

CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE, LARCHMONT, New York
MARCH 12, 2017
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

NOTE FROM THE PASTOR:

“Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.” Psalm 22

Pastor's Corner

DIARY ENTRY 1925

November: Mother sent me some of my high school books (now that I have a place of my own to keep them in) and the other day I came across these words, written on a faded slip of paper in my own writing. I do not remember writing them.

“Life would be utterly unbearable if we thought we were going nowhere, that we had nothing to look forward to. The greatest gift life can offer would be a faith in God and a here-after. Why don't we have it? Perhaps like all gifts it must be struggled for. ‘God, I believe’ (or rather, ‘I must believe or despair’). ‘Help thou my unbelief.’ ‘Take away my heart of stone and give me a heart of flesh.’”

I wrote the above lines when I felt the urgent need for faith, but there were too many people passing through my life—too many activities—too much pleasure (not happiness).

I have been passing through some years of fret and strife, beauty and ugliness, days and even weeks of sadness and despair, but seldom has there been the quiet beauty and happiness I have now. I thought all those years that I had freedom, but now I feel that I had neither real freedom nor even a sense of what freedom meant.

And now, just as in my childhood, I am enchained, tied to one spot, unable to pick up and travel from one part of the country to another, from one job to another. I am enchained because I am going to have a baby. No matter how much I may sometimes wish to flee from my quiet existence, I cannot, nor will I be able to for several years. I have to accept my quiet and stillness, and accepting it, I rejoice in it.

Dorothy Day, *Selected Writings: By Little and By Little* (Maryknoll, NY:Orbis Books, 1938, 1992), pp. 21-22



MASS INTENTIONS

Week of March 13th — March 19th

Monday, March 13th

7:45 am

9:00 am Patricia Meckert

Tuesday, March 14th

7:45 am Ms Guiomar Smeets

9:00 am Peter Feuerbach

Wednesday, March 15th

7:45 am

9:00 am Patrick Buckley

Thursday, March 16th

7:45 am Alumni Camp St. Joseph

9:00 am Sister Marie Paula McNiff

Friday, March 17th

7:45 am Dick and Jane Payne

9:00 am Helen Crossin Kittle

Saturday March 18th

9:00 am

5:00 pm Agnes Crossin

Sunday, March 19th

9:00 am Olivia Tucker

10:30 am Richard Rasor

12:00 pm Mary Pulicicchio

5:00 pm Christina Joan Carinato

WE PRAY

For those who are ill, including: Sandy Albert, Ellen R. Barbieri, Bill Battalia, Peter Benjamin, Frank Booth, Nelly Carillon, Debbie Coangelo, Teresa Cogan, Caryn Colombo, Conall Crean, Bernier De Comes, David DiPietro, Mary Ann Dolan, Elizabeth Dolan, Dillon, Maureen Donovan, Marlene Dufort, Mark Elliott, Loren Finnell, Mary Elizabeth Fraioli, Marty Gary, Robert Glickman, Alessandria Glickman, Eleanor Gordon, Mary Haid, Kerry Hegarty, Robert Heyde, Harvey and Mary Humphrey, Carol Hrabsky, Mary Jordan, Fred Kriegel, Dorothy & Dave Lakso, Zachary Lawrence, Rose Leghorn, Lori Lamberti, Robert Mangone, Martin Martinez, Virginia McLaughlin, Bob Morris, Elizabeth Murray, Patricia Clifford Newman, Doris Nogueira, Scotty Norton, Doris O'Toole, Jack Pastor, Katherine Samon, Annmarie Shower, Susan Testa, Joan Troccoli, Rosemary Walsh, Nicholas James Walsh, Missy Wey, Mary Williams and Billy Zarcone.

May they find healing and comfort in Jesus Christ.



The items requested for March
PASTA, SOUP AND ESPECIALLY CEREAL
Donations of food can be left in the baskets
at the front & side entrances
to the church during the day.
Thank you for your continued generosity.

2016 TAX FORMS

If you would like a copy of your 2016 donations to St Augustine Church for tax purposes, please contact the rectory at 914-834-1220 or email abetkowski@staugustineny.org and a copy will be mailed to you. Many thanks for your generosity and support throughout the year.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

We are grateful to all who contribute so generously each week. We do recommend that you use parish envelopes or **ParishPay**. Please call the rectory for details or to register.

Total Collection this week—\$6,924.50

Total ParishPay was \$4,500.00

Total Collection — \$11,424.50

Attendance Last weekend was **964**

Thank you for your support and generosity.



THE CARDINAL'S ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

The Cardinal's Appeal Supports Works of Charity with \$2.5 Million.

Answer God's call to serve our brothers and sisters who are less fortunate. Jesus reminds us what it is to be a disciple of God, to act with mercy, compassion, and love. The Appeal assists with the well-being of our brothers and sisters who are less fortunate through our charity efforts across the ten counties of the archdiocese.

In 2015 alone, with the help of generous friends like you and Catholic Charities of New York, with the assistance of the Appeal served countless people in need through 90 affiliated organizations all across New York City! Online donations can be made at www.cardinalsappeal.org. Donation envelopes are available in the pews and the entrances to the church. **Thank you for your generosity and support.**

LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE

The regulations on Lenten fast and abstinence are:

"FASTING" On Good Friday, those who are 18 but not yet 59 are allowed only one full meal.

Two smaller meals are allowed as needed, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

"ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT" Those who are 14 years of age or older are to abstain from meat on all the Fridays of Lent.

The Church no longer attempts to prescribe Lenten practices in detail. The above regulations simply highlight, Good Friday, and the other Fridays of Lent. The more fundamental obligation is to make lent a penitential season, choosing practices that are adapted to one's own needs. **GOOD FRIDAY is a day of fast and abstinence. FRIDAYS in Lent are days of abstinence.**



PRAY THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

A classic devotion and prayer during Lent is the Stations of the Cross. Prayer booklets are available in the church and the church will remain open until 5:00 pm each day during Lent.



IRISH FLEADH SUNDAY, MARCH 19th

Join us at the Irish Fleadh, **March 19th from 2:30—4:45 pm** in Monsignor Kenny Hall, St. Augustine Church.

Kick up your heels to the music of **Bernadette Fee and the Wild Irish Rovers**.

Entrance fee is \$7.00 per person or \$25.00 per family paid at the door.

Music, Light Refreshments, Arts and Crafts and More.

Come one come all. All are Welcome!

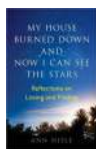


LENTEN SMALL GROUP STUDY: THE EUCHARIST IN SCRIPTURE

During Lent, several small groups are forming to study **The Eucharist in Scripture**. Please join us and bring a friend for this special look at the importance of Eucharistic meals in the four gospels as well as other books of the bible. The six sessions will be on several different days and evenings of the weeks of lent. For more info or to sign up, please email Ldoyle@staugustineny.org or call 833-9292.

THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW & THE BOOK OF PSALMS

Join us to learn more about the **Book of Matthew**, our Gospel for the current liturgical year, or the Hebrew Scriptures' **Book of Psalms**. Days and times are determined by your availability. Please contact Ldoyle@staugustineny.org or call 914-833-9292 for more information.



MY HOUSE BURNED DOWN...

On Saturday, March 25, after the 9 am Mass, in Kenny Hall psychotherapist, counselor and former Larchmont resident and St. Augustine parishioner Ann Hisle will speak about her book, **My House Burned Down and Now I Can See the Stars: Reflections on Losing and Finding**. Join us for this talk about how to navigate the losses in our lives—the inevitable losses we endure daily as well as what is found on the other side of more serious loss through death or divorce. "Hisle's inspiring stories of hope...form the foundations for deeper living," quotes amazon.com, and author Helen Fitzgerald calls it "a unique gem." Signed copies of her book will be available afterwards, with all profits going to charity.

GREETING CARDS FOR PRISONERS

The Kairos Outside organization, with whom we shared our 2015 ReDirect Christmas fund, is **collecting new, unused greeting cards to give to prisoners' families for the sons and husbands in prison**. Please go through your collection at home and see what you can contribute. Drop them off at the rectory during Lent. Thank you for also keeping these families and the prisoners in your prayers.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The completely volunteer-run adult ESL (English as a Second Language) program at the New Rochelle YMCA (50 Weyman Avenue, New Rochelle) is looking for teachers, substitute teachers, and tutors to teach English to adult immigrants either the morning, afternoon or evening during the week at the Y. **No previous ESL teaching required.** Please contact Karen Khor at khortan@mac.com if you are interested.

YAI WESTCHESTER SPRING BALL

YAI—Institute for People with Disabilities is having a **Spring Ball, Sunday, April 2nd**, Double Tree Hilton Hotel, Tarrytown, NY. Cocktails and Silent Auction 4:30—5:30 pm, Dinner and Dancing 5:30—9:30 pm. Tickets are \$60.00 per person. For more information, contact Tracy.Behling@yai.org or call 835-2810.



THE FRIENDLY GATHERING

The RDC Center for Counseling & Human Development will hold its annual fundraiser, **THE FRIENDLY GATHERING, on Sunday, March 19th, at 5 pm at Congregation Kol Ami, 252 Soundview Ave. White Plains.** The RDC Center celebrates 25 years of providing affordable counseling in an atmosphere of welcome to the residents of Westchester County. At this friendly Gathering The Food Bank for Westchester and The Furniture Sharehouse and founder, Kate Bialo will be honored. The Friendly Gathering is an evening of Irish food, music, dance, prizes and comradery. Tickets: Adults \$50 (advance, \$55 at door; Seniors: \$45 (advance, \$50 at door); Children under 12: \$15; Table for 10 \$450. Call 798-1103 or psheridan@divinecompassion.org.



ZERO WASTE

Would you like to be part of St. Augustine's new zero waste initiative with the three-pronged goal of reducing waste, educating parishioners and becoming an example in the care of Creation for our broader community? **In honor of St. Augustine's 125th anniversary, our parish is rolling out a parish-wide zero waste initiative.** Zero waste is a goal where little or no trash is generated (more info at zwia.org). Everything is either reused, recycled or composted so that very little ends up in the waste stream. Please contact Karen Khor at khortan@mac.com or Ldoyle@staugustineny.org or call the rectory at 834-1220 to join our Care for Creation subcommittee.



MASS FOR HEALING

A Mass for Healing will be celebrated at Holy Rosary Church, Hawthorne, NY on **Monday, March 13th at 7:30 pm.** Fr. Joseph Nahas will be celebrant. This is an opportunity to bring your spiritual & physical needs to the Lord. For more information call 914-769-0030.

THANKS FOR REDIRECT CHRISTMAS

Clare House highly appreciates your generous ReDirect Christmas gift to the mission of Clare of Assisi House. **We are overwhelmed by your generosity.** We cannot begin to express our gratitude. When we visited in December we were sincerely touched by your warm reception of us and the mission of Clare of Assisi House. Our project is moving forward. We are in the process of preparing the building with the hope we will invite women by early spring. One of the rooms will be decorated in the name of St. Augustine Parish. Your gift is helping to bring this dream a reality. God bless you. Be assured of an ongoing remembrance in our prayers.



FORMED.ORG

Try FORMED.ORG, the website with movies for children, documentaries about the Bible, programs about the Mass and the sacraments, and more—which the Archdiocese has given all its parishioners as a gift. **Register and access its many offerings with our parish code RNBV2.**

LADIES OF CHARITY

Looking for a way to enhance your Lenten Devotion? **Please join the Westchester Ladies of Charity for a Day of Spiritual Reflection on March 22nd at St. Joseph's Seminary.**

The program features Rev. Stephen Ries, parochial vicar at St. Joseph's Church in Bronxville speaking on "The Women of the Passion". Coffee and registration at 9:30 am and Mass and luncheon, \$30.00 fee. **Please call 914-771-6063 before March 14th to attend or for more information.**

MOVING? NEW TO THE PARISH?

Our warmest welcome to all who worship with our parish family, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. If you are not registered, or need to update our records, please complete this form and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the rectory or register by visiting the Parish website at www.staugustineny.org/register.

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