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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30 PM, 7:00 PM (Spanish)

Sunday Masses:

7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM  
1:15 PM - Spanish

Daily Masses:

Monday—Friday 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 6:30 PM  
Tuesdays 6:30 PM Spanish



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Peace,

*Rosemarie Flood*

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**Celebrating Fr. Sean's 25th Anniversary of Ordination**

May 25th, 2024  
 at 5:30 PM

The Mass will be bilingual followed by reception at Conlon Hall.

To ensure that we are fully prepared, use this QR code to RSVP.



All are welcome.

**Annual Appeal 2024**



- Thank you to all our parishioners who have made a pledge to this year's Annual Appeal!
- Your sacrificial support enables us to carry out the important work we are called to do as missionary disciples of Jesus.
- Our Parish Goal is \$102,661.33 & our Stretch Goal is \$104,591.00.
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## A Reflection From Our Pastor

Dear Brothers and Sisters



A few years ago, in my capacity as a Police Chaplain, I attended a three day course at the Bergen County Police Academy. The course was for active duty Police Officers, there were thirty of them from different Police Departments on the course.

One exercise asked the police officers to write a letter to someone who had been an important positive influence in their life. The letter was to express gratitude to this person, saying how they had made a difference in that Officers life. A few minutes silence passed while everyone wrote their letters.

The instructor then asked for a volunteer to share who it was they wrote to. Awkward silence in the room. Then a few piped up, sharing the names of the people they had written to, and why.

We were then asked for a volunteer to actually call the person they had written to, and read them the letter over the phone. There followed an even longer, more awkward silence! - Not an easy ask for a room full of cops! But one volunteered. He had written his letter to his Mom. To the amazement, chuckles and joy of the rest of the cops in the room, he proceeded make the call to his mother!

I think he was praying she wouldn't pick up, but she did, and he put the call on speakerphone for all of us in the room to hear....

Cop: 'Hi Mom, it's me...' Mom: 'Oh hi sweetie, how are you?....'

He told his Mom where he was, and that as part of a training excessive he had been asked to write a letter of gratitude to a person he was thankful for, and that he was calling because he had written to her, and that the she was on speaker phone in a room full of cops.

She said 'OK'. Her son then read his letter to her, as we all listened in silence. When he finished reading, his Mom said:

'O honey, that's so sweet, I don't know what to say, you made my day...'

The room erupted in applause, with loud whoops and high fives, and everyone shouting to the speaker: 'I love you Mom!'

That event changed the whole mood for the rest of the afternoon.

Each of us have a letter to write, or a phone call to make, or a conversation to have with our Mom. She will listen to us..... either in person, or on the phone, or from Heaven. Our Moms deserve to hear our gratitude. Expressing our gratitude to them also changes who we are. If that is true of our mothers, who gave us earthly life, how much more true is it of Jesus Christ, who Ascended to the right hand of the Father, and opens the way for us to Eternal Life.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

*Fr. Sean*

## Una Reflexión de Nuestro Pastor

*Queridos hermanos y hermanas,*



Hace unos años, en mi calidad de capellán de la policía, asistí a un curso de tres días en la Academia de Policía del Condado de Bergen. El curso fue para oficiales de policía en servicio activo, en total había treinta oficiales de diferentes departamentos de policía en el curso. Hicimos un ejercicio que requería que los oficiales escribieran una carta a alguien que había sido una influencia positiva en su vida. Esta carta servía para expresar gratitud a esa persona y cómo ellos habían hecho una diferencia en la vida de esos oficiales. Pasaron unos minutos de silencio mientras todos escribían sus cartas.

El instructor pidió que un voluntario compartiera con los demás, y la habitación se quedó en silencio total. Después de unos cuantos minutos, algunos de los oficiales decidieron que iban a compartir lo que habían escrito y por qué.

Luego el instructor pidió por otro voluntario, e indicó que iban a llamar a la persona que le había escrito, y que leyera la carta por teléfono. ¡Siguió un silencio aún más largo y más incómodo! - ¡No era un pedido fácil para una habitación de oficiales! Pero uno se ofreció. Había escrito su carta a su madre. Ante el asombro, las risas y la alegría del resto de los oficiales en la habitación, procedió a llamar a su madre!

Yo creo que él estaba orando para que ella no contestara, pero en fin contestó, y él tuvo que poner la llamada en el altavoz para que todos en la habitación pudiéramos escuchar...

Policía: 'Hola mamá, soy yo...' Mamá: 'Oh hola cariño, ¿cómo estás?.... '

Le dijo a su mamá dónde estaba, y que como parte de un entrenamiento excesivo se le había pedido que escribiera una carta de agradecimiento a una persona, y que estaba llamando porque le había escrito, que estaba hablando por teléfono en una habitación llena de oficiales.

Ella dijo 'Está bien', y su hijo le leyó la tarjeta, mientras todos la escuchábamos en silencio. Cuando terminó de leer, su mamá dijo:

'Cariño, eso es tan dulce, no sé qué decir, me alegraste el día...'

La habitación estalló en aplausos, con fuertes gritos, y todos gritaban al teléfono: '¡Te amo mamá!' El ambiente cambió por lo que quedaba del día después de este evento.

Cada uno de nosotros tenemos una carta para escribir, o una llamada telefónica para hacer, o una conversación para tener con nuestra madre. Ella nos escuchará.... ya sea en persona, o por teléfono, o desde el cielo. Nuestras madres merecen escuchar nuestra gratitud, y expresar esto también nos hace cambiar. Si eso es cierto de nuestras madres, que nos dieron la vida terrenal, cuánto más cierto es de Jesucristo, que ascendió a la derecha del Padre, y nos abre el camino a la Vida Eterna.

FELIZ DÍA DE LAS MADRES!

*Fr. Sean*

# MASS INTENTIONS

## SATURDAY, MAY 11

5:30 PM Laura del Carmen Rodriguez

7:00 PM Delmy A. Escobar

## SUNDAY, MAY 12

7:30 AM The People of the Parish

9:00 AM For All Mothers

10:30 AM For All Mothers

12:00 PM For All Mothers

1:15 PM (Spanish) For All Mothers

## MONDAY, MAY 13

7:00 AM Joseph Jeen and Ancy George

9:00 AM Christine Donovan

6:30 PM Sp. Int.: Rebecca & Elizalde de Los Santos

## TUESDAY, MAY 14

7:00 PM Mariano Aguinaldo

9:00 AM Denia P. Ryan

6:30 PM (Spanish) Daisy Manzano — Birthday

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

7:00 AM Librada Dalisay

9:00 AM Dominic E. Francisco

6:30 PM Marie & George Jaxel

## THURSDAY, MAY 16

7:00 AM Sp. Int.: Norma Mapano — Birthday

9:00 AM Patrick & Helen Gorman

6:30 PM Marie Picone — 1st Anniversary

## FRIDAY, MAY 17

7:00 AM Sp. Int.: Joseph Jeen & Ancy George

9:00 AM Benito Manuel

6:30 PM Consolador Lacap

## SATURDAY, MAY 18

7:00 AM Sp. Int.: Zion Jairam — 1st Birthday

9:00 AM William Johnson

5:30 PM Consolador Suba Lacap

7:00 PM (Spanish) Robeto Taborda Sr.

## SUNDAY, MAY 19

7:30 AM The People of the Parish

9:00 AM Samuel & Maria Fe

10:30 AM Sabrina Menezes

12:00 PM Rodolfo Kabigting

1:15 PM (Spanish) Ana Marie Almonte

### Prayers for the Deceased

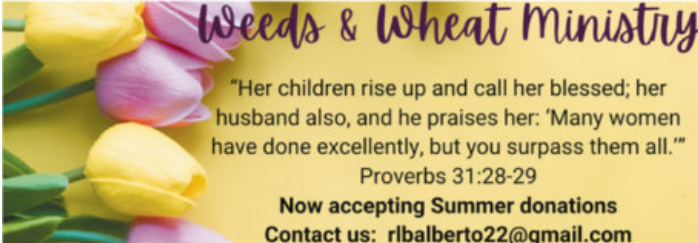
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**Jacob Joseph Santoli,** and **Darwin Pabico**

in your prayers.



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THE RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

## Baby Bottle Drive

Mother's Day Weekend - May 11th & 12th 2024

- The Respect Life Committee will be handing out Baby Bottles **today**.
- Donations will go to Crisis Pregnancy Centers.
- Please fill the bottles and return the bottles by Father's Day.



Come & Join Us In....

*An Evening of Praise and Worship*

Sing your thanks to the Lord.

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Date: May 19th 2024 Starts 5pm to 6:30pm  
Place: St Johns Main Church  
29 North Washington Ave  
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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Are you a **website wiz?**

ST. JOHN'S IS LOOKING TO UPDATE IT'S PARISH WEBSITE!

SERIOUS INQUIRIES CAN REACH OUT TO [PASTOR@SJRC.ORG](mailto:PASTOR@SJRC.ORG)

THANK YOU!

Our Sunday Offering: Sunday, May 5, 2024 — \$19,065.86 ~ May 7th, 2023 — \$16,454.42





Feliz día de las Madres

EL SEÑOR ME LLAMO DESDE EL VIENTRE DE MI MADRE, CONOCIÓ MI NOMBRE DESDE ANTES QUE NACIERA.  
~ ISAÍAS 49:1

# Celebrando 25 años de Sacerdocio del Padre Sean

25 de mayo, 2024 a las 5:30 PM

La Misa sera bilingüe seguida por un compartir en Conlon Hall.

Para estar mejor preparados por favor escanea este código QR, esto nos indicara el numero de invitados.

No habra Misa a las 7:00 PM

Todos son bienvenidos.



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- ¡Gracias a todos nuestros feligreses que se han comprometido con La Llamada Anual de este año!
- Nuestra meta parroquial es \$102,661.33 y nuestra meta de estiramiento es \$104,591.00.
- Por favor considere participar en la Llamada Anual de este año para ayudar a hacer una diferencia significativa en muchas vidas dentro de nuestra Arquidiócesis.
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EL COMITÉ DEL RESPETO POR LA VIDA

## Distribución de Biberones

Día de las Madres 11 y 12 de mayo

- El Comité de Respeto por la Vida va a distribuir biberones hoy el 11 y 12 de mayo, para recaudar fondos para los Centros de Embarazo.
- Por favor devuélvanlos el fin de semana de Los Padres

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