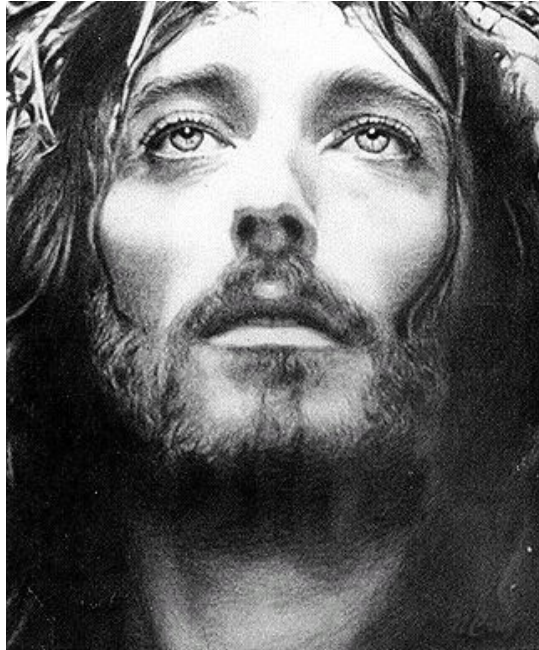


SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Mother's Day

The Lord has set his throne in heaven.

May 13, 2018



"And now I will no longer be in the world, but they are in the world, while I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are." *John 17:11*

ANNOUNCED MASSES

If you wish to bring up the gifts for a Mass being said for your loved one(s), please see the Usher before Mass.

Vigil (Sunday) Mass – May 12

5:00 PM All the Mothers of the Parish

Sunday, May 13 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

8:30 AM All the Mothers of the Parish

10:15 AM *St. Joseph's* – All the Mothers of the Parish

12:00 PM All the Mothers of the Parish

Monday, May 14 – Saint Matthias, Apostle

8:15 AM Deceased Members of the Tilearcio Family

Tuesday, May 15 – Saint Isidore

8:15 AM Gloria Varricchio

Wednesday, May 16 – Easter Weekday

8:15 AM Joseph Landolfi, Jr.

Thursday, May 17 – Easter Weekday

8:15 AM John T. Kiely

Friday, May 18 – Saint John I, Pope and Martyr

8:15 AM Roger Ailes and all the People of the Parish

Saturday, May 19 – Easter Weekday

8:15 AM Peter Sgro

Vigil (Sunday) Mass – May 19

5:00 PM Dorsey Monroe

Sunday, May 20 – Pentecost Sunday

8:30 AM Dimon and Robert Nicolosi and the Cirillo Family

10:15 AM *St. Joseph's* – Pat Reidel

12:00 PM Georgette Gurguies

CHOIR REHEARSALS

Adult Choir rehearsals are held on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm in the choir loft. New members are welcome at all weekend Masses. If you would like to sing, please come to a rehearsal or call Jeffrey V. Lutz at 228-5612.

GRAYMOOR PRAYER GROUP

Increase your time in prayer. The Graymoor Prayer Group, following the Medjugorje prayer format, meets Thursday evenings, 7:30 to 8:30 pm at the Spiritual Life Building 6th floor Chapel. Prayer facilitator – Diana Roda: 424-4175.

INTERCESSORY PRAYERLINE

Call in your intercessions • Marian Shrine (Divine Mercy) Stockbridge • 800-804-3823

PLEASE PRAY

For the sick and suffering, especially

Lucy Abbatine	Merna Mendelson
Lucas Boesch	Todd Morris
Electra Bokanoski	Joseph Nowakowski
Nicole Bokanoski	Brian O'Keeffe
John Brosnan	Inelda O'Keeffe
Robert Broughal	Luis Padilla
The Brusco Family	Rosario Padilla
Bernadette Clement	Vivian Pisanelli
Kathleen Clements	Joan Rosado
Joan Greco	Phillip Rossignol
Christopher Hartly	Melissa Castro-Santos
Joseph Hoda	Miguel Santos
Parker Jane Holloway	Frank Sardo
Joey Hyatt, Jr.	Warren Schiele
Kaitlyn Jandrucko	Sally Singh
Dennis Klubnick	Ralph Torres
Geoff Lyons	Connie Tuomey
Kathleen Manganello	Carol Valentine
Mary Marion	Chris Ventura
William Marquardt	Frank Volkmann
Paula Martino	Lidia Watrud

and for all our dearly departed, that the fighting among nations cease, that vengeance end and lasting peace begin, and for all of our prayers in our book of petitions.

If you know of anyone who should be removed from the above list for the sick, please call the Parish Office.

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday:	Acts 1:15-27, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
Tuesday:	Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday:	Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday:	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26
Friday:	Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19
Saturday:	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25
Sunday:	<u>Vigil:</u> Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39 <u>Day:</u> Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

WEEKEND OF MAY 6, 2018
REGULAR WEEKLY COLLECTION – \$6,242

Thank you for your generosity.

MASS ATTENDANCE

	Adults	Children	Total
Saturday, 5:00 pm	107	6	113
Sunday, 8:30 am	92	13	105
St. Joseph's Chapel Sunday, 10:15 am	39	3	42
Sunday, 12:00 pm	***	***	***
Total***	238	22	260

***Attendance was not taken at the 12:00 pm Mass.

Consider becoming a Lector, Eucharistic Minister or Altar Server

We especially need help at the following Masses:

Lectors

Our Lady of Loretto Church: Saturdays • 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers

Our Lady of Loretto Church: Saturdays • 5:00 pm

Altar Servers (4th Grade and up)

Our Lady of Loretto Church: Sundays • 12 Noon
 St. Joseph's Chapel: Sundays • 10:15 am

If interested, please contact Anna McFadden at anna.mcfadden@gmail.com or call 845-265-2385.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
Loretto Council #536

PHILIPSTOWN FOOD PANTRY DELIVERY

Sunday • May 27th

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting food and other items, including diapers, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, cleaners and paper towels, for the Philipstown Food Pantry the weekend of May 26th and 27th.

Please leave donations in the cry room during that weekend. Thank you for your generosity!

Grand Knight – Bob Murphy

To join, email our Membership Director, John Hackney: johnhackney@hotmail.com.

Information can also be found at KofC536.com.

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We support our Catholic Church, families, community and our country.

OUR LADY OF LORETTO PARISH
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

"Handing on the Faith"

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION FOR THE 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR

Registration information for the 2018-19 school year has been mailed to all families enrolled in our Religious Education Program this past year. If you did not receive the information, or are new to the program, please call or stop by the Parish Office to register your children for next year's classes. Thank you!

Special Collection Next Weekend:

LATIN AMERICA AND HOME MISSIONS

Next weekend our parish will take up a collection for Latin America and Home Missions.

Latin America. This collection assists programs that strengthen the faith in Latin America and the Caribbean. Your gifts help share the faith by providing lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, as well as other programs.

Catholic Home Missions. Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the U.S. are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses.

Please prayerfully consider supporting this combined collection.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

At Our Lady of Loretto • Every Monday • 7:00-8:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament remains as it is with individual prayer time, but specific groups are being identified for certain Mondays so they can come together to focus in prayer for a specific intention...

- May 14 – For all mothers of the parish
- May 21 – Teenagers in our parish
- May 28 – Our parish choir and musicians
- June 4 – The unborn and persecuted Christians

ATTENTION ALL HOMEBOUND

Become a prayer warrior for the intentions of Our Lady of Loretto Church.

Prayer cards available in the back of the Church.

CYFM'S FAMILY FESTIVA & GOD'S TYM OLYMPICS

Sunday, June 3rd

Free, fun day for the whole family! Sunday, June 3rd 11:00 am Mass followed by Senior Tree Planting Ceremony and Lunch. **Please bring a salad or dessert to share!** Children's Game Booths and God's TYM Olympics (Parish teen groups are welcome to put a team together to compete, contact krista@cyfm, ASAP). Fantastic, FUN competitions with other Youth Groups to bring home the GOLDEN TAU! More information on our website: cyfm.org. Find us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Flocknote: CYFMGarrison.

Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries • P.O. Box 192
781 Route 9D • Garrison, NY 10524 • (845) 424-3609

TREASURETIME TOURS PRESENTS MUSEUM OF THE BIBLE

June 26-27, 2018

The journey begins as we depart from the Hudson Valley and travel to Washington, D.C. We have a scheduled appointment at the Museum of the Bible, the most technically advanced museum in the world, providing guests with an immersive and personalized experience as you explore history, narrative, and the impact of the Bible. Explore the Bible's impact over time on cultures, government, music, fine arts, film and more.

The next morning we travel to The National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception where we will celebrate Mass. Take time, after Mass, and explore this national treasure. We will then continue into the city where our guide will join us for a short sightseeing tour of our Nation's Capital. The cost: \$396 for a single, \$297 for double. For more details and to make your reservations, please call TreasureTime Tours at 914-739-8111.

Every one of us is created by God and for God...

Archbishop José Gomez

This is the beautiful mystery that lies at the heart of human existence, at the heart of your life and mine. Every child who is born, from the beginning of time to the end, is born from the loving thought of our Heavenly Father, who holds us in his gaze, looking upon each of us as one of his own, a beloved son, a beloved daughter.

God made us to be blessed, to be happy. And we are born with the desire for happiness written into our hearts, a desire that only God can satisfy. Saint Augustine said many centuries ago: "You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it rests in you." This is true for every human heart. We cannot be happy without God and God longs for all of us to be happy and blessed in him.

As Christians, we worship the God who loves the human race so much that he comes to be a part of it. The human person, fully alive and thriving, is the image and glory of God. This is the truth that Jesus Christ revealed by his life, death and Resurrection.

DEALING WITH A WANDERING MIND DURING PRAYER

The best way to deal with a wandering mind is to simply resign yourself to it. When a particular person or situation pops into your head while you're trying to pray, don't judge yourself a failure or feel defeated. Instead of calling it a distraction, think of it as an "alert" from the Holy Spirit – a prompt to pray specifically, in that moment, for that person, or the situation. Offer up a plea for their good, thank the Holy Spirit for using you in such a way, and then let it go, as you refocus on your prayer. There is no defeat in any of that. – Katrina Fernandez

A Mother's Day Prayer



Lord Jesus, You have known a mother's love and tender care, and we ask You to hear for our mothers most dear, this Mother's Day prayer.

Protect the lives, we pray, of those who have given us the gift of life. May our mothers know from day to day the deepening glow of joy that comes from Your Presence.

We cannot pay our debts for all the love that we have received; but, You, Lord, will not forget their due reward.

Bless our mothers both on earth and in heaven.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A POWERFUL PRAYER A MOTHER CAN PRAY FOR HER CHILDREN

In heaven, united forever, may we delight in your presence for eternity.

Pray this prayer to entrust your children to God's care.

God, my Father, I offer you my children; You gave them to me. They belong to you always; Help me raise them in your ways. I ask you to guide them into your glory.

Lord, may egotism, ambition, and evil never dissuade them from the narrow path. May they have strength to fight against wrong and may righteousness be always the goal of their actions.

In this world of so much evil, Lord, you know our weaknesses and how evil often glitters and attracts; but you are with us and I place my children under your protection.

Give them light, strength, and joy on this earth, Lord, so that they live for you during this journey here below; and so that in heaven, united forever, we may delight in your presence for eternity.

Amen.

MAY IS MARY'S MONTH

HOW DO SAINTS PREPARE TO RECEIVE COMMUNION AND HOW SHOULD WE? WITH OUR LADY

Aleteia.org, Philip Kosloski – Little is known about the life of the Blessed Virgin Mary after Pentecost, but one can imagine that Mary would have been present at the early celebrations of the Holy Eucharist presided over by the apostles. It is an intriguing idea, one that Saint John Paul II took up in his encyclical *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*. In it he ponders what it would have been like for Mary to receive Holy Communion.

What must Mary have felt as she heard from the mouth of Peter, John, James and the other Apostles the words spoken at the Last Supper: "This is my body which is given for you" (Lk22:19)? The body given up for us and made present under sacramental signs was the same body which she had conceived in her womb! For Mary, receiving the Eucharist must have somehow meant welcoming once more into her womb that heart which had beat in unison with hers and reliving what she had experienced at the foot of the Cross.

Mary had already anticipated the Eucharist when she said her "fiat" and accepted Jesus, body, blood, soul and divinity into her virginal womb. For these reasons, John Paul II called her the "Woman of the Eucharist," calling to mind the traditional title of Mary as "Our Lady of the Eucharist". Her experiences and special connection to Jesus make her a unique example for all those who desire to receive the Holy Eucharist at Mass.

Throughout the centuries many saints have written about Our Lady and how she in particular can prepare our hearts to receive Jesus in the Eucharist. Here are five quotes from different saints who show us how the Blessed Virgin can better prepare us the next time we receive the Eucharist.

At the moment of Communion I sometimes liken my soul to that of a little child of three or four, whose hair has been ruffled and clothes soiled at play. This is a picture of what befalls me in my struggling with souls. But Our Blessed Lady comes promptly to the rescue, takes off my soiled pinafore, and arranges my hair, adorning it with a pretty ribbon or a simple flower... Then I am quite nice, and able, without any shame, to seat myself at the Banquet of Angels.
– Saint Thérèse of Lisieux

[Is] not the enraptured gaze of Mary as she contemplated the face of the newborn Christ and cradled him in her arms that unparalleled model of love which should inspire us every time we receive Eucharistic communion? – Saint John Paul II

The best preparation for Holy Communion is that which is made with Mary... When you receive Holy Communion, clothe yourself with the virtues and merits of Mary, your Mother, and you will thus communicate with her faith and with her devotion. O how happy Jesus will be to find in you the image of His lovable and holy Mother! – Saint Peter Julian Eymard

There is no better preparation for Holy Communion

other than offering it to the Immaculate... She will prepare our heart in the best way possible, and we will be sure to give Jesus the greatest of joys and to show him the greatest of loves. After Holy Communion let us pray to the Immaculate once more, so that she herself may welcome Jesus into our soul and make him happy as no one ever before has been able to do.
– Saint Maximilian Kolbe

Implore Mary to lend you her heart so that you may receive her Son [in Holy Communion] with her dispositions. Remind her that her Son's glory requires that he should not come into a heart so sullied and fickle as your own, which could not fail to diminish his glory and might cause him to leave. Tell her that if she will take up her abode in you to receive her Son – which she can do because of the sovereignty she has over all hearts – he will be received by her in a perfect manner without danger of being affronted or being forced to depart. – Saint Louis de Montfort

5 CHALLENGING QUOTES FROM 'THE IMITATION OF CHRIST' ON HUMILITY

Kempis tells us plainly the secret to holiness.

Aleteia.org, Philip Kosloski – Attributed to a German priest named Thomas à Kempis, *The Imitation of Christ* has captured the attention of numerous saints since its publication in the 15th century.

St. Therese of Lisieux wrote about the book, "For a long time I had nourished my spiritual life with the 'fine flour' contained in *The Imitation of Christ*. It was the only book which did me good, for I had not yet found the treasures hidden in the Holy Gospels. I always had it with me, to the amusement of my people at home."

Here are five quotes from the *The Imitation of Christ* on the challenging topic of humility.

Every man naturally desires knowledge; but what good is knowledge without fear of God? Indeed a humble rustic who serves God is better than a proud intellectual who neglects his soul to study the course of the stars.

If I knew all things in the world and had not charity, what would it profit me before God Who will judge me by my deeds?

To think of oneself as nothing, and always to think well and highly of others is the best and most perfect wisdom. Wherefore, if you see another sin openly or commit a serious crime, do not consider yourself better, for you do not know how long you can remain in good estate. All men are frail, but you must admit that none is more frail than yourself.

It is the humble man whom God protects and liberates; it is the humble whom He loves and consoles. To the humble He turns and upon them bestows great grace, that after their humiliation He may raise them up to glory

[God] reveals His secrets to the humble, and with kind invitation bids them come to Him. Thus, the humble man enjoys peace in the midst of many vexations, because his trust is in God, not in the world. Hence, you must not think that you have made any progress until you look upon yourself as inferior to all others.