

**Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, September 7, 2014**



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in Ordinary Time**

5:00 + Bridget and Tom Marshall
8:30 + Joseph Zane
10:00 (Sp) + Nylsa Feliciano
11:30 + James Ryan
1:00 (Sp) + Jose Belarmino Morel and
Juana Martinez

Monday, September 8, Nativity of Mary

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

12:15 + Alonso-Pedrayes Families

Tuesday, September 9, St. Peter Claver

9:00 Parishioners of St. John's

12:15 + John Hogan

7:00 (Sp.) + Jaime Irizarry

Wednesday, September 10, Weekday

9:00 + Sandra Alexis

12:15 + Michael Debeatto

Thursday, September 11, Weekday

9:00 + Victims of 9/11 Tragedies

12:15 + Arthur Sherry

Friday, September 12, Weekday

9:00 + Brother Peter Stewart, FSC

12:15 + Bernard, Mary & Dymphna Duffy

7:00(Sp) + Agustina Morel Vda. Medina

Saturday, September 13, St. John

Chrysostom

12:15 + Ralph Sanchez

5:00 + Adolfo Torrech, Jr., Charles C.
Coletti & Cruz Cruz Torrech

**Sunday, September 14, Exaltation of the
Holy Cross**

8:30 Parishioners of St. John Parish

10:00 (Sp.) + Angela, Jose & Martin Delgado

11:30 + John, Jean & Bobby Tramontozzi

1:00(Sp.) + Victor, Sabino, Ildefonso and
Filiberto Brito

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

The Altar Candles burning in the Lower Church
for the week of September 7-13 for:

SPECIAL INTENTION

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Lower
Church for the week of September 7-13 for:

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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.

APPOINTMENTS RECOMMENDED

In these days when there are increased demands
placed upon the parish staff, a priest may not
always be available for one's convenience. That
is why we recommend scheduling appointments
so that you will not be disappointed or
inconvenienced. Please call the rectory (718)
548-1221 to schedule an appointment.

Next Weekend's Second Collection

The annual collection for St. Joseph's Seminary
will be taken up on the weekend of September 13-
14 at all parishes in the Archdiocese of New York.

This collection provides critical funding to support the formation and training of over forty seminarians for the archdiocese.

As Cardinal Dolan notes: *“The cost of nurturing and training our future priests is an investment for tomorrow that all of us need to share. This month, Saint Joseph’s Seminary begins its 118th year focused on forming and ordaining holy, faithful, and dedicated priests. Please give prayerful consideration to this year’s Annual Seminary Appeal.”*

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.

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.



A Few Important 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 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)

New York Catholic Bible School

Beginning September 17th, the *New York Catholic Bible School* will be holding classes on Wednesday evenings here at St. John’s. Rev. Michael P. Kerrigan will be the instructor for the school, which is sponsored by the Archdiocesan Catechetical Office.

The *New York Catholic Bible School* exists because there is joy and hope in the Bible! Being grounded in beliefs leads us to a deeper relationship with God and an evolving sense of life’s meaning. Intense study of the Bible brings us to life-changing personal growth in spirituality and service.

This program is for adults who are seeking “something more” in their spiritual journey, and who are willing to commit to two years of study. No particular educational background is required. Tuition is \$150 per trimester with a \$35 non-refundable registration fee. **Registration is a must and is to be completed before class begins.**

FOR MORE INFORMATION . . .

E-mail: Bible@archny.org

Telephone: Maureen McKew, Director
646-794-2855

Linda V. DeMarkey, Registrar
646-794-2862

Website: www.nyfaithformation.org/central-offices/new-york-catholic-bible-school

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

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“When you hear me say anything, you shall warn them for me. If I tell the wicked man that he shall surely die, and you do not speak out to dissuade the wicked man from his way... I will hold you responsible.” “If your brother should commit some wrong against you, go and point out his fault, but keep it between the two of you...”

One of the first questions in the bible is ‘Am I my brother’s keeper?’ How often we turn a blind eye to something wrong. How frequently do we hear it said ‘everybody is doing it?’ How easy it is for us to just throw up our hands in defeat.

Ezekiel and Matthew tell us to take a different stance. The evil which surrounds us is to be confronted, not just borne and accepted. I put the letter ‘d’ in front of evil and what is the result?

No one is excused from allowing others to hurt themselves in their relationship with God. Teachers and preachers, parents and guardians have an obligation to point the way to Christ and remove whatever barrier or obstacle which stands in the way. We don’t hesitate to call the fire department or ambulance in an emergency to protect and save others. The spiritual well being of others is our concern. How we approach it requires prudence and grace.

Paul tells us of our debt to love one another, and correction is certainly our debt and gift.

**Vigésimo Segundo Domingo en Tiempo Ordinario
7 de septiembre de 2014**

“Cuando escuches una palabra de mi boca, tú les advertirás de parte mía. Cuando yo diga al malvado: ‘Vas a morir’, si no hablas para advertir al malvado que abandone su mala conducta... a tí te pediré cuenta de su sangre.” “Si tu hermano peca, ve y corrígelo en privado...”

Una de las primeras preguntas en la biblia es ‘¿Acaso yo soy el guardián de mi hermano?’ A menudo volteamos la cabeza cuando vemos que algo no está bien. A menudo escuchamos decir ‘todos lo hacen’. Es muy fácil para nosotros simplemente darnos por vencidos.

Ezequiel y San Mateo nos dicen que tomemos una posición diferente. El mal que nos rodea debe ser confrontado, no simplemente tolerado y aceptado. El mal representa al demonio.

A nadie se le perdona el permitir que otros se hagan daño en su relación con Dios. Maestros y predicadores, padres y guardianes tienen una obligación de señalar el camino a Cristo y remover cualquier barrera u obstáculo que se interpone en el camino. No pensamos dos veces en llamar a los bomberos o una ambulancia durante una emergencia para proteger y salvar a otros. El bienestar espiritual de otros nos concierne. Pero debemos abordar el tema con prudencia y gracia.

San Pablo nos habla de nuestro deber de amarnos los unos a los otros, y el hacer una corrección es claramente nuestro deber y don.

SU PALABRA HOY
por el Reverendo William J. Reilly