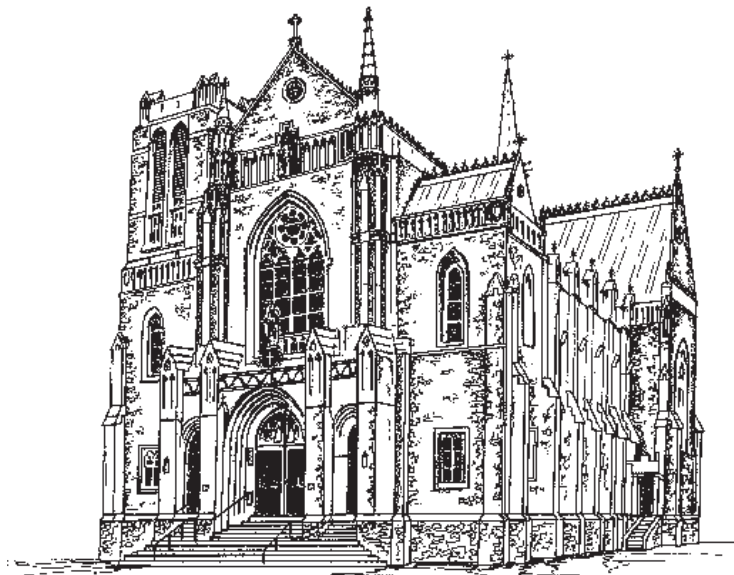


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Weekdays: Monday - Saturday 8:45 AM
Mass in Chapel 101-25 104 St.
Weekend: Saturday 5:00 PM
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12:30 PM in Spanish
Bi-Weekly 1st & 3rd Wednesday 7:00 PM Prayer
and Benediction in Church

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.

*You shall be a
glorious crown
in the hand
of the Lord,
a royal diadem
held by your God.*

ISAIAH 62:5



**SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

January 17, 2016

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Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK



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

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 2016

5:00 PM Frances Bavaro

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2016

8:00 AM Laura Cerretani

9:30 AM Ioana Cazan

11:00 AM Rose & Frank LoPinto, Fay Servidio, Anne Bavaro, Nidia Garcia, Rafael A. Rosado, Luigi Trinchese, Andrew & Bertha Mueller, Mary O'Neil, Israel Rivera, Vincenzo Arganese, Francesca Matera, Pasqualina Cotugno, Giuseppina Maddaloni, Teresa Arganese, Marie Annick Denier, Jovina Vargas

12:30 PM Rafael Rodriguez

MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 2016

8:45 AM

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2016

8:45 AM Marie Annick Denier

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2016

8:45 AM

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2016

8:45 AM

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 2016

8:45 AM Angela Marie Macchia

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 2016

8:45 AM

5:00 PM Michael Melillo

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2016

8:00 AM Vito Lozito

9:30 AM Veronica Gustaferrri

11:00 AM Joseph Valenti

12:30 PM Andrew & Bertha Mueller, Anna Ferreira, Romeo Mosquera

Isabel Ryan, James Winwood, James Fava, Anna Pancotti, Veronica Victoria Godkin, Sarah, Baby Anthony Mauceri Sibilla, Edward Saar, Velma Rivera, Naomi McGee, Lawrence Reade, Rosemary Menechella, Peter Jacobs, Timothy Liello, Anthony Pangiarella, Clare Maran, Angelo Natti, Stanley Butkus, Nicky Lucas, Michael von-Heyden, Luis Munoz, Al Keim, Gary Carosella, Andrew Monte Leone, Damattie Ramnarine, Melinda Brown, Lydia Diaz, Abigail Perez, Elda Zollo, Cheryl & Rosemarie Ferrara, Harry Johnson, Shalem Delva, Stefanie Seminatore, Tina Alves, Angela McGrath, Marge & Gabe D'Auria, Thomas Landano, Jennie Delisio, Thomas Paladino, Clementina Amorim, Peter Gerard, Denis Giammalvo, Anita Bonanno



The Faithful Departed / Los Fieles Difuntos

Anne Ciganek

Phyllis De Lecce

Hugh Johnston



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The Rectory will be closed on Monday, January 18th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

La rectoría estará cerrada el día 18 de enero en observancia de Martin Luther King, Jr.

*Entonces las naciones verán tu justicia,
y tu gloria todos los reyes.*

— Isaías 62:2

SURPRISES

Life is full of surprises, some pleasant, some not. The scriptures are filled with stories of God’s surprises cropping up when they are least expected: younger children obtaining the inheritance; the lowliest being seated highest up; an itinerant preacher, killed like a criminal, exalted to eternal, heavenly glory.

Anybody who has planned a wedding or similar event knows that they are filled with opportunities for surprises. For the bridegroom in today’s Gospel story, who has no direct contact with Jesus, the pleasant surprise came because somebody else paid attention and had faith in Jesus.

We may think that the point of today’s familiar story of the wedding at Cana is that when we have faith in Jesus, our lives will be pleasantly changed. A Christian, however, needs to have a broader perspective and realize that to have faith in Christ means that somebody’s life—not necessarily our own—will be surprised for the better.

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SORPRESAS

La vida está llena de sorpresas, algunas agradables, otras no. La Sagrada Escritura está llena de relatos sobre las sorpresas de Dios que surgen donde menos se esperan: los hijos más jóvenes reciben la herencia, a los más humildes se les dan los sitios de honor; un predicador itinerante, condenado a morir como un criminal, es exaltado hacia la gloria celestial eterna.

Cualquiera que haya planificado una boda o celebración similar sabe que está llena de oportunidades para que surjan sorpresas. Para el novio (el cual, en el relato bíblico, no tiene contacto directo con Jesús) la agradable sorpresa vino porque otra persona había prestado atención y tenía fe en Jesús.

A lo mejor pensamos que la lección de la conocida historia de las bodas de Caná es que cuando tenemos fe en Jesús, nuestra vida cambiará positivamente. Sin embargo, un cristiano necesita tener una perspectiva más amplia, y darse cuenta que tener fe en Cristo implica que la vida de alguien –sea la tuya, sea la de otra persona– va a mejorarse sorpresivamente.

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**“Blessed be God!
Blessed be His holy Name!”**

**Wednesday
JANUARY 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.

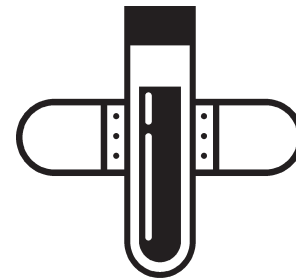
**COMING
SOON!**

**Catholic Schools Week
Beginning January 31st
with Open House**

more details next week



The next time the Food Pantry will be opened will be on Thursday, January 21st from 11 am to 1 pm.



**BLOOD
DRIVE**

Sunday, February 7th
8:15 AM - 2:00 PM
School Auditorium



St. Mary Gate of Heaven School is raising funds by selling World's Finest Chocolate Bars. Each candy bar costs \$1.00, a box costs \$60. Please support our school and stop by the front office of the school to purchase your candy.

A lot of work goes into running a food pantry. Marking barcodes, stocking shelves, filling and distributing the food bags, are only some of the chores.

We couldn't do it without our volunteers who happily come to the pantry to get the work done.

Thank you for all the time and effort you volunteer to help those in need.



Top left to right: Ida Hillmeyer, Geraldine Schneider, Helen Borowik, July Minereley, Regina Genoski, Bottom left to right: Terri Pang, Johanna Valenti, Velma Rivera .

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

“Human life must always be defended from its beginning in the womb and must be recognized as a gift of God that guarantees the future of humanity.”

-Pope Francis

In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22, the anniversary of Roe v Wade, is observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.

God our Creator,
we give thanks to you,
who alone have the power
to impart the breath of life
as you form each of us in our mother’s womb;
grant, we pray, that we,
whom you have made stewards of creation,
may remain faithful to this sacred trust
and constant in safeguarding the dignity
of every human life.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

“All life has inestimable value even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God’s creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.”

Pope Francis

RESPECT LIFE
respect · love · protect

Jubilee Year of Mercy

During this Jubilee Year of Mercy, Mother Church, like Mother Mary, instructs us to share the Spirit’s manifold gifts—some of which Paul lists in today’s second reading—in generous service to the human family. Thus we prepare the way for Jesus’ new miracles of mercy, transforming life’s sometimes stagnant water into the refreshing wine of God’s mercy.

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Año Jubilar de la Misericordia

Durante este Año Jubilar de la Misericordia, la “Madre Iglesia”, como la Madre María, nos dice que compartamos los dones del Espíritu, algunos de los cuales Pablo enlista en la segunda lectura de hoy, en un servicio generoso a la familia y así preparar el camino para los nuevos milagros de misericordia de Jesús, transformando la vida; algunas veces el agua estancada en un vino refrescante de la misericordia de Dios.

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Valentines Day for Veterans



Assemblyman Mike Miller together with the Blessed Mother Sodality will be collecting the following items for the Veterans at St. Alban’s

Hospital:

Shaving cream, after shave lotion, baby wipes, hand cream, tissues, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, hair brushes, tube socks, Purel, x-Large t-Shirts, sugar free candy, decks of cards, and large puzzles.

Please bring any of these items down to the Feb. 7th Sodality meeting after the 9:30 AM Mass, or to the rectory. Assemblyman Mike Miller will distribute them on Valentines Day.