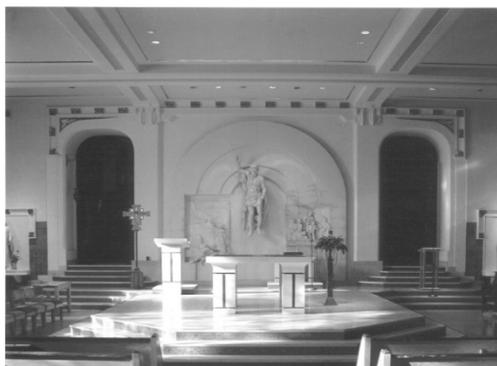


SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 2018

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 &
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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 Nativity of Saint John the Baptist (B) . The Readings are found at #1216 in the Parish Hymnal.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, June 25th

9:00am Michael Lavin, req by his wife, Philomena

Tuesday, June 26th

9:00am Bob McCarthy, req by his wife and family

Wednesday, June 27th

9:00am Pedro and Maria Arduengo, req by their family

Thursday, June 28th

9:00am Bernard Brady, req by Angel and Nita Almazan

Friday, June 29th

9:00am Walter Halagarda, req by his family

Saturday, June 30th

9:00am -For the People of the Parish
-Mercedes Martinez, req by her family
-in gratitude for Crisanta Rio, req by her family
-for the health and intentions of the Petriello family, req by Cathy Mesa
-for the health and intentions of Helen and Ginny Credaroli, req by Ann Ruebenacker

5:00pm Bernard Brady, req by Kathleen Fitzpatrick and Daniel Horgan

Sunday, July 1st- Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

(98: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24 Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13
2Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15 Mk 5:21-43)

8:00am Bill Rahner, req by Janice, Leanne, and Chris

9:30am Mercedes Coral, req by Elsa Rivera and family

11:00am Florence O'Connor, req by Vahide Atlas and family

12:30pm deceased members of the Carollo family

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL SUMMER HOURS

Please be aware that during the summer season, the Blessed Sacrament Chapel will close at 1:30pm.

The regular hours will resume in the fall, and the specific date will be announced in the bulletin.

FOOD PANTRY SUMMER HOURS

The Food Pantry will be open Wednesdays from 10am-noon during the month of July. It will be CLOSED the entire month of August.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT COLLECTION

Next weekend, you will have the opportunity to make a donation to the **R.A. Society of St. Vincent.**

Your contributions help us reach out to our parish family and neighbors experiencing difficult times. An envelope is included in your regular tithing packet. Thank you for your generosity.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The Sick and/or Hospitalized: Vahide Atlas, Josephine Bravchok, Peggy Brennan, Stephanie Bojarski, Kurt Burger, Martha Chaves, Richard DeNardo, Carmine Eso, Ida Fernandes, Steve Ferrugio, Agnes Finegan, , Msgr. Vincent Fullam, Eileen Grubb, George J. Harms, George M. Harms, Pat Holahan, Claire LaRocca, James Leung, Joe Loughnane, Mary Loughnane, Patrick McCabe, Nora O'Connor, Joseph A. Oliveri, Jr., Susan Patina, Brendan Phelan, Michael Pratley, Grace Radonicic, Frank Rahill, Maureen Rahill, Barbara Ravert, Jovina Rios, Joel Rivera, Julio Rosado, Madeline Silecchia, Rose Tantillo

Deceased: Eugene Dima

WINE & HOSTS AND MEMORIAL CANDLES

The **Wine and Hosts** will be used this week in **loving memory of Rose and Angelo Silecchia**, as requested by their sister, Madeline.

There are several memorials available for your intentions. The donations for each memorial is \$25, and each memorial may be reserved by visiting the rectory office.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP STARTS TOMORROW... THERE'S STILL TIME TO REGISTER!

We have fun listening to Bible stories, acting out skits, making crafts, singing, games, daily treasure hunts, and snack time.

For a closer look, visit our website. Registration forms and payment are on our site as well at www.rachurch.net.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Don't forget to register for Sunday School! Forms are available online at www.rachurch.net, or at the Rectory office.

CATECHISTS NEEDED!!!

If you are interested in teaching the faith, and working with children, we can use help in our Sunday School Program for the upcoming school year. If interested, please email racatholicchurch@gmail.com.

A MESSAGE FROM JOYCE MENNONA....

Thank you to the RA Staff for the farewell gathering, and all your hard work! To the dear Parishioners of RA, thank you for taking the time to wish me well, for the cards, notes, and prayers! Your kindness and generosity are truly appreciated. Working with you these past 13 years has allowed me to grow spiritually through your witness to the faith and dedication to Church life. Brother John, the Missionary this past weekend said, "Mission is a two way street." Fr. Amato said he's sure I'll take what I learned here and apply it as I move on. This is all true. Thank you for all you have given me over the years and helping me grow closer to God. May God bless you and keep you. May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind always be at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face, and rains fall soft upon your fields. And until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand.

~Joyce

“MEMORABLE EVENTS FROM LAST WEEKEND”

Many of our parishioners may not be aware that our fourth and fifth grade students have had the opportunity for an in-depth experience, and appreciation, of both music and dance. In terms of playing a musical instrument, this is the FIFTH year that our fourth grade students had the opportunity, and advantage, of learning to play the violin. A demonstration of their progress took place on Friday, June 15, at 8:15 A.M.



On Friday, June 15th, nineteen of our eighth graders participated in the “Annual Commencement Exercises” for “Resurrection-Ascension Catholic Academy”. As always, our graduates leave us with a deep feeling of pride, and cause to rejoice. Scholarships awarded our graduates, along with honors, and the singling out of those who excelled in various subjects, are a clear sign of their preparedness for future academic challenges as they “move on” to High School, and beyond. How reassuring, then, that their future will be met with success, resulting in their looking back, with a deep sense of gratitude, for all that was done to prepare them, during their learning foundation, for the past ten [or less] years.

With the above in mind, our “Congratulations and Prayerful Support” are extended to the following graduating class of 2018:

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| Bella Baez | Alayza Diaz | Faiza Khan | Brianna Rivera |
| Isabel Caamaño | Samantha Fernandes | Francesco Mancini-Menditto | Manuel Roxas |
| Raffi Chirinian | Gianna Gil-Jimenez | Kasper Matloka | Iryna Sulyma |
| Leyla Collado | Branden Gotay | Keenu Paulino | Aidan Sweeney |
| Samantha DelRosario | Erica Kim Jarina | Christian Petrov | |

Among these graduates were FIVE students winning partial scholarships to the following high schools: St Vincent Ferrer, Notre Dame High School of Manhattan, McClancy Memorial High School, Christ the King, Archbishop Molloy and Holy Cross High School. In addition to receiving a partial scholarship to Holy Cross High School, this same graduate won a full scholarship to Regis High School. An additional highlight of this graduation was the return on one of our former teachers, **Mrs. Linda Mezcic**, currently an assistant principal at St Luke’s in Whitestone. As their former Science teacher, Mrs Mezcic, spoke about neurons in the brain, and the connection with the changing events one experiences. After having taught here for 21 years, Mrs. Mezcic concluded with her experience of change and its implications for her—as will be for these graduates—with the words of former President, John F. Kennedy: “Change is the law of life, and those who look only to the past, or the present, are certain to miss the future.”



On Saturday, June 16, after the 5 P.M. Mass, a Farewell took place to honor Joyce Mennona, who will be moving on to teach at Sacred Heart Academy, in Hempstead. Parishioners attended a social in Msgr Dooley Hall (gymnasium), to express their gratitude, and thanks, to Joyce for her service to this parish for the past thirteen years. We trust that her experience here will help to equip her for the challenges that may lie ahead, while assuming a teaching position.

On Sunday, June 17th, at the 9:30am Mass, special recognition was given to one of our ushers, John Haughney, who has served as Minister of Hospitality, for more than 30 years. Due to recent physical limitations, John had to ask to be relieved of his responsibility, and attend Masses as a worshipper. In recognition for his faithful service, a plaque was presented to John, which read as follows: **“Presented to John Haughney, with gratitude for your many years of service “.**

On Monday, June 18th, at 8:15 A.M., parents were able to witness how our fourth, and fifth graders, had their first exposure to such dances as the: rumba, waltz, swing, foxtrot, tango, salsa, stomp, and the meringue. This presentation was introduced by the educational liaison, and the instructor of dance. The audience was then informed that the purpose of this program was to give our students an awareness of the importance of “team work”, the value of “respect”, and a sampling of “elegance. The format was very cleverly “mapped out” up by having some of our fourth and fifth graders first report, and also, share their first impressions of what they anticipated as a new experience in learning how to: dance with a partner, change partners, and become acquainted with the various dance steps, from the above varieties of dance. Our students also gave a *history* of some of the dance forms which proved that this was also an academic learning experience. The morning’s program concluded with our “budding dancers” choosing their new partners from the audience—namely, a parent or another member of the family.

Fortunately, this has been the fifth year that such an opportunity has been offered to our fourth and fifth graders, who have benefitted from the program’s intent to promote: team work, respect, and exposure to the meaning of “elegance.” Undoubtedly, it was very impressive to watch our youngsters formally dressed— as the saying goes: “in their Sunday best”—while mastering the challenging steps of such a variety of dance forms. Thanks to our principal, Mrs. Heppt, who, obviously, has been very supportive as to the value of this experience. Who knows—in a few years, some of our fourth and fifth graders may—one day—appear as a contestant on the annual show, “Dancing with the Stars!”

In Christ,
Fr. Amato

THE NATIVITY OF. ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

RESURRECTION-ASCENSION
 ☺ **CATHOLIC ACADEMY NEWS** ☺

Congratulations to the following students who achieved honors for the third trimester:

Grade 5: *Emily Avaricio, Amaris Braun, Isabella Chase, Kyle Jara Alas, Liam Sweeney, Santiago Uribe*

Grade 6: *Rachele Bifulco, Adriana Chamulak, Sydney Ewald, Jeremy Fernandes, Seraphina Ng, Janelle-Stephanie Pascual, Dylan Rosa, Erika Yick, Erica Yu*

Grade 7: *Matthew Alvarez, Karalyn Chiu, Natalie Kizior, Elizabeth Quercia, Lucas Stepan, George Tena Valladares*

A Glimpse at your contributions... June 16/17:

	Cash	Checks	Total
Saturday-5:00pm (English)	\$ 306	\$2,258	\$2,564
Sunday 8:00am (English)	\$ 404	\$ 586	\$ 990
9:30am (English)	\$ 500	\$ 430	\$ 930
11:00am (English)	\$ 355	\$ 660	\$1,015
12:30 pm (Spanish)	\$ 445	\$ 157	\$ 602
	\$2,010	\$4,091	\$6,101

Contributions made via Online Giving: \$738

Total number of envelopes used by registered parishioners: 213
Total weekly collection: \$6,839. Weekly goal needed to meet parish expenses: \$9,651. Deficit this week= \$2,812

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

2017	2018
Goal: \$63,130	Goal: \$63,130
Registered Members: 817	Registered Members: 829
Number of Donors: 111	Number of Donors: 132
Amt Pledged to Date: \$46,900	Amt Pledged to Date: \$58,720 <i>(an increase of \$140)*</i>
Amt Received to Date: \$36,985	Amt Received to Date: \$47,075 <i>(an increase of \$150)*</i>

*(*note-increase notations refer to increase from last week's figures, not a comparison to 2017 figures)*

We are \$4,410 WITHIN REACH OF OUR GOAL!!! Please do not forget to send in your pledges! *Pledge forms are available in Church, or at the Rectory, in both English and Spanish. You may also visit www.annualcatholicappeal.org and click Donate. Just be sure to mark "Resurrection-Ascension" as our parish! ***An increased number of donors will help to reach our goal, and beyond!!!**

ROSARY REPAIR

Jason Chang will be available to repair your chain rosaries on the first Sunday of the month (July 1st) immediately following the 9:30am Mass in the auditorium. This is a free service (unless replacement parts are needed).

You may schedule alternate times to meet by emailing jchang53@fordham.edu or call (718) 916-8343.

FOUR SEASONS 50/50

The next drawing of the Four Seasons 50/50 will take place TOMORROW. Please return all tickets to the rectory by 9:30am tomorrow morning. Good luck to all!

BOOSTER WINNERS

1st Prize \$100 Joseph and Eleanor Greene, Lynbrook
 2nd Prize \$50 Mr. & Mrs. Richard Arena, MV
 3rd Prize \$25 Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Wenz, RP
Congratulations to our winners!

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, June 25th

- Vacation Bible School 9-12noon FFH
- Food Pantry 10-12noon PCC
- Pre-Cana 7-9pm FFH Main
- Yoga 6pm FFH Garden
- NA 7:30pm PCC

Tuesday, June 26th

- Vacation Bible School 9-12noon FFH
- English Classes 6-8pm PCC
- Spanish Prayer Group 7-9:30m FFH Chapel

Wednesday, June 27th- St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

- Vacation Bible School 9-12noon FFH
- Food Pantry 10-12noon PCC
- NA 7:30pm PCC

Thursday, June 28th- St. Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr

- Vacation Bible School 9-12noon FFH
- English Classes 6-8pm PCC
- Vicariate Choir 7:30pm Church

Friday, June 29th- Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles

- CODA 10am PCC
- Spanish Bible Study 7-9:30pm FFH Garden

Saturday, June 30th- The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church; BVM

- OCA 10am PCC
- Divine Mercy 4:15pm Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Sunday, July 1st- Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Alanon 12noon PCC

Bring your petitions to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Join in praying the **Chaplet of Divine Mercy**. Saturdays at 4:15pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

LATEST GENERATIONS OF FAITH UPDATE

Total Pledged: \$1,124,317 Amount Received from Generations of Faith quarterly disbursements: \$264,299 Amount spent (from parish funds) on first two major projects: \$399,605. Amount to needed to completely satisfy the cost of the two projects: \$135,306. This is contingent upon everyone's faithfulness to their Generations of Faith pledges! Pledge payments may be placed in the collection basket for your convenience. Thank you for your past, and future, pledge payments!

Maggie's Little Theater at St. Margaret Parish Hall
66-05 79 Place, Middle Village

Presents the classic Broadway musical "Man of La Mancha". Tickets are \$20 for adults, and \$17 for seniors and children 11 & under. Performances: June 30, July 13/14 at 8pm; July 1st, July 7/8 at 2:30pm. For more info, please visit www.maggieslittletheater.org, or call (917) 579-5389.

