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Most Merciful Jesus, receive us all into the abode of Your Most Compassionate Heart, and never let us escape from it.

¡Oh Misericordiosísimo Jesús!, recíbenos a todos en tu misericordiosísimo corazón y no rechaces a ninguno.

O Gesu' misericordioso, ricevi tutti noi nella dimora del tuo cuore compassionevole e non lasciarci mai allontanare da Te.

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Queen of the Rosary Catholic Academy
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PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00pm English Mass at Saint Francis of Paola Church

Sunday: 8:00am Italian/English Mass at
Saint Francis of Paola Church

9:30am English Mass at Saint Cecilia Church

10:30am Spanish Mass at Saint Nicholas Church

11:30am English Mass at
Saint Francis of Paola Church

12:45pm English Mass at Saint Nicholas Church

7:00pm English Mass at St. Cecilia Church

Monday - Saturday

7:45am Mass at Saint Francis of Paola Church

8:30am Mass at Saint Cecilia Church

WEEKLY ADORATION SCHEDULE

Monday: 11:00am - 1:00pm (St. Francis of Paola)

Friday: 9:00am - 10:00am (St. Cecilia Chapel)

Sunday: 9:30am - 10:30am (St. Nicholas)

WEEKLY CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 9:00am - 9:30am (St. Cecilia Main Church)

Saturday: 4:00pm - 4:50pm (St. Francis of Paola)

Sunday: 9:30am - 10:30am (St. Nicholas)

OR

Call our rectory office to schedule confession at a time that is convenient for you.

23rd Sunday In Ordinary Time

"Anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." It's a modern misconception to think of Jesus as the ultimate nice guy who only said things that everybody loved to hear. Of course Jesus is the perfect model of charity and compassion, but he also gave some very challenging teachings. Today's Gospel is a case in point. Not many people are thrilled by Christ's lesson today that insists God **MUST** be first in our lives. Few are those who love to hear this instruction to renounce our beloved things as well as our beloved relationships. But Jesus does not mince words. We are to "hate" our "father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters," and even our own life.

It's important to understand that the use of the word "hate" here does not mean to despise anyone or treat them unkindly. It means rather to prefer something--or Someone--else, namely, God, to these important relationships. Taken in the context of the Gospel as a whole it is clear that Jesus is not advocating cruelty or animosity. On the contrary, just a few weeks ago we heard from Luke 10:27 as Jesus instructed us to love our neighbors as ourselves. However, in putting God first, inevitably something else must take second place. It is a kind of hatred of family, self, and "stuff" when we don't allow these things to become mini-gods in our lives. Instead, we keep God as God.

What does this mean for us? It means not allowing a family member to prevent us from practicing our faith to the fullest, and also not putting our trust in gadgets and gizmos. It means, instead, putting all our trust in God, whatever the cost may be.

Sunday Collection

Sunday collection for DMP for the week of August 27/28, 2016 was \$3,245.00.

Witness to Mercy Series

Join us on Saturday

September 17, 2016 at 6pm

in St. Francis Church to hear witness by Patti Kelly. She will speak to us on her recovery from addiction and finding a vocation to liberate others from substance abuse.

23er Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Con referencia a las lecturas de este domingo el Papa Francisco nos dice que "Decidir seguirlo a Él, nuestro Maestro y Señor que se ha hecho Siervo de todos, exige caminar detrás de Él y escucharlo atentamente en su Palabra --acordaos de leer todos los días un pasaje del Evangelio-- y en los Sacramentos" (Ángelus de 13 de septiembre de 2015). El Papa nos recomienda que para ser discípulo de Cristo, debemos de practicar tres actitudes concretas. La primera es la disponibilidad, ser materia dispuesta y dejar todo a segundo plano, hasta la propia vida para alcanzar la meta del Reino desde aquí en la tierra. La exigencia es recompensada con la amistad y cercanía íntima con Jesús. La segunda es renunciar a nosotros mismos y tomar la cruz para seguirlo. La cruz nos acerca a Jesús, y nos brinda la oportunidad de acompañarlo en la vida cotidiana. La última condición es la renuncia de los propios bienes, compartiendo lo que tenemos con los más necesitados.

Seguir a Jesucristo no es fácil, pero nunca nos faltara su ayuda. ¿Crees esto? ¿Cuál de las tres actitudes te parece más difícil? ¿Cuál es la más fácil? San Pablo nos ayuda a comprender estas actitudes llevando a cabo la caridad cristiana: "... a fin de que lo recuperaras [a Onésimo] para siempre, pero ya no como esclavo, sino como algo mejor que un esclavo, como hermano amadísimo". La enseñanza es amar como Cristo nos ha amado. ¿Lo haremos? Las limitaciones del ser humano son muchas pero, si se abre el corazón a la sabiduría divina y al Santo Espíritu de Dios, todo puede ser superado.

St. Theresa Guild

Annual Mass & Communion Brunch

Sunday, October 2, 2016

11:30Mass – St. Francis of Paola

A Catered Hot Luncheon immediately following in the Auditorium. For tickets contact Rose DeMarino (718-389-4388) Annette Marino (646-361-8467 or arm718@aol.com). Donation \$20 per person.

Religious Education Program

The Religious Education Program is closed for the summer. Registration will take place, Sunday, 9/11/16 at Queen of the Rosary Academy and Sunday, 9/18/16 at St. Francis Church and St. Nicholas Church. Classes will start, Sunday, September 25, 2016.

A Message from Fr. Tom

The theme of our Gospel this Sunday is the cost of discipleship. The question we all need to ask ourselves is—what does being a disciple of Jesus demand of me?

We forget how truly radical is the Christian message. Being Christian is something revolutionary. If the past year primary season is any indication—a great majority of Americans are disgusted with politics as it is and want some radical change in the way our society is run. On this day—Sunday, September 4th, 2016—we celebrate the canonization of one of the most beloved persons in recent church history—Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Her words guide us in this theme of discipleship and changing our society: “Prayer makes your heart bigger, until it is capable of containing the gift of God himself. Prayer begets faith, faith begets love, and love begets service on behalf of the poor. Many want the world to change. The fruit of prayer is not that the world changes, but rather that we ourselves change—and when we change—the world starts to change.”

Upcoming Special Collections

As we hear the news of the flooding in Louisiana and the earthquake in Italy, Bishop DiMarzio request that we having two special collections for the victims of the Louisiana Flood and the Italian Earthquake:

Sunday, September 25—Louisiana Flood Victims
Sunday, October 9—Italian Earthquake Victims

Universal Pre-K for Our Children

The program is for any NYC resident children

who turn four years old at any time during 2016.

It is a five day a week, full school day program, hosted at Queen of the Rosary Catholic Academy, located at 11 Catherine Street. For more information call the school at 718-388-7992.

In order to register, parents must bring the child, the child’s birth certificate, two proofs of residence (lease, Con Ed bill, driver’s license, etc.) and proof of the child’s immunizations.

Queen of the Rosary, Williamsburg’s Hidden Gem, hosts the neighborhood’s best Pre-K program for all. Register today before the seats are all gone!!

Come and See - An invitation to You

Are you unbaptized? Are you a baptized Catholic but have not received the Sacraments of Confirmation or Eucharist? Have you been baptized in another Christian denomination and are now considering joining the Catholic Church? If you have answered “yes” to any of these questions. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) may be for you.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) provides a process where adults (18 & older) experience the scriptures, the passing on of the teachings of the faith as well as prayer with members of the parish community in preparation for full reception into the Catholic Church. Classes start on Monday, September 19 and will be held in the Saint Francis Rectory dining room at 7:30p.m.

Please call 718-387-0256 to register for classes.

Welcome Back

Rosary Society: Wednesday, September 7, at 7:30pm in the basement of St. Cecilia’s Rectory.

St. Cecilia’s Seniors: Thursday, September 8, St. Cecilia’s Auditorium, 1pm to 3pm.

St. Theresa Guild: Thursday, September 8, at 7:30pm in the St. Francis of Paola rectory basement. Please bring an “Apple or Fall” themed raffle gift.

Golden Age: Monday, September 12, in the Auditorium of St. Francis of Paola Church, 1pm to 4pm.

Queen of the Rosary Catholic Academy

First Annual Benefit Dinner

Honoring Bishop Frank J. Caggiano

Wednesday, October 5, 2016

6 – 10 pm

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For Tickets & Further Information

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Silent Meditation Group will meet on Sunday, September 11 & September 25 after the 7:00pm Mass from 8:00pm until 8:30pm in St. Cecilia’s Chapel on Herbert Street.

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“For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome...” (Matt: 25:35-36)

“May you always be generous with God and with others. One loses nothing thereby, but gains great enrichments in life”. Pope Francis

Dear Friends, as we approach the Labor Day holiday let us take time to be grateful for work, and pray for those who are out of work and have families to support. We are grateful for your continued generous support of our parish ministry.

Specific items needed this week: **Coffee/Tea**
Food Pantry Coordinator and Volunteers

**St. Francis of Paola Church
Memorial Gifts – September 4, 2016**

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Gabriele Carannante by daughter Tina
Gabriele Carannante by wife Carol

TABERNACLE CANDLES

Rae Yasiello by Josephine & Dominick Siano

BLESSED MOTHER CANDLES

Patrick Malone by Brittany Ineson

Calendar Meeting

All Groups, Organizations, Associations, Clubs and Societies are invited to a calendar meeting, on Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at 7:30pm in the basement of St. Francis of Paola Rectory.

This calendar meeting is for the use of our facilities for parish activities here at Divine Mercy for the upcoming calendar months of September 2016 through June 2017.

One Day Workshop for Teachers

Any Teacher is invited for a one day workshop for teachers to teach computer coding skills. Free - but space limited. Thursday, October 27th from 9am to 4pm at QRCA, 11 Catherine Street. Sponsored by “code.org”. Upon completion a certificate will be given. Call 718-387-0256 for more information.

**Mass Intentions for the Week
St. Francis of Paola Church**

Saturday, September 3, 2016

5:00pm Millie & Lucy by Maria Mandarino

Sunday, September 4, 2016

8:00am Michael Loguercio by Family

11:30am Gabriel & Maria Caliendo
by Caliendo Family

Monday, September 5, 2016

7:45am Rev. Francis Shen
by Joseph & Agnes Sun

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

7:45am Rita Riccio / QRCA Faculty & Staff
by Joanne Derosa & Family

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

7:45am Vincenza J. Winkelman
by Iginio & Giovanna Falce

Thursday, September 8, 2016

7:45am Michaella Marco by Paula Santaromita

Friday, September 9, 2016

7:45am Catherine Carnevale by Patricia Krieger

Saturday, September 10, 2016

7:45am Danny Ihne by Rosemary Ihne
5:00pm For the Victims of 9/11

Sunday, September 11, 2016

8:00am For the Victims of 9/11
11:30am For the Victims of 9/11

**Life Line Screening
Community HealthCare**

Life Line Screening will be at St. Francis of Paola Auditorium, 200 Woodpoint Road, Bklyn., NY on Tuesday, September 27, 2016.

Schedule your Annual Wellness visit today by calling 1-888-653-6450. Please have your Medicare card ready when you call. See flyer on the table in the rear of the Church for more information.

Rectory Office

In recognition of the Labor Day Holiday the parish office will be closed Monday, September 5, 2016.

SEPTEMBER 4, 2016

Mass Intentions for the Week St. Nicholas Church

Sunday, September 4, 2016

10:30am Maria Espinal by Family
12:45pm Nicola Bruno
by Mr. & Mrs. J. Baldassarre

Sunday, September 11, 2016

10:30am For the Victims of 9/11
12:45pm For the Victims of 9/11

Pray For the Sick

Dora Logosso, Seymour Sarrell, Regina Monc, John La Creta, Ann Kiefner, David Pelletier, Patricia Clarke, John Percelli, Marie Barbaro, Janet Gonzales, Manny Delgado, Vincent, Andy & Nancy Gonzales, Franco James Gentile, Patrick Del Vicario, Dominick Cantelma, Cathy Leonick, Elizabeth Ludwic, Rae Pacifico, Ann Padden, Agnes Hurley, Joann D'Alessio

Pray for Our Recently Deceased

Rosemarie Ihne, Agnes Hurley, Mary Passarelli, Patrick Raso, Thomas Lupoli, Charles Alvino

Holy Year of Mercy Merciful as the Father

Apostolate Italian – Diocese of Brooklyn

Join Us on

Sunday, October 2, 2016

we will meet at the Grand Army Plaza, where it will be possible to receive the sacrament of Confession.

The iniziera' procession will be at 3:30pm. We will enter the Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph through the Holy Door.

What is the Holy Door?

Gate refers to the passage that every Christian is called to accomplish from sin to grace, looking to Christ who says of himself "I am the door."

Our Bishop, Nicholas DiMarzio will celebrate the Mass at 4:30pm.

Let us remember this date. This initiative is a great opportunity to participate in the short pilgrimage and fulfill the requirements for obtaining the indulgence.

We are organizing a bus. It is necessary to book as soon as possible. For more information contact Anna Maria at 347-249-7850.

Pray for Vocations

Mass Intentions for the Week St. Cecilia Church

Sunday, September 4, 2016

9:30am Mary & Edward McCauley
Joseph Finn
Anthony Di Govanna
7:00pm For the People of Divine Mercy Parish

Monday, September 5, 2016

8:30am For Those Who Have No One to Pray
For Them

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

8:30am Frances Brancato

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

8:30am Sister Dolores Wisniewski, C.I. J.

Thursday, September 8, 2016

8:30am Eleanor Fox

Friday, September 9, 2016

8:30am Rose & Howard Rovegno

Saturday, September 10, 2016

8:30am Florence & Richard Delaney

Sunday, September 11, 2016

9:30am For the Victims of 9/11
7:00pm For the Victims of 9/11

St. Cecilia's Church

Memorial Gifts – September 4, 2016

Bread & Wine

In Memory of Rose Lupoli
Donated by Margie Formato

Family Day with Divine Mercy Parish

We're inviting you to join us for a day of devotion and pumpkin / apple picking.

Saturday, September 17, 2016 9:00am to 6:00pm.

We will visit the Shrine of Our Lady of the Island and then a Long Island farm for pumpkin & apple picking.

To reserve your seat please call the rectory at 718-387-0256 by Monday, September 12, 2016.

Note: No charge for the bus but bring your own packed lunch and spending money. A parent must accompany their child/children and you must be a registered parishioner.



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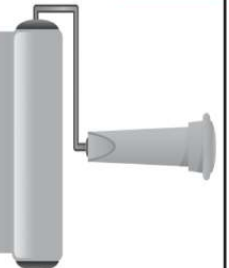
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