

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Sunday, February 15, 2015



Sunday, February 15, Sixth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

5:00 Intention of Mave Kilroy  
8:30 Parishioners of St. John  
10:00 (Sp) + Amelia Moran Gonzalez  
11:30 + Maria Ferreira  
1:00 (Sp) + Luis Armando Ortiz

Monday, February 16, Weekday

9:00 Intention of Michael McGuinness  
12:15 HOLIDAY – No 12:15 Mass

Tuesday, February 17, Weekday

9:00 Intentions of Eileen Stanton  
12:15 + Cornelius and Nellie Crowley  
7:00 (Sp.) + Patria Pichardo

Wednesday, February 18, Ash Wednesday

9:00 + Jean Carlos Ocasio  
12:15 + Danny Furlong  
7:00 (Sp.) + Jose Raposo

Thursday, February 19, Thursday after

Ash Wednesday

9:00 + Danny Furlong  
12:15 + Rafael, Maria & Ralph Sanchez

Friday, February 20, Friday after Ash

Wednesday

9:00 + Brother Peter Stewart, FSC  
12:15 + Anna Corr  
7:00 (Sp) Special Intention of the Sacred  
Heart of Jesus Group

Saturday, February 21, Saturday after Ash

Wednesday

12:15 + Jean Carlos Ocasio  
5:00 + Una and Bernie Maguire

Sunday, February 22, First Sunday of Lent

8:30 Parishioners of St. John's Parish  
10:00 + Josefa, Benigno, Sr., Benigno Ojeda,  
Yolanda Garcia & Margarita Gonzalez  
11:30 + Rena McDonnell  
1:00 (Sp) Mass of Thanksgiving

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

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Lower Church for  
the week of February 15-21 in memory of:

**BROTHER PETER STEWART, FSC**

The Altar Candles burning in the Lower Church for  
the week of February 15-21 in memory of:

**ANNA and EDWARD ATZERT**



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

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

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



**the  
CARDINAL'S  
ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL  
2015  
Sharing God's Gifts**

\$4,500,000 of the funds raised through the  
*Cardinal's Appeal* helps needy parishes throughout  
the archdiocese. While continuing the great  
tradition of educating our youth and providing  
spiritual refuge and enlightenment, many of our  
parishes and schools need assistance to meet their  
day to day requirements. Invest in your faith and  
parish community and make your gift to the 2015  
*Cardinal's Appeal*.

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\$4,500,000 de los fondos recaudados a través  
de la *Campaña del Cardenal* ayudarán a las  
escuelas y parroquias necesitadas en toda la  
Arquidiócesis. Muchas de nuestras parroquias y  
escuelas necesitan ayuda para cumplir con sus  
necesidades diarias mientras ellas continúan la  
gran tradición de educar a nuestros jóvenes y  
proveer refugio e iluminación espiritual. Haga una  
inversión en su fe y en su comunidad parroquial  
con un regalo a la *Campaña de Corresponsabilidad  
del Cardenal 2015*.

### *Men's Conference*

The Archdiocese of New York Men's Commission is hosting the First Annual Men's Conference on Saturday, March 21, 2015, at the Fordham Rose Hill campus. With over 500 expected to attend, this daylong event will provide a unique opportunity for men throughout the Archdiocese to recommit themselves to their spiritual lives. The speakers will include His Eminence Timothy Cardinal Dolan, Archbishop of New York, Damon Owens, a renowned public speaker and strong proponent of the Catholic faith, and Joe Klecko, former all-star New York Jets defensive lineman. Admission is \$45 and includes breakfast, lunch, and t-shirt. To register or for more information, visit [www.nymensconference.com](http://www.nymensconference.com) or call Kim Quatela at (646) 794-3198. Spaces are limited, so act fast!

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### *Conferencia de Hombres*

La Comisión de Hombres de la Arquidiócesis de Nueva York está patrocinando la 1ra conferencia anual para hombres, el sábado, Marzo 21, 2015, en la Universidad de Fordham, Rose Hill, en el Bronx. Este evento les dará una oportunidad única a los hombres de la Arquidiócesis, para comprometerse en su vida espiritual. Los conferencistas incluyen a Su Eminencia, el Cardenal Timothy Dolan, Arzobispo de Nueva York, Damon Owens, presentador de renombre y fuerte promotor de la fe católica, y Joe Klecko, ex-jugador defensivo para los Jets de Nueva York. La entrada es de \$45 e incluye desayuno, almuerzo y una camiseta. Todas las charlas serán traducidas al español a través de audífonos. Para inscribirse, o para más información, visite [www.nymensconference.com](http://www.nymensconference.com) o llame a Kim Quatela al (646) 794-3198. Esperamos más de 500 personas y el cupo es limitado. ¡Incríbese ya!

### *Monday's Schedule*

In observance of the Presidents' Day national holiday on Monday February 16th, the parish office will be closed and the only Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM.

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### *Ash Wednesday*

The Season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on February 18th. The imposition of ashes will take place at the parish Masses that will be celebrated in the upper church:

9:00 am (English)

12:15 pm (English)

7:00 pm (Spanish)

Please note that these will be the only times and location for ashes to be imposed on foreheads.

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### *Lenten Fast and Abstinence*

During the Season of Lent, the Church urges all the faithful to reflect a spirit in penance in the daily life through performing acts of fast and abstinence.

**FASTING** requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but these two meals together should not equal a full meal in quantity. Fasting obliges all those who have reached the age of 18 and continues to oblige until age 59. Those not specifically obliged to fast are encouraged to join in the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able.

**ABSTINENCE** is not eating meat on a particular day. Abstinence obliges all those who have reached the age of 14 and continue throughout their entire life. Those not specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are encouraged to join in this discipline to the extent that they are able.

**Ash Wednesday** (February 18) and **Good Friday** (April 3) are days of fast and abstinence. The **Fridays in Lent** (February 20, 27; March 6, 13, 20, 27) are days of abstinence.

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

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“I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.” ... “A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, ‘If you wish, you can make me clean.’ Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, ‘I do will it. Be made clean.’”

We read the psalms - praising, thanking, seeking forgiveness and begging assistance. Our goal should be to make the psalmist's prayer our own. How important to turn to the Lord with great confidence whatever the circumstance, as we seek His joy and peace.

It was with confidence that the leper approached the Lord, seemingly reminding Him of His ability to change his life. The words of Mark are clear describing his kneeling and attitude, earnestly asking help. What follows is the attitude and response of Jesus.

Moved with pity He reached and touched, something prohibited in society at that time, and spoke a healing word. Whatever my needs, healing of a relationship, forgiveness, the gift of faith, I come to God today with great confidence. I do not need to say ‘if you wish,’ as the Lord wants what is best for me. I need only to approach Him with humility and confidence that expresses my faith and dependence on He who can do what I both want and need.

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***By the Numbers:***

***January Parish Offertory Collections***

January 1 \$1,949.00  
(Holy Day- Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God)  
January 3-4 \$7,062.00  
Catholic Communications \$1,789.00  
January 10-11 \$6,301.00  
January 17-18 \$3,756.00  
Parish Maintenance \$ 795.00  
January 24-25 \$7,025.00

Our parish 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, especially those who made up for the January 18th weekend when the icy

conditions adversely affected travel that Sunday and impacted our Mass attendance.

**SU PALABRA HOY**  
*por el Reverendo William J. Reilly*

**Sexto Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario**  
**15 de febrero de 2015**

“Tú eres mi refugio, tú me libras de los peligros y me colmas con la alegría de la salvación.” ... “Se le acercó un leproso para pedirle ayuda y, cayendo de rodillas, le dijo: ‘Si quieres, puedes purificarme’. Jesús, conmovido, extendió la mano y lo tocó, diciendo: ‘Lo quiero, queda purificado.’”

Leemos los salmos - alabando, agradeciendo, buscando perdón y solicitando ayuda. Nuestra meta debería ser hacer el salmo realmente nuestro. Es tan importante volverse al Señor con toda confianza sin importar la circunstancia, buscando Su alegría y paz.

Fue con confianza que el leproso se le acercó al Señor, tratando de recordarle de Su habilidad de cambiar vidas. Las palabras de San Marcos son muy claras al describir cómo se arrodilló con una actitud sincera, pidiendo ayuda. Lo que sigue es la actitud y respuesta de Jesús.

Conmovido con piedad, extendió la mano y lo tocó, algo que era prohibido en la sociedad de ese entonces, y le habló sanándolo. Lo que sea mi necesidad, sanar una relación, el perdón, el don de la fe, yo me acerco a Dios hoy con gran confianza. No necesito decir ‘si quieres’, ya que el Señor sabe lo que es mejor para mí. Sólo necesito acercarme a El con humildad y confianza expresando mi fe y dependencia en El, quien puede hacer tanto lo que quiero como lo que necesito.

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***Stations of the Cross on Fridays***

During the Fridays in Lent, our parish will be praying the Stations of the Cross (Via Crucis) after the 12:15 pm and 7:00 pm Masses. This traditional Lenten devotion commemorates the 14 stops along the *Via Dolorosa* ("the way of sorrow") by recalling Jesus' journey from Pilate's court and the praetorium to Calvary and to the tomb.