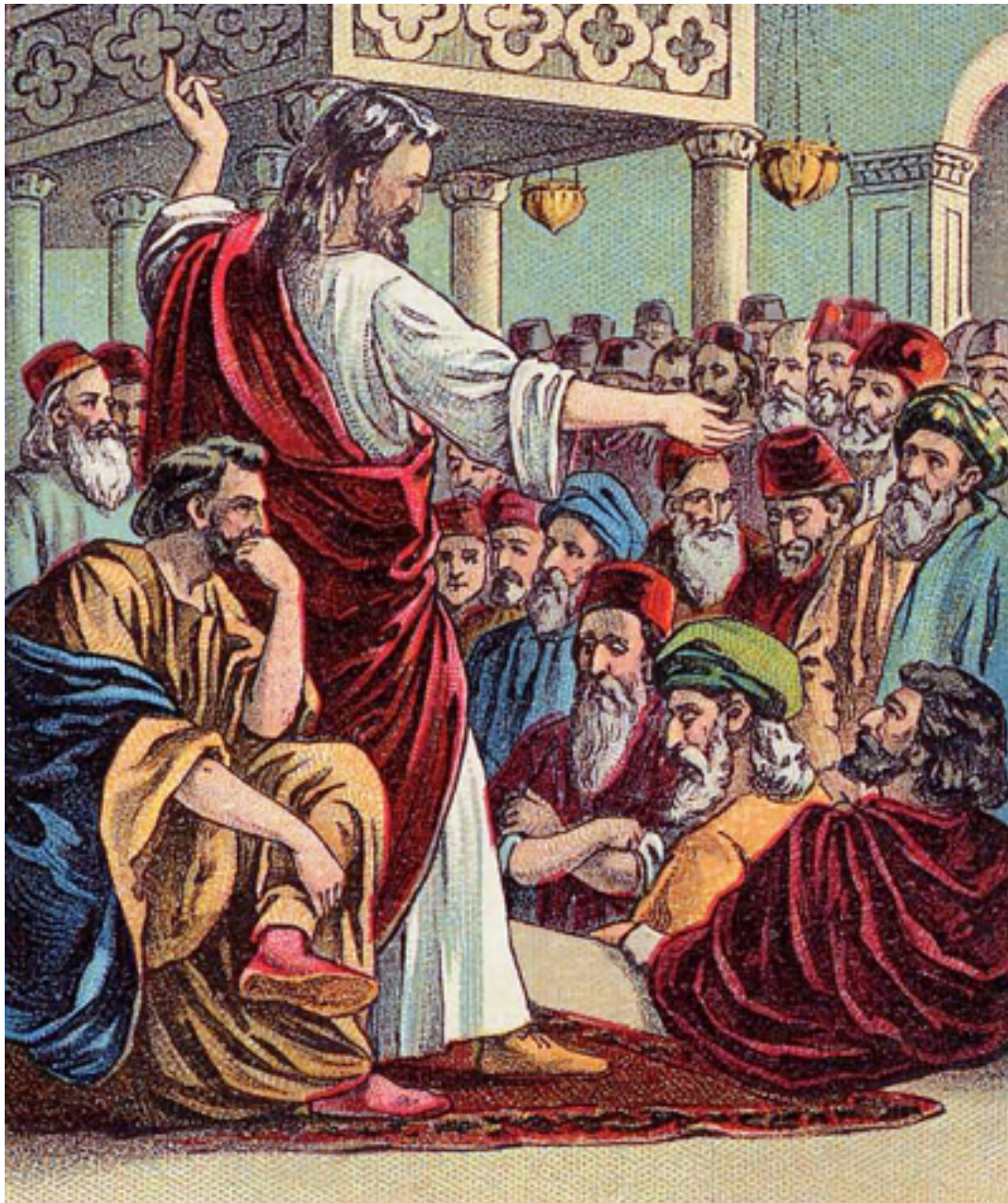


THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF SAINT THOMAS of CANTERBURY – SAINT JOSEPH

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 4, 2018



JESUS PREACHES IN THE SYNAGOGUE

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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FEBRUARY: MONTH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

SATURDAY 3 FEBRUARY:

MEMORIALS OF SAINT BLAISE; SAINT ANSGAR

8:30AM (Saint Thomas):

Christopher Sayers, r.i.p., by Jimmy & Kay Halpin

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

Kathleen Kane by Kathy Kissell

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

Kathleen Gleeson by Alan & Kathleen Gleeson

SUNDAY 4 FEBRUARY: FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30AM (Saint Thomas):

Dave & Helen Tigner by the Hickey Family

9:00AM (Saint Thomas):

Thomas E. Sullivan, r.i.p., by Peter Costella

11:00AM (Saint Thomas):

Gerard Jurgens, r.i.p., by Jane Weissheier

12:30PM (Saint Joseph):

Gerry Chrinian by Bill & Simone & the Kingwood Garden Board

MONDAY 5 FEBRUARY: MEMORIAL OF SAINT AGATHA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas):

Ned & Marcie Clifford, r.i.p., by Fran Clifford

6:30PM (Saint Joseph): *The Siner Family* by Linda Siner

TUESDAY 6 FEBRUARY:

MEMORIAL OF SAINT PAUL MIKI & COMPANIONS

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Margaret Vatter, r.i.p.*, Anne McGuire

WEDNESDAY 7 FEBRUARY: FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Special Intention* by the Bywater Family

THURSDAY 8 FEBRUARY: MEMORIALS OF

SAINT JEROME EMILIANI; SAINT JOSEPHINE BAKHITA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas):

Deacon Paul Rausch, r.i.p., John & Margaret Pelella

FRIDAY 9 FEBRUARY: FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas):

Mr. & Mrs. Michael Kline by the Kline Family

SATURDAY 10 FEBRUARY: MEMORIAL OF SAINT SCHOLASTICA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Hugh Kelly, r.i.p.*, by Kathy Kelly

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

Francis Rich by the Rich Family

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

Bruna & Annette McKenna, r.i.p., by Bill & Mary McKenna

SUNDAY 11 FEBRUARY: SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Liz Latonaro* by the Reid family

9:00AM (Saint Thomas):

Special Intention by the Gonsalves & D'Souza Families

11:00AM (Saint Thomas):

Gerard Jurgens, r.i.p., by Jane Weissheier

12:30PM (Saint Joseph): *Margaret E. O'Dea* by Brendan O'Dea

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)

SAINT BLASE, BISHOP AND MARTYR

by Father Doughty

As a convert to the Catholic Faith, I consider myself especially blessed. Early on I found I had acquired a trust in the Church and her teachings. While others, "cradle" Catholics and converts like me, hedged on some of what the Church had to say about certain things, for instance on articles of the faith like Original Sin or the Immaculate Conception or on moral teachings like sexuality and artificial contraception, I seemed able to grasp the reasonableness of the Church's pronouncements. I was able to give Her the benefit of doubt in matters I may not have fully understood...

until I found myself at St. John Baptiste on East 76th Street one February 3rd a couple of years later. Then, I saw something that struck me as altogether strange: men and women lined up before a priest, who held two candles to their throat while uttering a prayer. I was reluctant at first to get up and do the same, but then overcame my discomfort to "give it a try". As the priest placed the candles against my throat, I heard:

Through the intercession of St. Blase, bishop and martyr, may you be healed of every disease of the throat and every other infirmity.

Not much is known of St. Blase. He was the bishop in Sebaste, Armenia and was martyred in 316 AD. *The Legendary Acts of St. Blase* chronicling his life were written four hundred years later. Some of the episodes of his life are worth noting. The event from which the popular throat blessing comes concerns the Saint's miraculous healing of a child who was choking on a fish bone (or something like that).

St. Blase's story and its relevance to us can only be fathomed if we grasp the relevance to our faith life of that part of the creed professed every Sunday about our communion with all the saints. St. Angela Merici (d. 1450), for instance, was the "Mother Theresa" of her day, an orphan who became the founder of the world-wide order of Ursulines which dedicated itself to the education of girls, especially the poor, and the evangelization of families through the Christian education of wives and mothers. Her work and talents led to accomplishments on such a scale that many CEO's of major corporations today would envy. Surely that can mean something to us!

Indeed, there is something about every saint that can fascinate and inspire. Each had a unique encounter

with Christ that helps us round out our experience of Him. Their feast days are all about the power of their prayers for us and the concern God has for our every need. So, even though I can find still throat blessings on St. Blase Day a little bit odd, you will find me eagerly waiting to feel the candles at my throat and hear the words that bring comfort to many who suffer any kind of sickness.

We will offer the traditional blessing after all the Masses this Saturday night and Sunday.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS

Regular: \$10,118.71

Pantry: \$90.00

Bingo: Not available

THIS WEEK'S SECOND COLLECTION

Capital Projects

NEXT WEEK'S SECOND COLLECTION

Peter's Pence

COFFEE HOUR

Please stop by the school gym for refreshments with fellow parishioners after the 9:00AM at Saint Thomas.



ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

8:30AM St. Thomas

Mass with ashes

12:00Noon St. Thomas

Mass with ashes

4:30PM St. Thomas

*Liturgy Of the Word with ash distribution
for Faith Formation families and anyone else*

7:30PM St. Joseph

Mass with ashes

"AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION..."

By all accounts (including Deacon and pharmacist John Pelella), this year's flu is tenacious. We will be suspending the sharing of the chalice at all Masses on Sundays until the flu season is behind us.

Please take precautions! If you're sick, stay home. If you're not feeling well, refrain from shaking hands at any time during Mass and especially during the exchange of peace, and if well, don't press your brother or sister to do so either who may not be trying to spare you illness. A simple nod of the head, the word "peace", and even the promise of a prayer will serve.

FROM FATHER BEN

"I am going back to Ghana with mixed feelings. Happy that I am going back home because 'Home Sweet Home'. Sad that I am leaving Saint Thomas of Canterbury-Saint Joseph Parish. I have enjoyed my stay with you. I promise to pray for all of you and please pray for me also. May God bless each one of you extravagantly."

Address Saint Theresa's Hospital
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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. **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.)



2017 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you would like a statement of your 2017 contributions to the parish please call the office (845) 534-2547 and one will be provided.

K of C FUNDRAISER

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Bowling Fundraiser on Saturday February 17th at 1:00PM at Tarsio's Bowling Time Lanes in New Windsor. \$15.00 per person includes 2 hours of bowling and shoe rental. There will be great raffle baskets and food/beverages available for purchase. All proceeds will be donated to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and towards sending a local child in need of healing to the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes in France. Pre-registration is available but not required: kofc7460@gmail.com



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS – PLEASE HELP!

Coffee, tuna, cereals, jam/jelly, jarred pasta sauce, mayonnaise, ketchup, mustard, oatmeal, toilet paper, paper towels, napkins, tissues
Please keep the food pantry in mind when you shop!

12 MONTHS OF CHRISTMAS RAFFLE BEGINS

Entry sheets are still available for the annual parish raffle. Fill one out and place it in the offering plate, mail it in, or drop by the parish office.



FEBRUARY FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

2/5 5:00PM Faith Formation classes
2/6 5:00PM Faith Formation classes
2/7 6:30PM Levels 1 & 2 classes
2/11 10:00AM *Family* Faith Formation
2/12 5:00PM Faith Formation classes
2/13 5:00PM Faith Formation classes
2/15 5:30PM *Family* Faith Formation makeup class
2/21 6:00PM *Family* Faith Formation catechist meeting
2/26 5:00PM Faith Formation classes
2/27 5:00PM Faith Formation classes

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

In Saint Thomas church at 6:30PM
February 7th & 21st & March 7th & 14th
Please contact Gene Fenton with questions:
genefenton44@gmail.com



THE JCDA THANKS YOU!

For the 160 cards written to soldiers that were sent with snacks and toiletries to troops in Kuwait and Egypt.

For all who attended the movie night – it was a lot of fun and we look forward to doing it again! A special thanks to Father Rees and Mr. Kline for supporting this event.

YOUTH GROUP BABYSITTING NIGHT

February 24th from 5:00 – 9:00PM
at Saint Thomas school.
Plan a fun night out or a quiet evening in!
All ages – but must be potty trained!



NEXT WEEK'S SUNDAY MINISTERS: 2/10 – 2/11

Saint Thomas

5:30PM: (L) J. Kline
(E.M.'s) *Not assigned*

7:30AM: (L) P. Grabe
(E.M.'s) *Not assigned*

9:00AM: (L) D. Maxwell
(E.M.'s) *Not assigned*

11:00AM: (L) J. Hookey
(E.M.'s) *Not assigned*

Saint Joseph

4:00PM: (L) J. Molloy (EM) G. Kingsley, L. Siner

12:30PM: (L) B. Simoni (EM) I. Fringuello, Carolyn Mundy

