de las arterias y enfermedad de los riñones. El total del colesterol suero debe ser 200 o menos, y si más de 240, esto dobla su riesgo para estos problemas. También es importante tener altos niveles de buen, HDL, colesterol. Más alto de 60 se considera que protege, mientras que más bajo que 40 para hombres o 50 para mujeres, lo pone a uno en riesgo. Ejercicio frecuente, un peso sano del cuerpo y evitar fumar pueden todos aumentar el HDL. El colesterol malo, LDL, debe ser menos de 100, o hasta menos si tiene diabetes o enfermedad al corazón. El TG debe ser menos que 150. Muy altos niveles de colesterol o TG son frecuentemente genéticos de origen y pueden causar enfermedad en una edad temprana. Modificaciones en el estilo de vida son frecuentemente el primer paso a controlar estos números. Si no corrigen el problema hay un número de remedios que pueden ayudar a normalizar su colesterol y TG. Hágase examinar. Descubra cuál es su número.

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