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Weekly Planner

SUNDAY 1/24 ● 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

CCD Mass Church 10 AM

MONDAY 1/25

St Anne Seniors Cent Hall 1-3 PM 3:30-4:30 PM Legion of Mary Convent

TUESDAY 1/26

Bingo Cent Hall 12:15 PM

3-4 PM Holy Hour for Priests Convent Chapel 7-8 PM Nelson Ave Block Assn Cent Hall

FRIDAY 1/29

12:15 PM Bingo Cent Hall

SUNDAY 1/30 • 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

CCD Mass Church/Cent Hall 10 AM

Liturgies

Saturday Evening Church English 5:30 PM (anticipating Sunday) Misa Español 7 PM **Sunday** Church 8 AM, 10 AM, 12 Noon Monday ► Saturday: Mass Church 9 AM 7 PM Wednesday: Mass Church

Holy Hour

Tuesdays Convent Chapel 3-4 PM

Sacrament of Penance

Saturdays Church (Or by Appointment) 5 PM

Schedule of Masses January 25th – 31st, 2016

Monday, January 25

† Joseph Delgado 9 AM Aniceta Delgado

Tuesday, January 26

9 AM + Lois Ricker Diane & Marie

Wednesday, January 27

† Christina Burke 9 AM

† Special Intention 7 PM **OL** Perpetual

Help Group

Thursday, January 28

9 AM + Francis Lyons Parish Intention

1st Anniv. in Heaven

9 AM

† Rachel Saris Fasani & Roda Families

Saturday, January 30

Friday, January 29

9 AM Anthony Pescerino Marie 5:30 PM Miles Dionisio Violet Meneses 7 PM + Orlando Flores Luz Robles

SAVE THE DATE: MARCH 6, 2016:

St. Anne's Parish Auction

Our parish auction will take place once again in 2016 so mark your calendars for March 6. The doors will open at 12:00 noon. If you would like to donate some auction items, please bring all donations (including Gift Cards and Gift Certificates) to the rectory and label them "Parish Auction". Volunteers are always needed and welcome. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the rectory at 201-360-0838.

Sunday, January 31

8 AM + Christina Burke 10 AM † Rinaldo Folcarelli Mr.&Mrs.GerardoManzi 12 PM + Ines DeJesus Efrain Ruiz

Sunday Readings

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-4A, 5-6, 8-10 Psalm-Psalm 19: 8, 9, 10, 15 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30 Gospel: Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Weekday Readings

Monday Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul

Acts 22:3-16/Ps 117:1BC, 2/Mk 16:15-18

Tuesday Memorial of Saints Timothy and Titus

2 Tm 1:1-8/Ps 96:1-2A, 2B-3, 7-8A, 10/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday

2 Sm 7:4-17 / Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30 / Mk 4:1-20

Thursday Memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas

2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29 / Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14 / Mk 4:21-25

Friday

2Sm11:1-4A,5-10A,13-17/Ps51:3-4,5-6A,6BCD-7,10-11/Mk4:26-34

Saturday

2Sm12:1-7A,10-17/Ps 51:12-13,14-15,16-17/Mk4:35-4

Sanctuary Gifts for January 24th – 30th, 2016

Gift In Memory/Honor of Requested By **Altar Wine** + Alexander Coulter, Sr. Parish Intention Altar Bread + Christina Burke Parish Intention Sanct. Lamp + Carol Savulich Kathleen Castle Altar Candles + Marie Di Martini Parish Intention

Sick List

Let us pray for the sick (People will remain on sick list for 2 weeks unless otherwise notified): Patricia Kucinski • Frank McNamara • Robert Porcelli • Dolores McNamara • Jennifer O'Connor • Donna Tuzzo • Matt Bolger • Dennis Mallon • Marie Carlson • Lawrence Shin • Lupe Pena, • Frances Kearns • Josephine Cermak Rowan • Steve & Rachel Mastin • Diane Shea • Joseph Callandrillo • Humberto Quintana Julia Annicchiarico Javier Vega • Jennifer Moloughney • Antoinette Maddi • Carol Jordan • Anthony Biggio • Sammy DeLeon • Shane Quinn • Alice Daly • Sadie Krieger • Dolores DelMonte • Dianne O'Sullivan • Carl Carlson • Larry Bello • Miyuki Campbell • Diane Albert • Meghan Connaughton

Ministry to the Sick

We hope to give to all the sick and aged in our parish the opportunity to receive the Eucharist. If you or someone you know can no longer get to church, and would like a Eucharistic Minister to bring you Communion, please call St. Anne's Rectory at 201-360-0838 or email: info@sahjerseycity.com

January Papal Prayer Intentions

Universal: That sincere dialogue among men and women of different faiths may produce the fruits of peace and justice.

Evangelization: That by means of dialogue and fraternal charity and with the grace of the Holy Spirit, Christians may overcome divisions.

Social Media

Please follow the official Twitter channels of the parish:

sah promise Faith Formation Grade K-1 sah goodnews Faith Formation Grade 2-3 sah venture Faith Formation Grade 4—6 sah_visions Faith Formation Grade 7—8 ♥ stah_nation General parish feed

Website & Online Services

Website: sahjerseycity.com

Parish registration: sahjerseycity.com/register

CCD Registration: sahjerseycity.com/ccd

Parish Calendar and online

Readings of the Day: sahjerseycity.com/calendar

How much should I give in the collection basket each Sunday?

We ask each person working in the household to gift one hour's wage to the parish every week. How much is one hour? Below you can find the recommended contribution based on your annual combined income:

Annual combined income	Hourly Wage (Recommended weekly donation)	Annual combined income	Hourly Wage (Recommended weekly donation)
\$75,000	\$38	\$30,000	\$15
\$50,000	\$25	\$25,000	\$12
\$40,000	\$20	\$20,000	\$10

We are grateful for your contribution!

Religious Education News

Our Religious Ed Office is located inside St. Anne's Rectory. Office Hours: M-T-W 9 am to 5 PM, TR & F, 10 am to 5 pm.

Baptism Information

Baptisms take place on the 1st Sunday of every Month: 2 Baptisms per Mass at 10 AM & 12 Noon (English).

Because they will be promising to help raise your child in the practice of the Faith, the church requires that at least one of your child's godparents be a 'fully initiated Roman Catholic;' i.e., one who has been Baptized and received the sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation.

At the time of registering your child for Baptism, we ask that one of your chosen godparents provide a copy of their Confirmation certificate or some documentation from their church of Baptism or Confirmation indicating the month and year of their Confirmation. GODPARENTS & PARENTS are also required to attend a "baptism instruction" session on Saturday (the day before the Baptism) @ 4:00 PM in CHURCH (English & Spanish).

A donation to the church for Baptism is always appreciated: please place your offering in an envelope marked 'BAPTISM' with your child's name and drop it in the Sunday collection basket. Contact the office with any questions. Thank You.

DEMANDING DIGNITY

The Call to End Family Detention

Last March, the USCCB launched a campaign to end family detention at US borders. In the light of today's Gospel and of the ongoing Syrian refugee crisis, it worth reading the Church's position today.

By **USCCB**

MIGRATIONS & REFUGEE SERVICES

In response to the influx of approximately 60,000 migrant families arriving at the Southwest Border during the summer and fall of 2014, the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) launched a policy of detaining immigrant families in prison-like detention facilities located throughout the US but primarily along the US-Mexico border. Family detention is one aspect of the national immigrant detention network—a network that costs taxpayers \$2 billion/year. Immigrant families (primarily young mothers and children) who are apprehended by the Customs and Border Patrol (CBP) are placed into Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) custody. ICE then places these immigrant families into family detention facilities. Family immigrant detention facilities are described by ICE as residential facilities, with the families considered "residents." In reality, however, the families have limited freedoms and are forced to live in a restrictive detention setting.

The Catholic Church's Position

Family detention goes against the tenets of Catholic social teaching. Detaining young migrant women and their children as a response to their flight from persecution violates human dignity and human rights. To this end, Pope Francis recently stated: No cell is so isolated as to exclude the Lord. none. He is there . . . His paternal and maternal love reaches everywhere." Immigrant detention is an explicit concern of the US Catholic bishops, as it was stated in Responsibility, Rehabilitation and Restoration, A Catholic Perspective on Crime and Criminal Justice: We bishops have a long history of supporting the rights of immigrants. The special circumstance of immigrants in detention centers is of particular concern. [The government] uses a variety of methods to detain immigrants some of them clearly inappropriate. Recently, Bishop Eusebio Elizondo, Chairman of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Migration, wrote to Secretary Jeh Johnson in opposition to family detention, declaring that it is inhumane to house young mothers with children in restrictive detention facilities as if they are criminals.

In addition to being concerned about the idea of family detention generally, the Bishops have spoken explicitly about the need to protect vulnerable refugees and asylum seekers such as the women and children currently in immigrant detention facilities. Strangers No Longer: Together on The Journey of Hope, states: those who flee wars and persecution should be protected by the global community. This requires, at a minimum, that migrants have a right to claim refugee status without incarceration and to have their claims fully considered by a competent authority.



Child detainees sleep in a holding cell at a US Customs and Border Protection processing facility in Brownsville, Texas, June 2014.

In addition to being violative of liberty interests, the administration's practice of family detention and expedited deportations of these families contradicts the 1951 United Nations Convention relating to the Status of Refugees, which the US is a signatory. The 1951 Convention provides that states should not "expel or return" a refugee to territories where his life or freedom would be threatened on account of race, religion, nationality, membership of a particular social group or political opinion. The children and young mothers are primarily fleeing three countries in Central America that have among the highest levels of violence in the world —El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras. In 2011, El Salvador had the highest rate of gendermotivated killing of women in the world, followed by Guatemala (third highest) and Honduras (sixth highest).

As such, many of the women who head these families are indeed refugees fleeing persecution and targeted violence in their home country, have been recognized internationally as such and have been recently recognized by the US immigration courts as well. For example, a recent Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA) decision, *Matter of A-R-C-G*, found that, depending on the facts and evidence in an individual case, married women in Guatemala who are unable to leave their relationship can constitute a cognizable particular social group that forms the basis of a claim for asylum or withholding of removal under sections 208(a) and 241(b)(3) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, 8 USC §§ 1158(a) and 1231(b)(3) (2012). The challenges these

women and children confront accessing justice and seeking protection within the detention facilities is inconsistent with recognized grounds of protection emerging from both international and domestic asylum and refugee law.

In addition to the extensive human rights violations that family detention poses, family detention raises serious child welfare and child mental and physical health concerns. Detaining children can cause the cognitive and psychiatric difficulties, with children and adolescents in detention reporting increased rates of deliberate self-harm and suicidal behavior, voluntary starvation, severe depression, sleep difficulties, anxiety, and post-traumatic stress reactions.

WHAT TO DO

- GET INFORMED: go to http://www. usccb.org/about/migration-andrefugee-services/ and read more about the Catholic Church's position on refugees
- **WELCOME STRANGERS** among us.
- CONSIDER A DONATION to help the National Catholic Fund for Migration and Refugee Services

What's Your Catholic IQ?

A Self-Assessment for your Fun and Enlightenment

Encountering Christ in the Sacraments

BY DAVID O'BRIEN

This self-quiz can help you, your students, and your students' families review what you know about our Catholic faith. Check your answers against the answer key on page 39.

1	There are		sacraments
in t	he Catholic	Church.	

a) 3 b) 7 c) 100 d) a lot of

The Bible never mentions any of the sacraments.

True | False

How many times are Catholics baptized?

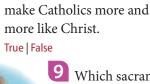
- a) weekly b) every Easter
- c) once as a baby and once before dying d) one time
- Like baptism, the sacrament of _____ is non-repeatable.
- a) confirmation b) Eucharist c) reconciliation d) anointing of the sick
- Which sacrament do Catholics receive the most in their lives?
- a) reconciliation b) matrimony c) Eucharist d) ordination
- Christ is the one who actually celebrates sacraments with us.

True | False

The three sacraments of initiation are _

confirmation, and Eucharist.

- a) holy orders
- b) marriage
- c) baptism
- d) confession



8 The sacraments

9 Which sacrament forgives original sin? a) reconciliation b) holy orders c) matrimony d) baptism

Which sacrament is a sign of Christ's marriage to the Church, the bride of Christ?

a) holy orders b) matrimony c) reconciliation d) anointing of the sick

11 "While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, and said, 'Take it; this is my " (Mark 14:22).

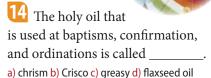
a) blood b) snack c) dinner

d) body

Priests, , and bishops are ordained when they receive the sacrament of holy orders.

a) deacons b) nuns c) monks d) married couples

> **1** Seriously ill or dying people are anointed with blessed in the sacrament of the anointing of the sick. a) candles b) water c) oil d) com-



The word "Eucharist"

means thanksgiving. True | False

are the Catholics who agree to officially support and pray for those being confirmed.

- a) Deacons b) Parents c) Godparents
- d) Sponsors

17 In the sacrament of matrimony, the couple exchanges _____, which are sacred promises that must never be broken.

a) rings b) vows c) iPads d) cars

lesus' first miracle was at the Wedding at Cana (John 2:1-12) where he

turned water into

a) wine b) cheeseburgers c) blood d) orange juice

19 "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:19-20)

a) pope b) bishop c) church d) Father

Confession is another name for the sacrament of reconciliation.



If a person receives the sacraments but does not become a saint, the sacraments didn't work. True | False

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FEBRUARY 2, 2016

World Day for Consecrated Life

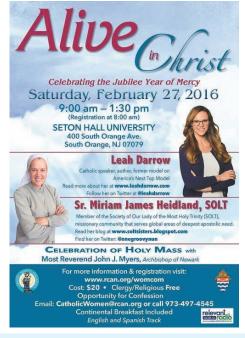
Since 1997, the universal Church has celebrated the World Day for Consecrated Life. On Tuesday, February 2nd in the Cathedral Basilica at 7:30 pm on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord the Archdiocese will observe this day with a special emphasis on the call to consecrated life in today's world. This Feast is also known as Candlemas Day; the day on which candles are blessed symbolizing Christ who is the light of the world. So too, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples. Come join us in joyful prayer! The consecrated life is one way that men and women live out their baptismal commitment as followers of Jesus. Some become members of a religious congregation or a secular institute. Others remain single and make a profession to God through the local bishop and are known as consecrated virgins. We recognize and give thanks for those who have consecrated their lives to God and the Church through the vows of poverty, chastity,



and obedience. For more information, please see the Year of Consecrated Life Website at: http://newark-yearforconsecratedlife.weebly.com/







St Dominic Academy Open House

Saint Dominic Academy, Jersey City will host an Open House for anyone interested in its 7th and 8th Grade Program on Tuesday, February 23 at 6 PM. The events will feature complete information about this accelerated program for young girls, including Shadow Day opportunities, curriculum review, project presentations, tours of the school and details about the application process for Grades 7 and 8 for September 2016. Information can also be found on the website (www.stdominicacad.com). Questions can be directed at any time to Andrea Apruzzese, Director of Admissions at 201-434-5938, ext. 14 or to aapruzzese@stdominicacad.com Saint Dominic Academy is located at 2572 Kennedy Blvd, Jersey City.

Birth Parents Must Take Action to Preserve Their Privacy

For well over a century, the Catholic Church in New Jersey has provided adoption services. Throughout all those years, the Church promised to honor the privacy of birth parents and adoptees. That promise of privacy also was assured by law and affirmed by the State Superior Court. Those promises can no longer be kept. On May 27, 2014, a new law took effect that will allow adoptees and certain relatives to request and obtain the names of their biological parents beginning January 1, 2017.

Any birth parents who wish to preserve their privacy must submit a **Redaction Request Form** to the New Jersey Department of Health no later than December 31, 2016. By filing this form, birth parents will be able to keep their names off any documents provided by the State to adoptees or anyone else. The State made the Redaction Request Form public on August 3, 2015.

The form can be downloaded at http://nj.gov/health/forms/reg-36c.pdf If you know a person who placed a child in adoption, please tell them that if they do not file a Redaction Request Form, their name and other information could be given to the adoptee. Anyone needing assistance can call a HELPLINE AT 609-989-4809.

The Archdiocese Has Long Recognized the Pain of Child Sexual Abuse

Since his arrival in 2001 and his participation in the drafting of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, Archbishop Myers has on many occasions either individually or with bishops in the United States, with the Holy Father, and with clergy throughout the world, acknowledged publicly the pain that sexual offenders inside the Church have inflicted on the innocent. At Chrism Masses before the entire presbyterate and parish representatives of the Archdiocese, in media interviews, in statements issued by the United States Conference of Catho-

lic Bishops, and in essays and columns, Archbishop Myers has stated that "a Church which spends the largest portion of its resources and the largest portion of its personnel in serving children, can never, and will never, condone anything which harms those children...We also extend our apology and our assurance of support and help to those who have been harmed and who are seeking healing and support."

Beyond words, however, are actions. Assistance to victims, training and background checks of

staff and volunteers, reporting accusations to civil authorities, removing clergy with substantiated accusations – these are clear indications that the Archbishop and the Archdiocese abhor child abuse.

What's more, 20 years ago, the Archdiocese was one of the first dioceses in the country to establish a formal Review Board of experts with legal, law enforcement, clinical and investigative background to examine allegations of abuse and recommend to the Archbishop action under Church law.

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