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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR

July 16, 2017

#### SERVED BY

#### THE SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST

#### The Lord's Day

Saturday Evening Anticipated Mass......5:30 PM Sunday Morning......7:30, 9:30, 11:30 AM

#### Weekday

Monday thru Friday (at Immaculate Conception) .7:30 AM Monday thru Saturday......9:00 AM

Holy Days.....7:00, 9:00 AM and 7:30 PM

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#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

#### THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are heard on Saturday afternoon at 4:00 PM and anytime upon reasonable request.

#### THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

First and third Sundays at 1:00 PM. Expectant parents may contact the parish office to arrange for the baptism seminar at 7:30 PM on the first Monday of the month to help them understand the beauty and responsibilities of the sacrament. Adults are baptized and confirmed at the Easter Vigil after completing the stages of the Rite of Christian Initiation.

#### THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Since Catholic marriage requires a time of preparation, arrangements should begin at least six months before the proposed date of the wedding to allow for the Marriage Preparation Program and Natural Family Planning (NFP). Registered, participating and contributing parishioners may contact the parish office to begin the process.

#### PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

If you are planning to enter the hospital for surgery, experiencing a prolonged or serious illness, or are very weak due to advancement of age, call the parish office to arrange for the sacraments of reconciliation, communion and anointing at home, also available every Saturday morning at 9:00 AM Mass. Communal anointing of the sick is celebrated at Mass each April and October. Notify us or the Catholic chaplain at Good Samaritan, Helen Hayes and Nyack of any hospitalization so that we may be of assistance. Be sure to tell the admitting office that you are a Catholic patient and a member of St. Gregory Barbarigo parish.

**PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL** is open all day and night for Eucharistic adoration and is located at the south end of the campus on Cinder Road in front of the parish house. Parishioners and friends are encouraged to become adorers or to stop in and spend some time in quiet prayer with the Lord.

**WELCOME** The St. Gregory Barbarigo faith community warmly welcomes you. Please introduce yourself to Father LaMorte as you leave church so that, on behalf of the entire community we may greet you. You may register at the parish office and pick up an informational packet. Kindly notify us of any change of address.

St. Gregory Barbarigo parish is a Christian community of disciples in the Roman Catholic tradition, called by Jesus, united in Eucharistic worship and growing in faith, hope and love. Nourished through the sacraments and strengthened by God's transforming love, we are empowered to know the gospel message and to witness it to others. As Christian stewards, we are thankful for God's many gifts and we commit ourselves to share our time, talent and treasure in Christ-like service within our parish community and beyond. We seek God's blessing and guidance to be faithful to this mission.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK** The sick are comforted knowing that we pray for them. In your charity, please remember Bishop Robert Brucato, Sister Sheila Mullen OP, Margaret Clarke, Donald Colucci, Giovanni Spataro, the petitions on the Wailing Wall and the intentions on the prayer network.



THE BLUE STAR BANNER, created in 1917, hung in a family's window to show pride in a loved one serving in the armed forces. St. Michael the Archangel, keep safe those protecting our liberty: LT JAKUB BIALEK, USN; MAJOR EDWARD CARDINALE, USAF; SGT CHRISTIAN CARLE, USMC; MAJOR MATTHEW COYNE, USA; PVT SHAWN GLEASON, USMC; LCDR DAVID J. HANEY, USN; 1LT DANIEL KELLY, USA; CAPTAIN ERIKA NOYES, USA; 2LT NICHOLAS PISANO, USA; SGT RICHARD PISANO, USA; SGT ZACHARY SENTER, USMC; TSGT CHARLES VANDERBILT, NYANG; CPL JOHN C. WAMSLEY JR., USMC.

I'VE GONE TO PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU Please remember Father Frank Bassett, Virginia Guelcher, Edward DeGuisto, Kathleen Lucido, Thomas Schaub, Joaquin Navarro, Helen Cabo, Marine Sergeant Julian Kevianne, James Cappuccino, the Gulf War II casualties and these souls for whom Mass will be offered: MONDAY, JULY 17

Weekday

7:30 AM (IC) Mary Lent

9:00 AM (SGB) The People of St. Gregory Barbarigo

TUESDAY, JULY 18

Weekday/ Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest

7:30 AM (IC) Mary Lent

9:00 AM (SGB) Kenneth McKenna

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

Weekday

7:30 AM (IC) Eugene Licari

9:00 AM (SGB) Peter and Josephine Brennan

THURSDAY, JULY 20

Weekday/Saint Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr

7:30 AM (IC) Josephine Lodini

9:00 AM (SGB)

FRIDAY, JULY 21

Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church

7:30 AM (IC) Alois and Kuni Amend

9:00 AM (SGB)

SATURDAY, JULY 22

Saint Mary Magdalene

9:00 AM (SGB) Nina Schwartz

SUNDAY, JULY 23

Saint Mary Magdalene

5:30 PM Phillip Naclerio

7:30 AM Thersa Blazquez

9:30 AM Joe and Betty Maguire

11:30 AM Kathleen Lucido

\*(IC) Immaculate Conception (SGB) St. Gregory Barbarigo

If you have arranged an intention for Mass, consider presenting the gifts of bread and wine during that celebration and kindly inform the usher.

#### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, JULY 16

1:00 PM Baptism, Church

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

11:00 AM Prayer Shawl Apostolate, OLV

7:30 PM Men's Basketball, Gymnasium

SATURDAY, JULY 22

7:00 AM Men's Basketball, Gymnasium

#### **NEW SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

5:30 PM; 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

MONDAY THRU SATURDAY AT 9:00 AM

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY AT 7:30 AM AT Immaculate



CATECHISTS NEEDED FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Consider volunteering to teach our faith to the students in our religious education program. Work with the young people of our parish to instill in them the same love of the faith you have experienced. Catechists will begin

this ministry by attending an informative catechist workshop in September before classes begin; will receive a manual, guidelines, and weekly lesson plans; guidance, resources and support are offered throughout the year. Can you help us on Tuesday or Wednesday at 5:00 PM or on Wednesday at 7:00 PM from September to May? Substitute catechists are also needed. Please call Mr. Donald Ruzzi at 429-2775 or e-mail sgbreled@verizon.net.

If you are reading "me" in church, please take "me" home or place "me" back at the church doors, not in the pews. Thank you.

**WEEKLY ENVELOPES** are available to those who need them. It is a good way to plan your contributions to keep the work of the parish going. Call Linda, Mary or Deirdre at the parish office (947-1873) or e-mail *sgbparish@verizon.net* if you'd like them mailed to you.

**DP MURPHY COMPANY** Our envelope supplier mails weekly contribution packets to our parishioners. It would be helpful if you would advise the parish office if there is any problem with this mailing, when you will be away for several months, or if you will be moving away from our parish so that we can make the appropriate changes with the distribution. If you no longer use contribution envelopes, we are reviewing the list of those who receive this mailing and removing those that haven't been used in the past six months. Thank you for your continued generosity. We encourage the use of contribution envelopes when donating to your parish.

#### OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD

reading and less TV, I am happy to offer you a free book. By the end of next week, we will be receiving a shipment of 100 copies of an interesting, attractive prayer book called *Magnificat*. Recently, I responded to their offer to send us copies of their August issue. These are free for our parishioners to sample and possibly to subscribe. You are welcome to take one as long as supplies last. If you take one and decide it is not for you, just bring it back so someone else may try it. If you do decide to subscribe, you will probably like it.

I have been praying with *Magnificat* for many years. In handy booklet form, 4x7 inches, it comes monthly. It contains prayers, Mass readings for every day, beautiful art, and stories of saints. Order it for yourself or for someone you love. *Magnificat* makes a great gift to a Catholic man or woman. A subscription is your chance to send twelve reminders of your affection during the next year. Because it is attractive and easy to use, even on a bus or lunch hour, it can make a real difference in the life of someone - who may in turn say a few prayers for you.

A year's subscription is \$45, but the publisher is making an offer you can't refuse. You can have a trial subscription for four months - for the cost of about three cups of coffee. Simply send \$10 with your contact information to PO Box 822, Yonkers, NY 10702 and you will receive four more issues to help you pray magnificently with *Magnificat*.

I also ordered copies of *Magnifikid*, an ideal spiritual guide for your children, aged six to 12 which is perfectly adapted to their lives. Every week, *Magnifikid* offers all the readings and prayers of the Sunday Mass with explanations of the difficult words and the meaning of the rituals. It features various games, a comic, and activities to help children learn about Christian life and culture, a suggested prayer for morning and evening, and many suggestions on how to live the entire week with the Lord. There is even a page intended for the parents with suggestions for family prayers.

Magnificat has been strengthening faith and revitalizing worship for close to twenty years and now has the largest circulation of any Catholic periodical in the United States. I hope you will take advantage of this offer, and perhaps even subscribe to this wonderful periodical. You will be glad you did.

Father LaMorte

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#### DOMINICAN CONVENT IN SPARKILL SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

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WEDDING OF THE SEA Last year, we introduced this beautiful and simple ceremony on the banks of the Hudson River at the fishing dock right behind the swimming pool at Bowline Point Town

Park. It is a custom in many coastal regions of the United States and Europe to have this special blessing of the sea or ocean or river or lake on a day near the feast of the Assumption (*Ferragosto*). This originated in 15<sup>th</sup> century Italy when Bishop Paul Barbo who later became Pope Paul II was returning by ship from Venice to Cervia during a storm. He prayed and threw his pastoral ring into the sea from the ship – and the waters were calmed. In our time, a wreath is thrown into the sea from a boat to commemorate the ring of long ago. This blessing includes traditional prayers with a statue of the Blessed Mother, followed by the distribution of holy water and a simple reception. Town Supervisor Howard Phillips Jr. and Father will perform the symbolic tossing of the ceremonial wreath. This ceremony represents the "wedding" of the town and the Hudson River created by God in proximity to each other and blessed by His love and protection. This will be our second voyage. Hope you can join us on Sunday, August 13.

SOMEONE WHO CAN LISTEN Everyone goes through crises sometimes. When that is happening, we can benefit from a conversation with an experienced professional counselor who shares our Catholic perspective. Our parish can make a connection for you through the archdiocese's PARISH COUNSELING NETWORK. Our parishioners can make an appointment to meet with a professional counselor in Rockland County or anyplace in the archdiocese for up to six meetings, with only a \$10 co-pay per session. This can be arranged easily. Tell Father that you want to talk with a counselor. He will contact the appointment desk on your behalf and then you can call and arrange your first visit.



RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS) is the Church's way to initiate new adult members through a process of total formation and involves doctrinal formation (believing with the Church community); practical formation (living with the Church community); liturgical formation (praying with the Church community), and apostolic formation (service with the Church community). Topics discussed include Scripture, the Mass, God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Church history and structure, Mary and the Saints, sin and Reconciliation, conscience and moral decision-making, Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Anointing of the Sick, Marriage, Holy Orders, ministry, and social justice. This process is for adults who have never been baptized; adults baptized in another Christian

faith tradition who are interested in the Catholic tradition; baptized adult Catholics who wish to prepare to receive First Eucharist and Confirmation; non-Catholics who want to learn more about Catholic Christianity; Catholics who may have been away from the Church for a period of time. RCIA shares information about the Catholic Church, but the decision to join the Catholic Church is made through personal discernment. We meet once a week on Wednesday evenings from September through the Easter season and Pentecost Sunday (May 20, 2018); and during and after one of the Sunday Masses. If you're interested, you may inquire at the parish office or speak with Father.

**PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL** Many people enjoy having quiet time, personal time, with the God they love. Lots of good decisions and renewed commitment come from being quiet with Jesus, especially during EUCHARISTIC ADDRATION. We invite you to be present for this time while the Blessed Sacrament is exposed on our altar. This may prove to be a most peaceful and rewarding hour. If there is anyone who wishes to be a guardian and a partner for Eucharistic Adoration or a substitute for the summer months, we can use your participation. Interested? Call 203-253-8565.



PARISH PRAYER NETWORK is ready to pray from home, quietly at the adoration chapel, or at one of the prayer groups for the urgent needs of those who call upon them for help in times of difficulty. When faced with a crisis situation, people need as many propers as gazelil. situation, people need as many prayers as possible. Call Cheryl at 429-4223 or e-mail cherylm59@gmail.com.

FREE UNIVERSAL PRE-KINDERGARTEN is available at St. Gregory Barbarigo Regional School. UPK is a high quality PK education for 4-year-olds, available at no cost regardless of household income. Offered in partnership with NYS and local public school districts, UPK is designed to help more children begin their education at an early age and get a solid start on the road to active learning with a maximum of 18 children in each 2 ½ hour class, Monday through Friday. A full-day, wrap around program is available at a reasonable tuition. Call 947-1330 or 646-794-2885 for more information.



**LAUNDRY HELP WANTED** Each year during the summer, we ask for help with the washing of the albs that are worn by our altar servers. As you might imagine, they get soiled very quickly and easily. If you could take a few home to wash, you may pick them up after 11:30 Mass on Sunday and return them for the next weekend. Thank you for considering this help to our parish.

**SUMMER REMINDER** We all look forward to summertime vacations, but please remember: our parish depends on your weekly support to continue the work of Christ. Send your tithe in when you are away or sign up with ParishPay for on-line giving (contact Linda or Mary at the parish office or visit their website at www.parishpay.com. If you are away, find a local Mass schedule at www.masstimes.org.



**POCKET PRAYER SHAWLS** provide comfort to those who receive them as well as to those who knot or crochet these Ministry special gifts. As the name suggests, a pocket prayer shawl is a miniature version of the larger one. It is small enough that it can be carried in a pocket or purse and can be taken anywhere. If you are in need of comfort for whatever reason, this small, handmade square that has been blessed might bring you that comfort. Take one home from the narthex today.

**INVITE A FRIEND TO MASS** ~~ **REALLY?** Do you invite non-Catholics to Mass? For some it is a good start to learning our faith. For others, it is better to begin slowly. Consider these steps. Do LIFE FIRST. It can be a stretch for someone who doesn't know Christ to find him at Mass the first time. If he or she is not use to ritual, Mass may be confusing and seem exclusive because non-Catholics can not receive Holy Communion. Instead, try sharing the warmth of a Christ-centered community by including your friend to a parish dinner or fund raising event where she can socialize with others who live for Christ. MAKE IT SMALL. Bring your friend along to bible study, a prayer meeting, or small study group. Adult faith formation classes also make good introductions to faith in a small setting for someone not use to formal religion. LET IT COME NATURALLY. Your friend will let you know when it is time to graduate to Mass. By that point, he will be more comfortable in the parish setting and will have a better idea of what to expect.

"CONSIDER YOURSELF AT HOME; CONSIDER YOURSELF ONE OF THE FAMILY" We are happy to offer a warm welcome to the newly registered members of our parish family:

Ralph & Lillian Abandand; William Sr. & Mary Ellen Brosnan; Mark, Shannon, Abigail and Chase Chmielewski; Gabriel, Allison, Gabriel Jr., Gavin, Gionni and Grayson Colazzo; Chris Confrey; Richard, Jacqueline, and Lennox Galgano-Traver; James, Genette, and James Jr. Gulezian; Jose', Thrisma, Joby and Thimy Kurikose; Gail and Charles Nardozzi; Michael, Caroline, Molly and Jack O'Hanlon; Justin, Natrisha and Genesis Owens; Alison Smith.

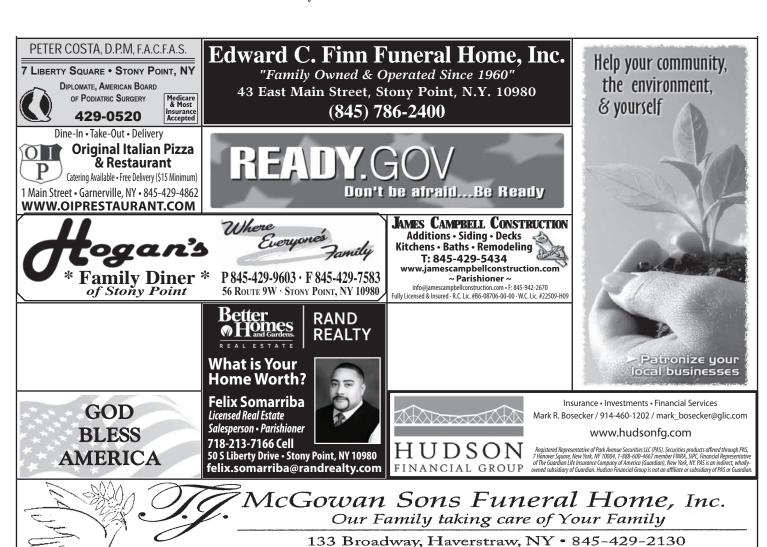


**WELCOME** We invite all parishioners to participate in our spiritual and community life for a richer experience of the parish. If you are new to St. Gregory Brbarigo, please introduce yourself to Father after Mass. If you would like to register as a member, call the parish office (947-1873).

CHILDREN'S DONATIONS Youngsters like to be involved in the Sunday offering. Their own contribution envelopes are available in the narthex. These envelopes help us introduce the concept of tithing or stewardship to the young. Assisting children in calling to mind the ways that they have been wise stewards of the many gifts God has given to them is a very important step in their formation. Take home a box for use each Sunday.



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