

**THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 24, 2016**



Mass Intentions for the Week
January 24 – January 31

- SAT: 5:30pm Lawrence Klein
 Sun: 7:00am Joseph Faber Jr.
 9:00am Patrick & Ann Rooney
 Victoria & Joseph Trapani
 11:30am All Parishioners Living & Deceased
 MON: 7:30am Infant of Prague
 12:10pm John 'Jack' Hoag
 TUE 7:30am Dorothy Fersch
 12:10pm Michael Mingolla Sr.
 WED: 7:30am Franz Kristian Reich
 12:10pm Barbara Van Gelder
 THUR: 7:30am Deacon Alex & Menchie Gapay (Living)
 12:10pm Lawrence Klein
 FRI: 7:30am Angelina Fusco
 12:10pm Frank P. Biasi
 SAT: 8:00am Dorothy Tirpick Fersch
 5:30pm All Parishioners Living & Deceased
 SUN: 7:00am Peter Le Rose
 9:00am Nora M. Foley
 Lena Lacenera
 11:30am Deacons & Wives – St. Joseph's (Living)



PRAY FOR
 Gloria E. Vargas
 Dorothy Shanley
 Audrey Ayers

Note: Monday through Friday, 12:10 mass is offered for an increase in vocations. An additional intention may be requested



PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

On the night before Jesus died, He gave us the great gift of Himself in the Holy Eucharist. He gave us His real presence to be our spiritual food and so that He might remain with us always. That same night He was betrayed by one Apostle, denied by another and abandoned by the rest of them. He suffered the long night before His death alone and with no one to comfort Him.

Now He waits in the Blessed Sacrament for someone to come and console Him. The long hours of the night still find Him alone for the most part. Many Guardians of the Eucharist are needed to fill the hours of adoration. Prayerfully consider if God is calling you to be one of them.

Hours of greatest need:

**Monday 3-4AM
 Tuesday 1-2AM
 Tuesday 3-4AM
 Tuesday 4-5AM
 Wednesday 3-4AM
 Wednesday 4-5AM
 Thursday 1-2AM
 Friday Midnight-1AM
 Saturday Midnight-1AM
 (For Winter Closings, Call 341-0587)**

APOSTOLATE OF PRAYER

Parishes of the Orange County Vicariate are uniting in prayer each day throughout the year for the members of our beloved clergy. Please remember:

- January 24 Pope Francis
 January 25 Rev. Vincent Odikanoro
 Rev. Timothy Ennis, O.Carm
 January 26 Rev. Thomas Zalewski, O.Carm
 Deacon William Alvarado
 January 27 Rev. Christopher Byrnes
 Rev. Paul Denault, O.Carm
 January 28 Rev. Robert Traudt, O.Carm
 Deacon John Reilly
 January 29 Rev. Mark Connell
 Rev. Mark Nacarto
 January 30 Vocations
 Seminarians

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www.sjchurch.com

YEAR OF MERCY

What can I do?

Be merciful! Here are some ways known as the

CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY:

Feed the hungry
Give drink to the thirsty
Clothe the naked
Shelter the homeless
Care for the sick
Visit the imprisoned
Bury the dead

We invite all to participate in a special bilingual Holy Hour every Friday night at 8:00pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

CHURCH PARKING/SNOW EMERGENCY

Please be advised that overnight parking on the church or cemetery grounds is not permitted. In the event of bad weather, it is essential to have the parking lots cleared of all vehicles. If you leave your car in the parking lot during a snow emergency, it may be necessary to have your car removed at your expense. Similarly the City of Middletown does not permit parking on the street during a snow emergency or at night.

FRANCISCAN SPIRIT TOURS

Franciscan friars Fr. Michael Seigny, OFM Cap. and Fr. Julian Jagudilla, OFM will lead several upcoming pilgrimages to Holy sites around the world, including a special pilgrimage for the Canonization of Mother Theresa in Rome. Proceeds benefit the work of the Franciscans. For more information, or to arrange a private, custom pilgrimage, please contact Franciscan Spirit Tours toll free at 646-736-7964 (in New York City), at info@FranciscanSpiritTours.com or on the web at www.FranciscanSiritTours.com.

FOOD FOR THE POOR

Our monthly food drive for the poor will be held next weekend. Do bring some canned food when you come to mass. You can leave your food at the doors of the church. All canned foods are welcome, but there is always a special need for canned items such as: spaghetti or ravioli, macaroni and cheese, cereal, soups, **tuna, spam, or other meats, fruit and peanut butter and jelly.**

SHORTER NOTICES

†OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL SCHOOL is hosting a Pasta Dinner in celebration of Catholic Schools Week. Please join us January 30th for a night of fun, laughter, and find out why our kids love their Catholic Education! It will be from 4-7pm in OLMC Parish Center, 90 Euclid Ave., Middletown. Call 343-8836 for tickets. Cost is \$10/adult \$8/senior \$7/children 4-11 – Kids under 4 eat free! (No tickets will be sold at the door)

†ARCHDIOCESAN LITURGY OFFICE "Revised Rite of Confirmation" presentation at St. Joseph's Seminary(Yonkers), Friday, February 5, 2016 at 7pm, presentation by Fr. Matthew Ernest, S.T.D. For more information: nyliturgy.org/workshops. Contact: liturgy@archny.org or 914-968-6200 x8177.

†CHINA SUPPORT GROUP - ADOPTION: Children in China need homes. More boys available than girls. Older parents and single women welcome. For more information call Barbara Salvesen at 845-623-5277.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Confirmation candidates enjoyed a fun-filled day of spiritual recollection on retreat with Tony Bellizzi this was in preparation for their Confirmation. We specially Thank Fr. Dennis and Fr. Sandro for their continued support!

A big THANK YOU to Mr. Williams, Ms. Marin and Mrs. Darrell for helping out at the retreat.

All second grade and Special Sacrament 2 parents: The First Holy Communion make-up-meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday February 2, 2016 in the school cafeteria.**

Reminder to all parents: In case of inclement weather please call the Religious Education office (845 343- 4415) there will be a recorded message letting you know if classes are canceled.

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

Ezra gathered the people and read to them from the book of the Law of God. He interpreted the law clearly, so that everyone understood what he had read. He then told them to go and rejoice in the Lord.

Second Reading: I Corinthians 12:12-30

Paul explains that a body is composed of many different parts, and that each part has its' own purpose and is important. He compares this to the Church, describing how we are one body composed of many members. All members should show concern for each other and understand that we are all vital to the body as a whole.

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

Luke discusses his decision to write about the events he and the other disciples had witnessed. He begins by telling of Jesus reading a passage from the book of Isaiah, where the anointed one is portrayed. Jesus finished by telling the people that they had seen that passage fulfilled in their hearing.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday

Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27; Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21

Monday

Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Mk 16:15-18

Tuesday

2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday

2 Sm 7:4-17; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday

2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Mk 4:21-25

Friday

2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mk 4:35-41

CEMETERY/MAUSOLEUM DECORATIONS

Starting February 1st, our cemetery crew will be removing all Christmas decorations around the cemetery and mausoleum. If you wish to keep items, please remove them before February 1st.

Please be respectful of the cemetery and mausoleum. If you need a copy of the Rules and Regulations, please call the parish office. Thank you!



HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

Sunday January 31, 2016 is Hospitality Sunday after the 9:00am Mass. Please join us for a little reception in the Parish Center Meeting Room. This is a great opportunity to socialize and get to meet new friends. Please come and join us. January's Hospitality Sunday is being sponsored by the Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors. We are always in need for organizations to sponsor Hospitality Sunday. Call the rectory if you're able to help.

ENCOURAGE

Encourage is a Catholic Spiritual Support Group who help the families of those with the issue of Same-Sex attraction. The goal of Encourage is to bring a family to a vital personal relationship with Our Lord Jesus Christ by following the authentic Catholic spiritual teachings which will open people to a happy and healthy life without shame or guilt.

There are scheduled meetings in the Orange County area. To find the time and place, please contact the area Encourage group at encourageny@hotmail.com or by contacting your local pastor.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Many of you may have noticed a change in your monthly Offertory Envelopes. We now have included all the Archdiocesan Second Collection Envelopes to your mailings. We also have included an envelope for both Easter and Christmas Flowers. Hopefully this will make things easier for all.

Mother's Day and Father's Day cards will still be distributed by the ushers.