

PARISH BULLETIN

January 15, 2006

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 15, 2006

7:30 Peter & Florence Cossa and Domenico Stratta
9:00 Charles Murray
10:30 Marian (Betty) Downey
12:00 Robert Morley
5:00 Joseph Giamelli

Monday

7:00 Lucille Nichter
9:00 Betty Uhle

Tuesday

7:00 Dec. Mem. Bernard Cummings Family
9:00 Michael Melito

Wednesday

7:00 Angelina Soave
9:00 William & Joseph Rosson

Thursday

7:00 William Hongach
9:00 Posca Isabella

Friday

7:00 Patricia Burpoe
9:00 Patricia Burpoe

Saturday

9:00 Isabel Hynes & Henry D. Minich
5:00 Joseph Giamelli

Sunday, January 22, 2006

7:30 Andres Villanveva
9:00 Marlene Schell
10:30 Mary Farrell
12:00 Charlie Murray
5:00 Joseph Giamelli

Please pray for the sick and terminally ill: Donna Domic, Joseph Lydon, Margarita Ho, Nilda Muniz, Susan Fischer, Kathleen McDonald, Sherry Plumridge, Deoarine Srikishun, Mary Cecchini, Florence Frischmann, Lini Hauser, Ursula Sbordone, Lissette O'Leary, Ethel Thomas, Gordon C. Gladden, Karen Biolsi, Sunil Kannampala, Sister Eleanor Singer, Betty Knudsen, Josephine Carrano, Patrick Padian, Kristina Wheeler, Carmen Mattai, Bill Talbot, Evelyn Jones, Diane DeAngelo, Jane Alfini, Bill Sheluck, Sarah Olsen and Lucylee Chiles, Abraham Kallarackal.

2006 Religious Calendars...are available in the vestibule of the Church compliments of the Dwyer Funeral Home, Tarrytown. Please take one per family as you leave the Church today.

And God will judge between the nations, and will render decisions for many peoples. And they will hammer their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not lift sword against nations. Never again will they learn war.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, they shall be called children of God."

Each time we celebrate the Eucharist before receiving Communion we exchange a sign of peace.

"Peace be with you" we say and the response is "and also with you." Thusly, we attempt to show outwardly that the community shares peace with one another before sharing in the Eucharistic meal by receiving the Lord, "The Prince of Peace."

We all need to reflect on the deeper meaning of these actions. Hopefully these reflections will lead us to be active Peacemakers in our world, which is sorely afflicted with violence on every side.

Perhaps a simple beginning in our pursuit of peacemaking would be to never use the term "Peaceniks" to refer to those working for peace. It is an insulting non-Christian put down to something we should all strive to bring about.

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Parish Collection...\$8,884 was received the weekend of January 7/8. Thank you for your continued support.

Christmas Collection...Thank you for your generosity this Christmas Season. An additional \$840 was collected bringing the total to \$56,134. This Christmas collection will remain open for one more week to allow our parishioners who have been away to make their Christmas offering. We sincerely appreciate your continued support.

Have you moved to the area recently? Do you attend Mass here regularly? Please speak to one of the priests or contact the Rectory office during the week to register as a member of the parish. Please let us know of a change in address or phone number.

Upcoming Meetings

*...Advisory Board...Monday, January 23; 8:00 p.m.
...Parish Council...Thursday, February 2; 8:00 p.m.
...Pax Christi...Monday, February 6 at 8:00 p.m.
...Altar & Rosary...Tuesday, February 7; 7:30 p.m.*

Our Centering Prayer Group meets every Monday 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Cry Room. Call 591-3073.

Immaculate Conception School News...

...Open House ...Wednesday, February 1 from 9:00 –11a.m. Please invite your friends to come and see what we are all about!

...Sweetheart Dance...Friday, February 10 at 6:30 p.m.

...Visit our website at www.icsirvington.net to learn more about what goes on at ICS.

As we prepare for the 100th Anniversary of Immaculate Conception School...Calling All Alumni...Please email your name, address, phone number, etc. to immacon.icc@verizon.net. We would also appreciate your help in locating your classmates who no longer live in the area.

Parish Prayer Chain ~

...Need prayer support for a special need for yourself or others? Call Helen 591-9677 and/or Jane 591-3073. Leave prayer request on answering machine, if necessary. They in turn will pass your request to the members of the Prayer Chain. God Is Love...*Believe in the power of prayer!*

...If you would like to join the prayer chain please call Helen 591-9677 and/or Jane 591-3073.

Dows Lane Elementary School is celebrating its **50th Anniversary** with a *BirthDay Party* on Tuesday, February 7 at 9:00 a.m. All Dows Lane alumni are invited to attend. Please contact Irene O'Donnell at 591-3318 for additional information.

The Friends of Irvington Library present...The Hudson ~ A History...Sunday, January 29 at 4:00 p.m. For info call 591-7840.

Center for Spiritual Development, White Plains...will sponsor several workshops during the next couple of weeks. For information flyers can be found on the table in the church vestibule.

Voice of the Faithful Meeting...Wednesday, January 25 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Ann's School Gymnasium, Eastern Avenue, Ossining. For information call Eileen at 941-6286.

Give the "Gift of Life"...Phelps Hospital Center Blood Donor Services... Call 366-3916 for info or to make an appointment.

Religious Education News...

...Please note date change...First Eucharist Retreat...

...Monday, February 6 from 3:45-5:45 p.m. for all those 2nd Graders whose last names begin with A-L.

...Monday, February 13 from 3:45-5:45 p.m. for all those 2nd Graders whose last names begin with M-Z. Both sessions will be held in the school gym.

Important Notice...Safe Environment Program...If you work closely with children in the parish/school and have **not** yet filled out a background check form or have **not** yet gone to a training session please call the Rectory. All volunteers and employees of the parish must do so. *If a person has not completed both the background check and the training requirements they may not come into contact with minors in any Archdiocesan school, program or activity until they have done so. **Urgent...Please note: Any one who has not completed the requirements for this program will not be allowed to return to their position after January 1.**

Bequests In Your Will...Help the Church continue its mission of caring for and serving God's people. Consider specifying your gift to go the Endowment Fund. Packets are available at the Rectory for any one who is interested in Estate and Will Planning.

Open House ~ Archbishop Stepinac High School, White Plains...Wednesday, February 1 at 7:30 p.m. For info call 946-4800 ext. 263.

Volunteers Needed:

...Cabrini Nursing Home, Dobbs Ferry. Please call Roberta Mick at 693-6800.

...St. Vincent Hospital Westchester, Harrison. Please contact Grace Mastoras at 925-5563.

Thank you for your generosity last month in the **Endowment Collection**. Next weekend, January 22/23 we will again call upon your kindness in the second collection to make contributions to your parish for which only the income generated from the invested funds can be used to defray parish expenses.

Phelps Hospice Bereavement Support Group...eight weeks support group for adults...Wednesdays, 2:00-3:30 p.m. or 6:30-8:00 p.m. beginning on January 18. Suggested donation: \$50 for 8 weeks. Pre-registration is required, please contact Joyce Bluestone or Bess Steiger at 366-3325.

Angels Have Wheels – All Medicare recipients should now be aware that if they suffer from conditions such as arthritis, cardiovascular disease, respiratory disorders and have difficulty walking or propelling a standard wheelchair, they may be eligible to receive an electric wheelchair paid for by Medicare. For info call Gregory at 1-800-810-2877.

Lectors needed...If you would like to become a lector at the weekend Masses, please call the Rectory at 591-7480.

Become a Mentor...Abbott House, Irvington is a residential care facility for boys who have been abused, neglected or abandoned. Call 591-7300 ext. 3090.

*If you or a loved one is in the hospital...*Due to the enactment of the Health Insurance Portability/Accountability Act (or the Privacy Act, as it is sometimes referred to) many area hospitals will no longer be printing parish/congregation lists in the Pastoral Care Department or at the Information Desk. Therefore, we recommend that a family member call the rectory when someone is hospitalized, if the person would like to be visited by a parish priest.