

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Sunday, August 31, 2014



Sunday, August 31, Twenty-Second Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

5:00 + Lt. Gordon Matthew Ambelas,  
F.D.N.Y. Ladder 119

8:30 + Parishioners of St. John Parish

10:00 (Sp) +Rafael & Gladys Contreras

11:30 + Manuela and Juan Martin

1:00 (Sp) Mass of Thanksgiving

Monday, September 1, Weekday

9:00 + Nell Cronin

12:15 NO 12:15 MASS - Holiday

Tuesday, September 2, Weekday

9:00 + Steven Coughlin

12:15 + Joseph Zane

7:00 (Sp.) +Rafael Francisco

Wednesday, September 3, St. Gregory  
the Great

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

12:15 + James O'Sullivan

Thursday, September 4, Weekday

9:00 + Hortensia Machado, Nelida Perez  
and Margarita Bayron

12:15 Mass of Thanksgiving

Friday, September 5, Weekday

9:00 + Patricia Ellen & Patrick Coyle

12:15 Mass of Thanksgiving

7:00(Sp) + William Rosario

Saturday, September 6, Weekday

12:15 + Parishioners who died in August

5:00 + Bridget and Tom Marshall

Sunday, September 7, Twenty-Third Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

8:30 + Joseph Zane

10:00 (Sp.) + Nylsa Feliciano

11:30 + James Ryan

1:00(Sp.) + Jose Belarmino Morel &  
Juana Martinez

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

The Wine and Hosts consecrated in the Lower  
Church for the week of August 31-September 6  
in memory of:

**BROTHER PETER STEWART, FSC**

The Altar Candles burning in the Lower Church  
for the week of August 31-September 6 for:

**SPECIAL INTENTION**

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Lower  
Church for the week of August 31-September 6  
for:

**SPECIAL INTENTION**

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

Christina Zingone, Fr. Peter J. McCrann,  
SMM, , Maria Rivera Malucci, Lindsey  
Guzman, William Cunningham, Alice Ann  
O'Donohue Mason, Noreen Liddane, Jose  
Garcia, Timothy Mahoney.

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

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*We ask your prayers for all loved ones serving our  
country in the Military:*

Michael Mastrangelo, U.S. Army

SFC Kenneth Medina

USAF Armando Irizarry

Capt. Dennis Andrew Fitzgerald

PFC Marc Kuboy, U.S. Army

CPL Brian E. Brosnan, USMC

Sgt. Miguel Angel Cruz

S. Sgt. Marco Rodriguez, USMC

Andrew Konstantinidis, National Guard

PFC Steven Canela, USMC

Please advise the rectory if you wish a name to be  
removed from this list or to be added.

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### **Welcome Fr. Leonardo Lopez**

Our parish welcomes Rev. Leonardo Gabriel Lopez of the Institute of the Incarnate Word who will be speaking at all our parish Masses this weekend on behalf of the foreign missionary work of the Church. Your prayers and generous support of *The Society for The Propagation of the Faith* is greatly appreciated.

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### **MONDAY'S SCHEDULE**

In observance of the Labor Day holiday on Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, the parish office will be closed and the only Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m.

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#### ***Labor Day Prayer***

*Heavenly Father,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
We praise you for your glory.  
Bless us as we continue to do our work,  
and bless all that we do for You.  
Help us to carry out all our activities  
for Your Honor and Glory  
and for the salvation of your people.  
Guide us in all we do,  
and help us build up Your Kingdom  
and come to our reward  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

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#### ***Papal Reflection on Human Labor***

How many people worldwide are victims of this type of slavery, in which the person is at the service of his or her work, while work should offer a service to people so they may have dignity. I ask my brothers and sisters in faith and all men and women of good will for a decisive choice to combat trafficking in persons, which includes "*slave labor*."

5/1/13 address of Pope Francis

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#### **Adults Interested in Sacramental Preparation**

Adults who would like to consider the possibility of becoming a Catholic or those who

have not yet received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist are asked to contact Fr. Michael Kerrigan or Fr. Antonio Astudillo. Our parish will be offering sessions for adults who are interested in preparing for the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist). Please spread the word to those who may be interested; this is a helpful way to assist in the church's ongoing work and mission of evangelization.

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#### **St. John's Parish Religious Education Program**

Classes for children whose families wish to attend religious instruction in the St. John's School of Religion begin in September. If your family has not already registered for classes, please contact Ms. Jeanette Guzman (718)884-2627. Classes are offered for children from Grade 1 through High School.

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#### **Continuation of Parish Weekend Mass Schedule**

As September/Fall approaches we will continue with the schedule implemented for the summer season and will not be going back to the prior weekend Mass schedule.

Saturday 5:00 PM  
(Vigil Mass-English)

Sunday 8:30 AM (English)  
10:00 AM (Spanish)  
11:30 AM (English)  
1:00 PM (Spanish)

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#### **HIS WORD TODAY**

*by Rev. William J. Reilly*

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**"Do not conform yourselves to this age, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, so that you may judge what is God's will, what is**

**good, pleasing and perfect” ... “If one wishes to come after me, he must deny his very self, take up his cross and begin to follow in my footsteps.”**

Have you noticed that on almost a weekly basis, we are informed that a new type of telephone, ipad or tablet is being available for purchase? Manufacturers are constantly seeking ways to improve and develop their product. The advertisements for tech gifts, cars and almost any other product tell us that they are new and improved. People stand on lines for hours to be able to get today, what will also be available tomorrow.

Our lives as disciples also need to undergo this process. Notice the words of Paul in his letter, telling us to be transformed, be renewed, with the end product of knowing and doing God’s will. Like the advertised products they are supposedly good and pleasing, but not always perfect.

As I listen to the words of Paul, I am also asked to look at my life as a disciple. How often the Lord tells me of denying self, or saying ‘yes’ to Him. How willingly do I bear my crosses, whether they be heavy or light? As I am changed, then I begin to follow in His footsteps. I thought I was already doing that, but my heart now summons me to begin again. That leads to perfection.

**bueno, lo que le agrada, lo perfecto.” ... “El que quiera venir detrás de mí, que renuncie a sí mismo, que cargue con su cruz y me siga.”**

¿Ha notado usted que casi cada semana se nos informa de un nuevo tipo de teléfono, ipad, o tableta que está disponible al consumidor? Los productores están constantemente buscando formas de mejorar y desarrollar sus productos. Los anuncios para regalos tecnológicos, automóviles y casi cualquier otro producto nos dicen que son nuevos y mejorados. La gente hace colas por horas para poder comprarlos hoy, aunque estarán también disponibles mañana.

Nuestras vidas como discípulos también necesitar pasar por este proceso. Note las palabras de San Pablo en su carta diciéndonos que nos transformemos, que nos renovemos, con el producto final siendo el conocimiento de Dios y el hacer su voluntad. Como los productos que se anuncian que se supone que son buenos y placenteros, aunque no siempre perfectos.

Mientras escucho las palabras de San Pablo, se me pide que de una mirada a mi vida como discípulo. A menudo el Señor me dice que me niegue a mí mismo, o que le diga ‘sí’ a El. ¿Qué tan anuentemente cargo mis cruces, sean ligeras o pesadas? Cuando cambio, empiezo a seguir sus huellas. Pensé que ya estaba yo haciendo eso, pero mi corazón ahora me indica que debo comenzar de nuevo. Esto nos lleva a la perfección.

## **SU PALABRA HOY**

*por el Reverendo William J. Reilly*

**Vigésimo Segundo Domingo en Tiempo**

**Ordinario**

**31 de agosto de 2014**

**“No tomen como modelo a este mundo. Por el contrario, transfórmense interiormente renovando su mentalidad, a fin de que puedan discernir cuál es la voluntad de Dios: lo que es**