

PARISH BULLETIN

May 14, 2006

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, May 14, 2006

- 7:30 Peter & Florence Cossa and Domenico Stratta
9:00 Anna & Alois Aschwanden-Schuler
10:30 Mother's Novena
12:00 Assunta Cecere Sbordone
5:00 Mary Brereton and Dolores Moran

Monday

- 7:00 Mother's Novena
9:00 Jack Ford

Tuesday

- 7:00 Mother's Novena
9:00 Robert Schnibbe

Wednesday

- 7:00 Mother's Novena
9:00 William & Joseph Rosson

Thursday

- 7:00 Mother's Novena
9:00 Carolyn Doyle

Friday

- 7:00 Mother's Novena
9:00 Joseph Camillone

Saturday

- 9:00 Mother's Novena
5:00 Louise Monaco

Sunday, May 21, 2006

- 7:30 Mother's Novena
9:00 Paul Devlin
10:30 Mary Farrell
12:00 Domenico Archino
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, 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, Andrea Wenesch and Abraham Kallarackal.

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

As we celebrate Mother's Day and honor and thank our mothers today, I wonder if the world would be a better place if more women were in positions of power today. If mothers were leaders of nations would there be so many wars? Think of and pray for the women who have lost sons, daughters or husbands in this current stupid and senseless war in Iraq. What an ongoing tragedy this is!

The tragedy is that, in some demonic way the word "peace" has become tainted yet Jesus says "Blessed are the peacemakers, they shall be called the children of God." We who follow Christ must do more than pray for peace. We must work to make peace a priority in our lives. It is not an option or a dream. It is the deity of all who follow the "Prince of Peace."

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Happy Mother's Day to all our mothers, grandmothers and godmothers. May God's blessings shine upon you today and always.

Parish Collection...\$7,737 was received for the weekend of May 6/7. An additional **\$300** was received for the Easter collection bringing the total to **\$37,730**. Please remember our weekly goal of **\$8,500** in order to help defray our parish's ongoing expenses. *Thank you!*

Save the date!

June 13 -- Annual Golf Outing

May Devotions...The Rosary & Benediction will be held at 7:00 p.m. every Monday evening in May except for Memorial Day, May 29 when the rosary will be recited after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

This weekend, May 13/14, we will have a second collection for the **American Bishops' Overseas Appeal**, which supports Catholic Relief Services, the Holy Father's Relief Fund and the U.S. Bishops' Migration and Refugee Services and the Department of Social Development and World Peace. Please be as generous as you can! Thank you!

Thank you for your continued generosity last month in the **Endowment Collection**. Next weekend, May 20/21 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...

...Thanks to all the parents, children, teachers and other community members that turned out to celebrate the joy of reading at ICS's *Scholastic Book Fair* last week. The Fair, a fun-filled book sale geared to excite children about reading and learning, offered the most popular books and educational products for all ages. Visitors to the Book Fair bought books for themselves and also for teachers' classroom libraries. Funds raised will be used to purchase essential classroom resources and to support school projects. ***Thanks again for your continued support.***

Altar Server Training...all boys and girls in grade 4 and up who are interested in becoming altar servers should contact the Rectory 591-7480. First training class will be held on Wed., May 17; 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Upcoming Meetings...

...Parish Council... Thursday, June 1 at 8:00 p.m.

Couples celebrating their 25th Wedding Anniversary during 2006 should contact the Rectory by Tuesday, May 30. These couples will be honored here at Immaculate Conception this spring.

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.

...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!***

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.

Religious Education News...

...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.

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.

Irvington/Dobbs Ferry...FISH...is a group of dedicated volunteers who help people with no means of transportation to and from medical appointments, treatment centers, etc. In order to keep this program available to those in need, we are asking for volunteers to sign up for this very worthy cause that benefits mostly senior citizens. Please contact Marion or Bob Connick at 591-9415.

Holy Rosary Church, 170 Bradhurst Avenue (Rt. 100), Hawthorne...

...Life in the Spirit Seminar...Dates: May 8 to June 12 for six consecutive Mondays from 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Flyers can be found on the table in the Church vestibule.

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.

IONA Prep..."Scholar Athlete Camp" during the month of July for males entering 7th & 8th Grades. There will be two sessions over a four-week period. Academic courses will include Astronomy, Robotics, Math Games and TACHS Skill-Building, Creative Writing and TACHS Reading Comprehension Skills, as well as instruction in 5 popular sports. For more info and fees please call 914-632-0714 x215.

