

Mass Schedule
Twentieth Ordinary Sunday
August 16, 2015

Saturday, August 15th

9:00 Mollie Engargiola req. by The Galvin Family
 5:30 Philip Longo, Sr. req. by Family

Sunday, August 16th

7:30 For the Living & Deceased Members of
 St. Patrick's Parish
 9:00 Frank & Nora Magarahan req. by Sr. Kathleen
 10:30 Rosario Cutri req. by Antoinette Giordano
 Noon Joan Luccarelli req. by Family
 5:30 Giovanni Beccari req. by The Larkin Family

Monday, August 17th

9:00 George Genovesi req. by Jackie & Herb Tinsley

Tuesday, August 18th

9:00 Alyce & Steve Domenici req. by the Garibaldi &
 Decina Families

Wednesday, August 19th

9:00 Elizabeth Ruvituso req. by Rina, Paul & Maggie
 Bellamy

Thursday, August 20th

9:00 Mary & Patrick Flanagan. req. by The Flynn Family

Friday, August 21st

9:00 Kate Merker req. by DeDe & Jack Burke

Saturday, August 22nd

9:00 James Flynn req. by Rose & Joe Ryan
 5:30 Leanora Giardino. req. by Laura & Michael Citro

Sunday, August 23rd

7:30 For the Living & Deceased Members of
 St. Patrick's Parish
 9:00 Marie Murphy-Scannell req. by MaryAnn & Bill Riley
 10:30 Howard Bischoff req. by Maiorano Family
 Noon Federica Gayde & Parents Jennie & Frank Giglio
 req. by Richard Gayde
 5:30 Victoria Kosakowski req. by Carino & Latella Families

Recent Collection

Sunday, August 9th – \$6,719

Partner-in-Faith Collection

The monthly collection for our Partner-in-Faith Parish, Sacred Heart in the Bronx, is being taken up this weekend. Thank you for your generosity.



Pray for the Sick

Christopher Barratt, William Harry Barratt, Al Boucher, Thomas Browne, Bill Buckingham, Betty D'Alton, Laura Deleg, Maggie Dellorso, Michael Dellorso, Frankie Dezell, Martha Dursi, Jennifer Gardner, Margaret Harrington, Alex Hood, Larry Kaslow, Frank Kearns, Patricia Levine, Stephen Michael Mack, Betty Martineau, Kate Martinez, Kevin Meher, Gary Montanus, Danny Mulholland, John O'Shea, Monica Progreske, Darlene Richards, Evelisse Rivera, Thomas N. Ryan, Robert Schimpf, Robert Sewall, Robby Smith, William Vitro, Raymond Webster, Sylvia Webster, Betsy Weiner and all who request our prayers.

It is a privilege and a duty for us to pray for those commended to our prayers. From time to time we start a new list to make sure that it is up-to-date. If we have removed someone who should remain on the list, please call the Parish Office at 234-3344.

Partner-in-Faith Prayer

Heavenly Father, we ask your blessings and protection on the people of Sacred Heart Parish. We, your children at St. Patrick's, invoke your name on their behalf. We are grateful for all you have given us and in return we are mindful of those who have less than we do. Bless us all and keep us close to you. May the example of your Son, Jesus Christ, be the strength that will make us one in you. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SAVE THE DATES!

Here are some Fall 2015 events that will be here before we know it.

Tues	Sept 8	St. Patrick's School Reopens for 2015-2016 St. Patrick's CCD Masses of Welcome 4pm and 7:15pm
Sun	Sept 20	Fall Blood Drive
Fri	Sept 25	Pope Francis celebrates Mass at Madison Square Garden
Sat	Sept 26	Annual St. Patrick's Picnic 2:30-5:30 pm
Mon	Oct 5	St. Patrick's Golf Outing, Salem Golf Club, North Salem

From the Pastor's Desk

End of Life Decisions

There is an insert in this edition of the Bulletin entitled, "Making End-of-Life Decisions as an Informed Catholic." The insert comes to us from the Archdiocese of New York and the New York State Catholic Conference.

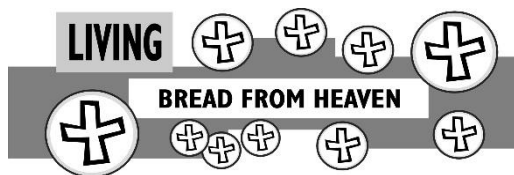
There are often very difficult decisions to be made about the use of medical technology at the end of life. Which procedures can be considered ordinary and proportionate? Which would have to be judged extraordinary and disproportionate? The former should be provided to those who are ill. The latter need not be.

Sometimes what is ordinary treatment for a young person, e.g. invasive surgery, is extraordinary for a very elderly person. As the insert states: "Declining disproportionate treatment is not the same as killing a person – it is accepting the inevitability of death by natural causes."

It all gets rather complicated, especially when one considers the context of the times in which we live, with the frequency of "assisted suicide" and euthanasia. These are never morally acceptable acts. Consider these words of Pope Francis and Pope St. John Paul II:

"Palliative care is an expression of the truly human attitude of taking care of one another, especially of those who suffer. It is a testimony that the human person is always precious, even if marked by illness and old age. Indeed the person, under any circumstances, is an asset to him/herself and to others and is loved by God. This is why, when their life becomes very fragile and the end of their early existence approaches, we feel the responsibility to assist and accompany them in the best way."
(Pope Francis, *Address to the Pontifical Academy of Life*, March 5, 2015)

"True 'compassion' leads to sharing another's pain; it does not kill the person whose suffering we cannot bear. Moreover, the act of euthanasia appears all the more perverse if it is carried out by those, like relatives, who are supposed to treat a family member with patience and love, or by those, such as doctors, who by virtue of their specific profession are supposed to care for the sick person even in the most painful terminal stages."
(Pope St. John Paul II, *The Gospel of Life*)



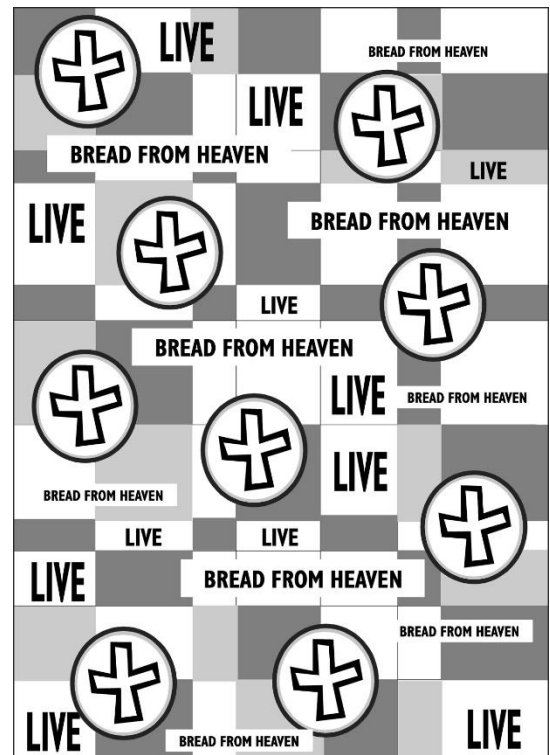
Words of Pope Francis (Part I of III)

"Three words sum up Mary's attitude: listening, decision and action. They are words that point out a way for us too as we face what the Lord asks of us in life. Listening, decision, action

Listening. What gave rise to Mary's act of going to visit her relative Elizabeth? A word of God's angel: 'Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son' (Luke 1:36). Mary knew how to listen to God. Be careful: it was not merely *hearing*, a superficial word, but it was *listening*, which consists of attention, acceptance and availability to God. It was not in the distracted way which we sometimes face the Lord or others: we hear their words, but we do not really listen. Mary is attentive to God. She listens to God.

However, Mary also listens to the events—that is, she interprets the events of her life; she is attentive to reality itself and does not stop on the surface but goes to the depths to grasp its meaning. Her kinswoman Elizabeth, who is already elderly, is expecting a child; this is the event. But Mary is attentive to the meaning. She can understand it: 'with God nothing will be impossible' (Luke 1:37).

This is also true in our life: listening to God who speaks to us, and listening also to daily reality, paying attention to people, to events, because the Lord is at the door of our life and knocks in many ways; he puts signs on our path, and he gives us the ability to see them. Mary is the mother of listening, of attentive listening to God and of equally attentive listening to the events of life."



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

If you are an 8th grader in a private Catholic school and want to participate in our Confirmation program, please call the CCD office at 234-3775.

Needed: Eucharistic Ministers & Lectors

At the present time, the parish is in need of volunteers to assist in the liturgical ministries as Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors. Training will be provided. If you are interested, just call the Parish Office at 914-234-3344.

Summer Work Project

Thank you for your continued patience as we renovate the bathrooms in the church basement. Temporary bathrooms are located outside the basement doors.

Career Network

The St. Patrick's Career Network is available to provide assistance to those parishioners who are in a career transition and covers such topics as: career evaluation, resume writing, interview preparation, developing networks, job skills search and targeting the job market. For those interested, please call Deacon Lou at (914) 393-1900.

COMING IN THE FALL ADULT EDUCATION

The Adult Religious Education offering for the fall will be an examination of the ideas and theories set forth in Fr. Ronald Rolheiser's new book, "Sacred Fire." Participants will be encouraged to read the book as we go along. Six sessions will take place on six consecutive Mondays, October 12th through November 16th, in the Church Meeting Room.

"Sacred Fire" is available at bookstores and on-line in hardcover, audio and Nook or Kindle at Barnes and Noble and Amazon



Service Personnel Prayer List

The names listed below are service personnel serving in our nation's armed forces who are relatives of our parishioners. Please keep them in your prayers.

Darren Adler/Marines
Robert F. Benedettini/Army
Ryan Bludau/Air Force
Kristin Chapman/Army
Casey Dale Climis/Air Force
Christopher Cruz/Army
Daniel Cruz/Army
Thomas Dever/Marines
Matthew Diterichs/Army
Terrence Higgins/Navy
Christopher Homon/Marines
Richie Hughes/Marines
Christopher G. Johnson/Coast Guard
Paddy McManus/Army
Stephen Musick/Marines
Matthew Nevios/Air Force
Cristin Pulise/Marines
Charles Retter/Marines
Peter Riley/Army
Kate Rosenschein/Navy
Christian Roth/Coast Guard
Craig Scott/Army
Andrew Solt/Marines
Thomas McAllister Stevenson/Army
Michael Tynan/Marines
Howard Wulforst/Army

