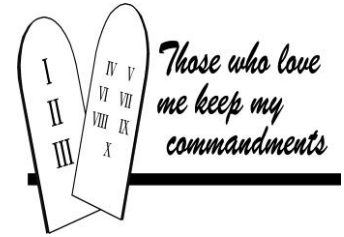


SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ~ MAY 21, 2017

Scripture Meditation: Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8; 1 Peter 3:15-18; John 14:15-21
Today's first reading tells us three things: evil exists; we have the Holy Spirit in us; and we can experience "great joy" as God manifests His power. Jesus has already conquered Satan. Now He wants us to step into the freedom He has won for us, and know the "great joy" that comes when we resist Satan's temptations. Printed with the permission of The Word Among Us 2017

CELEBRATION OF MASSES THIS WEEK

Table listing Masses for the week of May 20-28, including dates, times, and celebrants such as BERNARD M. GONO, NICHOLAS DEFAZIO, and ROSEMARIE MARKOJA.



FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH ~ WEEK OF 5-14-2017

Table showing financial data: Operating Costs - Weekly amount needed to meet expenses of all five buildings ---- \$9,975; Sunday Collection \$ 5,020; Other Collections: Annual, Monthly, Holy Day... \$ 438; TOTAL WEEKLY INCOME..... \$ 5,458; SHORTFALL..... \$ 4,517

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE OVERVIEW Operating Costs Year to Date \$9,975 x 46.....\$ 458,850
Actual Weekly Income Year to date \$ 454,794 Shortfall \$ 4,056



PRAYER CORNER: Your prayers are requested for the sick and the suffering. Please pray for the good health of: Arline Barber, Jay Behan, Betty Jane Berchem, Enrique Borromeo, Dennis Bogue, Caterina Caruso, Mark Charney, Catherine M. Ellison, Mary Ann Krajcik, Sarah Masso, Fr. Robert Maty, Richard Miller, Dottie Millo, Helen Mino, Michael Nevells, Janet Onze, Assunta Palumbo, Peter Panicali, Jo-Ann Petreycik, Joseph Petreycik, Charles Rader, T.J. Recupido, Roger Silhavey, Jose Soto, Jennie Tesla

Religious Education: Sunday, May 21, Last Religious Education Class/ Children's Liturgy ~ K through 8.

HOLY COMMUNION Join us in prayerfully congratulating our young parishioners who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 20. Maddy Iodice, Katherine Madar, Emmalee Poling and Marissa Taccogna

Fatima at 100 Years (1917 to 2017) Join us on Wednesday, May 31 at 6:30 PM in the Church for an informative talk by Deacon Michael Saranich. We welcome you to join us for this special occasion of the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady's apparition at Fatima. Please call the parish office to let us know you will be attending. 203-375-5815

Youth Choir News: We thank the Youth Choir for their lovely singing at last Sunday's 9:00 AM Mass. Rehearsal is held on Wednesdays from 5:15 PM to 6:15 PM in the choir loft.

Evangelization Corner ~ God has worked wonders in the Death and Resurrection of Christ, who promises us the gift of the Spirit to be with us always.

Thursday, May 25, the Ascension of the Lord, is a Holy Day of obligation. The Vigil Mass is Wednesday at 7:00 PM and Thursday's Masses are 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM & 5:30 PM

We congratulate Jozef and Eva Estocin who were married in our church last weekend and ask God to bless their marriage



### Catechists Needed 2017-2018

Religious Ed Catechists, Teacher Aides, Monitors are needed. Every year our R.E. Program relies on parish volunteers to help pass on the faith to our children as Religious Education Catechists. Perhaps you don't feel that your faith is strong or deep enough. That's okay. Time and again, new catechists marvel at how teaching has strengthened their own faith. Please prayerfully consider giving of your time and talent to help our children grow in faith. No prior experience is necessary. During the summer months we will train you. Our religion texts (pamphlets for each week) are user friendly and the teacher guide has lesson plans that are easy to follow. If interested please call or email Sister Joseph Therese at 203-3787407 or DREholyname@gmail.com **Registration for the 2017 -2018**



### Religious Education Sessions – Registration

forms were given or sent to all Parents with children already enrolled in our program. New families may contact the Religious Education Office to register their child/children. Our youth program is gradual and continuous from First through Eighth Grade. Kindergarten is optional. Reconciliation and First Eucharist are celebrated in Second Grade (Students must be here for two years). Confirmation is celebrated in 9<sup>th</sup> Grade. If you have any questions or need more information please call or email the above address.

**HNJ TAG SALE. Beginning this Monday, May 22,** items such as household goods & furnishings, toys, tools, jewelry, sporting goods, books, frames, collectibles, small working appliances, electronics, and artwork, may be brought to the parish Hall and left on the handicap ramp. We are unable to accept any clothing donations, exercise equipment or air conditioners. **Volunteers Needed THIS MONDAY, May 22 at 7:00 PM.** (approx. 1 hour)

We are looking for a few strong men to help carry tag sale items from the church basement to the hall. **The Parish Tag Sale will be held the weekend of June 10 and 11.** **Volunteers are needed in the weeks prior to the tag sale (a few hours and/or days to sort and set up.)** **Volunteers are also needed on the day of the Tag Sale.** If you can help, please call Mary Ann Wells at 203-375-2836 or email [maw0457@yahoo.com](mailto:maw0457@yahoo.com)

### **The Ladies Guild 75th Installation dinner will be held on Wednesday, June 14 at Costa Azzurra in Milford.**

Cocktails at 6:00 PM and a buffet dinner at 6:30 PM. Menu includes Roast Beef, Chicken Piccata, Filet of Sole, Ziti & Meatballs, Sausage & Peppers, Eggplant Rollatini, Vegetable, Potato, Coffee, Tea and Dessert. **The cost is \$25. Cutoff date for reservations is Monday, June 5.** All dinners must be paid for in advance. Please make checks payable to Holy Name Church and drop them in the collection basket.

**St Roch Parish in Greenwich will be selling raffle tickets at HNJ Parish – 1st Prize \$30,000, 2nd Prize \$4000, 3rd Prize \$3000 and 4th Prize \$2000.** Each ticket is \$25 and HNJ will receive \$12.50 for each ticket sold at our parish. Raffle drawing will be held August 12 at St. Roch. Beginning next week, if you would like to purchase a ticket, stop by the church vestibule following Mass or visit the Parish Office during the week.

### **The Holy Name Men's Society will sponsor their 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Classic Car Show on**

**Saturday, June 17** from 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

All Cars Welcome! Car donation \$10.00 & free admission for walk-ins. There will be music & food. In honor of our veterans we will be making a donation to the "Wounded Warrior Project". **Also on this Saturday, A RENT A TABLE TAG SALE** will also be held from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. \$25.00 per table and must be paid for in advance. *Rain date for Car Show and Rent A Table Tag Sale is Saturday, June 24.* Call Larry Wells 203-375- 2836 Or [lawman56@optonline.net](mailto:lawman56@optonline.net)



### **Are you interested in purchasing a Brick to add to our "BRICK WALK & PATIO"?**

Are you new to Holy Name Parish? Have you lost a loved one in recent years? Has your family grown

since our original campaign? What a beautiful time of year to add a brick for Mom or Dad, whether living or deceased. **Your purchase of a brick can be a lasting memorial to a loved one, an expression of thanksgiving for blessings received or can be used to leave your family members names as an expression of your support and love for Holy Name of Jesus Parish.** We will be accepting orders for additional bricks through the month of June. Order forms are available at all the entrances to Church or in the Parish Office. If you have any questions please call Anne Wargo at 203-377-9537 or email at [atwargo@att.net](mailto:atwargo@att.net) *The timeframe for the installation of new bricks will be determined at a later date.* Please continue to watch the bulletin for further information. **This project was first conceived as a means to raise much needed funds to support critical building and grounds repairs to our beautiful Holy Name of Jesus campus.** A Maintenance and Repair Fund was set up supported by all proceeds from this project. Proceeds from brick sales to date total nearly \$100,000. In addition, Our Guild of the Mother of Jesus has contributed over \$70,000 to this fund from their ongoing fundraising efforts over the last nine years.

**Over the past nine years the bulk of these proceeds have been spent. To date the following have been completed:** a new roof on the school, necessary repairs to classrooms due to water damage, sidewalks surrounding our campus have been repaired, roof and exterior repairs to the Church building, replacement of the Convent water heater and School boiler, repairs to the organ pipes and walls in the choir loft due to water damage, new Hall doors, chimney repairs on the Rectory, and many additional smaller projects. As is evident, the maintenance and repairs to five campus buildings are an ongoing necessity as the buildings continue to age.

**Thank you for supporting this ambitious effort.**

**May God continue to bless you.**

**The Slovak Alliance of Greater Bridgeport will hold their General Membership Meeting on Thurs. May 25 at 7:00 PM in the School meeting room**

**Next Week's Second Collection is for the Catholic Communication Campaign.**