Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JANUARY 30, 2022



MASS INTENTIONS

5 p.m.: June Ayers, Rosa Lippolis and Patricia Owen

10 a.m.: Michael Faso, Rudolph Sustack, Sr. and Chris & Nic Pierce

SHOPPING LIST Our busier-than-ever Food Pantry always



welcomes donations of unexpired and non-perishable foods - as well as paper and plastic bags suitable for packing groceries.

We could use::

Saltines, Ritz-type crackers and snack crackers Tuna, chili, Spam, mayo, mac & cheese Instant oatmeal, granola bars, cereal Ziti or elbow pasta, peanut butter, jelly Hot cocoa and coffee

PLEASE, NO CANNED VEGETABLES, BEANS or FRUIT, SOUP, RICE or DRY SPAGHETTI. We are quite stocked on these items thanks to holiday food drives.

We appreciate all that you do!

TREASURER'S REPORT

January 16-23: Totaled \$ 4,842.49 Envelopes: \$ 2,479.00 - Online: \$ 2,363.49 THANK YOU!

VALENTINES FOR VETERANS

Joe Paone, the director of Military and Veterans Affairs at the Office of U.S. Representative Sean Patrick Maloney, has fond memories of attending St. Paul's Church as a teen.



"It was a big part of my life."

So it was natural for him, in his first year assisting with Maloney's Valentines for Veterans program, to invite

houses of worship to participate. He notes how particularly important this endeavor is at a time where so many who have served their country are now separated from families and friends.

Joe says that last year about 7,000 cards were distributed - handcrafted and store-bought throughout the 18th Congressional District, which includes Orange and Putnam counties and parts of Dutchess and Westchester. Cards made their way not only to Castle Point VA Hospital, but to scores of local senior and veterans' residences as well.

The students in our Religious Education program, along with the entire St. Paul's community, are being asked to drop off a Valentine at the church office by Wednesday, February 2, so your heartfelt thanks can get to Joe in Newburgh in plenty of time for distribution.

THE HOUSE OF LOVE



""Do not be afraid," are words voiced that we most need to hear. This voice was heard by Zechariah when Gabriel, the angel of the Lord, appeared in the temple and told him that his wife, Elizabeth, would bear a son. This voice was heard by Mary when the same angel entered her house in Nazareth and announced that she would conceive a child and name Him Jesus. This voice was also heard by the women who came to the tomb and saw that the stone was rolled away.

"Do not be afraid, do not be afraid, do not be afraid." The voice uttering these words sounds all through history as the voice of God's messengers, be they angels or saints. It is the voice that announces a whole new way of being, being in the house of love, the house of the Lord.

The house of love is not simply a place in the afterlife, beyond this world. Jesus offers us this house right in the midst of our anxious world.

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"Without confidence and love, there can be no true education. If you want to be loved ... you must love yourselves, and make your children feel that you love them." -Saint John Bosco, a/k/a Don Bosco 1815-1888

Don Bosco, whose feast day is January 31, was an educator and champion of children of the poor. He is the patron saint of apprentices, editors and publishers, schoolchildren, magicians and juvenile delinquents.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK a dozen reasons to choose Catholic Schools



Discipleship begins with Catholic formation and is nurtured through ongoing conversion. The good work of our Catholic schools and catechetical offices is supported by the Appeal. We share Christ's message through voice, screen and in-person communication, opening ourselves to follow Him and bring Him to others.

Thank you for your support of the Cardinal's Appeal.



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AARP'S TAX-AIDE

Thanksgiving. Christmas. New Year's. Taxes. And that taxing time is upon us.

But once again, free tax-preparation assistance is available through AARP Foundation Tax-Aide. For an appointment, call 2-1-1 (the United Way's Help Line) between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday-Thursday or 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Friday. There are 15 sites in Orange County, including locations in Pine Bush, Montgomery, Middletown and Walden.

An information packet will be provided beforehand so at the time of the appointment, all of the required documentation is brought. There will be a brief interview, and then a second appointment will be made to review and sign the completed return. It isn't until that point that the return is e-filed. Documents are kept in locked, secure storage when not being used.

All Tax-Aide counselors will be fully vaccinated, and everyone entering the site much wear a mask.

A CALL TO SOCIAL JUSTICE

Franciscan Father Daniel P. Horan, director of the Center for Spirituality and professor of philosophy, religious studies and theology at Saint Mary's College in Notre Dame, Indiana, uses a snowplow metaphor to illustrate white privilege.

"Imagine a two-lane road after a heavy snowfall of one or two feet. One lane has been recently plowed and is clear, while the parallel lane remains completely snow-covered and treacherous. Imagine driving (or better, walking) some distance in



each of the lanes: One where there is minimal resistance and few obstacles, the other where you are forced to move more slowly, more unsteadily, with plenty of obstacles, difficulty and struggle," he writes.

"The metaphor holds when it comes to systemic racism ..."

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DIVINE COMEDY

Q: Why was Noah the best businessman in the Bible? A: He floated his stock while everybody else was being liquidated.

Q: Need an ark to save two of every animal? A: I Noah guy.

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