

St. Theresa Parish News



THE PARISH PRAYS FOR THE SICK

Matthew Callahan, Eve Creary, Baby Ellie Grace Dennis, Marie DiNardo, Marie Guarino, David Hill, Janet Jeselson, Baby Andrew Jesso, Jr., Geenamade John, Andrée Lalak, Louis Leonardi, James McCaffery, Michael Montalto, Joann Moroz, Edward O'Brien, Mary O'Malley, Alcira Prieto, Joel Rivera, Rose Sharp, and for the residents of the Briarcliff Center and Atria Senior Living, Briarcliff Manor.

REST IN PEACE

Victims of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. Our prayers are with their families and friends.



The **Sanctuary Lamp** will be burning this week in memory of **Alice** and **Cornelius Kelleher**.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Sirach 27:30-28:7

Sirach advises all to forgive the faults of their neighbor. Only by forgiving the sins of others, can a person expect to be forgiven his sins.

Second Reading: Romans 14:7-9

Paul stresses that no one is his own master; we are responsible to the Lord, and we belong to him in both life and death.

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

This narrative points out the difference between mercy and justice. When Peter asks how often he should forgive someone who wrongs him, Jesus answers, "...not seven times: I say seventy times seven times." Jesus then narrates the story of the king, who was merciful to his official by forgiving him all his debts, but this same official showed no mercy to his own servant.



CHILDREN'S MASS

The **9:00 a.m.** Sunday Mass at St. Theresa will resume next **Sunday, September 24th** as the **Children/Family Mass**. Volunteers to assist are always welcome.



ST. THÉRÈSE FEAST DAY AND PRAYER PETITIONS

The **Feast Day** of our **Patron Saint, St. Thérèse of Lisieux**, is celebrated on **October 1st**. She teaches us how to show our love for God by following "the little way" of seeking holiness in ordinary and everyday activities.

We will collect prayer petitions that will be placed at the foot of the Saint's statue on her Feast Day. **Petition forms can be found at each church entrance.** Please place completed forms in the petition boxes.

Religious Education News

CATECHISTS NEEDED

As we begin the year, we are still in need of Catechists (teachers) for the following grade levels and times:

- Grade 4: Mondays (5-6:30 pm, 1x per month substitute);
- Grade 5: Mondays (5-6:30 pm, every other week);
- Grade 6: Mondays (5-6:30 pm);
- Grade 7: Mondays (7-8:30 pm, every other week)

All lesson plans and materials provided. Please contact the Office of Religious Education for more information at (914) 923-3286.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

We will host a Blessing of the Animals in honor of St. Francis of Assisi on **Saturday, Sept. 30th at 9:45 am** in the Msgr. Vaughey Garden (back of church). To RSVP your family/pet, contact the Office of Religious Education at (914) 923-3286 or sttheresareled@optonline.net.

HIGH SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of High School Volunteers to help assist in the classrooms with the younger children on Sundays, from 10-11:30 am or Mondays from 5-6:30 pm. Every other week options are available.

FINANCE CORNER

September 2017

September 3 \$7,278 \$1,321
September 10 \$8,241

We thank you for your continued generosity.
St. Theresa Parish **encourages** use of **Parish Pay**.



**BIBLE STUDY IS BACK
FOR A NEW SEMESTER!**

Do you wish you had more peace of mind? Could you use more wisdom in your decision making? Do you ever wonder how to grow in wisdom? You may not realize that Scripture offers us wisdom that actually relates to our daily lives. Through the wisdom literature of the Bible--Proverbs, Wisdom, Sirach, and Ecclesiastes we discover how God wants us to gather, gain, and grow in wisdom. **This Fall we will be offering an 8-part program commencing Thursday, September 28 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the lower church at St. Theresa's.** Our program consists of a video presentation led by renowned Bible scholar, Jeff Cavins followed by a group discussion, fellowship and refreshments. **Just bring your Bible and all other materials will be provided free of charge from the parish.** Our programs have been growing each year, and we'd love to welcome back our old friends and introduce new members. **For information please contact Steve or Lynn Watson at smw57@icloud.com.**

ST. THERESA CYO REGISTRATION

Re-registration for all returning 4th through 8th Grade players, and new registrations for incoming 3rd Grade boy and girl parishioners, **will be held at the St. Theresa School gym from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 1st.** If you have any questions concerning the CYO program for St. Theresa's, please email our CYO coordinators Dan Shine (dshineny@yahoo.com) and/or Kieran O'Malley (kieran238@aol.com) and they will respond directly to you.

HURRICANE HARVEY COLLECTION

Thank You to all parishioners who donated to the Hurricane Harvey disaster fund. **Because of your kind support, we collected \$3,405** to assist those affected by this terrible storm. The monies were sent to Catholic Charities for distribution.

PARISH PAY TRANSITIONING

Thank you for using online giving for your support of our parish. Online giving is safe, simple, and convenient. It benefits our parish by helping to streamline our administrative process and providing more accurate budgeting. Our current online giving provider, ParishPay, has been acquired by Liturgical Publications. All ParishPay accounts will be transitioned to **WeShare**, LPI's online giving platform **early in the fall. You do not need to do anything for this transition process.** Your information will be transferred electronically following the strictest security protocol. Once the transition is complete, you will receive more information about how to login and manage your account on **WeShare**.



PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Please pray for the safety of our men and women in the military, especially those who are serving overseas.

Other News

PHELPS HOSPITAL NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!

Do you have four hours a week to spare? Want to feel good about giving back to the community and helping your neighbors? How about giving some time as a **volunteer** at **Phelps Hospital** in Sleepy Hollow. There is a position just right for you. If you are interested, call Eve Urban, Director of Volunteer Services, at (914) 366-3170 or visit our website at www.phelpshospital.org to fill out an online application.

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS

Altar and Rosary Society

St. Theresa

Friday, September 22, 2017

Cindy Edelson

St Theresa Altar Linens

Month of September

Rozanne Prisament

Our Lady of the Wayside

Month of September

Joanne Singer

September 24, 2017

Eucharistic Ministers

Ministers of the Word

Sat. 5:15 J. Burns

P. Radovanovich

Sun. 7:45 T. Foss

A. Saunders

Sun. 9:00 B. Ryan

Children's Mass

Sun. 10:45 P. Maddalo

L. Naughton

Sun. 12:15 E. Mahaney

M. Lattin

Our Lady of the Wayside

Sat. 5:00 C. McAfee

J. Robertson

Sun. 9:00 J. Manocchi

B. Manocchi

Sun. 10:30 C. DiMarzo

T. Weidenhamer

BRIARCLIFF CENTER: L. Engelhardt

If you are not assigned, please check in the Sacristy before Mass to see if your help is needed.