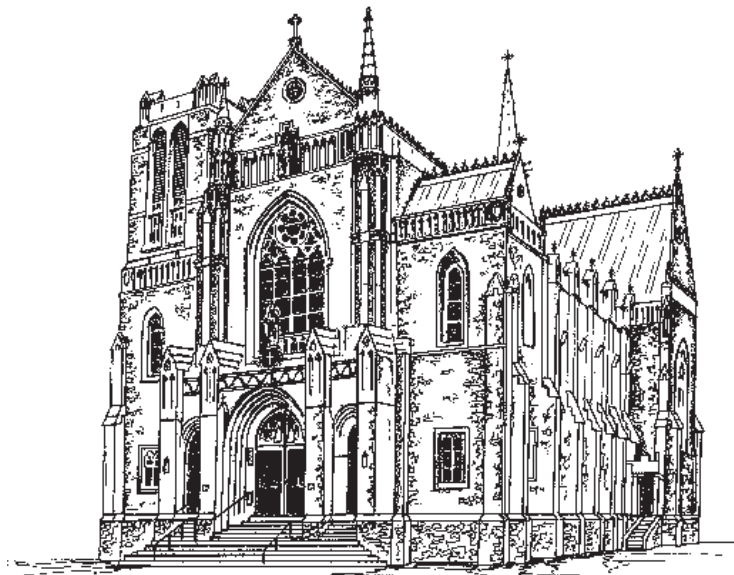


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WE WORSHIP

Weekdays: Monday - Saturday 8:45 AM
Mass in Chapel 101-25 104 St.
Weekend: Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM
12:30 PM in Spanish
Bi-Weekly 1st & 3rd Wednesday 7:00 PM Prayer
and Benediction in Church

Reconciliation (In Church)

Saturday: 12:30 - 1:30 PM or by appointment with a priest

Misas:

Lunes a Sabado 8:45 AM - en la capilla (Inglés)
101-25 104 St.

Fin de Semana:

Sábado: 5:00 PM
Domingo: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM y 11:00 AM
12:30 PM en español

Los Viernes Primeros en Iglesia 6:00 PM - Bendición y
Confesión 7:00 PM Rosario y Misa - español

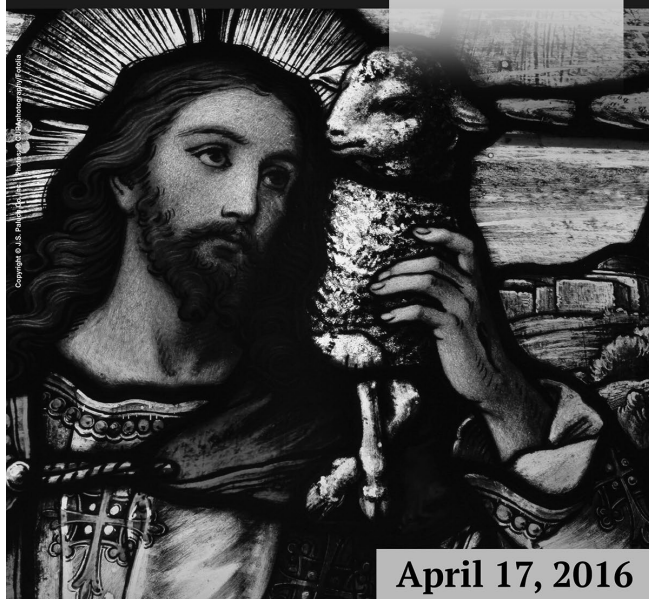
Reconciliación (Iglesia)

Sábados de las 12:30 PM hasta las 1:30 PM.

Fourth Sunday of Easter

*The Lamb who is in
the center of the throne
will shepherd them and
lead them to springs
of life-giving water.*

Revelation 7:17



April 17, 2016

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2016

5:00 PM Salvatore Sicari

SUNDAY, APRIL 17, 2016

8:00 AM Laura Cerretani

9:30 AM In Thanksgiving to the Blessed Mother

11:00 AM Andrew & Bertha Mueller, Hugh Johnston, Librada Claudio-Manalo, Camilo Aguirre, Jorge Aguirre, José Infante, Lillian Ryan, Marcella Pedersen, Thomas Crawford, Patrick Steed, José Cordova

12:30 PM Rafael Rodriguez

MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016

8:45 AM Michael Annecharico

TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2016

8:45 AM Carmela Del Prete

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2016

8:45 AM Rosa Mascioli

THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2016

8:45 AM Daniel Ferrara

FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 2016

8:45 AM Angela Marie Macchia

SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 2016

8:45 PM Catherine LoGiudice

5:00 PM Salvatore Sicari

SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 2016

8:00 AM Emilio Cerretani

9:30 AM Marie Pergola

11:00 AM Rosario Mazzullo

12:30 PM Andrew & Bertha Mueller, Catherine Taylor, Edison Cavalcante, Modesto Chacon, Virgen de Altigracia favor recibido, Daniel Baidal

Please Pray For / Favor Orar Por The Sick / Los Enfermos

Victoria Godkin, Sarah, Veronica Johnston, Velma Rivera, Gary Carosella, Abigail Perez, Stefanie Seminatore, Elizabeth Grace Reyes, Charlotte Butler, Amy Burzotta, Gabriela Vaquero, Ralph Sabatini, Kathryn Aaron, Mildred Hendrickson, Raymond Gillespie, Rosa Cruz, Zobeia Sirju, Isabel Diaz, Christine Markatos, Anthony Testa, Marty Sherman, Elsa Melody, Miriam Santos, Norman Jobse, Celia Rivera, Jay Rasiawan, Richard Maran, Andrea Reilly



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS (APRIL 17, 2016)

In 1963 Pope Paul VI designated Good Shepherd Sunday as "World Day of Prayer for Vocations". Jesus, the Good Shepherd, protects us as his flock and promises us the gift of eternal life. The Church invites us to honor the vocation of all Christians given at baptism. May we who have dedicated our lives to God through the vocation of marriage, priesthood, diaconate, consecrated life, and the single life remain faithful to our commitments. May those who are discerning their life's vocation listen to the grace of God to guide them. This year's theme is "We are God's people".

*Generous God,
You show us the way that leads to everlasting life.
Through baptism you have called us
to proclaim the Good News.
Bless and strengthen those
who have made a commitment
of service in the Church.
Guide and give wisdom
to those discerning their vocation.
Enrich our Church with dedicated
married and single people,
with deacons, priests,
and with people in consecrated life.
Filled with your Holy Spirit we ask this blessing
that we, your people, may follow Jesus,
our Good Shepherd, now and always. Amen*

THE SHEPHERD'S FLOCK

In Christian art, the earliest depictions of Jesus Christ were not of his crucifixion or of his resurrection. The first known renderings of Jesus show him as the Good Shepherd, the image put before us in today's readings. In the Gospel passage Jesus reveals that he is the shepherd and his followers are his "flock."

In the first and second readings, we are told more about the flock. The passage from Acts assures us that both Jews and Gentiles are called to follow Jesus. It is faith, not birthright, that makes us part of the company of believers. In the passage from the book of Revelation we learn that the flock that follows this Lamb of God will also be washed in his blood. They will endure a time of trial before they enjoy eternal life. Be assured of the promise, we are told, but know there is a price to be paid.

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EL REBAÑO DEL PASTOR

En el arte cristiano, las primeras imágenes de Jesucristo no fueron de su crucifixión ni de su resurrección. Fueron de Jesús como el Buen Pastor, tal como nos lo presentan las lecturas de hoy. En el pasaje evangélico Jesús se nos revela como el pastor y sus seguidores son su "rebaño".

La primera y la segunda lecturas nos cuentan un poco más sobre el rebaño. El pasaje de los Hechos nos asegura que tanto los judíos como los gentiles están llamados a seguir a Jesús. Es la fe, no el derecho de cuna, lo que nos permite pertenecer a la comunidad de creyentes. En el pasaje del libro del Apocalipsis, aprendemos que el rebaño que le sigue a este Cordero de Dios será también purificado en su sangre. Tendrán que sobrellevar un tiempo de prueba antes de gozar de la vida eterna. Estén seguros de la promesa, nos avisa, pero sepan que hay un precio que pagar.

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Thank you for all you do to support ST. MARY GATE OF HEAVEN PARISH

This weekend is Commitment Weekend, and we are grateful for all of our parishioners who participated. We want to say thank you to those parishioners who have made a sacrificial gift to our campaign and for those of you who are praying for Generations of Faith.

If you made your pledge this weekend, you should receive an initial reminder statement within the next month. Please keep in mind that reminder statements, with return envelopes, are sent out at the end of each month. If you would still like to make a pledge, you can drop your pledge form off at the Parish Office. Our commitments to date are a wonderful testament of the generosity and faithfulness of our parish family!

Gracias por todo lo que hacen para apoyar nuestra parroquia Santa María Puerta del Cielo.

Este fin de semana es un fin de Semana de Compromiso, y estamos muy agradecidos con todos los feligreses que participaron. Queremos dar las gracias a todos los feligreses que han hecho un regalo de sacrificio a nuestra campaña y también agradecer a aquellos de ustedes que están orando por la campaña Generaciones de Fe.

Si usted hizo su promesa este fin de semana, usted deberá recibir un recordatorio de pago inicial el próximo mes. Por favor, tenga en cuenta que los recordatorios de pago de su promesa se envían al final de cada mes con sobres de retorno adjuntos. Si todavía desea hacer una promesa, puede dejar su formulario de compromiso en la Oficina Parroquial.

Nuestros compromisos hasta la fecha son un maravilloso testimonio de la generosidad y la fe de nuestra familia parroquial!

Next Music at the Gate Event**Saturday, April 23, 2016 at 7 pm****“If Ye Love Me”****Music for the Jubilee Year of Mercy**

**Schola Sine Nomine Vocal Ensemble
The Music at the Gate Orchestra
Conducted by Saya Callner**

**Music by Tallis, Byrd, Stanford,
Lutkin, Bach, Handel and others.**

**Admission free. A \$10 free will offering is
requested to ensure future concerts.**

**Mass of Hope and Healing
Sponsored by Survivors of Sexual Abuse
by Members of the Clergy and
The Diocese of Brooklyn**

Thursday, April 21, 2016 at 7:00 PM
Our Lady Queen of Martyrs
111-16 Queens Blvd, Forest Hills

Main Celebrant: Most Reverend Nicholas DiMarzio,
Bishop of Brooklyn

All are invited to gather on this day,
to pray for healing for all those impacted
by childhood sexual abuse.

Healing Intervention Team Members will be present for
anyone wishing to speak to someone in regard to the
services provided by the Office of Victim Assistance
Ministry.



BLESSED BE THE NAME OF THE LORD

**Wednesday
APRIL 20, 2016
PRAYER SERVICE
&
BENEDICTION
in the Church
from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM**

Benediction is a beautiful word. It means a blessing, a greeting, an expression of kindness and love. Benediction is also a beautiful service of the church. It is a service that makes real to us in an impressive way the fact that God is always reaching out to us, to bless, to strengthen, to assure us of his loving kindness toward us. Please come and pray with us.

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Buffet, Dinner, Prizes & Fun

Adults \$35 - Children \$20 (must be accompanied by an adult)

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St. Francis Preparatory School

We are happy to announce
**St. Francis Prep's Parent Workshop:
High School Information Session
How to Apply to Catholic High School**

**Monday, May 9th 7pm - 8 pm
Thursday, May 26th 7pm - 8pm**

Students and families are invited to take part in an interactive workshop to help prepare for the Fall admissions season and learn about the process for 5th, 6th, and 7th grade families who are starting the Catholic High School Application Process.

Have you started thinking about any of these questions?

- Why and when to take the TACHS?
- How do you register?
- How much weight do test results hold in the application process?
- Test Taking Strategies that work
- How many Open Houses should we go to?
- Should we start thinking about college?
- What are college credit classes & AP Classes?
- What's a buddy day?

If you have any further questions or want to register for, please contact the Director of Admissions at (718) 423-8810, ext. 264 or email: lschaefer@sfponline.org.



The next time the Food Pantry will be opened will be on Thursday, April 21st at 11 AM.

LOURDES IN LITCHFIELD

May 1st marks the beginning of the 58th Pilgrimage Season of the Shrine of Lourdes in Litchfield, located at 50 Montfort Rd., Rte. 118, Litchfield, CT 06759.

Mass is celebrated Tuesday through Sunday at 11:30 am in the outside Grotto. In the event of inclement weather, Mass is celebrated in the Grotto Chapel located on the Shrine grounds. Also on the grounds are the Grotto Gift Shop and the Grotto Café.

Following are events that will take place during the month of May:

May 8th: Mother's Day – There will be a special blessing for all women present at the conclusion of Mass. Donation of plants & flowers to help beautify the Grotto will be greatly appreciated.

May 15th: The Annual Blessing of Motorcycles will begin @ 1:30 PM. There is no 3:00 pm service today.

May 22nd: The Annual May Crowning of the Blessed Mother's statue in the Grotto will be held at the conclusion of Mass.

May 29th: Monthly prayer of the Sacrament of the Sick occurs at the conclusion of Mass.

May 30th: Memorial Day - Mass will be celebrated at 11:30 am in the Grotto.

For further information call 860-567-1041, email: lourdeshrinect@gmail.com or visit our web site: www.shrinect.org.