

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 17, 2016
LITURGY SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

Saturday, January 16

5:00 p.m. – Howard B. Pratt Jr. req. by Irene Shucavage

Sunday, January 17

8:30 a.m. – Loretta Ann Joyce req. by the Wagner family

10:00 a.m. – Peter Chipko req. by Joanne Gula

Monday, January 18

12:00 p.m. – Sally Ann Conway Ryan req. by Seven Seven

Tuesday, January 19

12:00 p.m. – Frances Murphy

Wednesday, January 20

12:00 p.m. – James Skelly

Thursday, January 21

12:00 p.m. – Kathryn Lombardi, 1 year Anniversary, req. by Sacred Heart Staff

Friday, January 22

8:00 a.m. – Michael Secallus Jr. req. by the Cullen family

Saturday, January 23

5:00 p.m. – Paul Bahnatka req. by Donna & Mike Lucas & family

Sunday, January 24

8:30 a.m. – Audrey Marston req. by the Hopler & Profit families

10:00 a.m. – Helen Joyce req. by Pediatric Dentistry of Union



Kathryn Lombardi
Requested By: Sacred Heart Staff

Collection for January 9&10: \$3683.00

Parish Pay Electronic Giving: \$ 2493.24(December)

Collection from last year: \$ 2997.00

Ongoing Renovation "Jug" Money: \$10,079.55

PARISH PAY: Have you thought about automating your giving? No more writing checks! You decide the amount and the frequency. Sign up today for automatic contributions to Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish. Go to the Parish Pay link at www.sacredheartrockaway.org or call 866-727-4741.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS
IN THE MILITARY**

Major Mike Cherry
LCpl. Aleksandr Killeen, SSgt. Zhenya Killeen
Airman 1st Cl. Andrew Mistkowski,
1st Lt. Nicholas DelCore, Air Force
1st Lt. Jessica L. Rotile Rudo
Kenneth Rudo, Warrant Officer, 1

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: M.J. Simon, Irene Schreiber, Rosemary Woodring, Doug Bansch, Kevin McGuire, Maria Acevedo, TJ Schoudel, Capt. Adam Cowan, USA, Julio Soto, Ellen Forbes, Ben Marvilla, Michelle Monslave, Enid Osorno Patricia Martinelli, Amelia Marie Cayea, Mary Therese Loftus, Sharon Bauer, Mary Davenport, Jose Prado, Jean Hageny, Eugene Walsh, Arlene Berlin, Emil Fahrman, Jim Goliat, Robert Nielsen, Betty Dixon, Marge Vogel, Dan Koettters, Efrain Gonzalez, Amanda Villarubia, Mary Skelly, Carol McMahon, Peggy Jankowski, John Skutka, William McBurney, Anne Riordan.

PARISH POLICY – PLEASE NOTE - All Catholic families living within the parish boundaries are encouraged to register as members. Registration as a parish member has many benefits, and in particular, facilitates any arrangements for baptisms, marriages, sponsors, etc. **Please contact the Parish Office at 973-627-0422**

First Friday Communion Calls: A priest will be making "First Friday" visits to those who are homebound. These visits will be made by one of our priests who will distribute Holy Communion. He will also be available for the sacraments of penance and anointing of the sick. Please call the rectory at 972-627-0422 to register your name for this monthly visit by one of our priests.

Want to be more involved?

If you are wondering "how can I become more involved in my church community", we happen to be looking for a few good people!! If you would like more information on how to become a Lector, Minister of Communion or an Altar Server, please contact Fr. Marcin at 973-627-0313 ext: 15 or martmich1983@gmail.com

2015 Bishop's Annual Appeal: Serving Christ Among Us. If you have not yet responded to the 2015 Bishop's Annual Appeal, there is still time to do so as the 2015 Appeal funds are used to support ministries and programs through the end of the diocesan fiscal year on June 30, 2016. Your gift is a great blessing and valued so we can serve Christ by serving His people.

Knights of Columbus March for Life

On Friday, January 22 we mark the 43rd anniversary of the decisions by the Supreme Court on Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton that legalized abortion by a 7-2 majority throughout the United States. Since that time the Knights of Columbus have been actively supporting the Pro-Life Movement and have fought to have the court reverse its rulings. Now the Knights of Columbus are asking the members of this parish to help them support the March for Life held in Washington DC, on that date by making a supporting effort to March with them and those from around the United States that believe in a Culture of Life. Buses are available for the trip to take part. Just contact our "March for Life" chairman, Deacon Jim Rizos, to reserve your spot. Spaces are limited. Deacon Jim may be reached at (973) 670-2535 or j.rizos@verizon.net.

	<i>Lector</i>	<i>Ministers of Communion</i>	<i>Altar Servers</i>
January 23 @ 5:00 pm	Anne Reilly	Donna Perkalis Laura Andreotta	Jason Emelieze Luke Foth
January 24 @ 8:30 am	Marie Byrne	Kathy Caldwell Anne Marie Hopler	Richie Lazar Marc Winowski
January 24@10:00 am	Michele Shaffer	Joanne Gula VOLUNTEER NEEDED	Stephanie Smith Sara Smith

ALL MINISTERS: Copies of the schedule are available in the sacristy. Any questions/concerns please contact the appropriate group leader.

My dear parishioners,

We assemble on the Lord's Day to celebrate the Holy Eucharist which recalls the Paschal Mystery of the Lord's suffering, death and resurrection. For it was on this day, the first day of the week, that the Lord Jesus rose from the dead vanquishing the forces of darkness and bringing salvation to those who hope in Him. In the Responsorial Psalm for the liturgy we sing, "Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations." Yes, there is much to proclaim and proclaim we must. The mission of the Church has always been the proclamation of the Gospel in accordance with the Lord Jesus' command to His Apostles. This work of proclamation is shared by all the members of Christ's mystical body, the Church. In today's second lection taken from the First Letter of Saint Paul the Apostle to the Corinthians we are reminded that we share in various ministries which the Lord has manifested to the Church, each one significant and dependent upon the other. The Apostle Paul reminds us that we are all valuable and need one another in bearing Christian witness to the world.

The Gospel reading for this Second Sunday in Ordinary Time is taken from the Evangelist John and tells us about the Lord Jesus' first miracle which had taken place at the wedding in Cana of Galilee. After seeing this glorious wonder the Apostles began to believe in Jesus and it was this event and so many others that they proclaimed to the nations following His holy resurrection. As I wrote in my previous pastor's article, the miracle at the wedding in Cana is one of the manifestations celebrated in the Feast of the Epiphany and so, in a sense Christmas continues. Here in Rockaway we will follow a tradition which is still observed at the Vatican, our outdoor Nativity Crèche will remain until February 2nd. This is the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple and the 40th day (and final day) of Christmas. Although our crèche and trees have been removed in the church, we will continue to have the Christmas flowers present until February 2nd.

Friday marks another tragic anniversary in our nation, which is the Roe v Wade decision which allowed for the killing of babies in the womb. Abortion has always been repulsive to the followers of Jesus. Even in the Roman Empire of the first century Christians witnessed to the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death AND WE ARE STILL DOING IT TODAY! I am grateful to those who will travel to Washington, DC on Friday to participate in the Right to Life March. Your presence there along with those of thousands of others will be a witness for the nation that life is a gift from God which must be protected and cherished.

On Thursday Father Marcin celebrates his birthday. We wish him God's many blessings - STO LAT!

God bless you!

Father Zig

School News:

Catholic Schools Week, the annual celebration of what makes Catholic education special, begins in two weeks. We set aside this week each year to build community awareness of and involvement in Catholic schools. It is an opportunity for us to share with everyone the important role of Catholic schools in providing a values added education and making the world a better place for all. It is also an opportunity to honor those who make our school a success, everyone from students, families, faculty and staff, to volunteers, community supporters, local and national leaders and in a particular way, you our parishioners. Join us for our Catholic Schools week at 10:00 am Sunday January 31 as our Sacred Heart Parish family thanks God for the years of quality Catholic education provided by our school! Together let us celebrate Sacred Heart School as we too continue joyfully living Christ's mission.

The School's Annual Calendar Raffle ticket sale is in process! Tickets cost \$10.00 and are sold after the Masses, by our parents and in the school office. There will be a total of 51 chances to win \$8,100 in prizes. Drawings will be held Wednesday mornings in the school office beginning January 27th and end on April 27th!

Christians of the Middle East – Christians in the Middle East face persecutions simply for their belief in the One who taught us to love one another. Despite the genocidal persecution against them, they continue to be an inspiration as they remain true to their faith and bear witness to the love of God and neighbor. Yet, regardless of their great witness, they need solidarity and support. One way we are helping is through the Knights of Columbus Christian Refugee Relief Fund, which has contributed more than \$4.5 million. These contributions have provided food, clothing, shelter and medical care for refugees. Individuals can contribute to this fund by visiting christiansatrisk.org and making a direct contribution.

Congratulations to the winners of the “Keep Christ in Christmas” poster contest for ages 5-14 sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Our Lady of the Lake Council #3359.

Age 5-7 Gabriel Nelson Sacred Heart Church

Age 8-10 Joaquin Cadag Sacred Heart School

Age 11-14 Erin Welsch St. Cecilia School

Each child will receive a certificate plus \$25.00 check. Winning posters have been sent in for statewide judging. The winners of the state will then go on for national judging.