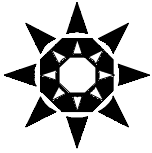


# Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



July 17, 2005

“Blessed are you, Father, Lord of Heaven and earth;  
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the Kingdom.”



## MASS INTENTIONS

*Your prayers are asked for all of our parishioners and benefactors, relatives, and friends, for the welfare of our country, for the sick, the needy, the troubled, and the sinful, for the dead, for those for whom we are bound or have been asked to pray, and for those for whom Mass will be offered in the coming week:*

Saturday, July 16 *vigil: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00pm Stanley Oleksowicz

Sunday, July 17 *16th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00am The People of St. Anthony

10:00am Noreen Flood

12:00noon John M. Pace, Sr.

Monday, July 18 *Weekday*

9:00am Mary Petti

Tuesday, July 19 *Weekday*

9:00am Marie Tucci

Wednesday, July 20 *Weekday*

9:00am Special Intention

Thursday, July 21 *St. Lawrence of Brindisi*

9:00am William Sacco, Sr.

Friday, July 22 *St. Mary Magdalene*

9:00am Josephine Tucci

Saturday, July 23 *St. Bridget of Sweden*

9:00am Vincenza Colli

Saturday, July 23 *vigil: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00pm John & Mary Thomas Dwyer

Sunday, July 24 *17th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00am The People of St. Anthony

10:00am Margie Marrero

12:00noon Michael Schiavone

The Sanctuary Lamp is lighted  
In Memory of  
Santos & Margie Marrero

## - STEWARDSHIP -

Last Weekend's Collection \$ 4,030.00  
Same Weekend Last Year \$ 5,028.00

Black & Indian Missions \$ 1,095.00

Mass Attendance 712

St. Anthony's Window (so far) \$ 19,432.00  
*[Our goal is \$86,000.00]*

## Reflection for this Weekend

### WE ARE WEAK CREATURES

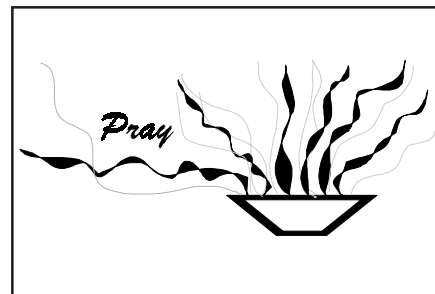
“The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit Himself intercedes with inexpressible groanings. And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit, because He intercedes for the holy ones according to God’s will.”

How many hours are spent working out in the gym, exercising with machines at home, or walking to get in shape? Whatever one’s motive, it reflects a reality - we are weak, fragile creatures in need of renewal. Our spiritual lives are no different. There is a great need to address our spiritual lives through prayer, practice, and repetition. Paul reminds us that when we are weak it is then that we are strong. We don’t need the gym or machines, but we need to exercise, we need to pray. The presence of the Spirit makes the difference.

We learn of the importance of intercessory prayer, asking in behalf of others for them and their needs. It was the promised Spirit who was called “the Advocate” by Jesus who walks with us, talks for us, and assures us of the guidance of the Spirit in our everyday existence.

It is the Spirit of God who sets the tone, providing what we need in order to know the will of God, and when known, it to carry it out.

Question: As I prepare to pray, do I take time to ask the Spirit of God to help direct my prayer?



**TITHING:** A ‘tithe’ is the first tenth of a wage earner’s income. It’s giving back to God something He gave to us in the first place. Tithing is the Bible’s way of thanking God. And tithing is really very logical. It’s simply giving back to God His fair share. After all, everything we have comes from God, and when we give back to Him the first 10% of our earnings, we are saying to Him: “Thank You, Lord, for letting me use the other 90%!” My 5% tithe:

INCOME	OFFERING	INCOME	OFFERING
\$100.00.....	\$ 5.00	\$500.00.....	\$25.00
\$200.00.....	\$10.00	\$600.00.....	\$30.00
\$300.00.....	\$15.00	\$700.00.....	\$35.00
\$400.00.....	\$20.00	\$800.00.....	\$40.00

**"FROM FATHER BAUER" -**

**JUST IN CASE YOU MISSED IT**

"The Archdiocese of New York is about to celebrate the two hundredth anniversary of its founding. With that in mind, I want to share with you in part a letter I (and every other pastor as well) received this past week from Cardinal Edward Egan: During our Anniversary celebration 'it has been decided that we will launch an Archdiocesan wide parish-based fund raising effort as well as a major gifts campaign at the Archdiocesan level. This Bicentennial Capital Campaign will secure financial resources to address the needs of each of our parishes as well as the operating and endowment needs of the Archdiocese.

As such, each parish in the Archdiocese will be expected to conduct a campaign to address its own capital, endowment, and programmatic needs. The Archdiocese will provide the staff and structure for each parish, and the parish campaigns will be conducted in phases, beginning with a pilot phase in the fall of 2005, continuing with subsequent phases throughout 2006, and concluding in the winter/spring of 2007. In order to maintain the regular operating budget of the Archdiocese, we will ask every parish to guarantee its Annual Cardinal's Appeal goal for their campaign year. Beyond that, all the funds raised for the Bicentennial Parish Campaign will benefit the parishes: 80% of funds your parish collects will go directly to your parish, and 20% will be set-aside for a special fund for needy parishes. Without doubt, the leadership of all pastors and parish priests will be critical in ensuring the success of their parish campaign, and I look forward to our working together'.

I've been anxious to share this news with you. Needless to say, we'll all be hearing much more about this campaign in the months ahead."

**PLEASE REMEMBER THAT . . . . .**

There will be just one Mass (**Monday thru Saturday**) at **9:00am**. This will be for July and August. Our weekend Masses will be the same as always. And Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will resume on the First Fridays in September (the 2nd).

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
965-5535

**REMINDERS**

**Registrations** for next September are due. Please return the forms to your teacher or drop them off in the Rectory. Registrations received after September 1, 2005 will incur a late fee.

*Our fees are as follows for next year:*

**\$85.00 for one child    \$130.00 for two children**  
**\$150.00 for three children**

**\$130.00 for non-parishioners with one child** (those not registered in the Rectory and currently not receiving Church envelopes).

**OUR MASS INTENTION BOOK FOR 2006 . . .**

Is open for Mass Intentions. Our Rectory hours for arrangements are: 9:00am-4:00pm. **PLEASE REMEMBER: JUST SIX (6) MASSES FOR ANY ONE INTENTION. THE OFFERING FOR EACH MASS IS \$15.00.**

**SOMETHING NEW:**

Starting on the first weekend in October (the 1st & 2nd), our Parish will be moving to a new bulletin company - THE JOHN PATRICK COMPANY. The bulletin will have an additional page, with larger print, and will produce a significantly larger income for us. If you're interested in advertising on the back of our new bulletin or know someone who is, please contact the Rectory (965-2733). Many thanks!

**OUR 'CRY ROOM'**

Did you know that we have a 'Cry Room' here at St. Anthony's? It's on the right side of the Altar. We are happy to see families with young children come to Mass together. We invite them, when necessary, to use the 'Cry Room'. It's an area that is closest to the Sanctuary and it gives parents an opportunity to participate in the Mass while helping their young children to grow in God's love. We encourage all who use the 'Cry Room' to maintain a prayerful atmosphere.

**"A MODESTY PROPOSAL"**

To the Editor:

It is summer, the temperature and humidity are rising, and many women who identify themselves as Christians are removing their clothes and exposing their flesh. They are wearing clothes that are transparent, too short, tight-fitting, with revealing undergarments, and we are now looking at bare backs, bellies, and breasts.

This type of attire is immodest, inappropriate, and irresponsible and reveals a woman's disrespect for herself. The dignity of a woman is diminished when she buys clothes that are almost pornographic and centers her life on what others think, like, and say about her. She loses her own identity as a Christian woman to be accepted by a secular and Satanistic society.

Let us be witnesses to society that we are Christian women and men by dressing modestly, especially when we go to Church and receive Holy Communion, the Body of Jesus Christ. We must not dress for the beach, swimming pool, or tennis court, but for the House of God!

Dolores B. Grier  
Former Vice Chancellor  
Archdiocese of New York  
Manhattan

(WHAT DO YOU THINK?)

**PRAY FOR PEACE**

*Please continue to pray for our service men and women who have been called to active duty.*

## OUR 'TREE OF LIFE'

There are forms on all our tables if you are interested in arranging for 'A LEAF', or Rectory. The cost for 'A be paid over a period of memorial and, as you those remembered on our Prayer of the Faithful during our weekend Masses.



you can drop by the LEAF' is \$300 and can time. It is a wonderful know, we pray for 'TREE OF LIFE' in our

## PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK

We pray for all the sick of our Parish, especially:  
 Msgr. Frank Burns, Monilo Dahbia Catin,  
 Allen Carter, Lubo Gjurashaj,  
 Chelsie Isacello, Rose Pace,  
 Ed Ryan (a Marine), Rosalie Saraceno, and Charles Zriek  
 If you know of anyone who is in need of our prayers and would like to be added to our sick list, please call the Rectory.



### .....PLEASE REMEMBER.....

*That it is very, very important to be in place before Mass begins (to dispose ourselves for the celebration of the Eucharist and to read over the Readings for the day) and to stay until the final hymn is concluded (to spend a moment or two in thanksgiving.)*

### PLEASE REMEMBER OUR PARISH IN YOUR WILL

No matter what the size of your estate, if you want to provide for relatives, friends, and our Parish, you need a Will. If you die without one, you lose the ability to control the disposition of your assets. The law of the State in which you reside - and not you - will tell your family where your money and property goes.

Further, income tax and estate tax savings, which might be arranged through a careful review of your alternatives in the course of preparing your Will or estate plan, will be lost if no Will is prepared. Naming our Parish as a charitable beneficiary in your Will is simple.

For further information, you and/or your attorney may contact: Director, Planned Gifts, The Archdiocese of NY, 1011 First Avenue, Suite 1400, NY, NY 10022 or call 212-371-1000 x 3317.



We continue to invite you to consider serving the Lord and the people of our Parish Family in our various ministries. If you would like to be **A SPECIAL MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST, A LECTOR, AN USHER, or AN ALTAR SERVER**, please speak to Father Bauer or Father Ashman. If you would like to be **A MEMBER OF THE CHOIR**, please speak to Christopher Reilly.

### + A VOCATION VIEW +

*Paul assures us that the Holy Spirit helps us in our weakness. Ask the Spirit, then, what you are to do with your life. Is it possible you are being called to the priesthood or religious life? If so, call Father Ed Cipot, 968-1340.*



### PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

O God, you chose the Apostles to make disciples of all nations and by Baptism and Confirmation have called all of us to build up your Church. We implore you to choose from among us, your children, many priests, deacons, brothers, and sisters, who will love you with their whole heart and gladly spend their entire lives making you known and loved by all. Amen.

## HERE I AM LORD.....

*Making a decision to become a Priest takes time and prayer. Consider joining a new vocation discernment program, at Saint John Neumann Hall on the grounds of St. Joseph's Seminary. There are monthly gatherings for prayer, reflections, and discernment, on what it means to be a Priest or Religious Brother in the Church today.*

*If you are interested in joining this vocation program, please call Father Ed Cipot, Director of Vocations, at 968-1340 or email him at vocations@archny.org. You can also visit our website for dates and to register: www.archnyvocations.org.*

### A GOOD PRAYER IN THE EVENING

+ + Prayers & Blessings + +

Lord, forgive me for failing today to make the most of the opportunities you gave me to grow in love and holiness. Some of those opportunities I didn't even recognize until it was too late, while others I rejected out of hand because of my hardness of heart. Open my heart and mind that I may respond more faithfully tomorrow to my high calling to know, love and serve you, and to love others as I love myself.

Amen.

Lord, into your hands I commend myself. You have been my strength and my help throughout the day. Stay with me also through this night. May a renewed awareness of your loving presence, and of your forgiveness and mercy free my heart from all the troubling worries and cares of this day.

Amen.

Help me tonight to be silent so that I might hear the words that faith tells me you, my heavenly Father, are whispering to me constantly: "You are my beloved."

Amen.

### CHURCH CLEANING

Team	Captain	Phone #	Date & Time
2	Doris Ciufo	963-1991	July 22, Fri, 10am
3	Beth O'Dwyer	965-9408	July 28, Thur, 5pm
4	Connie Foti	423-0160	Aug 5, Fri, 10am
1	Marge Kleinlercher	965-3368	Aug 12, Fri 10am

## A PRAYER FOR THE VICTIMS OF TERRORISM

Loving God,  
welcome into your arms the victims of violence and terrorism.  
Comfort their families and all who grieve for them.  
Help us in our fear and uncertainty,  
and bless us with the knowledge  
that we are secure in your love.  
Strengthen all those who work for peace,  
and may the peace the world cannot give reign in our hearts.  
- Anonymous

### “JUST A FEW WISE SAYINGS”

- “Aspire to inspire before you expire.”
- “The Church: Under the same management for over 2,000 years.”
- “This is a CH\_\_CH. What is missing?”
- “Can’t sleep? Try counting your blessings.”

### THE SUMMER IS A GOOD TIME TO REVIEW:

#### The Chief CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY

1. To feed the hungry.
2. To give drink to the thirsty.
3. To clothe the naked.
4. To visit the sick.
5. To visit those in prison.
6. To shelter the homeless.
7. To bury the dead.

#### The Chief SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY

1. To admonish the sinner.
2. To instruct the ignorant.
3. To counsel the doubtful.
4. To comfort the sorrowful.
5. To bear wrongs patiently.
6. To forgive all injuries.
7. To pray for the living and the dead.

### COMMUNITY NOTES

☞**Catholic Widows and Widowers**...will hold their monthly meeting at 7:15pm on Tuesday, July 19th, Christ the King School. New members are welcome. Coffee and cake will follow the meeting. For more info, call 476-4436.

☞**Cathedral HS for Girls in Manhattan**...will be celebrating its Centennial Anniversary beginning September 2005. A Mass will be held at St. Patrick’s Cathedral on September 25th at 2:00pm followed by an Open House at the school. All alumnae are invited. To add your name to the list, please call the Development/Alumnae Affairs Office at 212-688-1545.

☞**Daytop**...When tragedy strikes home! A son, daughter, a father can readily fall prey to the pitfalls of drugs and alcohol. What you do will chart your family’s future. Father O’Brien’s 40-year old Daytop is as close as your telephone. Don’t delay. Daytop Westchester, 246 Central Park Ave, Hartsdale, 914-949-6640. Hotline # 800-2-DAYTOP.

We want to use this column to give ourselves a much needed review of our religious knowledge. It will be an ‘on-going’ column and will follow the three year cycle of readings at Mass.

## The Holy Spirit and Prayer

*God’s power is leading the world to His Kingdom.  
The Spirit helps us to pray by leading us into the truth.  
The Spirit gathers us into a praying community.*

“The power of God acts with mildness because nothing can frustrate it (1st Reading; Gospel). In prayer, we acknowledge that power and seek to be open to the peace to which He is leading us. However, because God’s ways are not our ways (1s 55:8), we cannot have a detailed picture of the peace we seek. ‘Since that is the peace which surpasses understanding, even when we ask for it in our prayer, we do not know how to pray as we ought’ (St. Augustine).

We can pray because the power of God, the Holy Spirit, the pledge of our inheritance (Eph 1:14) is within us, leading to the full truth. ‘Of all, the Spirit makes free men who are ready to put aside love of self and integrate earthly resources into human life, in order to reach out to that future day when mankind itself will become an offering accepted by God.’

The presence of the Holy Spirit within us enables us to pray and to express our love of God. It is said ‘He intercedes for the Saints because He makes the Saints intercede...with sighs too deep for words, inspiring in them the desire also of the great still unknown reality which we await with patience’ (St. Augustine).

The Holy Spirit gathers us into one community, uniting us to one another and to Christ. In the Eucharist, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, we await in joyful hope the Second Coming of Christ when ‘the righteous will shine like the sun in the Kingdom of their Father’ (Gospel).”

From: *The Christian Journey* by Archbishop Dermont Ryan

## “SINGING AND MUSIC”

“The musical tradition of the universal Church is a treasure of inestimable value, greater even than that of any other art. The main reason for this pre-eminence is that, as a combination of sacred music and words, it forms a necessary or integral part of solemn liturgy.” The composition and singing of inspired psalms, often accompanied by musical instruments, were already closely linked to the liturgical celebration of the Old Covenant. The Church continues and develops this tradition: “Address. . .one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart.” “He who sings prays twice.”

(From: THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH)



