

**Third Sunday of Easter  
Sunday, April 19, 2015**



**Sunday, April 19, Third Sunday of Easter**

5:00 + Nellie, Catherine, Mary Angela  
and Maggie O'Keefe

8:30 Parishioners of St. John

10:00 (Sp) + Amelia Moran Gonzalez

11:30 + John, Jean & Bobby Tramontozzi

1:00 (Sp) + Catalina & Candelaria Javier

**Monday, April 20, Easter Weekday**

9:00 + Fr. Edward Fagan, OAR, Brother  
Peter Stewart, FSC & Brother  
Joseph Murphy, FSC

12:15 + Manuel Urbano Cabrera

**Tuesday, April 21, Easter Weekday**

9:00 + Patricia Coyne

12:15 + Thomas and James Heslin

7:00 (Sp.) + Carmelo Montanez Rodriguez

**Wednesday, April 22, Easter Weekday**

9:00 + Clea Higgins

12:15 + Foley Family

**Thursday, April 23, Easter Weekday**

9:00 + Joseph Zane

12:15 + Bridget and Tom Marshall

**Friday, April 24, Easter Weekday**

9:00 + John Guarracino, Fusco Family &  
Rose and Vince Zingone

12:15 + Fr. Edward Fagan, OAR, Brother  
Peter Stewart, FSC and Brother  
Joseph Murphy, FSC

7:00 (Sp) + Roma Sassone

**Saturday, April 25, St. Mark**

12:15 + Michael O'Malley

5:00 + John Francis Hazelton, Charles C.  
Coletti & Cruz Cruz Torrech

**Sunday, April 26, Fourth Sunday of Easter**

8:30 Parishioners of St. John's Parish

10:00 + Maria Felicia Echavarria

11:30 + Juan Evilio, Juana & Ernestina  
Perez & Maria Mejia

1:00 (Sp) + Elvira Gil

**WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THIS WEEK'S**

**DONATIONS**

The Altar Candles burning in the Lower Church  
for the week of April 19-25 in memory of:

**ROBERT J., KEVIN G. KENNY and  
FR. MICHAEL J. KENNY, OAR**

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Lower  
Church for the week of April 19-25 in memory  
of:

**MANUEL JOGA and LUZ CASALDA**



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK.....**

Fr. Peter J. McCrann, SMM, Lindsey Guzman,  
Alice Ann O'Donohue Mason, Noreen Liddane,  
Timothy Mahoney, Christiani Medenois.

*We ask that you please notify the rectory when to remove  
a name from the list.*

***Plan on Joining Us This Coming Saturday Afternoon***

As a way to prepare for the upcoming merger of  
St. John and Visitation parishes, a special afternoon  
gathering with time for both prayer and socializing will  
be held on this coming Saturday afternoon April 25<sup>th</sup>.

The afternoon will begin at 2:00 pm in the upper  
Church of St. John with a prayer service based on the  
Gospel stories of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin  
Mary to Elizabeth (Luke 1:39-45) and Mary being  
entrusted to John, the Beloved Disciple at the foot of the  
cross (John 19:23-27). The day will continue with light  
refreshments and the opportunity for members from both  
parish communities to meet each other in the lower  
church meeting area and will conclude with the 5:00 pm  
Saturday Vigil Mass.

As a way to help plan for this special gathering  
of the Kingsbridge Catholic Community, please call  
(718)548-1221 or e-mail your response  
[stjohnkingsbridge@yahoo.com](mailto:stjohnkingsbridge@yahoo.com) by Thursday April 23<sup>rd</sup> if  
you plan attending.

***Remember to Check the Church Bulletin Boards***

Notices and flyers of local area upcoming  
events and activities, that are often not included in  
our parish bulletin due to space limitation, are  
posted on the church bulletin boards. You may wish  
to take the time to read them and perhaps  
something may interest you.

***By the Numbers: Parish Collections***

Feb. 28-March 1 \$6999

March 7-8 \$7273

March 14-15 \$6045  
 Catholic Relief \$2079  
 March 21-22 \$6311  
 Parish Maintenance - \$1279.00  
 March 28-29 \$7477 Palm Sunday  
*ParishPay* \$762  
 Holy Thursday \$650 Charity  
 Collection-Sisters for Life  
 Good Friday \$2703  
 Holy Land Shrines  
 Easter \$12,593  
 Easter Flowers \$1982

St. John's Church depends upon the generosity of parishioners in meeting the operating expenses for our parish and church building along with serving the spiritual, liturgical, and pastoral needs of our Catholic community in Kingsbridge. Many thanks for your financial support.

*"Our Catholic family is strong, and only made stronger through your generosity."*

Cardinal Dolan

Parish Goal: \$50,000  
 Amount Pledged: \$27,096  
 # of Gifts: 79  
 Average Gift Amount: \$342.99  
 Parish Goal Percentage: 54%

If you have not already done so, please consider making your gift to support the various Archdiocesan pastoral, educational, and social services assisted by the Cardinal's Annual Stewardship.

Remember that you may make a pledge of an amount that you would like to give, make an initial payment, and then pay off the remaining amount over the coming months. Please make use of the specially marked envelopes that you received in the mail or are available in the church.

Many thanks to all who have contributed to this year's Cardinal's Appeal

### ***Have You Considered Using ParishPay?***

*ParishPay* offers an alternative way to make contributions to St. John's Church. In lieu of using the weekly envelopes and placing them in the collection basket at Mass, *ParishPay* offers the opportunity for automated donations or electronic giving. Contributions may be made from credit cards, bank checking or savings accounts. Also, this method enables one to budget their donations to our parish.

As indicated in the March collections, eleven parishioners gave \$762 through *ParishPay*. For more information, please call 1-866-727-4741 ext. 1 or visit [www.ParishPay.com](http://www.ParishPay.com)

### ***Take Me Out to the Ballgame***

St. John's Catholic Elementary Regional School has a block of tickets in section 309 at Yankee Stadium for the May 9<sup>th</sup> baseball game between the Baltimore and New York Yankees. Cost is \$41.00 per ticket. Please contact Mrs. Mauro at St. John's School (718)548-0255 if interested in purchasing tickets.

### ***50th Wedding Anniversary Couples***

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding anniversary anytime during 2015 are invited to attend the Annual Gold Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick on Saturday June 20th or Sunday June 21st at 2:00 pm. Pre-registration is required. Please contact the parish office to register. The closing date to register is Tuesday May 19th. This event is sponsored by the Family Life/Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.

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### ***Cincuenta Aniversario de Bodas***

Todas las parejas que celebran sus 50 años de casados en el año 2015 están invitadas a la Misa Anual de Cincuenta Aniversario de Bodas. La Santa Misa será celebrada por el Cardenal Dolan el sábado 20 y domingo 21 de junio a las 2:00 pm en la Catedral de San Patricio. Favor de escoger una de las dos fechas y contact la oficina de St. John para inscribirse. El ultimo día para inscribirse es el martes, 19 mayo. Esta celebración está patrocinada por la Oficina de Vida Familiar y Respeto a la Vida de la Arquidiócesis de Nueva York.



**HIS WORD TODAY**  
 by Rev. William J. Reilly

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**“Now I know brothers that you acted out of ignorance, just as your leaders did, but God has thus brought to fulfillment what he had announced beforehand through the mouth of all the prophets, that His Christ would suffer. Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away.”**

I might be inclined to ask ‘Is this the same Peter we met in the patio who denied His Lord and Savior, just a few weeks ago?’ ‘What enabled him to change from fear and cowardice to speak boldly about the Paschal mystery?’ The answer is his experience of the Risen Christ and the enlightenment of the Holy Spirit.

Like the Emmaus disciples our eyes too are to be opened to the words He spoke to us while He was with us. The words of Moses and the prophets and the psalms were fulfilled. Our minds are to be opened to understand the scriptures.

How exciting it was for them to listen to Peter’s great sermon and be moved to repentance and conversion. The formation of missionary disciples follows these four steps:

- 1) A personal relationship with Jesus.,
- 2) Conversion to Him.,
- 3) Acceptance of His teaching.,
- 4) Being sent as was Peter to speak of Christ.

Catechesis is step three, step one in Peter’s announcement.

**Tercer Domingo de Pascua  
19 de abril de 2015**

**“Ahora bien, hermanos, yo sé que ustedes obraron por ignorancia, lo mismo que sus jefes. Pero así Dios cumplió lo que había anunciado por medio de todos los profetas: que su Mesías debía padecer. Por lo tanto, hagan penitencia y conviértanse, para que sus pecados sean perdonados.”**

Podría yo estar inclinado a preguntar: ‘¿Es este el mismo Pedro que encontramos en el patio cuando negó a Su Señor y Salvador hace apenas unas semanas?’ ‘¿Cómo logró el cambio de miedo y cobardía a valentía al hablar sobre el misterio Pascual?’ La respuesta es su experiencia del Cristo Resucitado y la iluminación del Espíritu Santo.

Como los discípulos camino a Emaús se nos abren los ojos a las palabras que El habló cuando estuvo entre nosotros. Las palabras de Moisés, los profetas y los salmos fueron cumplidas. Nuestras mentes deben abrirse para comprender las escrituras.

Qué emocionante debe haber sido para ellos escuchar el gran sermón de Pedro y conmovirse al arrepentimiento y conversión. La formación misionera de los discípulos sigue estos cuatro pasos:

1. Una relación personal con Jesús.
2. Conversión a El.
3. Aceptar Sus enseñanzas.
4. Ser enviados como Pedro a hablar de Cristo.

La catequesis es el tercer paso, el primero de la declaración de Pedro.