SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays: Msgr. Ryan Hall - 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Also by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

The Church provides certain times and preparation for weddings. Please contact the Rectory at least six months in advance to begin the process.

REGISTRATION

Every family and person within the parish is encouraged to register with the Parish.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. A required Baptism preparation meeting for parents meets on the first Monday of the month at 8:00 p.m. Godparents are welcome. Please register in advance for the class and Baptism. Godparent Pre-Requisites: Godparents must be practicing Catholics in good standing, 16 years of age or older, Baptized and Confirmed Catholic.

ON BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Those seeking information about the Catholic Faith are invited to contact Fr. Valentine at the Rectory at 621-2222.

CARE OF THE SICK

Please notify the Rectory and Human Concerns Ministries if there is anyone seriously ill so that we can provide spiritual care.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Michele Brown Kathleen Capuano Pat Cempa Mary Ann Cifarelli Barbara Coe Rebekah Cole Virginia Connors Emma Cook Kevin Cronin Paul Cronin John Damiano Linda De Stio John Paul DiNonno James Dougherty Eric DuBois Elizabeth Fenamore Natalie Finamore Noel Glen Stephen Grabher Ida Kelly

Christine Kenney Maria Kim Douglas Knehr Anne Krukowski Frank Krukowski Richard Malon Jonathan Mannina Marilyn Manning Stuey Manzione Freida Navarro Victoria Oxer Justin Paradine Marion Prendergast Gregory Racaniello Jaxon Rivera **Roy Rodrigues** Charles Strecker Peter Vanatta Clotida Vecchione Jacqueline Verde Anne Wright Mary Wybaillie Anthony



THE MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday January 23: THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 a.m. Frank & Stephanie Weyland

by the Family

9:00 a.m. People of the Parish

11:00 a.m. John Hawkins

by Roseann McMahon &

Michelle Perone

Tom McCormack

by Michelle Perone

Carol McMahon

by Michelle Perone

12:30 p.m. Thomas Dredger

by Joan Grau

Monday January 24: St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

9:00 a.m. Edgar Orellana

by Ivan & Guissela Sandoval

Tuesday January 25: Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

9:00 a.m. Leon Cempa

by Elizabeth Golomon

Wednesday January 26: Saints Timothy and

Titus, Bishops

9:00 a.m. In thanksgiving & for the intentions of

Raymundo Duque IV

by Dr. Esmeralda Magpantay

Thursday January 27: Weekday

Dolores O'Hara

by Richard O'Hara

Friday January 28: Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Religious, and Doctor of the Church

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9:00 a.m. Pasqualina & Rocco Calo

by Helen Belfiore

Saturday January 29: Weekday

5:00 p.m. John Frank

by Peggy & Michael Carillo

Alexis Mc Cabe

by her Family

For the intentions of Barbara Nakelski

by Phyllis Concilio

Sunday January 30: FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 a.m. Mark Trantel

by Kathryn & Thomas Magaldi

9:00 a.m. Lydia N. Volpe 25th Anniversary &

Nicholas G. Volpe 3rd Anniversary

by the Volpe Family

11:00 a.m. Rose Della Ratta

by Daughter, Kathryn &

Angelo Grande

Alexander Levchuck, Michael & Gertrude

Hochla

by Janet

Thomas McCormack

by Sally & Thomas Mascitelli

12:30 p.m. People of the Parish

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2022 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Nehemiah 8: 2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 12-30, or 12: 12-14, 27

Gospel: Luke 1: 1-4: 4: 14-21

FOCUS: The law of the Lord delights the human heart and guides the steps of our lives.

Today's Gospel opens with the words and intentions of Luke the Evangelist. He has decided to write a Gospel - a narrative of the events regarding Jesus Christ that will draw from the memories of those who witnessed his life, death, and resurrection, and who have handed on his teachings to future generations. We cling to that Gospel message, which reminds us of God's mercy and challenges us to live in Christ.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Nehemiah, Ezra, and others instruct the people to rejoice and not be sad, for their God has made the day holy. Saint Paul instructs the Corinthians, using the image of the body to describe the Church and explaining that each person has a role in it. In the Gospel, Jesus reads from the book of the prophet Isaiah in the synagogue in Nazareth and proclaims, *Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing*.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK, JANUARY 30, 2022 FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Jeremiah 1: 4-5, 17-19

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 31 - 13:13 or 13: 4-13

Gospel: Luke 4: 21-30

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Celebrants for the Weekend of January 29/30, 2022*

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	Celebrants*	Lector
Sat. 5:00 pm	Fr. Valentine	V. Eyerman - L
Sun 7:30 am	Fr. Lauder	M & J Castellano - L
9:00 am	Fr. Valentine	Volunteer Needed
11:00 am	Fr. Valentine	Volunteer Needed
12:30 pm	Fr. Valentine	J. Ferreira - L

^{*} Subject to last minute changes.

FOSTERING STEWARDSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE

PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Parish Sacrificial Giving - Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Service: As we hear in the Second Reading, we are all part of the one body - each of us has our own part. Have you considered how you could be of service to Christ's Church? Look in your bulletin or ask your pastor how you could serve at the parish.

Sunday Offering ~ January 15/16, 2022 \$5,913.00* Same Week Last Year \$3,868.00 *

Mass Attendance for ~ January 15/16, 2022 391 Same Week Last Year 280**

Christmas Offering to Date \$44,904.00* Christmas Last Year \$55,239.00

*Does not include Faith Direct

**Mass Attendance at 50% capacity under Covid 19 Guidelines

2021CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL		
St. Mary's Parish Assessed Goal	\$65,200.00	
Amount Raised to Date	\$33,835.00	
Numbers of Gifts and/or Pledges	100	
Percentage of Goal	51.89%	

Sunharbor Manor Comprehensive Rehabilitation and Skilled Nursing Facility in Roslyn Heights, NY

is looking for a volunteer to assist with transporting residents in their wheelchairs to/from our in-house Beauty Salon. Hours: Wednesdays 9 AM to 2 PM. Volunteer must be 16+. Please contact Jennifer Patten at

516-621-5400 X 4242/4244 Thank you!



THE PASTOR'S PAGE

Dear Friends:

In these pages I have described many times how analogy helps Catholics understand—and express—our experience of God. In a word, we learn about the unknown (God) by means of what we do know (the world). Do we believe in a personal God? Yes we do. Do we say that he is (all) powerful? Yes again. And so, the Scriptures refer to the "face" or the "arm" of God. But does God literally have a face: eyes, nose, mouth, skin, teeth, eyebrows and lashes? Of course not. Or biceps? Don't be ridiculous. The Bible (1) uses, in this case, human qualities to direct our attention to divine perfections, even as we know that (2) he infinitely surpasses them. If we forget (1) or (2), we run into trouble. Without the first we create a chasm between ourselves and God so large that we cannot understand anything meaningful about him. Without the second, we associate God so much to our ideas as to create him in our *own* image and likeness, not the other way around. A great Catholic theologian (Balthasar) points out that the Christian imagination toggles between the two extremes. Catholicism (generally speaking) finds the presence of God within the inmost self, while Protestantism (generally speaking) clearly distinguishes between the divine and the human. Normally, I find myself much more comfortable with the Catholic sensibility, but I at least have to acknowledge the need to acknowledge, and even feel, that the grace of God does not originate within me but beyond me.

Perhaps that is why the person and example of St. Paul is so important, and why he plays such a central roll in Protestant Christianity. On January 25th, the Church celebrates the Conversion of St. Paul. We all know the story of Saul, the devout follower of the Law who zealously sought to serve the Lord by persecuting the fledgling Christian community. On his way to Damascus he encounters the Risen Christ, falling to the ground (no mention of a horse!), blinded by an intense light, and hearing the voice of an obscure figure who accuses Saul of persecuting him. "Who are you, Lord?" The voice responds: "It is I, Jesus, whom you are persecuting." The point is that Paul genuinely thought he was doing the will of God by attacking Christians. God had to "knock him off his high horse" to get his attention. God's ways are *not* Paul's ways, and he had to learn his lesson the "hard" way.

Today's artwork is the 1601 Caravaggio painting, "The Conversion of Saint Paul." The Italian painter created two masterpieces on this theme, the other more famous than the one on our cover this week. I love them both, but find myself particularly drawn to this one. The other painting, for all its power and beauty, is more serene and tranquil in tone. Our version, however, conveys a sense of chaos, frenzy, and confusion. I suspect that the artist intends that we behold the scene the way Paul does: blinded by divine light, and quite incapable of making out the image of Christ, who is kept deliberately obscure. Paul's companion is also thrown into confusion, pointing his sword (without knowing it) at Jesus.

As a Catholic, I must learn that turmoil and turbulence in life do *not* mean that I am moving away from the Lord. On the contrary, grace can draw me closer to him, even as my inadequate notions of how God "ought" to act are turned upside down.

Faithfully, Fr. Valentine

ST. MARY'S CHURCH CHOIR REGISTRATION FORM (Please fill out and return to the Rectory)

Name:	
Telephone:	
Email:	
Voice (check): SopranoAlto	Tenor Bass
from 7:30 to 9:00 PM	gun on Thursday evenings I in the Lower Church. welcome!
PARISH REGISTRATION	FAITH DIRECT
REQUEST	The most convenient and secure way
I/we would like to register in the parish of St. Mary's.	weekly offering to fund and support ou ministries is eGiving through Faith Direct
Please send me a Parish Census to complete so I can become a parishioner of St. Mary's. Please send my Census to:	roll, go online to www.faithdirect.net and parish code NY559, or fill out an enrolln from the parish office and mail the form to
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REMEMBERING THOSE WHO SERVE



Lord, hold these men and women in your loving hands and protect them as they protect us and bless them for their self-forgetting acts. We pray for peace in our world and an end to war. Amen.

CAPT Brendan Echausse COL Daniel Friend PV1 Joseph M. Friend CDR Christian R. Foschi PFC Steven Hyyti CAPT David Jacobs SK1 John D. Klick PFC Michael P. Lanciki CAPT Eric W. Lipp LCpl Caitlin Lyons LT Dennis Mackin Cpl Tommy Mozer SGT Julio Ortiz II LCpl Jonathan Peres SSGT Jonathan Porto PVT Michael Starczewski SPC Luke Whitting RCT Jordan J. Williams

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle.
Be our protector against the
wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him,
we humbly pray;
And do Thou,
O Prince of the Heavenly Host,
by the power of God,
cast into hell Satan,
and all the evil spirits
who prowl about the world
seeking the ruin of souls. Amen





Through your generous donations, St. Mary's Human Concerns again made Christmas

joyous for more than 55 families in our community. Many of the gift cards and food vouchers were donated anonymously.

Thanks to one and all for your generosity and support.

HUMAN CONCERNS MINISTRY

FOOD PANTRY IN URGENT NEED:

St. Mary's Food Pantry has had a great demand for food, and is running low on staples.

We ask that when you do your grocery shopping, you consider purchasing extra items to donate to the Food Pantry.

The Human Concerns Food Pantry is in urgent need of the following items: soups, cereals, peanut butter, jelly, crackers, and cookies.

Gift cards from Stop & Shop or other food stores will also be helpful. Please bring your donations to Msgr. Ryan Hall at 440 Round Hill Road, Roslyn Heights.

Those in need of food or other supplies may call Elsie Calderone at 626-1097, or send her an email to *outreachstmary7@gmail.com* in order to sign up with Human Concerns. After registration is complete, they may come to Msgr. Ryan Hall to pick up supplies from 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions are available for weekdays and weekends in January and February 2022. Please call the Rectory Office at 621-6222 if you wish to arrange for Masses.

Thank you.



Fr. Lauder's Catholic Novel

Fr. Lauder's Series of 50 lectures on the Catholic Novel, each 15 minutes long, are available on YouTube.

Current Covid Guidelines The Diocesan Office of the Vicar General

The Governor of New York State has included houses of worship in her recent directives. Therefore we ask that all parishioners (two years of age and older) to comply with the requirements to wear masks when participating in any activities on parish The state requirement is still in grounds. effect. We will continue to adapt accordingly as new information becomes available. Your patience and Christian charity towards one another during difficult this time appreciated.



2022 Big Event Numbers Pick Party Sponsored by the John W. Mackay Council.

\$1300-final \$300 –halftime 1st and 3rd breaks - \$200

Complimentary Razzano's sandwiches (BYOB) for participants one week before The Big Game @Parish Center for box number combo selection Sunday, February 6th 2-4 PM

\$40 per pool box- pool boxes assigned by random computer assignment 1-100. Boxes limited to max 2 per person until January 25th.

To purchase boxes- email <u>Mackay2310@yahoo.com</u> or phone 917 658-9012 with questions.

Proceeds will be assigned to K of C charitable endeavors.

Winners based on score digits at the end of the 1st, 2nd, 3rd breaks and the end of The Big Event (including overtime).

Good luck! . Please RSVP if one plans to attend box assignment party.

Checks payable to John W. Mackay Council

Processional Hymn: I Heard the Voice of Jesus



Text: CMD; Horatius Bonar, 1808–1889, alt. Music: trad. English melody, adapt. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958.

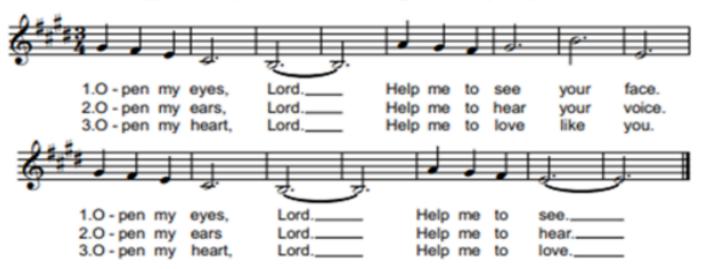
Responsorial Psalm



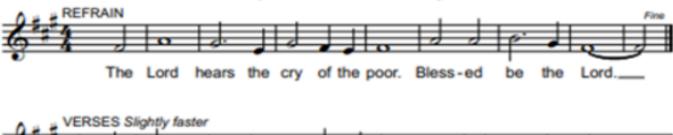
Your words, Lord, are Spir - it and life.

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Offertory Hymn: Open My Eyes



Communion Hymn: The Cry of the Poor





and will hear

Recessional Hymn: Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

