

**+ THAT SHAMEFUL DAY IN AMERICA +**

Forty-seven years ago on January 22, 1973, the Supreme Court legalized abortion, making that day certainly one of the most shameful days in the history of our nation! Our Holy Father, the late Pope John Paul II reminds us: "...All human life...from the moment of conception and through all subsequent states...is sacred because human life is created in the image and likeness of God. Nothing surpasses the greatness or dignity of a human person..." In his Encyclical Letter, "Gospel of Life" the Pope further reminds us: "Abortion and euthanasia are...crimes which no human law can claim to legitimize. There is no obligation in conscience to obey such laws; instead there is a grave and clear obligation to oppose them by conscientious objection..." As Catholics and disciples of Jesus, we are called to speak out and pray constantly for an end to this terrible scourge of abortion in our nation so that the sanctity of all human life may again be manifested in the laws and attitudes of our nation.

**RESERVE THE DATE** – On Saturday Evening, **March 7, 2020** we will celebrate our **ANNUAL PARISH DINNER DANCE** at The Alpine Country Club in Cranston, RI. Everyone is invited to attend this enjoyable parish event. Parishioners will soon be receiving Raffle Tickets; the participation of everyone is necessary by purchasing and selling Raffle Tickets, Dinner Tickets, and ads for the Souvenir Book. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in making this parish event a success!

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**January 25** - Fiesta de Altigracia

**February 25** - Polenta/Cavati Dinner

**February 26** - Ash Wednesday - Season of Lent

**March 7** - Annual Parish Dinner Dance

**March 8** - Daylight Savings Time

**April 5** - Palm Sunday & Bake Sale

**April 12** - Easter Sunday

**+ A DAY OF PRAYER AND PENANCE +**

Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> (that shameful day in America when the Supreme Court legalized abortion) has been designated by our Bishops as a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. For the dignity of the human person and a DAY OF PRAYER for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life, **a Mass for Peace and Justice will be celebrated on Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 am in English and 7:00 pm in Spanish.**

**PRO-LIFE THOUGHT** – When God chose to become man, He arrived as an unborn child. His conception in Mary’s womb, documented in Scripture, marked the beginning of His earthly life. What has changed since then? Nothing but confused minds unenlightened by divine truths.

**GRATEFUL THANKS & CONGRATULATIONS** to the group of “Milagroso Señor De Esquipulas” of our parish Hispanic Community for their donation of \$777.00 from their celebration held on Saturday, January 11<sup>th</sup>.

**MARDI GRAS CAVATI & POLENTA  
BUFFET DINNER**

**Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm**  
in the Church Hall

Ticket Donation: \$20.00

6-12 years : \$10.00

5 years & under: no charge

No Tickets Sold at the Door - No Take Out Orders  
Everyone is welcome to attend!

*If We Pray*

*If we pray, we will believe,*

*If we believe, we will love,*

*If we love, we will serve.*

*Saint Teresa of Calcutta*

**MASSES FOR JANUARY 20 - 26, 2020**

*Every Mass is offered for the faithful, living or dead.  
However the following are specifically remembered this week.*

**Monday, January 20**

7:30 am - Mary Hopkins, Joseph Abbondanza, Peter Carpentier  
by Robert & Donna DiMartino  
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

**Tuesday, January 21 - St. Agnes**

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners  
6:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration  
7:00 pm - Novena Devotion & Benediction

**Wednesday, January 22 - Day of Prayer and Penance**

7:30 am - Mass for Peace & Justice - English  
5:15 pm - Eucharistic Adoration  
7:00 pm - Mass for Peace & Justice - Spanish

**Thursday, January 23**

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners

**Friday, January 24 - St. Francis de Sales**

7:30 am - Intentions of Priest Celebrant  
3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet  
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

**Saturday, January 25 - The Conversion of St. Paul**

8:00 am - Carlos Umberto Mendoza

**LORD'S DAY MASSES**

**Saturday, January 25**

**5:00 pm**

Dora Maria Pagliaro - 1 year Remembrance by family  
Maria Pitocco  
Emma Urbani

**6:30 pm** - Mass in Spanish - Fiesta de Altigracia

**Sunday, January 26**

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8:00 am**

Frank & Marion Cuiccio by daughters  
Giulio Porretta by wife

**9:30 am** - Mass in Spanish

**11:30 am**

Wayne Rand, Angelina & Amadio Bianco by Virginia

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Monday, January 20**

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

**Tuesday, January 21**

6:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration  
7:00 pm - Novena Devotion & Benediction

**Wednesday, January 22**

5:00 pm - Older First Communion Class - SD Center  
6:30 - RCIA Class - SD Center

**Thursday, January 23**

5:00 pm - Confirmation Class - Rectory

**Friday, January 24**

3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet - Chapel

**Saturday, January 25**

10:00 am - CCD Classes - 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Years - Rectory  
4:15 - 4:45 pm - Confession  
6:30 pm - Fiesta de Altigracia - CH

**Sunday, January 26**

Second Collection: Catholic University of America

**+ WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT +**

What Our Lord Asks Is Not Equal Gifts - But Equal Sacrifice.  
(Increased Giving Campaign)

**Weekend of January 11 & 12, 2020**

Envelopes & Loose Collection: \$3,431.00

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: \$1,809.00

Major Repair Fund

**Sanctuary Candle:**

Agnes Boffa by family & friends

**Altar Bread & Wine:**

Agnes Boffa by family & friends

**SPONSORS FOR OUR BULLETIN**

Because our weekly parish bulletin can no longer be paid by ads on the back page, we are hoping to help defray this expense by asking parishioners to come forward each week by sponsoring the bulletin with a donation of **\$70.00**. Please call the parish office if you wish to help.