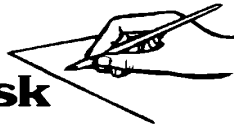


# From the Pastor's Desk



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
October 18, 2015

*“For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.”*

This Sunday's gospel begins with apostles seeking glory; they had yet to learn what being a follower of Jesus truly entails. There is more demand to being disciples than would appear, and finally facing that true glory is not found where we usually seek it. We receive true glory when we finally give up pursuing it and instead follow Jesus and the demanding life he offers.

Why did the apostles follow Jesus? This gospel suggests they had reward on their minds the glory of sitting at the right and left of Jesus in positions of honor. It took the apostles a long time to learn that the real reward of following Jesus would be to “drink the cup” and “be baptized” with his baptism. His baptism was his life-long choice to do the will of the Father no matter what the cost. The cost of giving his life “for many.” As Jesus' followers, we can choose no less. Like the apostles, it takes no less time to learn this.

Much of our serving others is simply part of our everyday circumstances, for example, parents taking care of their children or a worker cooperating with others on a team job. Being the servant of all isn't always something extra or big most of the time it is simply doing our everyday tasks generously and with integrity while keeping in mind that others are the Body of Christ and to serve them is to serve Christ. If we can do these everyday tasks with loving care, then when something big comes along we won't deny Jesus like the apostles, but will say “we can.” And mean it, knowing full well the demands that identifying with Christ entails.

In the Good Shepherd,

*Fr. Robert*



Do you enjoy working with children? Our school is looking for adults to work during lunch hour to supervise the children, Monday through Friday, or any one of these days, please call the school office at 718-833-1440.



## church support

|                                  |             |               |
|----------------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| October 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2015: | \$ 8,889.00 | 276 Envelopes |
| October 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2014  | \$ 9,349.08 | 298 Envelopes |
| We Share (Online Giving)         | \$211.52    | 12 Families   |

*Thank you for your generosity to St. Ephrem Parish!*



|                               |                       |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b><u>Parish Goal:</u></b>    | <b>\$980,000.00</b>   |
| <b><u>Amount Pledged:</u></b> | <b>\$1,096,984.00</b> |
| <b><u>Paid to Date:</u></b>   | <b>\$343,568.52</b>   |

*Your generosity to our Diocese and to our Parish continues to make a difference. Thank You!*

**NEW PARISHIONER? MOVING OUT OF THE PARISH? CHANGE OF ADDRESS?** Kindly fill out the form below and drop it off at the Rectory or in the collection basket. It will help us keep our files up-to-date as well as meet newcomers.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

New Parishioner \_\_\_\_\_

Moving out of parish \_\_\_\_\_

Elderly or sick at home who wants Communion brought to them:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### **BISHOP KEARNEY'S SPORTS NIGHT**

Wednesday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm in the Kearney Gym 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to meet our coaches, current athletes and Kearney students. [www.bishopkearneyhs.org/sportsnight](http://www.bishopkearneyhs.org/sportsnight)

\*\*\*\*\*

**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



*"The cup that I drink, you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared." - Mk 10:39b-40*

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

**Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>:**

8:45am Pietra, Girolamo & Giovanna Randazzo  
5:00pm Rosemarie Vojik  
Barbara Donohue & Kevin Schafer  
Angelo Moraca  
John Noonan

**Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>:**

8:00am Dr. Nicholas & Nancy Parise  
10:00am Evelyn & Frank Giaquinto  
12:00pm Marian A. Tedeschi  
5:00pm For the People of St. Ephrem's

**Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup>:**

7:00am Mei Shi  
8:45am Therese Offitto

**Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup>:**

7:00am David Durney  
8:45am Pietra Randazzo

**Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>:**

7:00am Vito and Angela Buffa  
8:45am John Moore, Jr.

**Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>:**

7:00am Sarah Ferrara  
8:45am Joseph & May Saba

**Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>:**

7:00am Concetta Papa  
8:45am Michelina Iannelli

**Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>:**

8:45am Anthony W. DeFina  
5:00pm Salvatore DeAngelis  
William Walsh  
Fred Lomangino  
Louis DiPretoro (27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

**Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>:**

8:00am Carmela Portelli  
10:00am Domenick Mazzone  
12:00pm Virginia Ingenito  
5:00pm For the People of St. Ephrem's

\*\*\*\*\*



Pietro Scarso, For the recovery of Christina Flood,  
Baby Girl Cameron King, Thomas Stephen Ryan,  
Peter Stewart, Paul Murphy, Vinny Amato, Josephine  
Palladino, Edward O'Connor, Adrienne Jacobs,  
Miriam Ligammari, Joseph Tedeschi

\*\*\*\*\*

**BREAD AND WINE**

*THE BREAD AND WINE FOR ALL MASSES THIS WEEK HAVE  
BEEN DONATED IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
NICHOLAS PALMIER, REQUESTED BY  
THE POLIZZOTTO FAMILY.*

\*\*\*\*\*

**MASS WITH HEALING SERVICE**

Bring your needs before the Lord who is waiting to  
offer His comforting grace. Please join our Celebrants,  
Msgr. Theophilus Joseph and Fr. Richard Bretone for a  
Mass of Healing on **October 22, 2015 at 7:30pm.**  
All are welcome!!!!

\*\*\*\*\*

*You are cordially invited to  
The Mass of Installation  
Seventh Pastor  
Reverend Robert B. Adamo*

*On  
November 8, 2015  
12 Noon*

*Most Reverend  
Raymond F. Chappetto, D.D., V.G.  
Presiding*

*Reception to Follow*

**OCTOBER EVENTS AT THE SPIRITUALITY CENTER**

**Bereavement Support Group** meets Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

**“The 12 Keys to Spirituality Vitality” Program** Session 2 “Seek love everywhere” will be held Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm. All are welcome.

**Spiritual Direction**

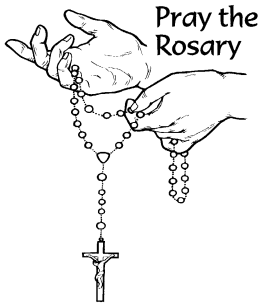
Please call Sister Ann at the Spirituality Center at 718-921-9518 for information or to make an appointment

\*\*\*\*\*

**SILVER CIRCLE**

**Don't miss your chance to win!** Silver Circle is a membership program that benefits retired IHM Sisters. For only \$25 per membership, your name is entered in more than 320 prize drawings from October 15<sup>th</sup> 2015 through June 2016 with cash prizes of \$50 to \$1,000! This year there will be an extra prize of \$1,000 a month. You will also be remembered in a monthly mass for benefactors and in the prayers of the IHM Sisters. Please contact Sr. Mary Jane Maloney at 718-833-1555 or come to the convent for a Silver Circle Membership Form. Thank you in advance for your kind support of the IHM Sisters!!

\*\*\*\*\*



During the Month of October, dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary, please join us in praying the Rosary at 7 P.M. in our Church, Monday through Friday.

\*\*\*\*\*

Join Us for 2015 Community Board Ten Earth Day on Saturday, October 24, 2015 from 10am to 4pm (rain or shine) which will be held in Xaverian H.S. parking lot, Narrows Ave. bet 71<sup>st</sup> St. and MacKay Place. Electronics Recycling-Shed Truck-Rain Barrel Giveaway. Rain Barrel Giveaway only requires pre-registration. For further information contact: CB10 718-745-6827 or [www.bkcb10.org](http://www.bkcb10.org).

\*\*\*\*\*

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

**ATTENTION ALL MARRIED COUPLES!!**

Would you attend a seminar to enhance your job or to increase your salary? Why not give your marriage the same attention? Enhance your good marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! Weekends are scheduled throughout the Metro New York area. The next weekend on Long Island is scheduled for November 6-8 at the Montfort Spiritual Center 26 South Saxon Ave Bay Shore, NY. For more information about the weekends or to apply, call 1-877-697-9963 or visit our web site at <http://www.wme.org>.

\*\*\*\*\*

**ALL SOULS'**

The feast of All Souls' Day is an opportunity for us to celebrate in a special way the lives of those we have loved who have gone before us. Although our loved ones are no longer physically present to us, the goodness that was unique to them now shines brightly before God. Therefore, the names of our beloved dead will be read aloud during this liturgy, as we honor and remember them. We will also make available red votive candles for you take home at the end of Mass in memory of your loved ones. Friends and family members are encouraged to attend with you. *The Eucharist Celebration will take place Monday, November 2, 2015 at 7:30 PM, at St. Ephrem's Church.*

\*\*\*\*\*



Fontbonne Hall Academy invites 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls and their families to an Open House on Saturday, October 24, 2015 from 1pm to 4pm. Call Veronica Prager at 718-748-6109 or [www.fontbonne.org](http://www.fontbonne.org) for more information.

Notre Dame High School of Manhattan will host its annual Open House on Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2:30-5pm for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls and their parents. For further information please call 212-620-5575.

St. Edmund Preparatory High School will host its annual Open House on Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. For further information or to schedule a Buddy call 718-743-6100 ext 5064 or [admissions@stedmundprep.org](mailto:admissions@stedmundprep.org)

St. Saviour High School will host its annual Open House on Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> from 12:30pm to 3:30pm. For further information call 718-768-4406 or [darcy.e@stsaviour.org](mailto:darcy.e@stsaviour.org).

\*\*\*\*\*



Memorialize someone you love in our Chapel of Remembrance. Candle stands, Gold Leaves and Trees of Life are available. If interested please call the rectory or take home an application located at the exits of the Church.

\*\*\*\*\*

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL GIVES BACK**

St. Ephrem should share in the profits. For each car, truck or van, running or not. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will back to our church **\$50/\$100 per vehicle**. Maybe you don't have a vehicle, but a family member, friend or neighbor has an old or neglected vehicle in their driveway that they would like to dispose of. Call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at 718-491-2525. Thank you for your participation.

\*\*\*\*\*

**END OF BULLETIN**  
**ANY TEXT OR GRAPHICS ENTERED ON THIS PAGE**  
**WILL NOT APPEAR IN THE PRINTED BULLETIN**

CHURCH NAME: **Church of St. Ephrem**

CHURCH CITY: **Brooklyn, NY**

ROUTING CODE: **R**

RUN NUMBER: **13**

FILENAME: **03-0402.52b**

PHONE NUMBER: **718-833-1010**

FAX NUMBER: **718-921-5232**

EDITOR/ CONTACT: **Lisa Pinsky**

**CURRENT FORMAT: EBSWUN**

**Comments:**

---