



Salzburg, Austria was the setting for the " Sound of Music " movie filmed in 1965, to the musical score of Oscar Hammerstein and Richard Rodgers. Based on the story of Maria von Trapp, played by actress Julie Andrews, Nonnberg Abbey in Salzburg was the host spot for Maria as a postulant considering the religious life as a nun. Facing doubts about her religious vocation, which is a typical dynamic to grow through, Maria is asked to take some time off to be the governess of widower Captain George Ritter von Trapp with his seven children. Maria and George fall in love, marry, and then must flee Austria during World War II. Their destination is America, more specifically the Vermont town of Stowe, where the family would operate a family lodge (that I visited twice while visiting past friends in Vermont).

The parish trip to Austria, Switzerland, and Germany in December of 2017 will take we pilgrims to Salzburg on December 10. The brochure states : " Travel today through beautiful Alpine scenery as you head towards the ' Sound of Music ' city of Salzburg, one of the world's most beautiful places... Drive via the Schloss Mirabell and the Kongresshaus. Continue via Schwarzstrasse and the Protestant Church to the Mozarteum and then past the Marionetten Theatre, Landes Theatre, Marktplatz, and Rathaus to view where Mozart was born. " In November of 2015, when I went with nearly sixty people to Eastern Europe, we traveled through Vienna in Austria. The flat landscape was devoid of the mountainous beauty of Salzburg. The distance between the two points was too extreme to travel. But, the story of the Von Trapp family remained dear to my heart as their Catholic faith propelled them to the safety of the United States to escape the threats of Nazism.

In later years I would receive autographs with notes from several of the seven children, now all returned to the heavenly kingdom of God. They now experience in spiritual fullness where we are all destined toward .Inspiration for this reflection was a song rendition from the film, "Climb Every Mountain", sung by the eighth grade students from San Miguel Academy on the night of their June 2 graduation. (The Academy is an integral part of Saint Francis of Assisi parish, and I hope will remain a fixture for many years to come here. We need a mutually agreeable lease agreement in two years, when the current lease expires, and I trust that will happen.) These young men, in times darkened by violence and family dysfunction, represent a hope for the future of the world as do the young ladies of Nora Cronin Academy. The lyrical verses of the aforementioned song go like this : " Climb every mountain, search high and low. Follow every byway, every path you know. Climb every mountain, ford every stream. Follow every rainbow, till you find your dream. A dream that will need all the love you can give. Every day of your life for as long as you live. " As these young men like each of us face life uncertainties, in faith joined to God, they will navigate their ways through the mountains and paths plus rainbows and dreams of human existence. This roadmap is not easy to decipher or explore, but our spiritual strength will draw us to where God wants us to be (as He did for Maria von Trapp , though it meant her leaving the convent for married life).

Sometimes persons, places, and things confuse us perhaps even leaving us adrift. By turning to prayer, sacraments, Mass, and caring relationships we each will climb those mountainous peaks and valleys eventually settling to where God wants us to be. Then the dream of God for each of us will become the reality and religious base for our decisions, rooted in His holy will. May He help us to that path and stick with it, by His holy grace.

**Father Bill**

# MASS INTENTIONS

## Mon. July 25

7:00am All Travelers  
Noon Kathy Maksomski  
Health & Blessings  
By Formato Family

## Tues. July 26

7:00am Antoinette Smiehorwski  
By Como Family  
Noon Mark Anthony Michon  
By Aunt Chris

## Wed. July 27

7:00am The Unemployed  
Noon St Francis Parish

## Thur. July 28

7:00am The Unborn  
Noon Theresa Arnold  
By Ruth Ronsini

## Fri. July 29

7:00am John & Nancy Squillini  
Noon Thomas Conroy  
By Como Family

## Sat. July 30

Noon Pope Francis  
4:30pm Craig McFarland  
By Wife

## Sun. July 31

8:00am Patricia Kathleen  
Zambito  
By Mary Jane & Rocky D'Elicio  
11:00am David Herbison  
(11<sup>th</sup> Anniv)  
By Family  
Louis J.Talerico  
By Betty (Gemma) & Larry Lanning

## Weekly Collection

July 16-17, 2016  
1<sup>st</sup> Collection \$6,457.21  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection \$2,506.00  
TOTAL \$8,963.21

Our sincere thanks for your generosity and support of our Parish. God bless each and every one of you....always

The 2<sup>nd</sup> collection this weekend is for  
**AIR CONDITIONING**

## MASS ATTENDANCE

July 16-17, 2016  
4:30pm...195  
8:00am...166  
11:00am...225  
TOTAL 586

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Our **Holy Hour** with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday from 5:00pm to 6:00pm will be for the special intention of the **UNEMPLOYED**.

The **Chaplet of the Divine Mercy** is recited on **Sundays at 10:40 am** before the **11 am Mass**.

## CONGRATULATIONS

### Father Bill Damroth

on his appointment as Pastor here at  
**St. Francis of Assisi Church.**

Plans are being made for his Installation Mass followed by a Reception in O'Connor Hall to take place Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>.

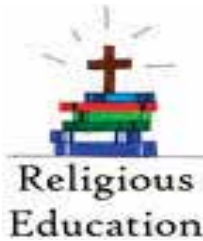
Details to follow.

## ANNOUNCED MASSES

A beautiful way to remember someone on an anniversary, if they are ill, or if they have died. We do encourage you to consider having a Mass offered for their intention. Many times we forget that a Mass can also be offered for the living on the occasion of a special moment in their life or when they are sick. These Masses are called "Spiritual Bouquets". Announced parish Masses are available thru the rectory.

## DATE CHANGE

Please note that the Bible Study course "*Mary, A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother*" will start on August 9<sup>th</sup> (one week later) and run thru September 27<sup>th</sup>. Classes, which start at 7:00pm will be held in O'Connor Hall.



**Religious Education Program News**

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN**

for the 2016-2017 school year. For registration forms or for more information please call Lynda Piper, our Religious Education Coordinator, at the Religious Education Office at 561-2589. Register your child now to secure the day and time most convenient for you.

**Food Pantry Hours:**  
Friday 9:00am to 12noon  
Saturday 9:00am to 12noon



Food Pantry Needs

In your goodness please bring **CEREAL** and **BREAKFAST FOODS** to Church next weekend to be distributed to the less fortunate thru our Food Pantry.

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**HOLY YEAR OF MERCY**

*"It is a favorable time to heal wounds, a time to offer everyone the way of Forgiveness and Reconciliation."*

Pope Francis

**Corporal Works of Mercy**

- To Feed the Hungry
- To Give Drink to the Thirsty
- To Clothe the Naked
- To Shelter the Homeless
- To Care for the Sick
- To Visit the Imprisoned
- To Bury the Dead

**Spiritual Works of Mercy**

- To Convert Sinners
- To Instruct the Ignorant
- To Advise the Doubtful
- To Convert the Sorrowful
- To Bear Wrongs Patiently
- To Forgive Injuries
- To Pray for the Living and Dead

**"A Time to Heal, to Help, to Forgive"**



**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**

Vincenza Secor, Aaron Stagliano, Kelly Stafford, Robyn McGraw, John Sabo, Andrew Costanzo, Marie Wiejak, Rose, Stephen Sabo, Ashley Barco, Jean Kaiser, Tom Scalzo, Nora Bricker, Gary Lake, Genevieve Pilch, Agnes Casey, Brianna Barker, Keith Webber, Jake Bryan DeStefano, Rose Marie Michalowski, Meryl Chatham, Vincenturia Cullen, Amy Meyer, Vinnie Yonnone, Grace Keller Peacock, Mary Corwin, Jean DeCicco, Don Hughes, David Jennings, Robert Johnson, Karen Wells, Marcia McKay, Victoria Palkovic, Elaine Pietrzak, Maureen Luzzi, Joyce Poponiak, Corrine Gammino, George Vecchio, Jr, Carol Brown, Teresa Centeno, Matthew Gallagher, Luzia Araujo, Celio Thomaz, Sherry Collins, Rosalie Nogay, Richard and Rina Bozzone, Antonio Troia, Cody Favoino-Finkbeiner, Marie Louis, Sacha Samuel George, the Koch Family, Frank Pietrzak, John Marullo, Rose Jurik, Robert & Helen Osborn, Manuel DiNapoli, Jennie Serrano, Eddie Koza, Barbara Woloszyn, Gary McGraw, Rachael Neugebauer, Patricia Denniston, Arlene Dietrichsen, Maureen Kelly, Deacon Larry Kawula, Abigail Ryan, Debra Thurston, Toby Persico, Alexis Johnson, Barry Johnson, James R. Purpura, Bob Smith, Tom Kingery, Bud Smith, Amy Finnegan, Jane Pustola, Justin, Peter, Rita, Janice Ruggiero, Angela, Wayne, Abbie K., Dominick Denisi, Sebastian Denisi, Pam Denisi, Linda Hummel, Joseph Michalowski, Joann Quicksell, Frances Dolan, Daniel D'Elicio, Fr. Fred Kempferi, Hazel Yonnone, Carmen Dacrosta, Parker, Jane Holloway, Dore Williams, Hank Kensing, Virginia Ranaudo, Sheryl McGrath, Robert Landi, Christine Mariani, Michelle Ryan



**Our times Call For Prayer**  
**Our Lady invites us to pray the Rosary together**  
**The Rosary is our weapon**

Please join us as combined parishes praying the Rosary, led by the Knights of Columbus, Council 444, next Sunday, on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month, July 31, 2016, after the 12:30pm Mass at Our Lady of the Lake Chapel, Rt. 52 in Newburgh.

**Msr. Henry O'Carroll Memorial Car Show**  
Sponsored jointly by the Knights of Columbus, Council 444 and the Saturday Nite Cruisers of Orange County will be held on Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am to 3:00pm (Rain date August 21<sup>st</sup>) at the Walmart Shopping Center on Route 300 in Newburgh. Pre-registration is \$15.00 and Vendor Spots are \$25.00. For more information please contact Ken Ryan at 845-565-8015, Charles Smith at 845-561-8647 or Dan Keenan at 845-562-9353.

## **PRAY FOR AMERICA**

"If then my people, upon whom my name has been pronounced, humble themselves and pray, and seek my face and turn from their evil ways, I will hear them from heaven and pardon their sins and heal their land."  
2 Chronicles

***Dearest Jesus, behold we humble ourselves, seek you face and turn from our evil ways. Please pardon our sins, heal and convert America as it is being destroyed by abortion and many other grave sins. Fill America with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit to spread God's love to the whole world. Heavenly Father, please save America! We ask this all in the most Holy Name of Jesus, Amen***

### **A Smile can....**

Lift the heart;  
maintain good humor;  
preserve peace of soul;  
aid the health;  
beautify the face;  
awaken good thoughts;  
and inspire generous works

**...have you shared your smile today?**

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## **HOLY FACE DEVOTION**

Sister Mary of St. Peter and of the Holy Family, was a Carmelite nun of Tours, France to whom Our Lord imparted His revelations about Devotion to the Holy Face of Jesus.

***"Rejoice, My Daughter, because the hour approaches when the most beautiful work under the sun will be born."*** –Our Lord to Sister Mary of St. Peter.

*(Our Lord refers here to the work of reparation to the Holy Face, which He revealed is destined to be the means of defeating atheistic Communism and restoring peace to the world.)*

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## **AED – CPR TRAINING CLASS**

A certified instructor will be here at St Francis on Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00pm in O'Connor Hall to give a training class on Automated External Defibrillator aka AED and CPR use. The 4 hour long course will cost \$40.00. A card certificate will be issued after completing the training class.



**Our Little Furry Friends Pet Ministry**  
We would like to thank everyone for their kind and generous continuous support of our Pet Ministry. Receptacles are located in the back of the church for all donations.

**Did You Know....**studies have shown that people who own pets live longer, have less stress and have fewer heart attacks

## **PILGRIMAGES**

**Plans have been finalized for two pilgrimages hosted by Fr. Bill in 2017.**

**1) Spain Pilgrimage** for 11 days, April 24<sup>th</sup> thru May 4, visiting Lisbon, Fatima, Salamanca. Avila, Madrid, Lourdes Montserrat and Barcelona.

**2) Alpine Christmas Adventure** for 11 days, December 4<sup>th</sup> thru 14<sup>th</sup> visiting Frankfurt, Freiburg, Lucerne, Innsbruck, Salzburg, Oberammergau, Neuschwanstein, Munich, Rothenberg and Heidelberg.

Brochures are located in the back of the church. To register or for additional information please call the rectory 561-1317.

## **OUR LADY'S BLUE ARMY**

On Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup> Our Lady's Blue Army Shrine located at 674 Mountain View Road in Washington New Jersey invites all to honor Our Lady's Plea of December 10, 1925 requesting Five Consecutive First Saturdays of Reparation.

Their program "*You at Least Try to Console Me*" which begins at 10:30am includes confessions, Rosary with meditation, Mass, Benediction, a talk on the Last Vision of Fatima and ends with the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00pm. For more information visit [www.bluearmy.com](http://www.bluearmy.com) or call 908-689-1700 ext 210.

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