

Mass Intentions for the Week

The Passion of St. John the Baptist

Monday, August 29

8:00 Michael Valvano
12:00 Mary Theresa McGovern

Tuesday, August 30

8:00 Mary Caparelli
12:00 Edward & Elizabeth Fleckenstein

Wednesday, August 31

8:00 Marianne Signor
12:00 Antonio Gerardi

Thursday, September 1

8:00 Joseph Servino
12:00 Maria Riccobono

Friday, September 2

8:00 Lucia Zarra
12:00 Vito M. DeSantis

St. Gregory the Great

Saturday, September 3

8:00 Frank Lauri Jr., Living
12:00 Catherine & Thady McGovern
5:00 Louis Silviotti

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 4

8:00 For the People of the Parish
9:30 Louis & Vincenza Silviotti
11:00 Annette Ruggiero
12:30 Frances Neumann Pidel

Bread and Wine

For: John Morra
By: The Morra Family



Sanctuary Lamp

For: Antonio Gerardi, Pelligrina Davanzo & Pasquale Cerbo
By: Pierina Gerardi

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Joseph Piscopo



From the Pastor's Desk

Humility has always been an essential attitude in the spiritual life. Taming our human tendencies toward self-importance can be a challenge. The author of Sirach teaches that humility brings more honor than gift giving. And, the important person who is humble will find favor with God. Being humble is accepting the truth that one's state and status in life come from God, not from a person's own initiative.

The psalmist extols the graciousness of God who showers goodness on the needy and gives a home to those whom others have forsaken. Clearly such recipients of God's favor are not able to repay God; nor are they obligated to do so. The providence of God is pure gift.

In the Gospel parable, Jesus continues to affirm the place of humility in the life of those who would enter the Kingdom of God. Once again Jesus is a guest at a meal, observing people closely. When the moment is right, he tells a parable that could sound like advice on etiquette (how to avoid embarrassment at a dinner party), but is rooted in a teaching about humility. To those who have been trying to find places of honor at the table, he advises taking the lowest place, for "every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." The implied teaching is that the banquet of the Kingdom is open to all; God's grace is inclusive, not exclusive. The one who is humble enough to recognize that always receives the best place, no matter where it is.

The parable also includes important advice for the host. If the ones invited to the banquet are able to return the favor in kind, then where is the virtue of generosity? The virtuous host invites those who cannot repay; therein lays his or her reward. In this way they become imitators of the Lord whose goodness to others is lauded in the psalm.

**Kindly remember in your prayers
the sick of the Parish**

Betty D'Avi, Arleen Dmytryshyn, Bobby Gregory, Louise Holly, Betty Lane, Ann Latora, Joan Lynch, Catherine McKeon, Stephanie Merenda, Sterling Mitchell, Maria Scampone, Barbara Schimpf, Theresa Vazquez

Report of Parish Giving

Offering 8/21/16 - \$7,053.00
Adults: 539 Children: 61
Offering 8/14/16 - \$6,834.00
Adults: 517 Children: 33

Sign up for ParishPay and have your donations to Sts. Peter & Paul automatically deducted monthly from your checking or savings account or charged to your credit card. It's easy and convenient and helps our parish. Enroll at www.parishpay.com or call (866) 727-4741. We thank you for your support and are grateful to all those who use ParishPay or the envelopes.

Religious Education

We are now registering both new and returning students for the Fall 2016-2017 Religious Education program, grades K – 8. Classes begin Sun., September 18th. Please pick up a registration form in back of the Church or Rectory as soon as possible. Contact ReligiousEd@stspeterpaulandstursula.org or Tony MacDonnell at 471-2084.

Invitation to be a Catechist or Catechist Aide

Both Scripture and the Church teach us that all Christians have received various gifts and talents from God. One of these gifts is that of communicating the faith. If you sense that God may be inviting you to be a Catechist or Catechist Aide to either children or adults in our Parish please contact our Religious Education Director – Tony MacDonnell at (914) 668-9815 or ReligiousEd@stspeterpaulandstursula.org.

Are you a registered parishioner of our new Parish of Sts. Peter & Paul and St. Ursula?

Any new or unregistered parishioners are asked to register as soon as possible. You can register by completing the registration form found in the vestibule of the Church, by visiting our website at stspeterpaulandstursula.org, or in person at the Rectory. Registering helps us to communicate with our parishioners about the many items of importance which arise throughout the year.

**Ladies of Charity
Bronxville/Mount Vernon Council
"BRUNCH FOR BABIES"**

Sunday – Noon September 18, 2016
Bronxville Field Club
Reservation @ \$45.00
Mail to Alice Becker Searles, 48 Highland Circle,
Bronxville, NY 10708
RSVP by September 12, 2016

2016 Men's Club Golf Outing

All Parishioners are invited to join the Men's Club at their 6th Annual Golf Outing, to be held at the Dunwoodie Golf Course in Yonkers on Monday, September 12th. This important fund-raising event is a great hit each year both for golfers and those joining for dinner. Help support our Parish by attending or by becoming a sponsor of the event. For sponsorship information please call the Rectory at 914-668-9815.

Please take note!

If you have the intention of being a sponsor in the near future, you must be a **registered** parishioner in order to obtain a Sponsor Certificate. A sponsor certificate is necessary for a person to act as a sponsor for someone who is receiving the sacrament of Baptism or Confirmation.

FALL CARNIVAL
Save the Date
September 28th - October 2nd
Church Parking Lot

Tag Sale

Sponsored by the Sts. Peter & Paul and St. Ursula Altar Rosary Society
Saturday, Sept. 17, 2016 – 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Church Parking Lot – Cost \$30.00 a spot
We will provide the spot. You just have to bring a table and your wares. **Rain date: September 18, 2016**

Parish Registration/Update

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone _____

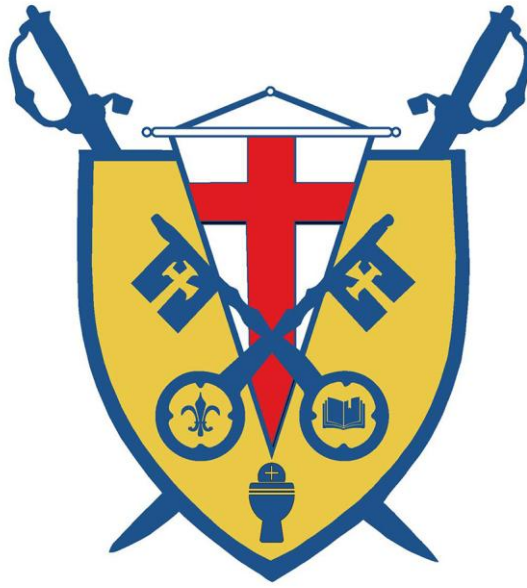
Cell Phone _____

Email: _____

____ New Registration ____ Change of Address

____ Moving out of Parish

Please return to the Rectory.



Sts. Peter & Paul and St. Ursula Church

Celebrate the Feast of St. Ursula

Sunday, October 23rd

12:30 pm Mass

*Reception and Refreshments
to follow in the Cafeteria*