9 February 2020 III Sunday of Ordinary Time (New Calendar) Septuagesima Sunday (Traditional Calendar)

Sunday Mass: Anticipated Sat. 4PM/Sun. 8AM Ancient Rite Latin Mass Sunday 9:30 AM & 11 AM Confessions: Wed. 6:30-6:55PM/Sat. 7:30-7:55 AM Sat. 2:30-3:30PM & 6:30-7:30 PM

THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Tue. 11 Feb. 8 AM	OUR LADY OF LOURDES (1858) For: Mary Drake (L.) Req: Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Breckenridge Holy Rosary for the Unborn & Born
Wed. 12 Feb. 7 PM	St. Eulalia, Virgin & Martyr (d.304) For: Nicholas Armitage (L.) Req: The Anderson Family

Thu. 13 Feb.	St. Catherine de Ricci, Virgin, Religious (d.1589)
8 AM	For: Bobbie Sue Shelton (L.)
	Req: Mary Smith

Fri. 14 Feb. STS. CYRIL & METHODIUS, Bishops (d. 869,885)
St. Valentine, Priest, Martyr
8 AM For: Henry Hanisee+ Req: Mozelle Vito

# Sat. 15 Feb.St. Claude de la Colombiere (d. 1682), Pr., Religious8 AMFor: Special Intention

Sun. 16 Feb.	IV Sunday of Ordinary Time (New Calendar)
	Sexagesima Sunday (Traditional Calendar)
8 AM	For: Deceased of Bianchi, Angelino, Groat, Yora,
	Castronovo & Maneen families
	Req: Dr. & Mrs. Francis Bianchi
9:30 AM	For: The Parishioners of OLGCC
11 AM	For: Clara Sexton+

Req: Her family

Servers for the weekend of 15-16 February: Sat. 4 PM: Richard Richmond, Joseph Vanderhoof Sun. 8 AM: T. Murnane, B. Johnson Sun. 9:30 AM: Z. Rose, L. Lohr Sun. 11 AM: J. Vaccaro, N. Vaccaro

#### ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING: THU. 13 FEBRUARY 7 PM RECTORY

Our program this month will feature Carol Thomas, who will speak about her pro-life work, especially in her experiences at the Planned Parenthood building in Utica. Please ladies, let us show her our interest and support.

### CATHOLIC SUN SUBSCRIPTION DRIVE

Bishop Lucia has asked us to promote our diocesan newspaper, The Catholic Sun. It is published weekly, and contains news about the activities and events taking place throughout our seven-county diocese. If you would like a subscription, please take one of the envelopes on the table in the vestibule, fill it out, and place \$24 in the envelope. Checks should be made out to Our Lady of Good Counsel Church. You may then put the envelope in the collection basket.

#### 2019 HOPE APPEAL FINAL STATUS

Now that the 2019 HOPE Appeal has been concluded, we are able to report that you have contributed \$16,770.50 toward our assessment of \$18,353.93. Thus, we had to make up a difference of \$1,983.43 to meet the assessment. This sum of donations was contributed by 111 households out of 212 in the parish, or 52.36% of the households. A review of the figures sent from the diocese reveals that we had the third largest percentage of contributors of all parish households.

#### PARKING REMINDER

Please do not park your car in front of the house to the right of the church. It makes it very dangerous for cars which are exiting the driveway to see what is coming.

## ANYONE INTERESTED IN LEARNING TO PLAY THE ORGAN?

Homeschoolers, students in grade school: the Syracuse Chapter of the American Guild of Organists will be presenting *Pedals, Pipes and Pizza,* a wonderful interactive session designed to introduce young people to the pipe organ.

It will be held on Wed. 19 Feb. at 10 AM at the Park Central Presbyterian Church, 504 W. Fayette St., Syracuse. If interested, please contact Vincent Guarnieri at

Vincent@cnyorganist.com.

## MERCY BEFORE JUDGEMENT

Christ is come, but first to save and then to judge. He come to sentence to punishment those who refuse to be saved, and to bring to life those who, by believing, have not rejected salvation. In this way then, Our Lord came first to be our medicine, not as our Judge.

If He had come to judge first, He would have found no one on whom He might bestow the rewards of righteousness. He saw that all were sinners, and no one was exempt from the sentence of death that followed sin. So His mercy had to be sought first, before His judgement could be executed.

Let everyone then rightly receive the admonitions of the Master, before the season of the Savior's mercy passes by---a season that is now in blossom, as long as the human race is spared. For the reason that we are spared is so that we may be converted rather than condemned.

Only God knows when the end of the world will come. Nevertheless, now is the time for faith. Whether any of us here will be around at the end of world, I do not know. Perhaps the end won't find us.

Even so, our own end is very near to each of us, since we're mortal. No doubt, through our frailness we walk daily in the fear of the accidents inherent in life. And even if these accidents do not occur, time goes on.

However long we may be spared, in the end, old age comes. There is no way of putting that off. For this reason, we must listen to the Lord.

(St. Augustine, Homily 36 on John 4: Homily 59 on the Gospels, 1,2).