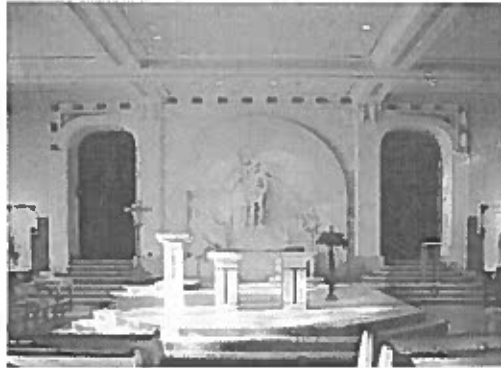


SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, 2018

## The Parish of Resurrection-Ascension

**Stewardship**



**Our Way of Life**

### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Resurrection-Ascension Church is a diverse community that gathers together to celebrate the Eucharist. We recognize that the Lord is the source of all that we have and all that we do. We hope that through our sharing of the Eucharist, the Sacraments, and our belonging to the parish – we may obtain a deeper relationship with the Lord.

As a people of faith, we are striving to grow in our ability to live out our understanding of "Stewardship" through the sharing of our Time, Talent and Treasure. We trust that, through God's grace we may reach out to others, welcoming them, while respecting and supporting one another.

#### Pastoral Staff

Rev. Salvatore J. Amato, Pastor  
Rev. Msgr. Robert J. Thelen, Part-Time Associate Pastor  
Mr. Emanuel Bologna, Director of Music  
Mrs. Joann Heppt, Academy Principal  
Ms. Joyce Mennona, Dir. of Religious Education &  
Parish Outreach  
Rev. Basilio Monteiro, Weekend Presider

#### Church

85-25 61<sup>st</sup> Road, Rego Park, New York 11374

#### Rectory

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#### Rectory Hours

Monday through Friday: 9am - 12noon, and 1pm - 5pm  
(closed for lunch 12noon - 1pm)  
Saturday: 9am – 1pm, CLOSED SUNDAY

#### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00pm  
Sunday 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am  
12:30pm (Spanish)

#### Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday – Friday 9:00am  
Saturday 9:00am

#### Rite of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 11:00am to 11:30am

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## RESURRECTION-ASCENSION CHURCH, REGO PARK

Today is The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B). The Readings are found at #1113 in the Parish Hymnal.

### **Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am in thanksgiving to God, req by Hui Chen

**Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am for the special intentions of Johnny Shen (bday), req by his parents

**Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am Paul Lin and Marra Jiang, req by Jinzhu Lin

**Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am Patrick Sullivan, req by Pat and Bridie Mitchell

**Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am Nellie Scuderi, req by the Resurrection-Ascension Faculty and Staff

**Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am- For the People of the Parish  
 -in thanksgiving to God, req by Hui Chen  
 -Francisco Memphin, req by the Eng family  
 -Caridad Elumba, req by the Eng family  
 -Leticia Daste Cueva, req by Elsa Rivera and family  
 -Jimmy McMahon, req by the Sammon family  
 -Frank Brucale, req by Mary Sammon and family

5:00pm Joseph Wilczewski, req by his family

**Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup> - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

(68: Jon 3:1-5, 10 Ps 25:4-9 1Cor 7:29-31 Mk 1:14-20)

8:00am Patrick and Joseph O'Dea, req by their family

9:30am Dennis O'Connell, req by Mary McLoughlin

11:00am Nick Albaneze, req by his daughter, Catherine, and family

12:30pm For the People of the Parish

#### RECTORY CLOSED

The Rectory will be CLOSED on Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup> in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. It will re-open on Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 9am.

#### FOOD PANTRY HOURS

The Pantry will be CLOSED on Monday, January 15th.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL & CLW

Sunday School will meet next Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup>. There will be Children's Liturgy of the Word next Sunday. On Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, we will meet in Fr. Feely Hall for Parent-Teacher Conferences following the 9:30am Mass. There will not be classes that day.



#### **SAVE THE DATE!!!**

Our annual St. Patrick's Day Dance will be held on Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, from 4-8pm. More details to come... ask around about what fun we had last year!

#### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**The Sick and/or Hospitalized:** Vahide Atlas, Josephine Bravchok, Peggy Brennan, Stephanie Bojarski, Martha Chaves, Mercedes Coral, Richard DeNardo, Louis F. Rossi Favia, Ida Fernandes, Steve Ferrugio, Agnes Finegan, Msgr. Vincent Fullam, Eileen Grubb, George J. Harms, George M. Harms, Pat Holahan, Claire LaRocca, James Leung, Joseph A. Oliveri, Jr., Zoila Orellana, Susan Patina, Brendan Phelan, Michael Pratley, Grace Radonicic, Frank Rahill, Maureen Rahill, Barbara Ravert, Jovina Rios, Julio Rosado, Madeline Silecchia, Rose Tantilillo

**Deceased:** John J. Creighton, Frank Brucale

#### WINE & HOSTS AND MEMORIAL CANDLES

The Wine and Hosts will be used this week in loving memory of Nancy Kerrane, as requested by her husband, William, and family.

The Candle at the Statue of the Blessed Mother will be lit this week in loving memory of Patrick and Annie Hargadon (anniversary), as requested by her sister, Mary Harrington, and family.

The GOLDEN AGE GROUP will not meet this Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, due to the holiday. It will resume meeting next Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

#### SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next weekend, you will have the opportunity to make a donation to Churches in Need. An envelope has been included in your regular tithing packet. Thank you for your consideration and generosity.

#### Annual March for Life in Washington, DC

Please contact Christian Rada at 718-965-7300, ext. 5541 for information regarding the March for Life in Washington, DC, on Friday, January 19, 2018.

#### BLOOD DRIVE AT ST. MARGARET CHURCH

There is a critical blood shortage in our area. St. Margaret Church will be sponsoring a BLOOD DRIVE on Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup> from 9am-3pm in the Parish Hall. Blood types A-, B-, and O- are especially needed. For more info, or to make an appointment, please email parishcalendar@aol.com.

#### 2017 CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

Goal: \$63,130  
 Registered members: 825 Donors: 170  
 Amt Pledged to Date: \$59,180  
 Amt Paid to Date: \$57,620 \*  
 \*To date, we have fallen \$5,510 SHORT of our 2017 goal.

#### A Glimpse at your contributions... January 6/7:

	Cash	Checks	Total
Saturday-5:00pm (English)	\$ 179	\$ 826	\$1,005
Sunday 8:00am (English)	\$ 182	\$ 984	\$1,166
9:30am (English)	\$ 293	\$1,064	\$1,357
11:00am (English)	\$ 487	\$ 800	\$1,287
12:30 pm (Spanish)	\$ 698	\$ 197	\$ 895
	<b>\$1,839</b>	<b>\$3,871</b>	<b>\$5,710</b>

Contributions made via Online Giving: \$676 (53 enrollees)

JANUARY 14, 2018



### "A FRESH LOOK AT 'ORDINARY TIME'"

John the Baptist, having played a significant role as we began the Advent Season, *continues to pave the way for Jesus* as stated in today's Gospel with the words: "Behold, the Lamb of God." These words were expressed to two disciples who heard what John said and, [almost instinctively], followed Jesus (John 1:36-37). One of the *two* was Andrew, who, in turn, signals his brother, Simon and, then, introduces him to Jesus. Consequently, Jesus gave Simon a new name, "Cephas", which means "rock."

The above scenario reminds us that a new life began for Andrew and Simon—and most likely, James and John (since both were fisherman with Peter and Andrew). At this time, it was clear to Jesus that they were searching for something when He asked them, "What are you looking for?" They answered, "Teacher, where are you staying?" The implication here is that it was going to take more than a few minutes to answer that question. With the words of Jesus, "Come, and you will see..." they stayed with Jesus that day..... and beyond.

As we return to the Church Season of Ordinary Time, [which comes from the Latin "*ordo*", i.e., *numbered--* since we count the weeks off by numbers such as: Second, Third Sunday etc], it is obvious that this Church Season does not have the exceptionally striking elements associated with the Christmas Season. For example, there are no melodies to suggest the beginning of this season. In other words, we do not hear anyone singing: "It's beginning to look a lot like Ordinary Time", or, "I'll be home for Ordinary Time". With the conclusion of the Christmas Season, we also return to the patterns of our "ordinary" lives— i.e., back to: school, work, etc. However, even in this most "ordinary" of times, we have a tremendous opportunity to come to know Jesus on a *deeper level through prayer, conversation, and reflection.*

Notably, this season of "Ordinary Time" can also be one which is lived in a world touched by God's grace. Therefore, as we spend some "ordinary" time with Jesus, may we come to know Him in a whole new, and "*not-so-ordinary way.*" Finally, may we also be mindful that this season can help us to remember that God *continues to work through each of us.* And, that is [precisely] what can make "Ordinary Time" an experience which can also be **EXTRAORDINARY!**

In Christ,  
Fr. Amato

### **Why should I be registered in Church?**

All parishioners should be registered and use contribution envelopes. In addition to proof of attendance, the use of envelopes allows the parish to maintain a record of any contributions you make. Funds given without identification cannot be verified as requested by tax laws for deductions.

If you would like a statement of your 2017 Church contributions, you must request that one be sent to you (we do not automatically send them to all parishioners.) **Kindly call the rectory and request a statement from our bookkeeper, Heather Belon, extension 12, or email the request to [rarectory@aol.com](mailto:rarectory@aol.com).** (If you have registered for Online Giving, you can obtain your contribution summary directly from the website.) All statements requested will be mailed during the last week of January. Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish!

### **"HOUR HEARTFELT THANKS"**

*"To the wonderful people of Resurrection-Ascension Parish.... Our Christmas celebrations were absolutely marvelous and very meaningful. Your beautiful gifts were welcomed, and appreciated, because they represented the profound generosity of so many. You truly live out the meaning of Christmas for our families. Know how grateful we are! God's peace for you and your families in the New Year!"*

~Sister Tesa Fitzgerald, CSJ, and All at Hour Children

## THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### ☺ RESURRECTION – ASCENSION ☺ CATHOLIC ACADEMY NEWS

#### Early Childhood Open Houses

We will be holding open houses throughout the month of January for Nursery, Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten for the 2018-2019 school year. If you, or someone you know, would like to visit our school please come on one of the following dates:

**Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> from 9am-11am**

**Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9am-11am**

You will receive information about our school and a tour of the building. These are wonderful opportunities to see our children in action! If these dates are not convenient, please call the school office at 718-426-4963.

We will also have our usual Catholic Schools Week Open Houses on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> for all students

We are host to two Pre-K For All classes. Registration opens online on February 5<sup>th</sup>. Priority is given to current Nursery students and siblings of RA students.

**Congratulations to the following students who have achieved honors in their respective high schools:**

#### The Mary Louis Academy:

Principal's List: *Erin Mohr, Elaina Wahmann*

First Honors: *Jacklyn Favia*

Second Honors: *Nicol Sikorski*

#### St. Agnes Academic:

Second Honors: *Yorciana Lasprilla*

**Our "Arise" Season 4 will be starting in February.  
Look for details in future bulletins.**

#### BOOSTER WINNERS

1<sup>st</sup> Prize \$100 Eugene Hennessey, MV  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize \$50 Helen Steinhauer, MV  
3<sup>rd</sup> Prize \$25 Nancy Goldbach-McKeon, MV

**Congratulations to all our winners!**

New subscribers are always welcome and, "YOU NEED TO BE IN IT – TO WIN IT!" For further info, kindly call the rectory 718-424-5212, ext. 16.

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

##### Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup>- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

-Rectory Closed, School Closed  
-Food Pantry Closed, No Golden Age  
-Basketball Practice 5-9:30pm Gym, No Yoga  
-NA 7:30pm PCC

##### Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>

-Children's Choir 3pm Church  
-Track 4-5pm, Basketball Practice 5-9:30pm Gym  
-English Classes 6-8pm PCC  
-Spanish Prayer Group 7-9pm FFH Chapel

##### Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>- St. Anthony, Abbot

-Food Pantry 10-12noon PCC  
-English Choir 7:30pm Church  
-Basketball Practice 5-9:30pm Gym  
-NA 7:30pm PCC

##### Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup>

-Toddler Time 9:30-10:30am CMR  
-English Classes 6-8pm PCC  
-Vicariate Choir 7:30pm Church  
-Basketball Practice 5-9:30pm Gym

##### Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup>

-CODA 10am PCC, Twirling 4-7pm Gym  
-Basketball Practice 7:15-9:30pm Gym  
-Spanish Bible Study 7-9:30pm FFH Chapel

##### Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>- St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr; BVM

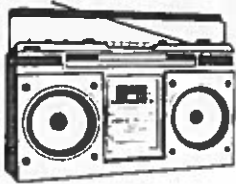
-OCA 10am PCC, CYO Basketball & Volleyball Gym  
-Twirling 10-12pm FFH Main  
-Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest 6pm Gym  
-Spanish Classes 3-5pm, Spanish Service 5-7pm PCC  
-Divine Mercy 4:15pm Blessed Sacrament Chapel

##### Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup>- Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

-Children's Liturgy at the 9:30am Mass  
-Sunday School 10:45-12noon School  
-Youth Group 12-1:30pm FFH Garden  
-CYO Basketball & Volleyball Gym,  
-Alanon 12noon PCC

**A WORD FROM JOYCE MENNONA....** As Catholics, we believe in the dignity of every human life and, vehemently, oppose human trafficking, and modern-day slavery, as it contravenes basic human dignity. As Pope Francis has stated: "Human trafficking is an open wound on the body of contemporary society, a scourge upon the body of Christ." There are an estimated 21 million victims of human trafficking worldwide. Every country in the world is affected by human trafficking, including the United States. Again, what can we do? Simple things like buying items marked, "Fair Trade". Trader Joe's & Stop & Shop both carry Fair Trade coffee & chocolate.

**Black Gold: SYNOPSIS:** The coffee industry has boomed in recent years, with new coffee shops popping up at every street corner. But from where is this supply of coffee coming? This documentary takes an in-depth look at the world of international coffee trade, and the different lives affected by it. The film takes us to Ethiopia, a mecca for coffee growers, and explores the struggles coffee farmers face trying to obtain a fair price for their coffee. The blatant exploitation is made abundantly clear as they fight to avoid bankruptcy, while other companies make incredibly large profits, at their expense. You can watch this documentary at <http://blackgoldmovie.com/>. Also visit: [www.lifewaynetwork.org](http://www.lifewaynetwork.org) or the US Catholic Bishops at: [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) for: ways to help, prayers, to donate, or learn about current laws that need support and ways to contact your government officials.



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Detach and return to the Rectory addressed to: Knights of Columbus 61-11 85<sup>th</sup> Street Rego Park, NY 11374 Please RSVP with payment by January 26th.

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**Sponsors Youth Free Throw Championship**

## Contest Announcement

All boys and girls ages 9 to 14 are invited to participate in the local level of the competition for the 2018 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. The local competition, is **FREE** to enter and will be held on Saturday, January 20th 2018 at Resurrection Ascension Gym 85-25 61<sup>st</sup> Road, Rego Park, NY 11374.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through local, district and state competitions. All boys and girls 9 to 14 years old are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age divisions.

All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the event. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent.

Registration begins at 6:30pm with the competition immediately following. For registration forms or additional information visit the Juniper Valley Knights of Columbus Facebook page or contact John at (917) 318-0060.