



St. Joseph St. Thomas Parish

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May 21, 2017

Sixth Sunday of Easter

REV. ROBERT W. DILLON, Pastor
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REV. NEIL A. KELLY, Parochial Vicar
REV. RIZALINO P. GARCIA, Parochial Vicar
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MRS. ELIZABETH A. BRIM, Director of Religious Education
MR. GREGORY M. HAUCK, Coordinator of Religious Education
DR. CHARLES P. TALLEY, Director of Music
MR. FRANK DeCANDIDO, Sports Council President

MASSES

Saturday Evening:

St. Joseph: 5:00 P.M.

St. Thomas: 6:00 P.M.

Sunday:

St. Joseph: 8:00 A.M., 10:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon

St. Thomas: 9:00 A.M., 10:00 A.M. Italian Mass

11:00 A.M., 1:00 P.M., 6:00 P.M.

HOLY DAYS:

Due to the variable nature of Holy Days, the schedule of Masses for these special celebrations will be printed in the bulletin prior to the feasts

Weekdays:

St. Joseph: Monday—Saturday 9:00 A.M.

St. Thomas: Monday—Friday 7:00 A.M., 8:00 A.M.

Saturday 8:00 A.M.

DEVOTIONS:

Miraculous Medal: Mondays after the 7:00 A.M. and 8:00 A.M. Masses at St. Thomas Church and after the 9:00 A.M. Mass at St. Joseph Church

Our Lady of the Community (Virgin of the Barangay):

1st Saturday of the month—Rosary 6:00 P.M., Mass at 7:15 P.M. at St. Thomas Church.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Sunday—Saturday 9:00 A.M.—8:00 P.M.

St. Thomas is  Accessible

WELCOME TO ALL

Our Parish Family invites all to be active and participating members in every aspect of parish life! Every family moving into the parish is invited to register at the Parish Office. If you change your address, please notify us.

Again, Welcome!

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism is administered on every Sunday of the month at 2:30 P.M. Please call the Parish Office to arrange for the sacrament.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The Sacrament of Matrimony is an image of God's love and commitment to us. Couples should make arrangements with a priest at least six months prior to the ceremony. The date of the ceremony should be finalized with the church prior to making any other arrangements

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Sick comforts and strengthens the seriously ill and the elderly. It is a help for the living. We should not wait until there is a danger of death. In case of emergency call the Rectory.

COMMUNION OF THE SICK

Regular administration of the Sacraments should be arranged for shut-ins by calling the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 4:00—4:45 P.M. at St. Joseph

5:00—5:45 P.M. at St. Thomas

On the last weekend of each month, confessions are heard before, during and after all Masses.

Confessions can always be scheduled individually by calling the parish office.

**WE INVITE YOU TO
BECOME A PARISHIONER**

Please fill out the form below and drop it into the Collection Basket next weekend. We will mail you a census form.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____

ZIP CODE _____

TELEPHONE # _____

EMAIL _____



Welcome

St. Joseph's Church

Saturday, May 20, 2017

5:00pm(Vigil) Rafaella & Salvatore Iovine

Sunday, May 21, 2017

8:00am Christine Parszik
 10:00am Loreti & Ungarelli Family
 12Noon Catherine Jiannetto

WEEKDAYS

Monday: 9:00am People of the Parish
 Tuesday: 9:00am Dominic Zizzamia
 Wednesday: 9:00am Maureen Maresca
 Thursday: 9:00am Bambina, Crociata & Caleca Family
 Friday: 9:00am Rosemarie Flannery

Saturday, May 27, 2017

9:00pm Vincent J. Licata
 5:00pm(Vigil) Claire Noran

Sunday, May 28, 2017

8:00am Anne Melillo
 10:00am Frank Buzzetta
 12Noon Antonio Napoli

St. Thomas Church

Saturday, May 20, 2017

6:00PM(Vigil) Anna Pascale

Sunday, May 21, 2017

9:00am Agnes & Vincent Pepe
 10:00am Sibilia & Pietro Dellegrazie
 11:00am Barbara Cannizzaro
 1:00pm Donald Erkman
 6:00pm Robert Byrne, Jr.

WEEKDAYS

Monday: 7:00am Peter Marino
 8:00am Duval Family (Living)
 Tuesday: 7:00am Hector Eugenio
 8:00am Rosaria Vitale
 Wednesday: 7:00am Antonia & Nicola DiGioia
 8:00am Roseann Grannis
7:30pm Jack Becaccio
 Thursday: 7:00pm Giovanna Geraci
 8:00am Robert M. Brisk
7:30pm Gloria Aquilino
 Friday: 7:00am Carmela & Antonio Mungo
 8:00am Madison Duval

Saturday, May 27, 2017

8:00pm Albert Muratore
 6:00pm(Vigil) Jim Gallagher

Sunday, May 28, 2017

9:00am Antoinette & Vincent Cioffi
 10:00am Francesco & Domenico Ungaro
 11:00am Deceased Members of the NYPD
 1:00pm Providencia Rodriguez
 6:00pm Philip & Lee SantaLucia

MEMORIALS



Our Bread and Wine this week is offered :
 At St. Thomas Church *In Loving Memory of*
Gus Martine requested by
 Eileen Martine.

MARRIAGE BANNS



2nd Banns Ronald Racioppi & Mary Fazzia

ASCENSION THURSDAY

This Thursday, May 25th we celebrate the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord. *It is a Holy Day of Obligation and all Catholics are obliged to attend Mass.* Our Mass schedule begins on Wednesday with the **Vigil Mass at St. Thomas at 7:30PM.** Mass on Ascension Thursday will be celebrated as follows:

St. Joseph Church

9am

St. Thomas Church

7am, 8am, 7:30pm



Father's Day is just around the corner. We shall remember our fathers, living and deceased, in all our Masses on **Father's Day, June 18th**, and throughout the month of June. Mass remembrance cards are available in the Church vestibule and in the Parish Office

EASTER DUTY

Every Catholic who has been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist is obliged to receive Communion at least once a year. This precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season. Catholics are also bound to confess serious (mortal) sins **at least once a year**, but this is not limited to the Lenten/Easter Season. Frequent reception of the Eucharist and confession are strongly encouraged.

**BAPTISM SEMINAR
SATURDAY, May 27, 2017**

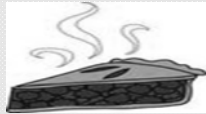
Immediately following the 6:00pm Mass at St. Thomas Church there will be a meeting for expectant parents and parents of newborn babies. Parents are expected to be at Mass as well as the meeting. We urge parents to attend before the baby is born. We also urge Godparents to participate by attending this meeting. This is a requirement for all parents prior to the Baptism of their child.



MARY'S MONTH

May is the month devoted to honoring Mary, Mother of Jesus and Mother of all humankind. We urge all parishioners to pray the Rosary during the month of May and encourage their children and grandchildren to do likewise. Daily Mass and recitation of the Rosary can work wonders on the spiritual lives of us all.

Next weekend the Dominican Sisters will be here selling their homemade bread, brownies apple & blueberry pies. The proceeds from the sale will be used to buy medical supplies for their mission to support lepers.



BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

The Bereavement ministry invites all bereaved persons that have completed our 8-week Support Group to our monthly on-going group meetings. We meet on the first Thursday of each month. Please call Pat Monahan at 718-317-7544 if interested in attending.

Celebration of Marriage



Sunday, June 18th - 1pm Mass at St. Thomas Church Parishioners celebrating their 25th, 50th, 55th, 60th and beyond Wedding Anniversary any-time during 2016 will be honored in our parish. ***Please call the parish office if you wish to be included in the celebration at 718-356-0294.***

**SACRED HEART
REMEMBRANCE VIGIL CANDLES**

will burn for 1 year in St. Thomas Church :

**IN LOVING MEMORY
OF**

FRANK GALANARDO

requested by Frank & Joellen Libretta

*For more information about
Sacred Heart Remembrance Candles
please call the Parish Office.*



**RENEW+
REBUILD**

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The custom of genuflection is not found everywhere in the Catholic Church. In fact, it is a bit of breach of etiquette to genuflect in most Eastern Catholic Churches. If you're visiting an Eastern Catholic or an Orthodox church, the "when in Rome" rule should be adopted. Watch what the home team is doing! Usually, Eastern Catholics and Orthodox reserve a small portion of the eucharistic bread for the dying in a cupboard or eucharistic dove, but it is not a center of attention or devotion. The rule is to make a profound bow, called a "metasis," toward the altar—bowing deeply while making the sign of the cross.

East and West split years before we Westerners began to reserve the Blessed Sacrament prominently in our churches. Thus, the East never changed the original custom of bowing toward the altar. Increasingly, as tabernacles became more widespread in the West and moved into prominent placement within churches, we replaced the bow toward the altar with a genuflection toward the Blessed Sacrament when its place of reservation is visible.

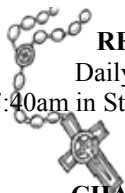
In a church where the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in a special chapel or off the main axis of the building, normally you should bow toward the altar when you enter your pew, because the eucharistic table is the principal sign of Christ's presence in the church building. If you have ever participated in the liturgy of Dedication of a Church and Altar, there is no mistaking the altar's significance: it is first slathered with chrism and then adorned with a brazier billowing clouds of incense that fill the whole church as a sign of prayer and presence!

SICK & HOMEBOUND

If someone is homebound or in the hospital, please notify us. Arrangements can be easily made for the Sacrament of Anointing. Holy Communion is brought to the sick by the priests and Eucharistic Ministers weekly or monthly as requested. Please let us know your needs by calling the parish office.

Ethel Ducey, Frank DeJulio, Carol Kopczynski, Ed Kopczynski, Peter Cruciata, John Anthony Benedetto, Christina Greco, Joseph Roesch, Stacy Wolski, Brian Orlick, Joseph Piazza, Melissa Monahan Connolly, Russell Monahan, Thomas Ambrosio, Linda Kolarcik Monahan, Harriet Cummings, Anthony Bambina, Beth Cherick, Audie Parker, Mary Metzger, James Principato, Werner Kropp, Dean Agirio, Ryan Hansen, Caroline Phelps, Angie Patterson, Tony Flynn, Allen Reese, John Spadaro, Joseph Onorio, Louis Amatrudo, Vincent Ippolito, Dominic Aiello, Stephanie Phillips-Verbett, Michael Iannozzi, Daniel Panarella, Sophie Fiorella, Peter Fiorella, Lucy George, Joseph George, Frank Vitarelli, James Brady, Danielle Cameron, Edward Joyce, Margaret Quinn, Janice Blanchard, Maria Ruggeri, Maureen Murray, Maria Gambino, Matthew Taylor, Christina Rodriguez.

In your sympathy, please pray for: Frances Scalfidi.



RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

Daily recitation of the Rosary takes place 7:40am in St. Thomas Church and 8:30am at St. Joseph's Church.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

Monday at 8:00 P.M. at the receiving room of St. Joseph- St. Thomas Parish Center (Blue House).

VIRGIN OF THE BARANGAY MASS

Saturday, June 3 – St. Thomas Church
Rosary at 6pm – Mass in the English language at 7:15PM

ROSARY & HEALING MASS

Tuesday, May 30th – 8pm – St. Joseph Church
All are welcome.

300 CLUB WINNERS - WEEK # 7

Congratulations!

\$100.00	Karen Gillespie	# 297
\$ 25.00	Maureen Martyka	# 189
\$ 25.00	Mary Rokicki	# 003

300 CLUB WINNERS - WEEK # 8

Congratulations!

\$100.00	Robert & Lina Mengani	# 140
\$ 25.00	Mary Ann Kress	# 196
\$ 25.00	Richard LaRosa	# 144



You're invited!

Please join us as we celebrate a
Mass for God's Little Ones
Sunday, June 4th at 1:00 PM

St. Thomas the Apostle Church

All children baptized within the last two years are invited with their families to join us for this special Mass.

Refreshments will be served after Mass in
Msgr. Finn Hall.

Please call the parish office at 718-356-0294.

Festa di San Antonio

Mercoledì 31 Maggio inizia la novena in onore di S. Antonio alle 7:30 p.m. a casa di Mario e' Chiara Colella. Per l'informazione per piacere telefonate 718-948-3819.

Martedì 13, Giugno alle 6:00 p.m ci sara' la processione in onore di S. Antonio, la processione partirà dalla Chiesa di St. Thomas, Amboy Road, Staten Island. Adulti e' bambini sono invitati a indossare l'abito di S. Antonio.

Seguirà la santa messa e distribuzione del pane Benedetto. Se volete portare il pane per esserlo benedetto dal prete, per favore mettete il vostro nome vicino la baschetta così alla fine della mesa sarà dato indietro a voi.



Annual St. Anthony Novena & Procession

The novena in honor of St. Anthony will begin on Wednesday, May 31, 2017 at 7:30 p.m and will run for 13 days. Daily novena's will be held at the house of Mr. & Mrs. Mario & Chiara Colella. For more information please feel free to contact them at 718-948-3819.

Join us in celebrating the Feast of St. Anthony on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at St. Thomas Church on Amboy Road. Mass will be celebrated following the procession. Followed by the procession will be the distribution of the blessed bread. Any family who wishes to have bread blessed can do so by having a basket of bread labeled with your name on it and left on the altar. Your bread basket will be blessed and handed back to you at the end of the mass. Please we ask that you kindly form two single lines down the aisle so that we may accommodate everyone.

The 9th Annual
Ryan Pisapia Family Fun Day



Nansen Lodge | Saturday, June 3, 2017

**Prizes/Raffles
Awards/Games**

**Adults - \$35 Donation
Children 5 and up - \$10 Donation**

**Rain or Shine
Noon - 5:00 PM**

For more information contact:

Maria (917-750-1565) • Anthony (917-270-3635) • Kim (917-715-4461)
Skip (917-589-1116) • Sav (917-805-3332)

Or visit our website at <http://www.ryanfund.org>

Proceeds to Benefit The Ryan Pisapia Memorial Fund a 501 (c)3
Tax ID : 27-3087216

Tear off at dotted line and include this slip with your payment... use back of slip to list the names of additional people that you are paying for, if applicable

Name: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____
Address: _____ Phone: _____
City: _____ ST: _____ ZIP: _____ Email: _____

(Please enter the number of people that will attend on the left)

_____ will be attending the Family Fun Day

_____ I will not be attending the Event but would like to make a donation of \$ _____

Please make check payable to :
The Ryan Pisapia Memorial Fund
242 Main Street
Staten Island, NY 10307

Attention!

Religious Education News

Religious Education Registration:

Registration for **siblings** will be on **Tuesday, May 30th** from 7-9 in school gym.

Registration for **St. John Neumann** will be on **Monday, June 5th** from 7-9 in the school gym.

Registration will be on **Monday, June 12th** from 7-9p.m. in the school auditorium. Parents of new registrants must bring their parish envelope number, the child's original baptismal certificate, emergency phone numbers and fee of :

\$200.00 for one child ,

\$280.00 for 2 children

\$340.00 for 3 children

For further information please call the Religious Education office at (718) 984-1156.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
Tuesday:	Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday:	Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday:	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20 (for Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
Friday:	Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday:	Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday:	Acts 1:12-14; Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a; or (for Ascension) Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICEMEN

Kevin Bartley – U.S. Coast Guard- Texas
Michael Stilson – Marine
Staff Sgt.-Christopher Saydeh- Air Force
Garrett Chelsen- Navy
Kirk Chelsen- Navy
Zane Chelsen-Navy
Sgt. James Giamboi – U.S. Marine – Iraq
Tracy Valero Farley – Air Force – Georgia
Stephen Hansen – 1st Lt. Army – Iraq
Sgt. Stephen Hacker
Paul Betancourt – Special Forces – Marines
John Plohetski – USMC
Ed McElroy – Staff Sgt.– Army Afghanistan
Sgt. Anthony Fauci – Army – Afghanistan
Anthony Torcivia –Air Force –Colorado
Capt. Jason Hock – Air Force – Iraq
Pfc. Victor Mangieri – Army – Virginia
Thomas St. Pierre, Jr.- Navy
Steven Muirhead – Navy – Iraq
Brandon Rollo- USMC-Afghanistan
Nicholas Quintero – Marines- South Carolina
Joseph Fezza- Navy
Tommy Steele –Army- Afghanistan
Ivan Lansang – Air Force – California
Danny Quinn – Army
Joseph Urkonis – LCPL- Marines- Japan
Michael Fitzpatrick – U.S. Navy - Guam
Thomas Picciorro-U.S. Marines-Japan
Stephen Picciorro-U.S. Marines- NC
Gennaro Rubino-U.S. Marine
Benjamin Lieb-Army- Sgt.
Anthony Misuraca-Army-Afghanistan
Rito Sabanal III-Army

50/50 CLUB

Congratulations!

Mr. & Mrs. Edward Stawarz

Our April 50/50 winner

“A Winner Every Month – It could be you!”

“Share & Share Alike”

Donation to enter: \$5.00 – Next Drawing – May 31st

It's Your Move...
Invest & Win!

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Have a Blessed Week! !