

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**FEBRUARY 17, 2019**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**FEBRUARY 17, 2019 Office Phone # 315-479-6689**

*Daily Mass in the Chapel this week will be held on Monday through Wednesday:*

Saturday, 4:00pm	Mary Jane Hamilton, req. by Betty Genninger
Sunday, 9:30am	Deceased Members of the Altar Rosary Society
Monday, 12:00pm	NO MASS
Tuesday, 12:00pm	Rev. Robert Jones, req. by the Mahar family
Wednesday, 12:00pm	Lewis Fitzgerald, anniversary, req. by John & Carm Fitzgerald
Saturday, 4:00pm	Bootsie Vieau, req. by Gloria Eagan & family
Sunday, 9:30am	Pat Chapman, req. by Edward Krick

**Weekend Masses - Blessed Sacrament Church**

**Saturday - 5:00pm**

**Sunday - 7:30am, 9:30am, and 11:30am**

WE ASK YOUR PRAYERS FOR THE SPIRITUAL COMFORT AND RESTORATION OF HEALTH FOR: MaryAnne Hines, Kim Harrington (granddaughter of John and Joanne Harrington), Sandra Betts, Desiree Landers, Nate Wagner, Madeline Duda, Ann Martin, Marilynn Bause, sister of Lauren Brooks, John Ferguson, (brother of Linda James and Sue Overton) Judy D'Amore, Tom Dettmer, brother of Sharon Dettmer Welch, Mark Conti, and Martin Griffin. Please pray for Ronald Tarbona, class of "58, Rita Brisson Reifenstein, class of "45, (sister of Ronnie Stafford"57), and Father John Flanagan who passed away recently. (These prayer requests will remain for one month on the list and for them to continue or to be removed, or to add a new name, please contact the rectory.)

**ALTAR SERVERS WEEKEND: 02/23-02/24**

**4:00pm- ADULT VOLUNTEERS**

**9:30am- Nasira Aleu, Ayuol Wall, Jamer Lee**

**LECTORS: 02/23-02/24**

**4:00pm – Bob James**

**9:30am – Sue Spara, Ray Shandorf**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – 02/23-02/24**

**4:00pm– Chichi Uche, Jackie Aloï, Mary Burr**

**9:30am – Beverly Armstrong, Lori Gilbert, John Fitzgerald**

**GREETERS –02/24/19**

**9:30am – Reda Nephew**



**COFFEE HOUR – February 24, 2019**

**Donut Pick Up: Bob James**

**Hosts: 9:30am: Donna Kassman group**

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Hours are Tuesday, and Thursday, 8:30am - 12:30pm. The office will be closed on Monday (because of the holiday), Wednesday, and Friday.**

**Pastor's Notes**

*Dear parishioners,*

*Enclosed in your bulletin are two inserts which I encourage you to read. One is a letter of opposition from the NYS Catholic Conference which was written on January 17<sup>th</sup>, laying out the reasons for Catholic opposition to the then proposed law that would allow abortion expansion in NYS. It is truly disturbing to read what this now passed law proposed and is now law in NYS. The second letter is from Bishop Cunningham expressing his horror at this new legislation which, among other things, denies protections to living, breathing human children.*

*If you are looking for a tax advantage for charitable giving here is an opportunity for those of you who are 70-1/2 and older and who have a traditional IRA:*

*Once you reach 70-1/2 you are required to distribute 4% of what your IRA was worth on December 31<sup>st</sup> of the previous calendar year (this is called required minimum distribution or RMD). If you direct your IRA custodian to make a direct transfer of funds to whichever charities you prefer you need not pay the ordinary 15% tax on this distribution (this is called a qualified charitable distribution). This will not result in a deduction but will lower your adjusted gross income resulting in a lower tax bill. This only applies if the transfer is direct from your IRA. If you transfer the funds into your savings or checking account first and then make your charitable contributions you will need to pay the 15% tax. I have also heard that it is better to make the distributions at the beginning of the calendar year in case anything happens. Otherwise your estate will pay a 50% fine for not having taken your required distribution.*

*I have been making my charitable contributions for the last 4 years in this manner. At the beginning of the calendar year I make my yearly tithes to St Vincent's and the Retreat House as well as the HOPE Appeal and other non-profits that I wish to support. It is a win/win situation.*

*As always, thanks for your generosity.*

*Fr. John*

**Don't look very far when you hear today's gospel speak of poverty, sorrow, or exclusion. These things happen in families. Children feel "insulted" when they are constantly criticized. Spouses "hunger" for affection. Grandparents feel "excluded" by divorce and custody decisions. Parents "weep" because they feel alienated from their children.**

**FINANCES**

02/10/19	ATTENDANCE	176
	Offertory	\$ 2,217.00
	Received from 60 envelopes	\$ 1,602.00
	Loose:	\$ 615.00
	Bldg. Fund:	\$ 40.00



**Youth Committee is hosting a Pancake Breakfast , today, Sunday February 17<sup>th</sup> after the 9:30am**

Mass. Cost is \$7.00-Adults, \$4.00 for 5-14 years, and free for age 4 and younger. Menu includes pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, orange juice and coffee.



**Faith Formation** – There are no classes today because of the President's day holiday. Please contact Kathyne Sparaco ([315-729-0286](tel:315-729-0286)/[sparacok@gmail.com](mailto:sparacok@gmail.com)) with any questions.

## TAXES

End of year Tax Statements are available. Please place a self-addressed envelope in the collection basket or call the office at 315-479-6689.



The Altar Rosary Society would like to thank everyone for their generous support of last week's bake sale. The Valentine Basket was won by Sharon Welch. Congratulations!



Fish Dinners – Start Ash Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> and continue every Friday during Lent except Good Friday. We are still looking for volunteers to help clean up at 7:00pm. If interested, contact Bob James at 315-471-0818. Thanks!



Remember, you could be the next winner for just \$5.00. The next drawing is February 24<sup>th</sup> after the 9:30am mass. Contact Bob James at 315 471-0818 for tickets or more information.

## YOUTH



The Youth Committee is hosting a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup> after the 9:30am mass in the church hall. The proceeds will fund the youth. See menu above.

Movie Night is Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00-8:00pm in the church hall.

Basketball Ministry is on Saturday from 12:00-4:00pm in the school gym. Volunteers to assist with this program are needed. Other mini-programs will be offered.

Please support St. Vincent's Youth Ministry programs with donations of cans and bottles to the Shop City Bottle and Can Return (New Location) where we have an account. It is in the Shop City Section near the Fish Cove.

Ludovico Apartments – 340 Winton St., Syracuse, is looking for persons who would be interested in renting one bedroom apartments and are 62 years of age or older or mobility impaired individuals. The household must meet HUD

income eligibility guidelines and complete the required application process. Please call 315-422-0475.

## MEETINGS

Legion of Mary will meet on Wednesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-2:00pm in the church hall.

## OTHER EVENTS

Monthly French Toast Breakfast for the first Sunday of each month is in the Blessed Sacrament School Cafeteria, 3127 James St.

"Share the Wealth" is a raffle for Blessed Sacrament School and Church Capital Improvement and Parish Operations. Tickets are \$75.00 each and only 750 tickets will be sold! Tickets can be purchased online by going to the following two websites:

<https://blessedsacramentsyracuse.ejoinme.org/2019affle> or <https://blessedsacramentsyracuse.com> (select Give then select STW Raffle) or calling the Blessed Sacrament rectory at 315-437-3394.

Join the Catholic Sun on a Lenten Pilgrimage to Italy led by Bishop Cunningham, visiting the holy sites of Rome Assisi, Florence, Venice, and more. 11 days beginning March 11-21, 2019. Contact Select International Tours at 1-800-842-4842.

Transfiguration Church presents "Mardi Gras Polish Dinner" on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> from Noon to 3:00pm at their church hall. There will be Golabki, Kielbasy, Pierogi, Vegetables, Rye Bread, and Paczki (Jelly Balls), Music and Beads. Adults are \$15.00, Kids 6-12 are \$6.00 and under 6 are free.

Christ the King Retreat House presents a Lenten Day of Reflection with Sr. Kathleen Osbelt on Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> from 10:00-3:00pm (Ash Wednesday). Ashes will be distributed during Mass. The reflection is an opportunity to draw away from the distractions of every-day, and put oneself in a different environment. An offering of \$30.00 includes lunch. For reservations call 315-446-2680 or email [ctkretreat@syrдио.org](mailto:ctkretreat@syrдио.org)

## Catholic Humor

A little boy was waiting for his mother to come out of the store. As he waited, he was approached by a man who asked, "Son, can you tell me where the Post Office is?" The little boy replied, "Sure, just go straight down this street and at the end turn to your right". The man thanked the boy kindly and said, "I'm the new priest in town. I'd like for you to come to church on Sunday. I'll show you how to get to heaven." The little boy replied with a chuckle, "Awww, come on.. You don't even know the way to the Post Office."

## PEACE AND JUSTICE

Monetary donations for the Food Pantry at the Northeast Community Center are accepted at any time and may be placed in the collection basket. Food for the pantry is planned for the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of the month to consolidate the collection for the person who delivers it to the pantry.

