
The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



the **CARDINAL'S**
ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

Sharing God's Gifts

*Wisdom revealed...
through the Spirit.*

\$4,500,000 of the funds raised through the *Appeal* helps needy parishes throughout the archdiocese. While continuing the great tradition of educating our youth and providing spiritual refuge and enlightenment, many of our parishes and schools need assistance to meet their day to day requirements. Invest in your faith and parish community and make your gift to the **2017 Cardinal's Appeal**.

February 12, 2017

Sat. February 11, 2017

5:00 pm –Judy & Mike Boyle, Raphael Targansky,
John Paul Jones

6:00 pm – Hospitality Social

Sun. February 12, 2017

9:00 am –Gaye Collins, Rose Diano, Mary Maimone

9:00 & 11:00 am – CTW, 3, 4, 5 year olds

10:00 am & 12:00 pm – Hospitality Social

10:00 am – Grade 1

11:00 am – Hank Sudol, Linda Mastandrea,
Mark & Phyllis Vulaj

12:00 pm – Adult Faith Formation Comm. Mtg.

Mon. February 13, 2017

6:30-8:00 p.m. - Religious Education

Tues. February 14, 2017

6:30-8:00 p.m. - Religious Education

Wed. February 15, 2017

6:30-8:00 p.m. - Religious Education

Thurs. February 16, 2017

7:00 pm - RCIA

7:00 pm. – AA

7:15 pm – Choir Practice

Fri. February 17, 2017

Sat. February 18, 2017

5:00 pm –Judy & Mike Boyle, Raphael Targansky,
John Paul Jones

Sun. February 19, 2017

9:00 am –Gaye Collins, Rose Diano, Mary Maimone

9:00 & 11:00 am – CTW, 3, 4, 5 year olds

11:00 am – Hank Sudol, Linda Mastandrea,
Mark & Phyllis Vulaj

WHAT IS STEWARDSHIP?

Stewardship can be a confusing term for Catholics. For many years, “Stewardship” has been seen as a predominately Protestant term that was synonymous with raising money. When the United States bishops’ pastoral letter, “Stewardship: A Disciple’s Response,” was published in 1992, a new concept was introduced to most Catholics. Stewardship was no longer simply a “churchy” word for fund raising. Stewardship is now understood as a way of life, the faithful response of a Christian disciple to the Lord’s invitation to follow him “without counting the cost.”

In “*Stewardship: A Disciple’s Response*”, the bishops offer four essential characteristics of a Christian steward: A Christian Steward is: One who receives God’s gifts gratefully, cultivates them responsibly, shares them lovingly in justice with others, and returns them with increase to the Lord. If one is to grow as a steward, one must give attention to these four areas. Stewardship is a way of life, an attitude of the mind and heart that is expressed in action. Christian stewards are women and men who acknowledge God as the owner and giver of all things. We are called to be stewards of all God’s blessings—both material and spiritual. Generous sharing is one of the concrete actions that results from a Stewardship attitude which affects the way we think and the way we live. When we think like stewards, we want to share all the blessings that God has given.

HOSPITALITY SOCIAL

Please join Hospitality **after all our masses, this weekend** as we celebrate love in our lives: God's Fatherly love for all His creation, our love for our families, the love of community we celebrate daily at St. Paul's

TREASURER’S REPORT

Feb. 4th & 5th - Totaled - \$8,025.63
Collection \$5,836.39 – Online \$2,188.63
Thank you!

BLOOD DRIVE

On **Sunday, February 26**, we will be hosting a blood drive through the NY Blood Center. With the high need for donations, please consider donating. You may sign-up in advance or the day of the drive. **Donors must provide photo I.D. and 16 and 17 year old donors will need a signed parental consent form along with some form of identification showing proof of age.**

To find out more information about the qualifications for donating and/or to sign-up to donate or volunteer, please contact **Deb Harrison** at **845-361-5735** or dharrisonpvd@gmail.com.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you are in need of a contribution statement for the calendar year 2016 please contact Anna in the church office at 361-3107.

ST. PATRICKS DAY

Cardinal Dolan has written to all pastors/administrators:

“Fasting and abstinence from meat on Fridays are important Lenten obligations for every Catholic bound by age and health. As pastors/administrators, we need to strongly encourage our people to follow these directives.

This year, the Solemnity of Saint Patrick, our patron, falls on a Friday, and I have decided to dispense our people from abstaining from meat. Please notify your parishioners.

Receiving Holy Communion

In 2004, responding to the problem of Eucharistic profanation, the Vatican's Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacrament released an official instruction entitled REDEMPTIONIS SACRAMENTUS: on certain matters to be observed or to be avoided regarding the Most Holy Eucharist. Regarding the receiving of Holy Communion the document states:

“Special care should be taken to ensure that the host is consumed by the communicant in the presence of the minister, so that no one goes away carrying the Eucharistic species in his hand. If there is a risk of profanation, then Holy Communion should not be given in the hand to the faithful.” (Paragraph 92)

ANNUAL GOLDEN WEDDING MASS

Couples celebrating their **50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2017** are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at the **Cathedral of St. Patrick, Sunday, June 11th at 2:00 pm.** **Pre-registration is required**. Please contact your parish for registration. The closing date to register for the Mass is Friday, May 12th 2017. The event is sponsored by the Family Life Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.

"SAVE THE DATE"

Simply stated, "Simple Soup" will be served, **6:30, March 3rd**. Our parish tradition is the perfect start for a prayerful Lenten heart. Signup sheets and bulletin news beginning February 18-19, 2017.

HEALING MASS

A monthly Mass of Healing is held at The National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Middletown, NY on the last Thursday of each month. This month's Healing Mass will be held on **February 23rd at 7:00pm**. Please call **Carol Bezak**, Shrine Director at **845-343-1879 Ext. 22** for further information

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Deb Harrison – Chairperson
Lourdes Eyer – Vice Chairperson
Rick Dzurill - Recording Secretary
Liaisons to ministries are as follows:

Administration & Stewardship
Susan Bove

Faith Formation Christian Services
Pat Satriano Peter Adams

Food Pantry & Community Outreach
Christine Forbes

Social Activities and Kitchen Crew
Sal Lucido

Hospitality
Kevin Maher

Please pray for all members of our Parish Council, as they work for the good of our Church and community. **The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday, February 20th at 7:00 pm and is open to all parishioners. If you wish to address the council at a meeting, contact the church office to request to have your topic added to the agenda. Minutes of each council meeting can be found on the website at stpapulsbullville.org/parish-council**

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