

JUNE: MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART

SATURDAY 24 JUNE: SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Josephine McGuinnis by Sally Ryan*
4:00PM (Saint Joseph: Sunday Vigil): *Michael Kane by Kathy Kissel*
5:30PM (Saint Thomas: Sunday Vigil): *Elaine Colonna by the family*

SUNDAY 25 JUNE: XII PER ANNUM

7:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Joseph M. Hines, r.i.p., by Doris Hines*
9:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Special Intention by Eric Lundgren*
11:00AM (Saint Thomas): *pro populo*
12:30PM (Saint Joseph): *Robert Gosda, r.i.p., by Barbara Gosda*

MONDAY 26 JUNE: FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Dr. Filomena Colcol by the Colcol Family*
6:30PM (Saint Joseph): *Father Robert Hilfiker, r.i.p., by Kathy Kissel*

TUESDAY 27 JUNE: MEMORIAL OF SAINT CYRIL of ALEXANDRIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Mr. Radomski, r.i.p., by Janet Gill*

WEDNESDAY 28 JUNE: MEMORIAL OF SAINT IRENAEUS

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *John Doddy by Susan Moran*

THURSDAY 29 JUNE: SOLEMNITY OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *June McKnight, r.i.p., by Bill & Nancy Larkin*

FRIDAY 30 JUNE: MEMORIAL OF THE FIRST MARTYRS OF THE HOLY ROMAN CHURCH

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Special Intention by Melissa Nosenchuck*

SATURDAY 1 JULY: MEMORIAL OF SAINT JUNIPERO SERRA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Margaret McLaughlin, r.i.p., by Barbara, John, & Family*
4:00PM (Saint Joseph: Sunday Vigil): *The Siner Family by Linda Siner*
5:30PM (Saint Thomas: Sunday Vigil): *William & Jeremiah O'Sullivan by Margaret Hennessey*

NEXT SUNDAY 2 JULY: XIII PER ANNUM

7:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Anna Cercone, r.i.p., by the Family*
9:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Margaret Kelly by Kathleen Milich*
11:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Rosemarie Salvatore by David & Louise Carnright*
12:30PM (Saint Joseph): *pro populo*



“You are worth more
than many sparrows.”

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:

Regular Collection: \$10,772.87

Pantry: \$29.35

NEXT WEEK'S SECOND COLLECTION

Capital Projects

**Monday – Thursday
12:00 Noon – 4:00PM**

THE CUPBOARD IS BARE!

SAINT THOMAS' FOOD PANTRY

Bisquick, syrup, macaroni & cheese, soup, canned meals (ravioli, etc.), pasta & rice sides, instant potatoes, tuna, cereal, mayonnaise, pasta sauce, toothpaste, laundry detergent, tissues.

SAINT JOSEPH'S FOOD DONATIONS

The second weekend of every month (July 8th & 9th)
Please bring non-perishable food items to the church for the Town of New Windsor food pantry.

PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

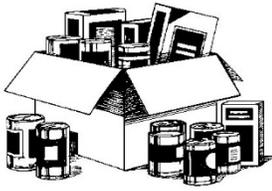
(July & August)

Monday – Thursday 9:00AM – 4:00PM

Friday 9:00AM -1:00PM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

(July & August)



ADULT FORMATION

Contact Theresa Trella:
[845-667-1772](tel:845-667-1772); hummingbird828@gmail.com

Live Bible Study: The book of *Revelation* contains some strange images and difficult to interpret prophesies. If you would like to understand this book of the Bible better, join the new Bible study which will be led by Deacon Joe on *Monday nights this summer. It will begin on 19 June* at 7 pm in the St. Thomas old school building and continue on through August. There is no cost, but bring your Bible and your curiosity. **Please sign up at the entrance to the church so we will know how many to expect.**

Online Learning: If you and at least 3 others want to do a study, you can access whatever study material you are interested in by registering and buying your workbooks here: www.ascensionpress.com.

FAITH

HUDSON VALLEY CATHOLIC

Join us for our annual trip out to Franciscan University's "Defending the Faith" Conference!

This year's theme: "Always Reforming:"

Authentic Renewal, Ongoing Conversion"

For conference details & registration:
www.steubenvilleconferences.com/adult/dfc

For local information and conference transportation:
Luigi.Manente@archny.org



CDA 10 MONTH RAFFLE WINNERS: JUNE

#127 Lil Putnam: \$50

#099 Joy Willard: \$75

#028 Patricia McGuirk-Larkin: \$200

#246 Pat & Nick Bambino: \$400

Court Rita #264 wishes to thank all who participated in this year's 10 Month Raffle Club. Your generosity enabled us to provide financial support to the parish of St. Thomas of Canterbury - St. Joseph and to our selected charities.

Tickets for the 2017-18 Raffle Club are now on sale.

MONTHLY SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Third Wednesdays 10:00AM-2:00PM

Fourth Thursdays 4:00PM-7:00PM

National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

70 Carmelite Drive, Middletown

Conducted by Fran Fay & JoAnn Atlas, Certified Spiritual Directors. Call Carol Bezak, Shrine Director at [845-343-1879](tel:845-343-1879) for information.



12 MONTHS OF CHRISTMAS DRAWING

June's Winner: *Martha Diedrich*

July's Prize: To be announced



SAINTS PETER & PAUL

Among the twelve Apostles, Peter became the spokesman, as when he boldly declared: "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." In the lists of the Apostles he is always given precedence, and at Pentecost he delivers the first fiery sermon of the infant Church. Although not one of the twelve, Paul is also called an Apostle. By his own admission he was the Apostle "born abnormally" (1 Cor 15:8), having encountered the resurrected Jesus as he rode to persecute the Christians at Damascus. Paul's mission field was the vast Gentile territory in the eastern Mediterranean. Both men were martyred in Rome around the year 64.

(Magnificat, June 2017)

CAPUCHIN YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY APPALACHIAN MISSION

Please stop by Timothy Fenton's table after Mass to see pictures from last year's mission trip and learn how to support this year's effort.



2017 CARDINAL'S APPEAL: As of 6/16/17

Parish Goal: \$116,500.00

Pledged to Date: \$54,930.00

Donors: 191

PRAYER CHAIN

To place someone on the prayer chain please call Carolyn Mundy at 845-534-9277 or email stsjprayerchain@gmail.com



SERVICE & EVANGELIZATION
OPPORTUNITY WITH THE CFR FRIARS

Join the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal in helping to make Newburgh beautiful, inside and out!

Saturday, July 8th

9:30AM - 4:00PM

St. Mary of the Assumption Friary

180 South Street, Newburgh, NY

For more info/RSVP:

Luigi.Manente@archny.org or [Facebook Invite](#)

LET'S GO FLY A KITE

by *Father Doughy*

It's been a long time since I studied Philosophy (a prerequisite to the study of Theology), but I remember vaguely a saying of Aristotle's (from his *Nicomachean Ethics*): "We work so we can have leisure." I may be mistaken in my interpretation of Aristotle, but my sense of the saying was that the highest pursuit of Man is happiness, and leisure represented freedom from the obligation of providing for the basic necessities of life, food, clothing, shelter, etc. For this Greek philosopher, the finest exemplification of leisure was the contemplation of the divine. Thus, worship and pondering the mysteries of the God provide us with the happiness we desire most.

Some years ago, as pastor of St. Lawrence O'Toole, I traveled with our parish theater group to see "Mary Poppins" on Broadway. The children had just staged "Annie, Jr." for the parish and were looking forward to seeing the show. They invited me to join them. The show was a nice reminder of the movie I saw in 1964 which starred Julie Andrews and Dick Van Dyke. I could still remember the words of *Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious* and *Let's Go Fly a Kite!* However, a hundred years later it seemed, I realized there was so much more to the story about an unhappy family that lives at Number 17 Cherry Tree Lane.

The husband and father, Mr. Banks, has made life miserable for his wife and children because what he understands life to be – from a rather nasty governess during his childhood – is devoid of happiness. Duty and appearance, the work of the day, ensuring the family's social position, is more important than fun and play. Family togetherness and affection seem to have no place in their daily life. Enter Mary Poppins, a magical nanny whose arrival seems to have been conjured from the desire of the children's hearts and whose presence helps

the Mr. Banks and his family to find their bearings again.

I don't know anyone – adult or child - who hasn't delighted in P. L. Travers' series of books written in the '30s, The underlying message is serious, however, one that we could find in many of the Church's teachings, including more recently the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* and *Familiaris Consortio* by Pope John Paul II about the centrality of the human family in the life of the world. Our Christian Faith understands the human family's origin in God's creation of the world (not from an accident of nature or an impulse for survival of the species). In that experience of family, husbands and wives and their children are to find the perfect love of the Holy Trinity reflected in their own communion, not only as an ideal but also as a possibility through grace. That means, of course, that we can recognize the workings of grace in our families through our encounter with the mysteries of God. Sunday Mass and daily prayer in the family and parish life focus our hearts on what God knows will make us really happy. After all, Jesus reminds us, we were not made for these "religious" realities; rather, they were made - by God - for us.

At the end of the musical, young Michael Banks finally gets what he's wanted, to fly a kite with his dad, and his dad learns that that's what he's wanted to do all along as well! In a way, the kite, with its colors and flight, with the messages that are sent up along the string it's tied to, remind us of important things: family and beauty and fun, and most of all, raising our eyes "up to the highest height", to Heaven! If you can, go fly a kite this coming weekend and grab a little leisure for yourself and your family! And don't forget prayer and Mass if you want these vacation months to be all that they can!

WELCOME, FATHER STEPHEN

Next weekend, Father Stephen Bosomafi will be visiting our parish for a bit of vacation and to allow our priests get some time off as well. Father Stephen is a priest of the Diocese of Sunyani (where Father Simon is from) and until recently was the financial officer for the bishop.



PLEASE NOTE!
NEW STATE LAW - Effective July 9,
2017

No child under the age of 18 is permitted
to attend Bingo.



ENJOY THE SUMMER!

