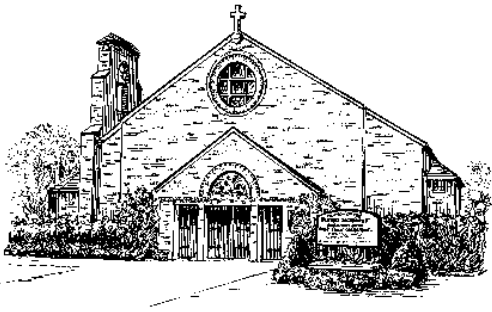


BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

Staten Island, New York 10310

July 10, 2016



Reverend Monsignor Peter G. Finn, Pastor
Reverend Francisco Lanzaderas
Reverend Roland Antony Raj, MMI
Reverend Monsignor Francis V. Boyle, Pastor Emeritus

MASSES:

Saturday in the Church: 5:00 PM (Vigil), Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM, 12:30 PM.
Weekdays in the Church: 7:00 AM and 9:00 AM. Saturday in the Church: 9:00 AM.
Holy Days in the Church: 7:00 PM (Vigil), 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 12:00 to 1:00 PM; 4:15 to 5:00 PM.
Anytime upon reasonable request.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Sunday at 2:00 PM. (Except during July & August, then only on the First and Third Sunday and other specified days)
Arrangements should be made at least one month in advance with the priest of the Parish. Parents of a first child and parents who are new to Blessed Sacrament must attend a Baptism Instruction Class which is held the second Tuesday evening of every month (except July and August) at 7:30 P.M. in the Parish House Meeting Room. Godparents should be Practicing Catholics, and must obtain a Sponsor Certificate from their Parish.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements should be made about six months in advance, with a priest of the Parish. Couples must attend Pre-Cana Conferences.

SICK CALLS - At any time.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA - Every Monday after the 9:00 AM Mass.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - First Friday from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 P.M.

NEW PARISHIONERS - Welcome to our Parish.

We invite all parishioners to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. If you are new in the parish, please introduce yourself after Mass and register at the Parish House Office weekdays 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Kindly notify us if you change your address.

PARISH HOUSE

30 Manor Road
442-1581

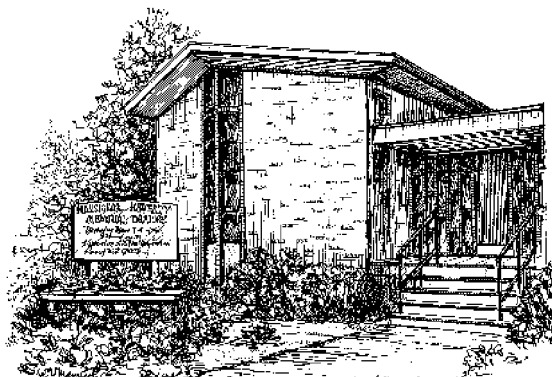
<http://www.blessedsacramentchurchsi.org>

SCHOOL

Mr. Joseph Cocozello
Principal
830 Delafield Avenue
442-3090

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sister Anne Dolores Van Wagenen, C.S.J.B. - D.R.E.
830 Delafield Avenue
448-0378



FEAST OF OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL

Saturday, July 16th at Church of St. Rita, 281 Bradley Avenue. Mass at 12 noon, followed by a procession with a statue of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and two Italian festival bands. Young boys and girls are invited to dress as angels to accompany the statue during the procession. At the conclusion, refreshments will be served in the school cafeteria.

VACATION/TRAVEL PLANS?

As you plan your summer vacation, please remember your Sunday obligation to attend Mass. For nationwide Mass times and locations call 1-800-Mass-times or check the internet at www.Masstimes.org. We ask that you also remember that although you won't be attending Mass here at Blessed Sacrament all summer long, our parish still has to take care of bills and responsibilities. Please don't forget to keep up your contributions by dropping them in the basket before you leave or when your return. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. We pray you have a safe and happy summer.

<u>SUNDAY COLLECTION</u>	
2016	2015
\$5,562(Weekly)	\$5,269(Weekly)
\$1,283 <(Pastoral Solidarity)>	\$1,212
<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	
2016	2015
667 (Adults)	636 (Adults)
114 (Children)	117(Children)
781	753

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP
KEEPS ITS SILENT VIGIL
BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
JOHN O'CONNELL**

PRAY FOR THE SICK

The sick are comforted just knowing that you pray for them In your charity please remember: Margaret Pittman-Boyle, Douglas Pflieger, Jr., Phyllis Ribaud, Ann Socci, James Burghardt, Concetta Chicolo, Amelia DiMauro, Mary Kenny, Kathryn Haring, Jean Carter, Jane Redmond, Carolyn DeStefano, Robert Tursi, Deirdre Westergren, Nicholas Toto, Marykate Rose, Peggy Travers, Mary Anne Blaine, Jean Cunningham, Jean Elmadary, Alan March, Sebastian Lattuga, Grayce Novaro, Angela Siuzdak, Helen Ramsey, Katherine Barbera, Phyllis Scharfenberg, Margaret Romani, Br. William Herbst, Barbara Brown, Michael Caruso, Patricia Connelly, Mary Belli, Mark Volpe, Elaine Lydersen, Linda Hansen, Dean Robert Ziegler, Danielle Ziegler, Susannah Yates, Marco Antonio Gonzalez, Grace Leddy, Joseph D'Amico, Larry Taylor, Jr., Kathy Quinlan, Katie Hanley, Felicidad Tobias, Jose Ruiz, Casta Miskowitz, Rosemary Callahan, Elizabeth Coyne, Lucy D'Angelo, Robert Hammerton, Catherine Vitale, Capala Lusi, Jack McGarry, Robert McQuade, Amy Mezzacappa, Mary Ruggiero, Amparo Isaza, Brian Nelson, Joan Callahan, Julia Micol, Molly Cafaro, Bob Miuccio, Maryann & Danny Brown, James McGarrigue and James Finnigan

SYMPATHY

Remember the soul of Richard Decker, Patrick Grasso and the souls for whom Mass will be offered during the week, especially:

MONDAY

7:00 William Kolakowski
9:00 Miguel Calamba

TUESDAY

7:00 August Kempf
9:00 Thomas Dellevas

WEDNESDAY

7:00 Maria Novaro
9:00 Peter Mancuso

THURSDAY

7:00 Jaclyn M. Finn (Living)
9:00 Elvira Albano

FRIDAY

7:00 Ann Buckley (Living)
9:00 Barbara Iannacone (13th Anniv.)

SATURDAY

9:00 The DeStefano Family
5:00 Edward Lunny

SUNDAY

8:00 Michael McCarthy
9:30 John O'Connell
12:30 Carmela & Anthony
Sofio & Larry Puca

SCHEDULE FOR JULY 17, 2016**ALTAR SERVERS**

5:00 PM Vigil	Team 3
8:00 AM	Team 4
9:30 AM	Team 5
11:00 AM	Team 1
12:30 PM	Team 2

LECTORS

J. Hanson
R. Griswold
R. Salaycik
D. Leddy
D. Maj

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

V. Donnelly & N. Mata
C. Rooney & K. Byrne
B. Collorec & A. Morrell
M. Morgan & M. Conigatti
A. Talaid & E. Laub

OUR LADY'S BLUE ARMY SHRINE

Wednesday, July 13th celebrate the Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima. Shrine is located at 674 Mountain View Road, Washington, NJ. Confessions heard at 10:30am, 12 noon outdoor rosary procession, 12:30pm Speaker: Rev. Andrew Apostoli, C.F.R.; Mass at 1:00pm celebrated by Most Rev. Joseph Perry; 3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet. Visit www.bluearmy.com or call 908-689-1700 for more info.

PARISH NURSE PROGRAM

The Parish Nurse's office hours are on Tuesdays and Fridays from 9:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. If you wish to make an appointment with the Parish Nurse, Peggy Smith, please call her at 718-447-9657.

ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC SINGLES (SFCS)

Join SFCS for those in their 30s, 40s and 50s, on Saturday, July 16th at 7:45pm for our ***Killmeyer's Beer Garden Social*** (Rain or Shine). Enjoy a summer evening in the beer garden for drinks and live entertainment from the classic rock band – ***Rotary Dials***. RSVP by emailing sfcssi@gmail.com by July 13th. \$5.00 cover charge; you pay your own way for drinks, etc. For more info visit www.sgspci.org

SEPARATED OR DIVORCED?

If you are separated or divorced, no matter how long you were married or how long ago you were separated/divorced, the Parish of St. Peter-Assumption-St. Paul offers a Support Group for help in moving forward. The group meets on the second and fourth Fridays of each month, at 7:30pm at 15 Webster Avenue, between Castleton and Brighton Avenues. For further info, please call 718-727-2672 and leave your name and number; the facilitator will return your call.

GO AND DO LIKEWISE

Miss Collins, the dean of students at Olympic High School, was past the point of scolding Matt, though she liked him very much. "Four detentions in two weeks are too many."

Still Matt wouldn't tell. It was only after Miss Collins went on a morning neighborhood patrol that she found out the real reason for Matt's tardiness. Thump, thump, thump, came the wheelchair down the stairs. It was Matt, steadying Shawnetta as he helped lower her down the stairs and then push her to the corner bus stop.

"She's a girl in my parish youth group," Matt explained to Miss Collins.

There are many ways to describe Matt's actions—a random act of kindness, making a difference one person at a time. Jesus would understand. When the lawyer correctly identified the good Samaritan as the one who had treated the injured man with compassion, Jesus said simply, "Go and do likewise" (Luke 10:37)

FROM THE PASTOR**Speaking of All Stars**

As once again we honor the "Boys of Summer" and remember the "Heroes of Yesterday" I invite you to share with me a wonderful article on "Two Catholics and the Catholic Game" by a dyed in the wool fan of the "Great American Game", George Weigel; a senior fellow of the Ethics and Public Policy Center in Washington, D.C.

Two Catholics and the Catholic Game Baseball is by far the most Catholic of the sports on which we lavish such attention and passion.

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Because it's played without a clock, baseball is like the liturgy: a foretaste of the time-beyond-time, which is God's time, which is eternity. Baseball is also spatially eschatological or infinite: in theory, a baseball field could extend forever – as center field in New York's old Polo Grounds seemed to do, except when patrolled by a higher spirit I human form who made space (and Vic Wertz's home run in the 1954 World Series) disappear: Willie Mays.

And let's not forget baseball and Catholic social doctrine.

The social doctrine has four foundational principles: human dignity, the common good, subsidiarity and solidarity. Each of them may be found in baseball, a game played by communitarian individuals who live freedom for excellence such that personal achievement contributes to the general welfare through a well-ordered division of hierarchical responsibilities exercised in cooperative teamwork. (I once tried to explain this to Pope St. John Paul II: without success, alas.)

The Catholicity of baseball also extends to many of the pastime's noblest people, on and off the field. Two of them come to mind as the 2016 season unfolds.

The first is Bill Freehan an 11-time All-Star catcher for the Detroit Tigers who deserves a good look by the committee responsible for correcting the mistakes made by earlier Hall of Fame voters. Freehan's greatest season was 1968.

And without him, the Tigers wouldn't have won the World Series that year, for he made the crucial play at the plate that prevented the Cardinals' Lou Brock from scoring, thus turning the tide in game five, which the Tigers went on to win – along with games six and seven.

Freehan's daughter Cathy is a member of my parish and I had the pleasure of meeting the Tiger great on a few occasions when he was visiting his grandchildren. We talked, as baseball people do, of the past: He told me how much he'd enjoyed competing against Frank and Brooks Robinson of my Orioles, and he loved the story of how Baltimore fans bombarded showboating Reggie Jackson with hot dogs dispensed from the upper deck when Jackson played his first game in Memorial Stadium after abandoning Baltimore for the fleshpots of New York and the overbearing Yankees.

Bill Freehan, a serious Catholic and a true sportsman, is now in hospice care, another victim of Alzheimer's disease. He has my support in prayer and I hope he has yours, too – even if you're a St. Louis fan with unhappy memories of 1968.

Then there's 88-year-old Vin Scully, who'll retire from the Los Angeles Dodgers' broadcast booth at the end of this season, having called games involving Jackie Robinson, Sandy Koufax, Kirk Gibson and Clayton Kershaw over the course of an extraordinary six-decade career.

If Scully's mentor and former partner, Red Barber, was the soft-spoken, Southern accented master of the homely analogy – “This game is tighter than a new pair of shoes on a rainy day” – then Scully brings to his work the perspective of a philosopher at ease with the human condition, perhaps first formed by the liberal arts education he received at Fordham University shortly after World War II – “Andre Dawson has a bruised knee and is listed as day-to-day [Pause.] Aren't we all?”

Scully has lived through tragedies that would have crushed or embittered others: the death of a wife; the death of a son. He openly credits the Catholic faith with which he grew up in the Bronx as his life's anchor. You can find him on Sunday at St. Jude the Apostle Church in Westlake Village, Calif., being fed the word and sacrament before he brings a lifetime of learning and that melodious voice into the homes, cars and ear-buds of millions later in the afternoon, from his post behind the microphone at Chavez Ravine.

Bill Freehan and Vin Scully: two craftsmen, two family men, two gentlemen, two Catholics, both heading into the twilight. They will be missed, above all for the example of decency, nurtured by faith, they set for us all.

God bless you
MSGR. FINN