

SEPTEMBER: MONTH OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

SATURDAY 17 SEPTEMBER: MEMORIAL OF SAINT ROBERT BELLARMINE

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Mary Jane Dolan, r.i.p., Mary Ann Rohan & Bart Sicca*
4:00PM (Saint Joseph: Sunday Vigil): *Mamawal Family by Linda Siner*
5:30PM (Saint Thomas: Sunday Vigil): *Thomas & Anne Campbell by the Crispo Family*

SUNDAY 18 SEPTEMBER: TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Clarke Calyer, r.i.p., by Helen Hickey & Ellen Kelly*
9:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Mother Teresa & Mother Angelica, r.i.p., in Memory of Lena Cavallo by Lucille Costanza*
11:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Special Intention by Eric Lundgren*
12:30PM (Saint Joseph): *pro populo*

MONDAY 19 SEPTEMBER: MEMORIAL OF SAINT JANUARIUS

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Marie Leibowitz, r.i.p.*
6:30AM (Saint Joseph): *Santa Siragusa, r.i.p., by Sal Gallo & Family*

TUESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER: MEMORIAL OF SAINTS ANDREW KIM TAE-GON, PAUL CHONG-HA-SANG, & COMPANIONS

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Damian & Jean King a.i.d., by Mary King*

WEDNESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER: FEAST OF SAINT MATTHEW, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Philip Sawicki, r.i.p., by the Kiernan Family*

THURSDAY 22 SEPTEMBER: FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Betty Riley, r.i.p., by Susan & Noemy Dudman*

FRIDAY 23 SEPTEMBER: MEMORIAL OF SAINT PIUS of PIETRELCINA (PADRE PIO)

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Geraldine Gould, r.i.p., by Sally Ryan*

SATURDAY 24 SEPTEMBER: FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Harold Kelly, r.i.p., by Kathryn Kelly*
4:00PM (Saint Joseph): *pro populo*
5:30PM (Saint Thomas: Sunday Vigil): *Michael & Rose Prezioso, r.i.p., by Frances Clifford*

SUNDAY 25 SEPTEMBER: TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Bruno & Annette Michalski by Bill & Mary McKenna*
9:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Alexander J. Ligertwood by Connie Ganz*
11:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Theresa Sweeney, r.i.p., by Cathie Julian*
12:30PM (Saint Joseph): *Pedro Oquendo, r.i.p., by the Torres 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 WEEK'S OFFERING

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| Saint Thomas: | Saint Joseph: |
| Regular: \$8346.25 | Regular: \$2714 |
| World Missions: \$1904 | World Missions: \$541 |

THIS WEEK'S SECOND COLLECTION **Baton Rouge Flood Relief**

2017 MASS BOOK

The Mass book for 2017 is open. Please stop by the office to request Masses.

***** PLEASE NOTE: *****

Our parish community of Saint Thomas of Canterbury-Saint Joseph will be merged by civil incorporation on September 1st. Until His Eminence decides upon a name for the new parish entity, the parish will be known as "The Roman Catholic Church of Saint Thomas of Canterbury-Saint Joseph". As of September 1st, we ask that all checks written to the newly merged parish be made payable to:
"Saint Thomas-Saint Joseph".

RSVP TODAY FOR THE PARISH PICNIC!

Next Sunday from 1:00 – 5:00PM on the Saint Thomas school grounds. **Please bring a dessert to share – something easily eaten without utensils. For example, cookies, brownies, cupcakes, donuts, etc.**

CDA COURT RITA #264

The Catholic Daughters will be selling the new **10 MONTH RAFFLE** after all Masses at Saint Joseph this weekend.

10 MONTH RAFFLE prizes:

September – June: \$75 & \$50

Bonus – January: \$100

Extra – December: \$400 & \$200



12 MONTHS OF CHRISTMAS DRAWING

September's Prize:

Gordon Ramsey/Royal Doulton

Chip & Dip Tray: MRSP \$75

Bread Tray & Dipping Dish: MRSP \$72.50

Divided Server: MRSP \$59

Royal Doulton 1815 Casual Wine Glasses: MRSP \$58

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM FAMILIES

Please refer all questions, concerns, registrations, etc. to the Religious Education office located in the school building. That phone # is: 845-534-9393. Thank you.



MUSIC FOR MASS

Anyone interested in joining the music ministry please call Joyce Hoffman at (845) 566-9265 for more information. Choir practice will begin on Monday, October 3rd at Saint Thomas church.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

The K of C are looking for a few good men who are interested in strengthening their faith, family life and community. Please contact Chancellor Steve Accilli or Grand Knight Tom DiSalvo: kofc7460@gmail.com
Please consider joining the largest Catholic fraternal organization in the world.

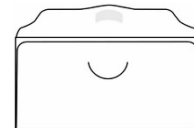


VOTING

“(US Bishops, LivingWe encourage all citizens, particularly Catholics, to embrace their citizenship not merely as a duty and privilege, but as an opportunity meaningfully to participate in building the culture of life. Every voice matters in the public forum. Every vote counts. Every act of responsible citizenship is an exercise of significant individual power. We must exercise that power in ways that defend human life, especially those of God’s children who are unborn, disabled, or otherwise vulnerable” (US Bishops, *Living the Gospel of Life*, 1998).

NEW OFFERING ENVELOPES

If you have not received your new envelopes please let the parish office know (534-2547)



RITE of CHRISTIAN INITIATION for ADULTS

A new session will begin in October. Please pick up a registration form in the church entrance or call the parish office (534-2547) for more information.

RCIA is for three groups of people:

- 1. Those who are not baptized (and not young enough to be in a parish religious education program).*
- 2. Those who were baptized into another Christian denomination and wish to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church.*
- 3. Baptized Catholics who were never formed in the Catholic faith and have not completed their initiation; that is, who have received neither of the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.*

FLOOD RELIEF

There will be a second collection this weekend for flood relief in Baton Rouge, LA. There are over 40 families who are homeless and without cars in Saint Francis Xavier Parish. Pastor, Rev. Edward Chiffriller, S.S.J. will use the money collected to assist these families. He will interview each family and then write checks to Sears, Home Depot, etc., or give them gift

cards to the stores. He is very experienced at this since he was involved with parishes in New Orleans after Katrina. Thank you for whatever you can do to assist them.

THE POPE SPEAKS: "OVERCOME INDIFFERENCE! (AND PUT AWAY THE CELL PHONE!)"

Fr. Doughty

Since he moved into the Santa Marta Residence, Pope Francis has celebrated Mass publicly every morning; his homilies are reported through various media organizations like the Vatican Radio and Zenit.org. At last Tuesday's Mass, he challenged his audience to overcome our indifference by seeking out an encounter with Jesus. Reading from the gospel of Luke, (read chapter 7:11-17), which described how the Lord raised the dead son of a widowed mother, Francis warned that all too often we do not open ourselves fully to the mystery of Christ in others, even our own family. Our meetings, he suggested, are only meetings, not an encounter:

"An encounter is something different. It is what today's Gospel proclaims to us: an encounter; an encounter between a man and a woman, between an only living son and an only son who had died; among a joyful crowd because they had encountered Jesus and were following him and a group of people, weeping, accompanying that woman, who had come out from the gate of the city; an encounter between the exit gate and the entry gate. The sheep fold. An encounter that makes us reflect on our way of interacting with each other."

Jesus, the Pope said, "was moved with pity" but Jesus's pity is not merely sadness without hope, ineffectual and ultimately indifferent; it rather provides the moment for the encounter which restores and delivers mother and son and all present from fear and incurable grief.

"We are accustomed to a culture of indifference and we must strive and ask for the grace to create a culture of encounter, of a fruitful encounter, of an encounter that restores to each person his or her own dignity as a child of God, the dignity of a living person. We are accustomed to this indifference, when we see the disasters of this world or small things: 'What a shame, poor people, look how they are suffering,' and then we carry on. An encounter. And if I don't look, it's not enough to see, no, (we must) look – if I don't stop, if I don't look, if I don't touch, if I don't speak, I cannot have an encounter and I cannot help to build a culture of encounter."

He extended his message to today's families: *"In our families, at the dinner table, how many times while eating, do people watch the TV or write messages on their cell phones. Each one is indifferent to that encounter. Even within the heart of society, which is the family, there is no encounter. May this help us to strive for this culture of encounter, just as simply as Jesus did so. Not just see but look. Not just hear but listen. Not just meet and pass by but stop. And don't just say 'what a shame, poor people,' but allow ourselves to be moved by pity. And then draw near, touch and say in the language that comes to each one of us in that moment, the language of the heart: 'Do not weep,' and donate at the very least a drop of life."*

ANNUAL CONSECRATED & RELIGIOUS RECOGNITION SUNDAY

September 25, 2016

4:00PM Vespers

Holy Name of Mary-Assumption

89 Union Street

Montgomery, NY

Reception to follow in Church Hall

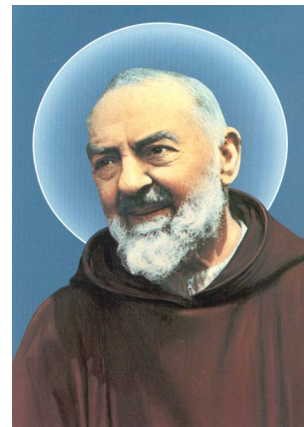
RSVP by September 22nd

orangedeanery@yahoo.com



FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sister Eileen Clifford, O.P. at 212-371-1000 x2949 or Deacon George J. Coppola at 1-917-861-1762. Both may also be reached via email at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, www.archny.org. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.



“The greater your sufferings,
the greater God’s love for you.”
~ Padre Pio