

PARISH BULLETIN

April 23, 2006

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 23, 2006

7:30 Dante Cecchini
9:00 Alice Mattera
10:30 Andrew Brereton & Glenn Willman
12:00 Mary A. & James J. Byrne
5:00 Joseph Giamelli

Monday

7:00 Remo Appolonio
9:00 Thomas Grunwald

Tuesday

7:00 Anna Patterson
9:00 In Thanksgiving

Wednesday

7:00 Anthony Monte, Jr.
9:00 Joseph Camillone

Thursday

7:00 Remo Appolonio
9:00 In Thanksgiving

Friday

7:00 Anna Patterson
9:00 Dante Cecchini

Saturday

9:00 Mary Piacentini
5:00 Vito Calamia

Sunday, April 30, 2006

7:30 Altar & Rosary Society
9:00 Samuel Orroyo
10:30 Laura Madonia
12:00 William Rodriguez, Sr.
5:00 James Sheehy

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, Evelyn Jones, Diane DeAngelo, Jane Alfini, Bill Sheluck, Bruce Paul, Pam Perricone, Lucylee Chiles, Joannie Smith, Maggie Smith, Angelina Bencivenga, Joseph Bencivenga, Thomas DePaoli and Abraham Kallarackal.

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

The first word of the Risen Christ is "Shalom" ~ "Peace". This is obviously a call to all who believe in Jesus to work together for peace in all parts of this troubled world. However, the history of the world since then and even before Christ came is written in blood. War after war has scarred the earth and caused untold injury and death.

As we celebrate Easter and our own new life in Christ, should we not be committed to praying and working for peace? The praying part is easy but every follower of Christ must find ways to promote peace on every side. We cannot afford to just stand there while the world is devastated my wars. Think about it! If every Christian stood up and echoed Christ's word "Peace" and worked hard for peace this would be a much better world.

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By a decree of Pope Benedict XVI, I have been named a Reverend Monsignor. I see this as an honor for our Parish. However, I have always viewed such titles as divisive and medieval. I am happy that you are happy about it and thank you for your kind words, cards and gifts.

I am very pleased to be your pastor and humbly request that you continue to call me "Father", the only title I ever wanted.

Father Byrne

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Easter Collection...\$34,256 was received on Easter Sunday. Our Easter Collection will remain open for the next couple of weeks to allow those who were away to make their contribution. \$1,474 was collected on Good Friday for the Holy Land Collection. As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

Save the date!

June 13 -- Annual Golf Outing

Annual Ladies Communion Brunch...Sunday, April 30 at the Ardsley Country Club immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Tickets are \$35 per person and can be purchased at the Rectory.

Thank you for your continued generosity last month in the **Endowment Collection**. This weekend, April 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.

Immaculate Conception School News...

...ICS will reopen on Monday, April 24.

...Discovery Night...Thursday, May 11 @ 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.

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

Parish Prayer Chain ~

...Need prayer support for a special need for yourself or others? Call Helen 591-9677 and/or Jane 591-3073.

...If you would like to join the prayer chain please 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!

Voice of the Faithful...3rd Anniversary Celebration...St. Ann's, Ossining...Wednesday April 26. The evening will begin with Mass at 7:00 p.m. For info call 941-6286.

Altar & Rosary Society...Annual Baby Shower...Donations will be accepted at the Rectory until Friday, April 28. Please be as generous as you can!

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.

Homebound, Sick and Elderly...If you know any one who would like to receive Communion, please call the Rectory at 591-7480, so that they can be placed on the Communion Call List.

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.

Religious Education News...

...Confirmation...Monday, May 1 at 5:00 p.m.

...Practice will be held on Thursday, April 27 from 7:00 –8:00 p.m. Parents must sign for and pick up tickets on that night. **Sponsors are encouraged to attend.** If your sponsor **cannot** make this practice, please call the Religious Ed Office at 591-7740.

...First Communion...Saturday, May 6 at 11:00 a.m.

...Practice will be held on Tuesday & Thursday, May 2 and 4 from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. Parents may sign for and pick up tickets at the May 2 practice.

...All children entering the 1st Grade in September must be enrolled in our program in order to begin the 2-year preparation for First Communion. For more info call 591-7740.

Youth 2000 NY

Experience the Power of His Presence

April 28, 29, 30, 2006

Immaculate Conception School Auditorium

All young adults at least 15 years of age are invited to attend a weekend of spiritual renewal, prayer, music and fellowship led by the Franciscan Friars beginning Friday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m. and ending on Sunday, April 30 at 2:00 p.m. Participants must bring sleeping bags, pillows, blankets and make a \$25 donation made payable to Youth 2000.

Register Early – Space is Limited

Flyers and Registration forms are available on the table in the vestibule. For additional info call Frank Imperatore 479-5291 or Linda McCauley 591-9721.

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

Important Notice...Safe Environment Program...Urgent...Please note: Any one who has not completed the requirements for this program will not be allowed to return to their position.

Adoption...Baby girls in China need homes. Infants and toddlers available. Older parents and singles welcome. Call Barbara Salvesen at 845-623-5277.

Franciscan Sisters of Peekskill...Annual Spring Festival...Saturday, April 29 from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the motherhouse, 250 South Street, Peekskill. Bring the whole family to this yearly festival for the benefit of the elderly and inform Sisters. For info call 737-3373.