

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 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

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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 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (B). The Readings are found at #1116 in the Parish Hymnal.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, January 22nd

9:00am William McQuade, req by Gavin Timoney

Tuesday, January 23rd

9:00am John Lydon (24th anniv), req by the Lydon and Mesa families

Wednesday, January 24th

9:00am Patrick and Annie Hargadon (anniv), req by her sister, Mary Harrington, and family

Thursday, January 25th

9:00am Thomas Flynn, req by his wife, Kathleen

Friday, January 26th

9:00am John Jorgensen (75th anniv), req by his son, John

Saturday, January 27th

9:00am- For the People of the Parish
-in thanksgiving to God, req by Hui Chen
-Mercedes Martinez, req by her family
-Paulino Bautista, req by his family

5:00pm Gonzalo Mempin (anniv), req by his sister, Gina, and family

**Sunday, January 28th - Fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

(71: Dt 18:15-20 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9 1Cor 7:32-35
Mk 1:21-28)

8:00am For the People of the Parish

9:30am Rev. Richard E. Mackiewicz (8th anniv)

11:00am Maureen Neville, req by Bridie Grogan, and family

12:30pm Freddy Taveras, req by Cesar and Mayra Lopez

COME IN FROM THE COLD

To All Parishioners.... Come warm yourselves with prayer, friendship, and refreshments. Please join the Marian Rosary Group as we welcome in the New Year with the recitation of the Rosary, as well as prayers, and petitions, to Mary for good health, peace, safety, and hope that the New Year 2018... may it be richly blessed in every way. Our meeting will be held on Thursday morning, January 25th, following the 9am Mass as we gather in the Garden Room of Father Feely Hall. We look forward to welcoming you.

THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES

Next weekend, you will have the opportunity to make a donation to our **Thanks for the Memories Collection**, which benefits our parish school. An envelope has been included in your regular tithing packet. Thank you for your generosity.

Annual March for Life in Washington, DC

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

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 Pralley, Grace Radonicic, Frank Rahill, Maureen Rahill, Barbara Ravert, Jovina Rios, Joel Rivera, Julio Rosado, Madeline Silecchia, Rose Tantillo

Deceased: Maureen Conforti, Elizabeth Piazza

WINE & HOSTS AND MEMORIAL CANDLES

The Wine and Hosts will be used this week in loving memory of John Jorgensen (75th anniversary), as requested by his son, John.

The Altar Candles will be lit this week in loving memory of John Jorgensen (75th anniversary), as requested by his son, John.

The Sanctuary Lamp will be lit this week in loving memory of John Jorgensen (75th anniversary), as requested by his son, John.

The Candle at the Statue of the Blessed Mother will be lit this week in loving memory of John Jorgensen (75th anniversary), as requested by his son, John.

The Candle at the Statue of St. Joseph will be lit this week in loving memory of John Jorgensen (75th anniversary), as requested by his son, John.

The Candle at the Statue of St. Patrick will be lit this week in loving memory of John Jorgensen (75th anniversary), as requested by his son, John.

The Flowers at the Statue of the Blessed Mother will be placed this week in loving memory of John Jorgensen (75th anniversary), as requested by his son, John.

The Candle at the Statue of St. John Vianney will be lit this week in loving memory of John Jorgensen (75th anniversary), as requested by his son, John.

SUNDAY SCHOOL & CLW

On Sunday, January 28th, we will meet in Fr. Feely Hall for Parent-Teacher Conferences following the 9:30am Mass.

There will not be classes that day.

There will be CLW on Sunday, January 28th at the 9:30am Mass.



SAVE THE DATE!!!

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

JANUARY 21, 2018



AN INVITATION....AND ONE THAT CALLS FOR A RESPONSE.....

We may not always realize it, but every contact we have with another person is, also, an invitation. Some examples: 1) A co-worker enters the room and announces: "Do you have a minute?" 2) Someone arrives on the doorstep wanting you to take part in a survey. 3) A friend may text you with an offer of tickets for a movie/play, etc. 4) An e-mail initiates a conversation with a long-lost acquaintance. 5) A stranger speaks to you on the subway, bus, or any other form of transportation. Notably, in all of these overtures, a choice needs to be made. In other words, am I able to respond, or am I available, to this relationship, or not?

In the Gospel for this Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, when Jesus walks along the shore of Galilee, He finds what one would expect to see: fishermen attentive to their trade. Here, Jesus issues an "invitation" that is considerably *much deeper* than an average one. It is not—similar to a colloquially speaking—"Got a minute?" but, more precisely, and very similar to: "What are you doing with the rest of your life?"

In the above encounter, *four* men, on that day, and in this particular instance, made an astonishing reply, perhaps expressed as follows: "We're not doing anything that we would not trade for the grand adventure of life with you."

One might ask, how many other people received the invitation to follow, and how many may have replied: "No, thanks?" This Gospel challenges us to imagine if Jesus walks in our midst and invites us to follow. How would we respond to His invitation? What are we—like His original followers—willing to abandon, and what might possibly hold us back? Let us remember, then, that every invitation always calls for a response—and some, more profoundly, than others.....

In Christ,
Fr. Amato

2017 CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

Goal: \$63,130
Registered members: 825 Donors: 178
Amt Pledged to Date: \$60,490
Amt Paid to Date: \$58,980*
*To date, we have fallen \$4,150 SHORT of our 2017 goal.

A Glimpse at your contributions... January 13/14:

	Cash	Checks	Total
Saturday-5:00pm (English)	\$ 345	\$1,207	\$1,552
Sunday 8:00am (English)	\$ 194	\$ 957	\$1,151
9:30am (English)	\$ 435	\$ 675	\$1,110
11:00am (English)	\$ 530	\$1,123	\$1,653
12:30 pm (Spanish)	\$ 415	\$ 114	\$ 529
	\$1,919	\$4,076	\$5,995
Contributions made via Online Giving: \$721 (53 enrollees)			
Total weekly collection: \$6,716 (this week's deficit=\$2,935)			
Weekly goal needed to meet parish expenses: \$9,651			



SAVE THE DATE!!

RA Mardi Gras Brunch
Sunday, February 11th at 12noon in FFH
See next weekend's bulletin for details...

SAVE THE DATE... RADIO BINGO!

Knights of Columbus Juniper Valley Council 14578 and the Resurrection-Ascension Home Academy Association present Radio Bingo, where Bingo meets Name That Tune. Join us for an evening of entertainment on February 3, 2018, at 7pm in the RA gym. \$35 per person, includes Bingo games, beer, wine, soda, and snacks. For additional information, please contact Thomas McCabe at (718) 779-2692. "This ain't your grandma's bingo!!"

JUST A REMINDER...

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.** (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!



THE THIRD 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 **Tuesday, January 23rd, 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 28th and Wednesday, January 31st for all students

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

TEMPORARY JOB POSITION AVAILABLE

Part-time Social Worker Positions open for a small long-term care facility (under 100 employees) in Queens Village. Geriatric Experience Needed. Please fax resume to (718) 464-4308, or email qphr@littlesistersofthepoor.org.

Welcome to Season Four of ARISE, Together in Christ!

Once again, as for Season Three, the faith sharing sessions take place during the special time of year we call Lent.

In Season Four, guided by the rich message proclaimed, and celebrated, in the liturgies of Lent, and Holy Week, we will explore together the themes of forgiveness, and reconciliation. These themes prepare us for the great celebration of the Easter vigil, where some may celebrate their Baptism, and where all of us are invited to renew our baptismal promises, and celebrate the new life we have, in Christ.

Season Four small group meetings begin Thursday, February 8th at 10am. May ARISE increase our understanding of the great love God has for us! "A clean heart create for me, God; renew in me a steadfast spirit". Psalm 51:12 God offers us in Christ, much more-not just a heart cleansed, not just a spirit renewed; "I will give you a new heart and place a new spirit within you". Ezekiel 36:26.

BOOSTER WINNERS

1st Prize \$100 Mary Lou Murray, MV
2nd Prize \$50 Joseph and Eleanor Greene, Lynbrook
3rd Prize \$25 Maura T. Kelly, RP

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 22nd- Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

-Food Pantry 10-12noon PCC, Golden Age 12noon FFH
-Basketball Practice 5-9:30pm Gym, Yoga 6pm FFH
-NA 7:30pm PCC

Tuesday, January 23rd- St. Marianne Cope, Virgin; St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr

-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 24th- St. Francis deSales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

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

Thursday, January 25th- The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

-Toddler Time 9:30-10:30am CMR
-Marian Rosary 9:45am FFH Garden
-English Classes 6-8pm PCC
-Parent Workshop 7pm Gym
-Vicariate Choir 7:30pm Church
-No Basketball Practice

Friday, January 26th- St. Timothy and St. Titus, Bishops

-Student of the Month Assembly 8:15am Gym
-CODA 10am PCC, Twirling 4-7pm Gym
-Girl Scouts 7-9pm FFH Main
-Basketball Practice 7:15-9:30pm Gym
-Spanish Bible Study 7-9:30pm FFH Chapel

Saturday, January 27th- St. Angela Merici, Virgin and Religious Founder; BVM

-OCA 10am PCC, CYO Basketball & Volleyball Gym
-Spanish Classes 3-5pm, Spanish Service 5-7pm PCC
-Divine Mercy 4:15pm Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Sunday, January 28th- Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

-Opening of Catholic School Week at 9:30am Mass
-Sunday School Parent/Teacher Conferences 10:45-12noon FFH, No Sunday School
-Youth Group 12-1:30pm FFH Garden
-CYO Basketball & Volleyball Gym,
-Alanon 12noon PCC

WORLD'S FINEST CHOCOLATE SALE

World's Finest Candy Bars are on sale at the rectory. \$1 per bar, assorted varieties. Hurry,,, they sell quickly!! ☺

The History of Hymns:

"The Spirit Sends Us Forth To Serve" compels us to live out Gospel

"The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve" by Delores Dufner, OSB

*The Spirit sends us forth to serve;
We go in Jesus' name
To bring glad tidings to the poor,
God's favor to proclaim.**

"Let us bring to life and liturgy the gifts that differ . . . for the building up of our sisters and brothers into the one Body of Christ," proclaims Delores Dufner in her introduction to her hymn collection, *Sing a New Church*. She motivates us in this collection to "Sing a new church into being, one in faith and love and praise."

Sister Delores, a member of St. Benedict's Monastery in St. Joseph, Minn., has published over 155 hymns in her lifetime, much to the acclaim of Alan Hommerding who named her the foremost female Roman Catholic hymn text writer in the United States in the October 2000 issue of the journal, *The Hymn*.

Sr. Delores holds master's degrees in liturgical music, and liturgical studies, and is a very active member of her monastery, as well as the Diocese of St. Cloud, Minn. Her work has taken her to various conventions, hymn festivals, and meetings throughout the United States, and the world. Several of her texts have appeared in anthems, cantatas and even an opera / oratorio by prolific contemporary composers. One of her most famous texts is "Sing a New Church," commissioned for the 1991 convention of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians.

Her hymnody is derived from her experiences of the Roman Catholic Church during Vatican II along with her involvement with liturgy and music. Sr. Delores writes texts that function within Catholic liturgy, as well as texts which speak centrally from the Word of God.

It was her realization that the Catholic Church was in need of English texts after the Vatican II reforms which challenged her to follow in the ways of Martin Luther. She began her hymn writing by creating texts for specific public domain tunes, free of copyright restrictions.

"The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve," based on Isaiah 61:1-4 and Luke 4:16-22, highlights our Christian mission here on earth, by challenging readers to live out the gospel, sending the Church forth in Jesus' name through the working of the Holy Spirit.

Her texts are often paired with familiar hymn tunes. Today, we sing her text to the tune Azmon, a tune originally written by Carl Gläser (1784-1829), and arranged by Lowell Mason. It was first published in Boston, 1839. Several Christian hymns, including "O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing," have been set to this tune.

Emanuel Bologna
Director of Music

Resurrection Ascension Home Academy Association invites you to *Pallet Paint Night!*

Friday, February 2, 2018 at 7pm
Resurrection Ascension Catholic Academy Gym
85-25 61st Road, Rego Park, NY 11374



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\$45 per person
ADVANCED RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST! RSVP by 1/26/18
Price includes 12 x 14 pallet sign and all art supplies.
You will be able to choose your custom color scheme the night of the event.

Please note your pallet selection in your RSVP. Design decision is FINAL!

No paint experience necessary!
Adults Only!

Please make checks payable to:
RA Home Academy Association
Mail to: R.A.H.A.A
85-25 61st Road, Rego Park, NY 11374

Contact us @ hsa@raschool.org
Please arrive 15 minutes before the event to retrieve your supplies and find a seat.

Beer, wine and refreshments will be available for purchase but feel free to bring your own. Complimentary coffee and tea.

R.A. Home Academy Association Pallet Paint Night! 2-02-2018 7pm

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____
Email: _____ Pallet Design (circle) 1 2 3 4 5 6