

**THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF
SAINT THOMAS of CANTERBURY – SAINT JOSEPH**

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 14, 2018



SAINT THOMAS' CHURCH

340 Hudson Street
Cornwall on Hudson, NY 12520

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

Saturday Evening (Sunday Vigil): 5:30PM
Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM

Weekday

Monday – Saturday: 8:30AM

Holy Days of Obligation

As announced

Confession

Saturday: 4:00PM – 5:15PM (or by appointment)

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday after the 8:30AM Mass

Rosary

Monday – Saturday after the 8:30AM Mass

SAINT JOSEPH'S CHURCH

4 Saint Joseph's Place
New Windsor, NY 12553

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

Saturday Evening (Sunday Vigil): 4:00PM
Sunday: 12:30PM

Monday: 6:30PM Mass;

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction 5:30PM

Holy Days of Obligation

As announced

Confession

Monday: 6:00PM

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

Monday: 5:30PM

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Rev. John Kwaku Sah

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JANUARY: MONTH OF THE HOLY NAME

SATURDAY 13 JANUARY: MEMORIAL OF SAINT HILARY

8:30AM (Saint Thomas):

Gerard Jurgens, r.i.p., by the Schwarzler Family

4:00PM (Sunday Vigil: Saint Joseph):

Fr. Robert Hilfiker & Mr. Robert Hilfiker, r.i.p., by Kathy Kissel

5:30PM (Sunday Vigil: Saint Thomas):

Margaret Rogan, r.i.p., by John & Margaret Pelella

SUNDAY 14 JANUARY: SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30AM (Saint Thomas):

Nicholas Valentine, r.i.p., by the Schwarzler Family

9:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Marjorie Delbaugh, r.i.p.* by Alice Fratz

11:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Chris Phair, r.i.p.*, by the Rizzi Family

12:30PM (Saint Joseph):

Jennifer Finnegan Jones by the McMahon Family

MONDAY 15 JANUARY: FERIA

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday: Parish Office Closed

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Gerard Jurgens, r.i.p.*

THERE WILL BE NO 6:30PM MASS AT SAINT JOSEPH'S TODAY

TUESDAY 16 JANUARY: FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Donald Nowak* by Philip & Marie Smith

WEDNESDAY 17 JANUARY:

MEMORIAL OF SAINT ANTHONY, ABBOT

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Dr. Benjamin T. Santoro* by Sally Ryan

THURSDAY 18 JANUARY: FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas):

Timothy Harding, r.i.p., by Thomas Kingman

FRIDAY 19 JANUARY: FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Thomas Campbell, r.i.p.* by the family

SATURDAY 20 JANUARY:

MEMORIALS OF SAINT FABIAN; SAINT SEBASTIAN

8:30AM (Saint Thomas):

Robert Nazzaro by Margaret Nazzaro

4:00PM (Sunday Vigil: Saint Joseph): *Siner Family* by Linda Siner

5:30PM (Sunday Vigil: Saint Thomas):

Sofie Zimmer by Eric & Jasmine Lundgren

SUNDAY 21 JANUARY: THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Liz Jone, r.i.p.* by the Schwarzler Family

9:00AM (Saint Thomas):

Marie Passarella, r.i.p., by the Zingaro & Ruvolo Families

11:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Mary Casey, r.i.p.*, by the Rizzi Family

12:30PM (Saint Joseph):

Heidi Fahl by Bill & Simone & the Kingswood Garden Board

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)



"ORDINARY TIME"

by Father Doughy

*"During the time young Samuel was minister to the Lord under Eli, a revelation of the Lord was uncommon and vision infrequent."
(1 Samuel 3:1)*

These words, precede the passage we have in our first reading this Sunday. They introduce us to the call of Samuel, the prophet and priest who would anoint David as King of Israel. The passage is dramatic: the young Samuel hears his name three times while sleeping, not realizing it was God who called. Eli tells him, "Go to sleep, and if you are called, reply, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening,'" Samuel says those very words the next time he hears his name called, and afterward, we are told, "the Lord was with him." From then on, the Old Testament records God's presence to the people of Israel through all the prophets and historical events that press on to the revelation of the Christ, the Messiah of God, the Christ, Jesus our Lord.

The words above, however, raise the disturbing idea of God's absence. The story of the Judges, that Old (Hebrew) Testament book which records the period in Israel's history after coming to the Promised Land, told of how when faced with danger, God quickly responded, sending saviors among the people who would assure them that He was with them. When the time of the kings came around (the story the book of Samuel begins to tell), God doesn't seem to be there for the people. Their negligence of their Heavenly Father makes them deaf and dull to his promptings.

"I was ready to be sought by those who did not ask for me; I was ready to be found by those who did not seek. I said, Here I am, here I am," to a nation that did not call my name." (Isaiah 65:1)

The words have a certain resonance in our days. Who hasn't felt helpless at the taunt of unbelievers asking "Where is your God?" when something bad happens? Who hasn't uttered in the depths of heart and soul at one time or another the words of Jesus on the cross, "My God, My God, why have you abandoned me?" and felt God's absence.

Yet, the beginning antiphon for one of the liturgies of the week which corresponds to the same reading from Samuel rings with the confirmation that God is present to us indeed;

"Upon a lofty throne, I saw a man seated, whom a host of angels adore, singing in unison. Behold him, the name of whose empire is eternal."

The words find their origin from the book of Daniel and the Book of Revelation, recounting the extraordinary experiences in prayers of prophet and apostle (John).

For our purpose, though, the words of the *introit* speak of the sacred mysteries we are invited to enter into, when through the "eyes of faith," we see the Christ of God, seated on his throne, adored by the angels and the saints, and us, who join our voices to theirs. In this moment, Jesus' literal promise to be with us forever is fulfilled in our time, and through the Holy Spirit received as the fruit of our participation in the Mass and in Holy Communion. continues to be truly present.

In this, our description as "ordinary time" of this period of the liturgical year we now begin seems to poorly capture the remarkable reality we confess by our Catholic Faith. In fact, the Latin "ordinalis" implies the "ordered life" of the Church in successive weeks when we hear about the life of Christ and his ministry on earth, devote ourselves to the mystery of Christ in all its aspects, and we contemplate Jesus walking among us *ordinarily*, neither uncommonly or infrequently. What sense it makes, on this Second Sunday of Ordinary Time, to hear John the Baptist challenging us, here and now, to "Behold, the Lamb of God!"

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS

Regular: \$9178.75

Capital Projects: \$3199.00

Pantry: \$89.00

Bingo: Cancelled due to weather

THIS WEEK'S SECOND COLLECTION

Communications/Catholic University

EMMAUS MINISTRY

If you have lost a child – no matter the age - and still suffer terrible grief, the Emmaus Ministry can help you. A day-long retreat will focus on the grieving process. All are welcome.



February 24: Church of the Magdalen, Sleepy Hollow from 9:30AM to 7:30PM.

Cost: \$25/person; \$40/couple

(includes breakfast, lunch and dinner)

To register go to www.emfgp.org/2018-archny or contact Sue DiSisto: susan.disisto@archny.org or 646-794-3191.

(Or see Deacon Joe and Regina Lieby if you are interested.)

JANUARY FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

1/14 10:00AM **Family** Faith Formation program

1/17 5:00PM **Family** Faith Formation makeup class

1/22 5:00PM Faith Formation classes

1/23 5:00PM Faith Formation classes

1/27 10:00AM Student/Parent 2nd Grade
Reconciliation Workshop

1/29 5:00PM Faith Formation classes

1/30 5:00PM Faith Formation classes

12 MONTHS OF CHRISTMAS RAFFLE BEGINS

January's Prize:

Brighten up your home with a pair of Lismore Candlesticks by Waterford (MSRP \$180).
Just in time for Candlemas!



ATTENTION:

CATHOLIC TEACHERS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Annual Retreat Day

Saturday, February 3, 2018

9:00AM -1:30PM

Conference * Holy Hour * Liturgy

Maryknoll Fathers & Brothers

55 Ryder Rd., Ossining, NY 10562

\$25.00 Donation (refreshments and lunch included)

Register before January 20th.

(914) 965-0490

zelide.ceccagno@archny.org or

artisanmusician80@msn.com

CAMP VERITAS 2018

Camp Veritas is a one-week play-and-pray sleep away summer camp for teens going into 7th to 12th grades. It will be held at four USA locations in 2018: June 10-14 at Lake Placid Camp in Lake Placid, FL (new site); July 22-28 at Mount Saint Mary College in Newburgh, NY; July 29-August 4 at Summit Lake Camp in Emmitsburg, MD; and August 12-18 at Camp Lakota in Wurtsboro, NY. Enrollment opens 1/1/18. Regular rate for 7-day NY and MD programs is \$450 per camper per week. Early bird rate (if paid in full by April 1, 2018) is \$400. Regular rate for 4-day FL program is \$350, and the early bird rate (if paid in full by April 1, 2018) is \$300. Volunteers (must be over 18) are needed and attend for FREE!



More details can be found at www.campveritas.org.

"FEARLESS"

A RETREAT EXPERIENCE FOR TEENS

February 9 -11, 2018

John S. Burke Catholic High School

80 Fletcher St., Goshen, NY

Open to teens in grades 8-12

Basketball, laser tag, ultimate Frisbee, KanJam

Mass and Eucharistic Adoration

Guests include:

Franciscan Friars and Sisters of the Renewal,

Sisters of Life, Diocesan priests, and others!

Students/\$45 * Volunteers 18+/free

For information or to register:

www.fearlessretreats.com

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Cereal, pasta, jarred sauce, soups, jelly/jam, laundry detergent, tissues, paper products.



JUNIOR CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS ACTIVITIES

PARISH TEEN MOVIE NIGHT

Enjoy a fun night of entertainment and refreshments sponsored by the JCDA on Sunday, **January 28th, 5:30 - 8:30PM.**

The movie, **God's Not Dead 2** (Rated PG) will be shown in room 7 of the St. Thomas School.

Donations for Hurricane Relief/American Red Cross will be accepted and much appreciated.

Everyone in grades 6 and 12 is invited!

SAINT VALENTINE'S DAY FOR SOLDIERS!

The Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas would like to send cards/letters to soldiers who are away from their homes and families. There will be boxes in the vestibules of both churches from now to **January 20, 2018.**

Please sign your first name only, but there is no limit to how many you may write.

Be your own light and send a letter!

Thank you for your support.

MARCH FOR LIFE - NEWBURGH BUS

We begin with a 4:00AM Mass at Our Lady of the Lake Church, Route 52, Orange Lake, and after a breakfast stop will arrive in Washington, D.C. in time for the Rally and the March. The bus returns to Orange Lake at about 10:30PM. Bus riders pay \$50/seat or \$35 for youth (sponsorships available for those who need help paying). Make checks payable to "St. Patrick/St. Mary's Church". For questions, donations, or reservations, please contact Howard or Beth Spear at howard.jp.spear@gmail.com or 845-564-5257, or St. Patrick/St. Mary's rectory at 845-561-0885.



WOMEN'S RETREAT

February 3rd - 4th

Vincent Pallotti Center, Monroe, NY

This overnight retreat will be directed by Sister Deanna Sabetta (Community of Notre Dame). "Travel a journey with two Gospel women from Encounter to Discipleship."

For information or to register contact Toni Kerins at 845-774-9321 or 845-492-5066. Flyers available at the church entrances.

NEXT WEEK'S SUNDAY MINISTERS: 1/21

Saint Thomas

5:30PM: (L) P. Query

(E.M.'s) R. Hufford, V. Hufford, M. McKenna, P. Visconti

7:30AM: (L) C. Steiner

(E.M.'s) S. Dudman, B. Fuger, J. Fuger, J. Kline

9:00AM: (L) D. Maxson

(E.M.'s) T. Raia, R. Relyea, T. Relyea, S. Rice

11:00AM: P. Grabe

(E.M.'s) N. Drislane, A. Gilman, N. Molloy, J. Thomas

Saint Joseph

4:00PM: (L) J. Hookey, (E.M.'s) S. Ireifej & N. Molloy

12:30PM: (L) S. Ferraiuolo, (E.M.'s) M. Frasco & F. Rich

