## **CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART**

HARTSDALE, NEW YORK 10530

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm Spanish Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm and 7:00 pm 2:00 pm Korean

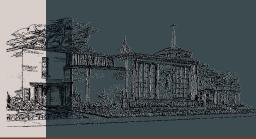
10:00 am German (Archbishop Stepinac HS Chapel, White Plains, NY)

**Daily Masses** Monday - Friday 7:00 am and 12:10 pm Saturday: 8:30 am

Holy Day Masses When on a work day Vigil: 7:00 pm, Day: 7:00 am, 12:10 pm

Adoration Friday 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Reconciliation Saturday in Sacristy 3:45 pm - 4:30 pm



Served by Rev. Michael Moon Pastor

Rev. Anthony Uwandu Parochial Vicar

Rev. Christian Goebel German Cath. Cong. NY Rev. Ralph Barile Retired Rev. Robert O'Neil Mill Hill Fathers

Rectory

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> Hours Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

For sacramental inquiries please call the rectory



## **JANUARY 28, 2024** THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### **School & Religious Education**

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## Week of January 28, 2024 The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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January 7, 2024 - \$6,636 January 14, 2024 - \$9,327 Solemnity of Mary - \$1,156 January Parish Reserve Fund - \$2,230 **Catholic Communications & Universities - \$1,580** 



#### February 3 St. Blaise

Despite his popularity, very little is known about this holy man. What we do know is that he was Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia, and that he was martyred under Emperor Licinius in 316 AD. The rest of St. Blaise's story comes from legend and traditions.

It is believed that he was a physician before he became a healer of souls. During the Christian persecution, he was forced to flee into the wilderness where he became a hermit. He continued to minister to God's creatures, healing the sick and wounded wild animals who visited his cave.

One day, hunters seeking animals for the amphitheater found Blaise. They were astounded for he was kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions and bears.

The hunters then took him to prison. On the way, they encountered people in need. One story tells of a desperate mother whose son was choking on a fish bone. At Blaise's command, the child coughed up the bone. Another story tells of a woman whose pig was seized by a wolf. Blaise commanded the wolf to return it and the wolf complied. Later, in prison, the woman brought Blaise his trademark candles so that he could read Scripture in the dark cell.

Because of his miracles, he has become known as a saint of healing, particularly maladies of the throat. However, while we invoke St. Blaise for his protection against physical ailments, we should also ask his protection against spiritual ailments- profanity, cursing, unkind remarks, detraction, or gossip. St. James reminds us, "If a man who does not control his tongue imagines that he is devout, he is self-deceived; his worship is pointless" (1:26) and later, "We use [the tongue] to say, 'Praised be the Lord and Father'; then we use it to curse men, though they are made in the likeness of Blessing and curse come out of the same God. mouth. This ought not to be, my brothers!" (3:9-10). Therefore, may St. Blaise protect us from all evil, physical and spiritual, which may attack the throat.

## February 4<sup>th</sup> Blessing of the Throats

The tradition of invoking St. Blaise's intercession for ailments of the throat has been practiced since the 9th century. Next week at the Vigil and Sunday masses we will perform a blessing of the throats in honor of St. Blaise. We will not do individual blessings, but a prayer of blessing will be said over the whole assembly.



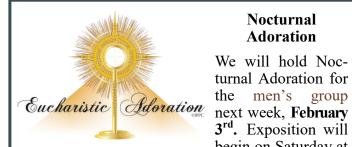
## February 4<sup>th</sup> **Second Collection**

Next week's second collection will be for Parish Reserve our Fund.



#### Leisure Club

The next meeting will be on Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:00 Noon. Meetings are held in the school gym at 59 Wilson Street. Light refreshments will be served. All seniors are welcome.



#### Nocturnal Adoration

We will hold Nocturnal Adoration for the men's group 3<sup>rd</sup>. Exposition will begin on Saturday at

8:15PM, and Benediction will begin on Sunday at 5:00AM. The first and last hours will be open to the public. For security purposes, the doors will be locked between 10:00PM-4:00AM.

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#### Saturday, January 27:

- 5:00 Vivienne Dupré (+)
- 7:00 Jenny de Maria España & Diego & Oscar Rodriguez España (+)

#### Sunday, January 28:

- 8:00 K.M. Kurian (+)(25<sup>th</sup> A)
- 10:00 Helen Voss (+)
- 12:00 Michael Rubino Giglio (+)
- 2:00 Korean Mass
- 7:00 Deceased Members of the De George & Schiavone Families

#### Monday, January 29:

7:00 Magdalena Curtin (+)(A)

12:10 Thomas Sgueglia (+)

### Tuesday, January 30:

7:00 Roy T. Richter (+) 12:10 Xavier Hau & Joseph Kim (L)(B)

### Wednesday, January 31: St. John Bosco

7:00 Jesus Colet (+)(B) 12:10 Catherine Bryceland (+)

#### Thursday, February 1:

7:00 The Deceased Members of the Blaha Family 12:10 Dennis Deda (L)

#### Friday, February 2: The Presentation of the Lord

7:00 The Living Members of the Johnson Family 12:10 Michael Rubino Giglio (+)

## Saturday, February 3:

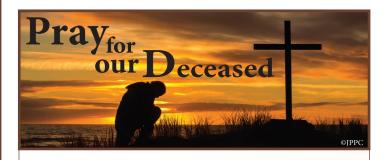
- 8:30 Robert Songalia (+)
- 5:00 Elaine Fiorina (+)
- 7:00 Special Intentions

#### Sunday, February 4:

- 8:00 Leo & Angela DiRubbo (+)
- 10:00 Rose Hughes (+)
- 12:00 Eugene & Natalie Ferraro
- 2:00 Korean Mass
- 7:00 Filomena Ruvo (+)(A)



Peter Tomasini, Tessie Tan, Joan Voight, Caroline Alongi, Andrea Kallaras, Julie Diaz, Jose Rivera, Robert Muller, Geshika Chirinos, Marie Ruvo, Geraldine Towey, Dawn Ann Donnathan, Robert DeJour, Anna Fucci, Ann Byrne, Genevieve "Gigi" Harold Michael Keehan, Robert Breen



Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, benefactors, relatives, for those who are most forgotten and for those who recently died, especially:

Lucia Colace and Josephine Collins

We extend our deepest condolences to everyone who has lost a loved one.

## May God grant you peace and comfort!

If you would like the name of a loved one to be placed on the Pray For the Sick list, please contact the rectory or leave a note in the collection basket.

"When we pray properly, sorrows disappear like snow before the sun."

St. Jean-Marie Vianney



### by Leonard N. Peterson

Even if you must endure loud movie trailers to learn it, all of the so-called "Superheroes" in the movie world use flash and bang against their enemies. This comes after all the spoken warnings to behave better are ignored. So, we see bolts of lightning and hear ear-piercing noise as the evil figures are either vaporized or otherwise dismissed from the scene. Of course, we innocent viewers know that all this ammunition lends authority to the "good guys" when they speak. It's that authority I choose to focus on in another context.

Twenty plus centuries ago, we Christians believed that a Person with truly omnipotent ability strode this earth with the name "Jesus of Nazareth." He never exercised His power in a noisy burst of electricity. Instead, as when He calmed the raging sea in a wicked storm, or when He gave an evil spirit the order to leave a possessed person, He simply spoke a simple command. Naturally His voice would be raised over the roiling waters so that the frightened fishermen in the boat would hear Him. But usually, He used a calm command.

These two examples, among many others recounted in the Bible, were the bases for His authority when He taught. As we are told, He "amazed" everybody. So much so that they asked each other" "What is this? A new teaching with **authority**?

Right at this junction a penetrating question for our confused times arises: "Do we dare question Christ's authority?" "Doubt His teaching on any number of subjects just because they are not fashionable right now?" "Ignore the interpretation given to them by the Church He founded and which He promised to abide by?" Those questions we must ask ourselves because all around us are people whom we might otherwise consider "nice" but who have decided to answer "Yes." Two thousand plus years ago people called "pagans" couldn't or wouldn't agree with Jesus. Today's contemporary atheists make the same response.

It is a good and healthy exercise for our spiritual well-being to reflect on today's Gospel passage to note how quickly evil spirits had to flee in obedience to Christ's command. This is our solace when temptations of all kinds come to haunt us.

Meanwhile, we can add in how Christ works His authoritative message into our world. St. Teresa of Avila gives us the answer:

"Christ has no body on earth but yours; No hands but yours; No feet but yours; Yours are the eyes through which He is to look out Christ's compassion to the world; Yours are the feet with which He is to go about doing good; Yours the hands with which He is to bless now."

God love you and give you His peace.



February 2 The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

Forty days after Christmas, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, an event that the evangelist Luke recounts in his Gospel. Under the original Mosaic law, the first-born male was considered the Lord's possession and was destined to serve in the temple. However, when the descendants of Levi, the Levites, later assumed this service in the temple, this prescription was no longer enforced. However, the first-born son had to be redeemed with a monetary offering to maintain the priests.

Simeon, a devout and upright man, had been told by the Lord he would meet the Messiah before his death. When Jesus comes to the Temple, we see the fulfillment of this prophecy. Simeon and the prophetess Anna, acting - in the words of Pope John Paul II – as "representatives of the Old Covenant" - recognize Jesus' Lordship as Messiah in this culmination of their watchful waiting. When Simeon receives Jesus, he blesses him, and prophesies Jesus' future as Savior, proclaiming him the Light of the world.

On this day, we also reflect on the gift of consecrated life. While the momentary satisfaction of selfish living ultimately leads to emptiness, living a life of holiness, dedicated to God's service, will give true contentment and peace. As Pope Francis has expressed, "Consecrated life is born and reborn of an encounter with Jesus as he is: poor, chaste and obedient... And while worldly life soon leaves our hands and hearts empty, life in Jesus fills us with peace to the very end, as in the Gospel, where Simeon and Anna come happily to the sunset of their lives with the Lord in their arms and joy in their hearts."



As Confirmation season approaches, you or a loved one

may be asked to be a sponsor. Congratulations! It is an honor to be asked to participate in this holy sacrament. As a sponsor, it is your job to be a good role model of the Catholic faith. Please note that in order to be a sponsor, you must be a registered member of a parish for at least 6

months, tithing and attending weekly mass faithfully. Please be sure you meet these requirements before accepting this great responsibility.

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#### February 10, 2024 9 AM—5 PM St. Lawrence Retreat Center Beacon, NY 12508

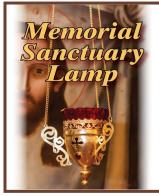
We're all in need of healing, hope, and encouragement now and then. We are living in a fallen world surrounded by hurting people; we wound others and are often wounded ourselves. Join the Women of the Waters and discover no wound is too deep for God to heal and no sin is too big to forgive. Through the Mass and all the sacraments, God gives the remedy for restorative healing: His Love and Grace throughout all time and space.

The \$70.00 registration fee includes the program, prayer services, continental breakfast, lunch, and Vigil Mass.

For more information, email womenofthewatersretreats@gmail.com

# Register by February 3<sup>rd</sup> at https://bit.ly/cfmwomens





The Sanctuary Lamp is dedicated during the month of January in Loving Memory of

**Eugene & Natalie Ferraro** 



**Monday:** 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13 | Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 | Mk 5:1-20

**Tuesday:** 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30–19:3 | Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 | Mk 5:21-43

**Wednesday:** 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17 | Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 | Mk 6:1 -6

**Thursday:** 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12 | 1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd | Mk 6:7-13

**Friday:** Mal 3:1-4 Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 | Heb 2:14-18 | Lk 2:22-40 or Lk 2:22-32

**Saturday:** 1 Kgs 3:4-13 | Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 | Mk 6:30-34

**Sunday:** Jb 7:1-4, 6-7 | Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 | 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 | Mk 1:29-39



Sacred Heart School offers a Pre-Kindergarten 3 year old to 8th grade Catholic education, in a small family-like environment. Class sizes are smaller than most, providing more individualized attention. Physical education, music, Spanish, computers, and

art classes weekly. Full day (8:05-2:15) Pre-K & Kindergarten with optional After School care for all grades until 6p.m. We are registering students for the 2024-2025 academic year. Visit its website, www.shshartsdale.org, come in for a tour to meet our students, teachers, & principal. Sacred Heart School is a small school with a big heart!

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- For daily readings you can also visit United States Conference of Catholic Bishops at: http://www.usccb.org
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