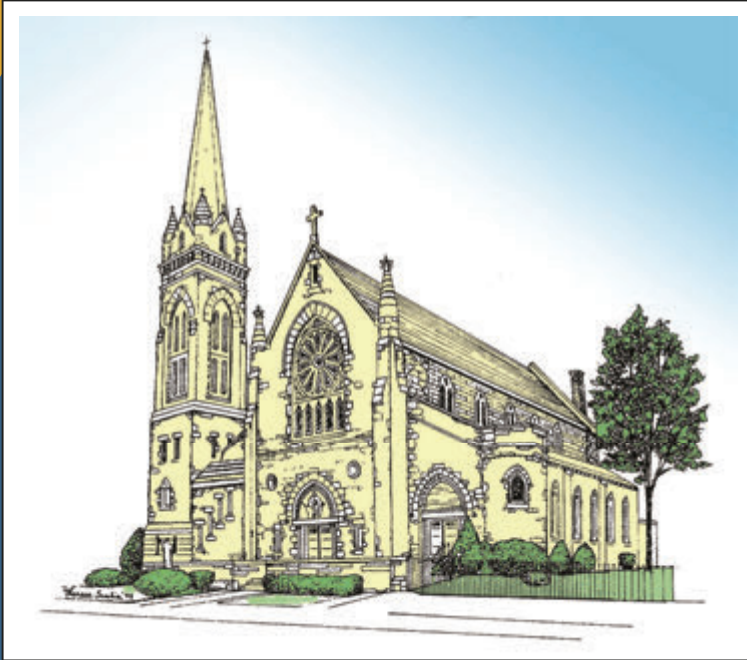


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**Deacons**

Deacon Francis B. Orlando

Deacon Angel Camacho

**Organist & Music Director:** Mr. John Wolfe

**The Sacrament of Baptism:** Call the rectory to make an appointment with a priest. No date will be given until the necessary paperwork is received and verified.

**The Sacrament of Marriage:**

Arrangements should be made at least (6) six months to a year in advance. Call the Rectory to make an appointment with the Pastor. No dates are given over the phone.

**Parish Registration:** All Catholics living in the Parish should be registered. Parents with children in our school religion program must be registered and using envelopes. Kindly inform us if you are moving.

**Religious Education Program:**  
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Deacon Francis B. Orlando, Director  
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**Devotions:**  
Miraculous Medal Novena:  
Monday, after 12:10pm Mass  
First Friday of the Month: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 12:10pm Mass till 3:00pm with Prayers to the Divine Mercy to follow.

**Sunday Mass:** Sat. 5:00pm in English, 7:00pm in Spanish, Sun. 7:30, 9:00, 10:30am & 12:10pm

All Masses on Sunday in English • 1st Sunday of the Month at 1:30pm Mass in French

**Weekday Mass:** Monday to Friday: 7:00am, 12:10pm • Saturday: 8:00am, 12:10pm

**Holy Day Mass:** Vigil 5:00pm • Feast itself: 7:00am & 12:10pm & 7:00pm (Unless noted in the Bulletin)

**Sacrament of Confession:** Mon. to Fri. 6:45 to 6:55am and 11:30am to 12 noon

Sat. 11:30am to 12:00 noon; 4:00pm to 4:55pm; and in Spanish at 6:30pm to 6:50pm

The following are excerpts from an article written by Father Joseph Esper, which appeared in "The Catholic Exchange" I think that what this article speaks about, we all struggle with.

**“Almost all of us need to grow in patience . . .** but most of us are in no particular hurry to do so. One of the drawbacks of living in an “instant society” — as ours has been called — is a tendency to believe that we should receive what we need or want right *now* and that having to wait for something is an unreasonable burden or expectation. Our impatience tends to carry over into our relationships with others; we often expect them to conform to our standards, to our biases, and to our schedules; and when they don’t, many of us aren’t at all shy about letting them know how we feel. There are even times when impatience can show up in our relationship with God: “When will this Mass be over?” “How long does God expect me to put up with this?” “Why isn’t the Lord answering my prayer?”

It’s true that, seen from a larger perspective, our lives on earth seem to pass quickly and that time is too precious for us to waste, but this doesn’t mean we’re entitled to have all our demands met immediately, regardless of the cost. We’re created to live eternally, and, as the saints realized, humbly practicing the virtue of patience is an important way of preparing ourselves for Heaven.

We are called to deal patiently with other people, but that’s not always easily done. As a young monk in the sixth century, St. Dositheus was assigned to care for the sick members of the community. The self-centeredness to which illness sometimes gives rise can make people unreasonable in their demands; when this happened in the monastery, Dositheus would lose his patience and speak harshly to his charges. Then, filled with remorse, he’d run to his cell and, throwing himself on the floor, weep bitter tears, and beg God’s mercy. His genuine contrition allowed divine grace to work within him, and with God’s help, Dositheus eventually became so kind, patient, and cheerful that those who were sick loved having him present.

Heroic measures are sometimes called for in our effort to rein in our impatience. The first step is to recognize that, although we can’t usually

control what happens to us, we can always decide how we’ll respond. That’s why St. Philip Neri remarked, “Sufferings are a kind of paradise to him who suffers them with patience, while they are a hell to him who has no patience.” When we choose to accept life’s irritations as part of God’s plan for us, they are transformed from temptations or possible occasions of sin into a valuable means of grace and spiritual growth.

In terms of our relationships with other people, St. Bonaventure warns, “Beware of becoming vexed or impatient at the faults of others; for it would be folly, when you see a man falling into a ditch, to throw yourself into another for no purpose.” In other words, we shouldn’t allow someone else’s faults to cause us to sin through impatience. The people who most get on our nerves are the ones to whom we most need to show acceptance and understanding. They may not “deserve” such consideration, but we must try to extend it to them if we wish to please God.

Assess and strengthen your patience. According to St. Francis of Assisi, “We can never tell how patient or humble a person is when everything is going well with him. But when those who should cooperate with him do the exact opposite, then we can tell. A man has as much patience and humility as he has then, and no more.” Thus, the people or situations that cause you to become impatient are actually opportunities to prove to God and to yourself how patient and humble you are. If you frequently fall short, you have a clear indication that you need to grow in patience. Make a resolution to try a little harder to resist each temptation to impatience, and ask the Lord (and your favorite saints) to help you carry it out.

Many of us particularly dislike being interrupted when we’re praying, but as St. Francis de Sales notes, a true spirit of prayer recognizes that we can serve God at that moment either by meditating or by responding to the immediate needs of another person. We should set aside time for prayer, but if that time is interrupted, we should let our patient response be another way of expressing our love for God.”

The above article is based on the first chapter of the book written by Father Esper, called: *Saintly Solutions to Life’s Common Problems*.

## **Formed**

There is a great resource that is being offered by the Archdiocese to every parishioner, in every parish. It is called "Formed" and there is no cost to you. You can watch movies, read books, look at shows and learn about the faith at the same time. All you have to do is go to the website: [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org). Once you have signed up, you are able to access wonderful programming. You will be asked for the parish code for Blessed Sacrament. It is: WGFJ7N (the code is case sensitive).

We can find ourselves wandering aimlessly through the computer (which generally leads to problems in our moral life) or we are just flipping the channels on the television. Why not try out "Formed". After all, it is free and who can bypass something that is free.

## **We'd like to Connect with You**

We are using an important communication tool in order to connect with our Parishioners. In signing up you will receive reminders of Masses, special events or important communications from the Parish. Over these past several weeks we have wished our parishioners a Happy Saint Patrick's Day and a Happy Saint Joseph's Day and even a Happy Easter. We have reminded everyone of the times for our Masses and services during this past Holy Week and even we reminded everyone to put their clock ahead one hour when we had to spring ahead. Some people have said to us that they don't mind getting communications from Blessed Sacrament but they don't want anything coming from anyone else. When you sign up you can exclude any other group from sending you a message by delisting them so that you will only get messages from us. Sometimes we need reminders of what is taking place and the time it is taking place.

In order to enroll in our Flocknote program, text [bsparishnr](tel:84576) to 84576 or visit our Parish at [www.flocknote.com/BSNewRochelle](http://www.flocknote.com/BSNewRochelle).

## **Music Notes for Holy Week**

By Dr. John Wolfe, Organist and Music Director

**Prelude:** *Ballo del Granduca, SwWV 319*

By Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621)

Opening Hymn: number 83

Jesus Is Risen

**Anthem at the 10:30am Mass:**

*Prayer of St. Francis*

Offertory Hymn: number 468

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Communion Hymn: number 365

Shepherd of Souls

Closing Hymn: number 84

This Joyful Eastertide

**Postlude:** *Toccata in C Major, SwWV 284*

By Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621)

From the age of fifteen Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck was the organist at the Oude Kerk ("Old Church") in Amsterdam, at a time when the city was at its peak as a cultural capital. His tenure witnessed the official state religion changing from Catholicism to Calvinism, and since the Calvinists forbade organ music during worship, his post consisted almost entirely of giving improvised matinee concerts. The vigorous style he pioneered in this capacity marked a critical point in the transition from the Renaissance to the Baroque, owing especially to the music's use of repetitive running figures, which give the music perpetual forward motion wonderfully suited to the disposition of keyboard instruments. Prior to this, most organ music had consisted of note-for-note transcriptions of vocal music, or original pieces written in the same style as vocal music. Sweelinck's reputation as "The Orpheus of Amsterdam" drew students to him from all over Europe, especially North Germany, and his students in turn fanned out to spread the new *fortspinning* ("spinning out") style across the continent. Virtually all Baroque keyboard music displays traces of Sweelinck's innovation, which allowed for endless bedazzlement of simple melodies like the secular dance tunes we hear today.

## **Renew + Rebuild**

It is so important that those who made pledges fulfill them. Hopefully towards the first part of the year, we will begin work on one of the side aisles. Because of this we have been warning prospective brides, who have called, that at some point during 2018 there will be scaffolding in the Church. Where? We can't say. When? We don't know. It's going to be that type of project. If you have not yet given a gift or made a pledge, please speak to Father Luciano. In order to make the painting of the Church, the cleaning of the ceiling, and so many other projects a reality and so make our church beautiful, we need your help.

## **Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass**

Couples celebrating, any time during the 2018 calendar year, their 50th Wedding Anniversary are invited to attend the Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at Saint Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, June 3rd at 2:15 PM. Pre-registration is required. Please contact the rectory office to register at 632-3700. You must be a registered parishioner of Blessed Sacrament to pre-register through us. We will need both your names, address and phone number. Also, we will need your date of marriage and the name of the Church (and place) where the wedding took place. The final date to register for the Golden Jubilee Mass is Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup>.

## **Prayer for Vocations**

This prayer can be said by a single person or with several people.

Leader: Let us ask God to give worthy Priests, Brothers and Sisters, to His Holy Church.

Others: O God, we earnestly beseech Thee to bless this archdiocese with many priests, brothers and sisters, who will love Thee with their whole strength and gladly spend their entire lives to serve Thy Church and to make Thee known and loved.

Leader: Bless our families, bless our children.

Others: Choose from our homes those who are needed for Thy work.

Leader: Mary, Queen of the clergy!

Others: Pray for us. Pray for our priests and religious. Obtain for us many more.

## **Welcome into the Catholic Church**

We welcome into the Roman Catholic Church, those infants and young children, who have been baptized here recently at Blessed Sacrament. May God's many blessings and graces be with them as they grow in wisdom and strength.

Do you know the Church where you were baptized? It is amazing how many phone calls we receive of people who think they were baptized here but were actually baptized somewhere else.

## **Congratulations**

We congratulate those couples, who received the Sacrament of Marriage, here at Blessed Sacrament recently. Our best wishes goes with them as they have now entered the married life and may God bless them each and every day.

Also, we pray for those couples who are celebrating wedding anniversaries this month. May God continue to strengthen your marriage vows and enlighten you with His grace.

## **In Memoriam**

Our hearts go out to those who have lost loved ones. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And may perpetual light shine upon them. The following are those, who were recently buried, from Blessed Sacrament Church. May God strength their families in this time of trial.

Alice Caputo  
Maria G. Lopez

## **We Pray**

We pray for those who are: ill, awaiting (or recovering from) surgery, homeless, unemployed or underemployed, struggling with finances, struggling with addictions or enduring family problems. May God give them strength, comfort and healing.

**Mass Intentions for the Week**  
**Fourth Week of Easter**

**Monday, April 23rd**

Saint George the Martyr

**7:00am – Charles Bartels Zwennes and  
 John Zwennes †**

**12:10pm – Frank Noto †**

**Tuesday, April 24th**

Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen

**7:00am – Desmond Logan †**

**12:10pm – Mullins, McNamara, Coney and  
 Bessemir Families †**

**Wednesday, April 25th**

Saint Mark the Evangelist

**7:00am – Thuravungal Varghese †**

**12:10pm – Mother Anne Nasimiyu †**

**Thursday, April 26th**

Our Lady of Good Counsel

**7:00am – Maria Mahon †**

**12:10pm – Filomena Sauro Godfrey †**

**Friday, April 27th**

Saint Laurenso Nguyen Van Huong

**7:00am – Michael Clarke †**

**12:10pm – Ellen Vitulli †**

**Saturday, April 28th**

Saint Louis Grignion de Montfort

**8:00am – Thuravungal Varghese †**

**12:10pm – Flavia and Ernesto LaGala †**

**Memorials for the Week**

The Bread and Wine, used at all the Masses this week, are donated in memory of **Thuravungal Varghese**.

The Sanctuary Lamp, burns this week, for in memory of **Marie Gallucci**.

**Visit our Website**

Many times, we receive phone calls asking us about our policies for Baptisms or Weddings. Please go to our website and you will find this information and so much more. Our website is: [www.blessedsacramentnr.com](http://www.blessedsacramentnr.com)

**Collections**

Collection last week \$0,000.00

There is no comparison collection for last year since, last year, it was Easter Sunday.

Thank you for your continued financial support of our Parish and its many needs. Your financial generosity for the upkeep of our Parish buildings and programs is essential and greatly appreciated.

**Readings for the Week of  
 April 22, 2018**

**Monday:** Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4;  
 Jn 10:1-10

**Tuesday:** Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7;  
 Jn 10:22-30

**Wednesday:** 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17;  
 Mk 16:15-20

**Thursday:** Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22,  
 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20

**Friday:** Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab;  
 Jn 14:1-6

**Saturday:** Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4;  
 Jn 14:7-14

**Sunday:** Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32;  
 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

**Something to think about today**

Saint Thomas Aquinas, said:

“If you seek patience, you will find no better example than the Cross. Great patience occurs in two ways: either when one patiently suffers much, or when one suffers things that one is able to avoid and yet does not avoid. Christ endured much on the Cross, and did so patiently. . . .”

Blessed Giles of Assisi, said:

“He who bears his sufferings with patience for God’s sake, will soon arrive at high perfection. He will be master of the world and will already have one foot in the other world.”



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