

3 February 2019
IV Sunday of the Year (New Calendar)
IV Sunday after Epiphany (Traditional Calendar)

Sunday Mass: Anticipated Sat. 4PM/Sun. 8 AM Ancient Rite Latin Mass
Sunday 9:30 AM & 11 AM

Confessions: Wed. 6:30-6:55PM/Sat. 7:30-7:55 AM
Sat. 2:30-3:30 PM & 6:30-7:30 PM

THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Tue. 5 Feb. ST. AGATHA, Virgin & Martyr
8 AM For: Jack Maciag (L.)
Req: Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Maciag
Holy Rosary for the Unborn

Wed. 6 Feb. ST. PAUL MIKI & COMPANIONS, Martyrs
7 PM For: Charles Rose+ (Ann.)
Req: Mr. & Mrs. David Rose, Sr.

Thu. 7 Feb. ST. ROMUALD, Abbot
8 AM For: Margaret Siegenthaler+
Req: Family

Fri. 8 Feb. ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA, Virgin, Religious
8 AM For: Theodore & Jeanette Blehar+
Req: Bob & Kathy Blehar

Sat. 9 Feb. St. Apollonia, Virgin, Martyr, Patroness of Dentists
8 AM For: Special Intention

4 PM For: Parishioners of OLGCC

Sun. 10 Feb. V Sunday of the Year (New Calendar)
V Sunday after Epiphany (Traditional Calendar)
8 AM For: Consecration of Russia to Immac. Heart of Mary

9:30 AM For: Sally West+ (17th Anniv.)
Req: Her husband and family

11 AM For: Josephine Finn+
Req: The Rosary Society of OLGCC

Servers for the weekend of 9-10 February:

Sat. 4 PM: I., N., C. Martin

Sun. 8 AM: B., G. Johnson

Sun. 9:30 AM: T. Lohr, D. Vanderhoof

Sun. 11 AM: C. van Lieshout, C. Anderson

TUE. EVE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

We will not meet during the month of February, when the weather is often risky, and the schools close for a mid-winter break. Of course, we got an early start to this break, with class being canceled last Tue. due to the weather! Our classes will resume on Tue.5 March.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Had we had class last Tue., I was going to ask the students to be sure to have selected their Confirmation Patron Saint and their Sponsor for Confirmation by the time we have our next class in March. Your Sponsor must be: at least 16 years old, a baptized and confirmed Catholic who is living their Faith, and who is eligible to receive the Sacraments. Any Sponsor chosen who is not from this parish must get a "Certificate of Sponsorship" from their parish priest. Please bring this with you to the next class, 5 March.

LET'S ALL SAY "HALLELUIA"

Hopefully as you are reading this, the Rectory phone is back in order and the bulletin is back on-line. Isn't it frustrating to have to be so dependent on technology?

I HAVE BEEN WONDERING

We have so many young children in our parish who are either now or will be very soon of school age. Many of our young parents would like to home-school their children, but may find it intimidating or daunting. Would our home-schooling Moms and those who would like to home-school (the best way to insure your child's salvation and sanctification, as well as your relationship to your child), like to explore the idea of a home-school co-op? That is, having some classes taught to a group of home-schoolers by someone who is more comfortable with certain subjects. I would make the rectory basement available for such a co-op if the idea gets off the ground. Please, parents of present, future home-schoolers, let me know what you think. If there is enough interest, we can get together and discuss the details. It is not too early to be thinking about next year!

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS FOR 2018

If you would like a statement of your donations to the Church for this past year, please note on your envelope "Statement Please" or email or phone the Rectory and we will send it out as soon as we can.

PASTOR'S LETTER TO BISHOP CUNNINGHAM

29 January 2019

Your Excellency:

Forgive me for writing an email to you instead of a formal, hard copy letter, and that you will forgive my bluntness, by which I mean no disrespect.

Do you sense the utter anger, exasperation, disgust and revulsion that we who are pro-life are experiencing after the enactment of the Reproductive Health Act by Andrew Cuomo? What could be more evil than the killing of newborns who have survived the abortionist's knife, not to mention, of course, the precious little children prior to birth? I'll answer my own question: the jubilation of those legislators who proposed and passed this heinous act. Among those count your own subject Anthony Brindisi.

The abject disillusionment of faithful Catholics over clerical homosexual sins, and the complicity of our hierarchs in those scandals is aggravated, if such a thing were possible, by the refusal of our Fathers in Christ to denounce, condemn and sanction the perpetrators of such legislation. We are sick and tired of words, words, words out of our Bishops and no action. We are revolted by the sheer insouciance of Timothy Cardinal Dolan's "Abortion is not appropriate in this instance."

Excellency, it is time to be a man and not a mouse. It is time to be a true High Priest of Jesus Christ. Declare Anthony Brindisi, and any other Catholic legislator who voted for or supported this abomination who is in your jurisdiction, excommunicated.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Edmund A. Castronovo
Our Lady of Good Counsel Church
Verona, NY

PS I am aware, as I am sure you are, that Anthony Brindisi is now in the U. S. House of Representatives, but he co-sponsored this bill when he was in the NY State Legislature.