

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, September 21, 2014



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5:00 + Kathleen and Dennis Tuohy
8:30 Intentions of Mildred Kolessar
and Family

10:00 (Sp) +Carmelo Montanez Rodriguez
11:30 + Ralph Sanchez
1:00 (Sp) +Zunilda de los Santos

Monday, September 22, Weekday

9:00 + Juan Rodriguez
12:15 + Stella Casasola

Tuesday, September 23, St. Pio Pietrelcina

9:00 + John Guarracino, Fusco Family
and Rosa Zingone

12:15 + Joseph Zane

7:00 (Sp.) +Jose Joaquin Diaz

Wednesday, September 24, Weekday

9:00 + Acurcio Da Costa Vera Cruz,
Maria Zeferina Da Costa, Acacio
Vera Cruz & Bennie J. Davis

12:15 + Roma Sassone

Thursday, September 25, Weekday

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

12:15 + Delia and Bartley Cummins

Friday, September 26, Weekday

9:00 + Lena Acquaviva
12:15 Parishioners of St. John
7:00(Sp) Intentions of Perez and
Hernandez Families

Saturday, September 27, St. Vincent de Paul

12:15 + Sr. Gema Rivera
5:00 + Ralph Sanchez

Sunday, September 28, Twenty-Sixth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

8:30 Parishioners of St. John
10:00 (Sp.) + Rosa Jimenez
11:30 + Liz McDermott
1:00(Sp.) + Rafael Antonio de los Santos

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

The Altar Candles burning in the Lower Church
for the week of September 21-27 for:

SPECIAL INTENTION

The Altar Candles burning in the Upper Church
for the week of September 21-27 in memory of:

PATRICK and PATRICIA ELLEN COYLE

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Lower
Church for the week of September 21-27 for:

SPECIAL INTENTION

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK.....

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

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



*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.

Adults Interested in Sacramental Preparation

Adults who would like to consider the possibility of
becoming a Catholic or those who have not yet celebrated
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.

. Latest Making All Things New Update

Cardinal Dolan is in the process of reviewing the recommendations that were presented to him by the Presbyteral Council that took place on June 30 and July 1, 2014. Since that gathering there have been several developments.

The pastoral planning working group has offered a few additional suggestions for consideration based on further input from vicars and pastors, and these have only been recently presented to His Eminence for his reflection.

The Cardinal will also be heading to Rome in early October to participate in the Synod on the Family, and did not want to leave the Archdiocese so soon after the announcement is made.

In light of these developments, the Cardinal feels it is essential that he has more time to consider carefully and thoroughly evaluate all that has been handed over to him. **Hence, the announcement of the Cardinal's Making All Things New decisions will be postponed to the beginning of November.** The original date set to make the announcement was the end of September.

I gratefully ask that you share this information with your parishioners. Thank you.

Most Reverend John J. O'Hara
Director of Strategic Pastoral Planning

Catechetical Sunday

This weekend September 21st has been designated as Catechetical Sunday by the US Catholic Conference of Bishops and will focus on the theme "*Teaching About God's Gift of Forgiveness.*" Those whom the community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry.

Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

Parish Mass Intentions

In accordance with a directive from Bishop Walsh, the Vicar General, in light of the *Making All Things New* Archdiocesan pastoral strategic planning process, parishes may accept stipends for Masses up until June 30, 2015. Your understanding in this regard is greatly appreciated as our parish begins to accept 2015 Mass Intentions.

A Prayer For Catechists

*Lord God,
source of all wisdom and knowledge,*

*you sent your Son, Jesus Christ, to live among us
and to proclaim his message
of faith, hope, and love to all nations.*

*In your goodness
bless our brothers and sisters
who have offered themselves as catechists for your Church.
Strengthen them with your gifts,
that they may teach by word and by example
the truth that comes from you.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

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 this month. 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

Some Helpful Parish Reminders

1) In order to maintain a prayerful and dignified setting in our church for prayer and liturgical celebrations, please remember to silence or place on the vibrate setting any portable electronic devices (cell phones, i-phones, etc.) that you bring to church.

2) If you and your family have not already done so, please register at St. John's Parish. Being registered is important since it indicates a commitment to our parish. Also, parish registration enables us to assist you when sponsor letters or any other type of letter from our parish is needed. Church registration are records to assist parish community life; no church records are ever reported to INS, federal, state, or city agencies. Remember that even the Holy Family needed to register at the time of the great census prior to our Savior's birth (Luke 2:1-7).

3) Given the many scheduling demands and commitments of the parish clergy and pastoral staff, it is strongly recommended and advisable to schedule appointments rather than stopping by unexpectedly at the parish office. Please consider calling to schedule appointments.

4) 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.

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

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"Seek the Lord while he may be found, call him while he is near...Let him turn to the Lord for

mercy; to our God who is generous in forgiving.”... “The reign of God is like the case of the owner of an estate who went out at dawn to hire workers for his vineyard.”

The parables of Jesus can be entertaining, but are also informative. The Bishop Francis Xavier Nguyen said this parable indicated Jesus was not a good businessman, paying the last hired the same wage as the first. But remember, it was the agreed upon wage.

On countless street corners we find ‘day laborers’ seeking employment. They are looking for what everyone needs - work and support for themselves and their families. How many are cutting our lawns, raking our leaves, harvesting food for our tables. They are not anonymous or faceless people. They are part of us.

How many are filling the pews of our church, worshipping the merciful and loving God, continuing to build His kingdom among us. May we discover Christ in them and be a welcoming people, as with them we seek the Lord while He may be found, and is as near as the person praying alongside of us.

Dios, que es generoso en perdonar.” ... “Porque el Reino de los Cielos se parece a un propietario que salió muy de madrugada a contratar obreros para trabajar en su viña.”

Las parábolas de Jesús pueden ser entretenidas, pero también son informativas. El Obispo Francisco Xavier Nguyen dijo que esta parábola indicaba que Jesús no era un buen negociante, pagándole al último empleado contratado el mismo salario que al primero. Pero recuerde, era el salario acordado.

En muchas esquinas encontramos ‘obrerros de un día’ buscando trabajo. Buscan lo que todos necesitan: trabajo y apoyo para sí mismos y sus familias. ¿Cuántos cortan nuestro pasto, recogen nuestras hojas, cosechan la comida que llega a nuestras mesas? No son anónimos, gente sin identidad. Son parte de nosotros.

Muchos de ellos llenan nuestras iglesias, adorando al misericordioso y amoroso Dios, continuando la construcción de Su reino entre nosotros. Ojalá que podamos descubrir a Cristo en ellos y que seamos personas que dan la bienvenida, ya que con ellos buscamos al Señor mientras El se deja encontrar, y está tan cerca como la persona orando al lado nuestro.

SU PALABRA HOY

por el Reverendo William J. Reilly

**Vigésimo Quinto Domingo en Tiempo
Ordinario
21 de septiembre de 2014**

“¡Busquen al Señor mientras se deja encontrar, llámenlo mientras está cerca! ... que vuelva el Señor, y él le tendrá compasión, a nuestro