

APRIL: MONTH OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

SATURDAY 23 APRIL: MEMORIALS OF SAINT GEORGE; SAINT ADALBERT

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Rita & Ed Zimmer by Tom & Rosemary Relyea*
4:00PM (Saint Joseph): *Louis Talamo, r.i.p., by John & Paula O'Connell*
5:30PM (Saint Thomas: Sunday Vigil): *John Shay, r.i.p., by John & Judy Carnright*

SUNDAY 24 APRIL: FIFTH SUNDAY IN EASTER

7:30AM (Saint Thomas): *David O'Keefe, r.i.p., by Peggy McGinnis & Family*
9:00AM (Saint Thomas): *David O'Keefe, r.i.p. by Bill & Kathy Fogarty*
11:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Stephen Rogan by John & Margaret Pelella*
12:30PM (Saint Joseph): *pro populo*

MONDAY 25 APRIL: FEAST OF SAINT MARK, APOSTLE

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Richard Bywater, pro sal, by the Family*
6:30PM (Saint Joseph): *Connie Petrolese by the Family*

TUESDAY 26 APRIL: EASTER FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Frank & Millie Relyea by Tom & Rosemary Relyea*

WEDNESDAY 27 APRIL: EASTER FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Angelo Lecce (34th Anniversary), r.i.p., by Felicia Lecce*

THURSDAY 28 APRIL: MEMORIALS OF SAINT PETER CHANEL; SAINT LOUIS de MONFORT

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Tom Barcia by Tom & Rosemary Relyea*

FRIDAY 29 APRIL: MEMORIAL OF SAINT CATHERINE of SIENA

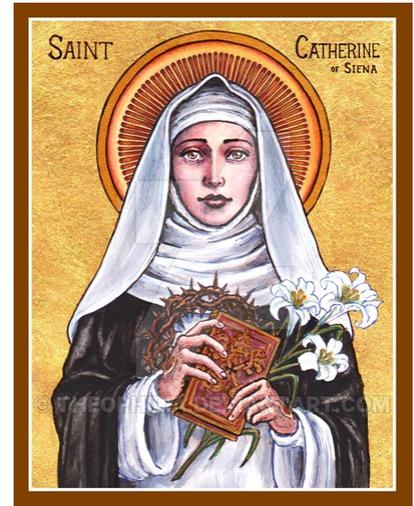
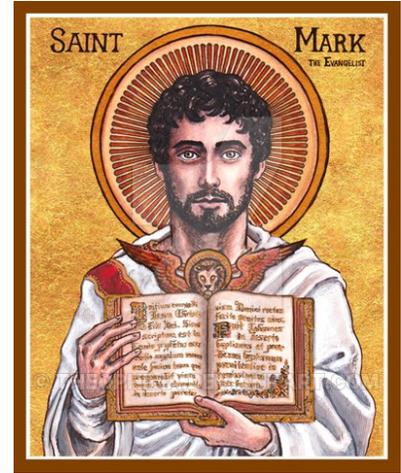
8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Brian Cunningham by Maureen Terwilliger*

SATURDAY 30 APRIL: MEMORIAL OF SAINT PIUS V

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Lindsay Brandt by Peter & Andrea Brandt*
4:00PM (Saint Joseph: Sunday Vigil): *Billy Waters by John & Mary O'Mara*
5:30PM (Saint Thomas: Sunday Vigil): *Patricia Brustin, r.i.p., by Mary Villa*

NEXT SUNDAY 1 MAY: SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Catherine Lundgren, r.i.p.*
9:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Anne Milano, r.i.p., by Frank & Diane Fitzpatrick*
11:00AM (Saint Thomas): *pro populo*
12:30PM (Saint Joseph): *Manuela Rodriguez by the Heughey Family*



r.i.p. (requiescat in pace: rest in peace), *a.i.d.* (ad intentionem donoris: for the intention of the donor)
pro sal. (pro salutem: for health), *pro populo* (for the people)

LAST WEEKEND'S OFFERING

Saint Thomas:

Regular: \$8533.69
Mission Appeal: \$3482.00

Saint Joseph:

Regular: \$3600.00
Mission Appeal: \$1374.00



NEXT WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION

Saint Thomas

Special Projects

Saint Joseph

Maintenance & Repairs

ASCENSION THURSDAY: May 5th

MASS SCHEDULE

This is a Holy Day of Obligation!

8:30AM Saint Thomas
12:00 Noon: Saint Joseph
7:00PM: Saint Thomas



THANK YOU, PARISH!

Father Anthony Raj and Father Doughty thank you for your very generous response to the mission appeal to

help the people of the Diocese of Kurnool in India. You raised \$ 4,856 on behalf at both St Joseph and St Thomas Churches.

12 MONTHS OF CHRISTMAS

DRAWING

Congratulations to April's

Winner:

Kyra Botalli

May's Prize:

Sommelier by Waterford Crystal Wine Glasses.

Set of 12. MSRP \$ 80.00

Royal Doulton Tapas Porcelain Cocktail Plates.

Set of 12. MSRP \$ 250.00

Total estimated MSRP: \$ 330.00



COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP

Next Sunday in the school gym, after the 9:00AM Mass at Saint Thomas. Please join us!



SOME THINGS NEVER CHANGE

"We've had enough of exhortations to be silent! Cry out with a hundred thousand tongues. I see that the world is rotten because of silence."

~ St. Catherine of Siena

CDA 10 MONTH

WINNERS

March

\$10.00: #012 Jan Goldstein

\$15.00: #227 Linda Incanno

\$25.00: #166 Vambi Hager

April

\$10.00: #217 Alex Mazzocca

\$15.00: #184 Pat Schroeder

\$25.00: #226 Chris Fitch



RESPECT LIFE

Paliative care is an expression of the truly human attitude of taking care of one another, especially those who suffer. It is a testimony that the human person is always precious, even if marked by illness or old age. (Pope Francis 2015)

Visit the New York State Catholic Conference website: www.nyscatholic.org. Click the "Action" button to **oppose** legalized doctor assisted suicide in NY State.

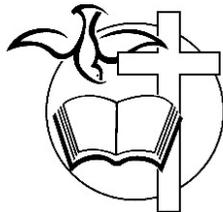
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Registration is now underway for the 2016-2017 Religious Education Program.

Registration forms can be requested on line or picked up in the REP Office, but all forms must be returned in

person to the REP Office. New families or families registering first graders must attach a copy of their child's/children's Baptismal certificate. Registration fees are: \$175 for one child, \$225 for two children, and \$250 for three or more.

Please register before May 15.



MOTHER'S DAY CARDS

Envelopes containing a spiritual bouquet card for living mothers, grandmothers, or other special women, are available in at both parishes (Saint Thomas: on the tables in the entrances. Saint Joseph: on the table in the back of the church) These cards provide a beautiful way to let a loved one know that she will be remembered at all the Mother's Day Novena Masses at the parish. Envelopes will be placed on the altar.

57th ANNUAL SPRING CONCERT

Classic Choral Society & Orchestra

May 1st at 4:00PM

United Church of Christ, Blooming Grove

May 7th at 7:00PM

First Presbyterian Church, Goshen

Free. Donations welcome! For information visit

ClassicalChoralSociety.org or call 845-928-6461



JUNIOR CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS of AMERICA

APRIL 23, 2016

During the 5:30 Mass at Saint Thomas Church the girls will receive their patches for completing one of the following programs: *I Live My Faith, Mary, the First Disciple or Sprit Alive.*

CARDINAL'S APPEAL GOAL :

\$114,500.00

As of 4/15/16

Pledges: \$44,543.00

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

During the month of May, in honor of Mother's Day and in support of the many local mothers in need, the parish is sponsoring a diaper drive for Catholic Charities. Thank you for your continued generosity!



THE PLACE OF THE SKULL

Within the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, part of the great basilica constructed in Jerusalem by the Roman Emperor Constantine in the early fourth century AD to commemorate the site of Jesus's entombment, a small room with a simple altar can be found which is known as the Chapel of Adam. The chapel is below another chapel that sits atop the rock that very early in the Church's life was identified as the actual place of the crucifixion of Our Lord. Not far away is the aedicule containing the remains of the tomb Joseph of Arimathea donated to hold the dead body of the Lord. Ironically, the Emperor Hadrian, after visiting the ruins of Jerusalem at the beginning of the second century, actually preserved the site in tact by building a temple to Venus on top of it. Local Christians and pilgrims, who had continued to visit the tomb since the time of Our Lord's Resurrection, were able to direct Constantine's mother, Saint Helena, to the places where Jesus died, was buried, and rose again. Archaeology and ancient texts confirm the present site as, in all probability, authentic.

Matthew, Mark and Luke all refer to the hill where the cross of Jesus stood as the "place of the skull." Both Matthew and Mark use its Aramaic name (the colloquial language of the apostles), *Golgotha* (meaning "skull"). It seems that this usage was common in the time of Jesus. Later, when Saint Jerome, while living in Jerusalem, began to translate the sacred scriptures into one accessible translation known as the Vulgate, he used the Latin word *calvaria*, also meaning "skull." It was later translated to English as *Calvary*.

It is not known why the hill was called that. One guess is that the hill resembled a skull. Another, suggested by St. Jerome, is that the skulls of criminals lay about unburied. This is certainly plausible since the hill was obviously a place of execution for criminals and few Jews during the days of Jesus would have risked ritual impurity by coming

in contact with the mortal remains of people who were considered outcasts. (The movie *Risen* gives a graphic depiction of this possibility showing the Romans searching through the "bone yard" for the remains of Jesus.) It's worth noting that behind the structure presently containing the tomb of Christ, on a path not well known by tourists, is a small cave-like room which contains *cochim* – actual burial holes where bodies were placed until the bones that were left could be placed in ossuaries.

Origen (c. 185-254 AD), the early patristic writer and great commentator on Scripture, suggests another reason for the name: that the skull of Adam, the first man, lays buried beneath where the cross had stood on Golgotha. Hence, the Chapel of Adam, an ancient tradition, expresses eloquently the words of St. Paul in 1 Corinthians 15:23: "For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life."

The representation of the skull of Adam can often be found in depictions of the crucifixion throughout the entire history of Christian art. This, as in so many traditions of our Faith, is meant to help us understand the vast scope and harmony of salvation.

~ Father Doughty

CAPUCHIN YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRIES

CAPUCHIN OUTREACH PROGRAM

Jun 26-Jul 1, 2016

A "Fran"-tastic opportunity for high school students to earn service hours and find joy in serving the needy of the Hudson Valley. From manual labor fixing homes to outreach to the elderly and sick and a VBS for the young, there are opportunities for everyone to use their strengths and talents in service to others. Each evening participants gather at CYFM for socializing, reflecting in small groups on the day's experiences, participating in prayer services, & enjoying community meals together. Challenge yourself & join us, send in your application today Fee \$225 plus required fundraising; application & \$125. deposit due by April 25. For applications & info visit our web site: CYFM.org or call our office TODAY. Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries, 781 Route 9D Garrison, NY 10524 (845) 424-3609. Find us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram: CYFMGarrison

GIRLS' DAY-BY-DAY AGAPE (DDA) RETREAT

April 21-24, 2016

For, and by, high school teens 15+ years old. 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. Disconnect from stress and reconnect with what truly matters while enjoying a

weekend full of laughter, prayer, music, wonderful meals and other awesome teens, no matter where you are in your spiritual journey. \$140. pp for materials, meals & lodging, Early Bird Fee \$125.(must be received by Apr. 9); All paperwork & non-refundable \$70.deposit must be received by Registration deadline, Tues. Apr. 19, 2016.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](tel:8454243609).