

**Most Holy Trinity
Sunday, May 31, 2015**



Sunday, May 31, Most Holy Trinity

- 5:00 + Cornelius and Nellie Crowley
8:30 Parishioners of St. John
10:00 (Sp) + Rafael and Gladys Contreras
11:30 + Bartley and Delia Cummins
1:00 (Sp) + Gustavo Ortiz

Monday, June 1, St. Justin

- 9:00 + Deceased Members of the
Callahan Family
12:15 + Charles & Edna Connington

Tuesday, June 2, Weekday

- 9:00 + Fr. Edward Fagan, OAR, Brother
Peter Stewart, FSC & Brother
Joseph Murphy, FSC
12:15 Intention of Mary Masterson
7:00 (Sp.) + Victor, Sabino, Ildefonso and
Filiberto Brito

**Wednesday, June 3, St. Charles Lwanga and
Companions**

- 9:00 + Joseph Zane
12:15 + Carmen Del Rosario Erazo Rocio

Thursday, June 4, Weekday

- 9:00 + Fr. Edward Fagan, OAR, Brother
Peter Stewart, FSC & Brother
Joseph Murphy, FSC
12:15 + Patrick Joe Kennedy

Friday, June 5, St. Boniface

- 9:00 + Cleta Higgins
12:15 + Patricia Coyne
7:00 (Sp) + William Rosario

Saturday, June 6, Weekday

- 12:15 + Gregoria Torres
5:00 + Olivia Murphy

Sunday, June 7, Body and Blood of Christ

- 8:30 Parishioners of St. John's Parish
10:00 + Oscar, Josefa, Benigno, and Celia
Ojeda, Andrea Pabon and
Asuncion Malpica
11:30 + Neil Crowley

- 1:00 (Sp) + Neris Diaz

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THIS WEEK'S

DONATIONS

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Lower Church
for the week of May 31-June 6 in memory of:

ELEANOR CALLAHAN

The Altar Candles burning in the Lower Church for
the week of May 31-June 6 in memory of:

**PATRICK, BERNADETTE and
PATRICIA ELLEN COYLE**



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.*



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

Cardinal Dolan

Parish Goal: \$50,000

Amount Pledged: \$34,721

of Gifts: 110

Average Gift Amount: \$316.65

Parish Goal Percentage: 69%

Many thanks to those who have made their
gift to support the various Archdiocesan pastoral,
educational, and social services assisted by the
Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal.

Flea Market Next Saturday

Our next upcoming Flea Market will be held
on Saturday June 6th at the Godwin Terrace School
location from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Join us for
bargain buys, hidden treasures, good food and
meeting our local area neighbors.

A New Beginning: Making All Things New Update

As indicated previously, the merger of St. John and Visitation parishes is to take effect by August 1st, (only two months away). The site of St. John Church has been designated where the celebration of Masses and sacraments are to take place. As Cardinal Dolan noted in his November 2nd letter announcing this merger, it is to be seen "as two parishes coming together, in the Lord's name, to become a new worshipping family."

The *Making All Things New* pastoral parish planning process has resulted in the Archdiocese of New York merging 143 existing parishes into 69 new parishes and decreasing the total number of parishes from 368 to 296.

At this stage in the process, the Priest Personnel Board will be making decisions about appointments of administrators or pastors for the 69 merged parishes (including St. John-Visitation) along with an additional 11 parishes throughout the 10 counties of the Archdiocese. Announcements of appointments will be forthcoming.

In addition this merger process includes consultation and ongoing discussions with the Archdiocesan Parish Pastoral Planning and Finance Offices in reviewing resources and effective ways to serve the spiritual, liturgical, educational, and pastoral needs of the Kingsbridge Catholic Community.

This merger process is complex and still evolving. Time and patience will be needed in working out the logistics and practical details. Since a new parish community is being formed, changes lie ahead. Everything will not be fully resolved and completely settled by August 1st. Many of us are uncomfortable with ambiguity but that is the present reality we are facing about the future, very much like the early Christian communities.

Like them, may we trust the Holy Spirit to continue in leading and guiding us in the months ahead as the Archdiocese of New York implements *Making All Things New* in revitalizing and strengthening the life for vibrant parish communities.

Fr. Michael Kerrigan

Parish Book and Religious Resources Exhibit

Our Sunday Visitor, a Catholic publisher, will be meeting and having a book exhibit with our parish catechists and religious education volunteers on Saturday June 13th from 9:00am to 2:00pm in the lower church meeting room. An invitation to attend is extended to parishioners and those interested in learning about *Our Sunday Visitor's* religious education resources.

Upcoming Parish Celebrations

First Holy Communion: Saturday June 6th 5:00 pm Mass
Sunday June 7th 11:30 am and 1:00 pm Masses

50th Anniversary of Sr. Christine Carrigg, R.J.M.

Religious Profession

Sunday June 14th 11:30 am Mass with general reception following Mass

St. John School Alumni Association Reunion

Saturday June 27th 5:00 pm Mass

celebrated by Rev. Aurelian O'Dowd Class of 1960 followed by gathering at St. John's Catholic Regional School

2015 Mass Intentions

Arrangements to schedule Mass Intentions from July through December 2015 for the newly merged parish of St. John-Visitation will begin on Monday June 1st at the St. John's Parish Office.

Archdiocese Seeking Your Help To Pass the Education Tax Credit

Governor Andrew Cuomo has proposed a *Parental Choice in Education Agenda* that includes an *Education Tax Credit* to encourage donations to scholarship funds serving parents with children in Catholic and other schools. After Florida adopted a similar law, what began as a \$50 million program now generates almost a half-billion dollars in scholarships for students in Catholic and other private schools in that state.

As part of the bill, the Governor has proposed a \$500 tax credit for every child a parent has enrolled in a Catholic or other private school. The legislation also encourages donations to public schools and nonprofit organizations for after-school, music, arts, sports and tutoring programs. In addition, this bill would provide a direct tax credit to teachers to help offset the money spent out of their own pockets for classroom supplies.

This legislation is a top priority for His Eminence, Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan and could have a tremendous positive impact on the Catholic schools across the Archdiocese of New York. Governor Cuomo and the State Senate are already on board, but Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie and the Assembly Majority are blocking this important bill.

We can win this, but only if you speak up on behalf of the children and families we seek to serve.

Please let your voice be heard by signing onto www.investined.org today. Simply by typing in your street address and zip code, the website identifies your state legislator and gives you a sample email which you can customize, if you like. Then simply press "Submit Email" and you're done.

Please take a few moments now to let your legislator hear, loud and clear, our demand for action on this important legislation. Help us help the children who most desperately need the benefits of a Catholic education.

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

**The Most Holy Trinity
May 31, 2015**

“Then Jesus approached and said to them, ‘All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always until the end of the ages.’”

Once again we ascend a mountain, the place where God so often revealed Himself. Jesus approached the eleven, and He approaches me as well. He gave them a commission, and He speaks that same message to me as I read a too-familiar text. Because it is so well known we might quickly read and move on. But wait a minute.

The apostles were sent to make disciples, missionary disciples in the words of Pope Francis. This is accomplished through the sacraments, with baptism leading the way. A teaching accompanies the mission, to love God above all things and neighbor as ourselves, not just to follow what I think is acceptable and not uncomfortable.

The final element of the commissioning experience is the assurance of the ongoing and abiding presence of the Lord to direct and sustain us. When the Spirit of Pentecost transformed them, the mission began, and continues through me today. All of us are called and sent as missionary disciples.

Father's Day Masses

The parish Masses on Sunday June 21st (*Father's Day*) will be offered for all fathers, both living and deceased. Please make use of the specially marked envelopes that are available in the church and return them to the parish office by Friday June 19th,

SU PALABRA HOY
por el Reverendo William J. Reilly

**La Santísima Trinidad
31 de mayo de 2015**

“Acercándose, Jesús les dijo: ‘Yo he recibido todo poder en el cielo y en la tierra. Vayan, y hagan que todos los pueblos sean mis discípulos, bautizándolos en el nombre del Padre y del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo, y enseñándoles a cumplir todo lo que yo les he mandado. Y yo estaré siempre con ustedes hasta el fin del mundo.’”

Una vez más ascendemos una montaña, el lugar en donde Dios tantas veces se reveló a Sí Mismo. Jesús se aproximó a los once, y ahora a mí también. Les dió una encomienda, y me da el mismo mensaje a mí cuando leo el texto tan familiar. Ya que es tan bien conocido, puede que le demos un vistazo y sigamos. Pero detengámonos un momento.

Se envió a los apóstoles a hacer discípulos, discípulos misioneros en las palabras del Papa Francisco. Esto se logra a través de los sacramentos, empezando por el bautizo. Una enseñanza acompaña la misión, amar a Dios sobre todas las cosas y a nuestro prójimo como a nosotros mismos, no sólo hacer lo que yo creo aceptable y no incómodo.

El elemento final de la experiencia de comisión es asegurarse de la continua y perdurable presencia de nuestro Señor para dirigirnos y sostenernos. Cuando el Espíritu de Pentecostés los transformó, la misión comenzó y continúa hoy a través de mí. Todos nosotros somos llamados y enviados como discípulos misioneros.

Parish Altar Servers

Mr. Anthony Giacona, our parish pastoral year seminarian, continues to offer training sessions for those who would like to become parish altar servers. An important liturgical ministry that is open to younger parish members (boys, girls, adolescents who have already received First Holy Communion). Please contact Anthony if you are interested.