

+ **THAT SHAMEFUL DAY IN AMERICA** +  
 Forty-five years ago on January 23, 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.

**A DAY OF PRAYER AND PENANCE**

Monday, 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 Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 am.

**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 "Black Christ of Esquipulas" of our parish Hispanic Community for their donation of \$548.00 from their celebration held on Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Holy Name Society  
 Macaroni Dinner**

**Sunday, January 28, 2018**

**Dinner served at 1:00 pm**

**in the Church Hall**

Donation: \$20 Adults / \$10 Children under 10 yrs.

Reserve your tickets now at the Parish Office or from Holy Name Society members. Everyone is welcome to attend!

**MARDI GRAS CAVATI & POLENTA  
 BUFFET DINNER**

**Tuesday, February 13, 2018 – 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!

**RESERVE THE DATE** – On Saturday Evening, **April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018** we will celebrate our **ANNUAL PARISH DINNER DANCE** at "The Crowne Plaza" in Warwick, RI. Everyone is invited to attend this enjoyable parish event. Parishioners are encouraged to join us at the first organizational **meeting on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** in the Rectory Meeting Room. Soon raffle tickets will be mailed: the participation of every family is important.

**UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS**

January 28<sup>th</sup> – Macaroni Dinner

February 13<sup>th</sup> – Polenta/Cavati Dinner

February 14<sup>th</sup> – Ash Wednesday – Lent Begins

February 16<sup>th</sup> – Weekly Friday Stations of the Cross begins

February 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> – Catholic Charity Appeal

March 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> – Catholic Charity Appeal

March 11<sup>th</sup> – St. Patrick Dinner

March 25<sup>th</sup> – Palm Sunday & Bake Sale

April 1<sup>st</sup> – Easter Sunday

April 28<sup>th</sup> – Annual Parish Dinner Dance

**Masses for January 22 - 28, 2018**

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

**Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>**

7:30 am – Mass for Peace & Justice  
No Mass in Spanish this evening

**Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>**

7:30 am - Intentions of Priest Celebrant  
6:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration  
7:00 pm - Novena Services & Benediction

**Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 am – Intentions of Parishioners

**Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 am – Maria Pitocco

**Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 am – Intentions of Priest Celebrant

**Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 am – Intentions of Parishioners

**WEEKEND MASSES**

**Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>**

**5:00 pm - Collective Mass**

Norman Caruolo by wife  
Frank J. DiMaio by wife & family  
Angelina Rotonda by Mary  
A. Peter Sperduti

**6:30 pm - Mass in Spanish**

**Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8:00 am - Collective Mass**

Deceased of Anthony DiPetrillo Family  
Giulio Porretta by wife  
Deceased of Luigi Tirocchi Family  
Memorial Shrine Enrollments

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

**11:30 am – Wayne Rand**  
Angelina & Amadio Bianco by Virginia

**Sanctuary Candle:**

Frank J. DiMaio by wife & family

**Altar Bread & Wine:**

Frank J. DiMaio by wife & family

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00 pm – ANNUAL PARISH DINNER DANCE  
MEETING - RH**

**Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>**

3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet, Chapel

**Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 am – CCD Classes – 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> years

**Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>**

**1:00 pm – MACARONI DINNER - CH**

**+WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT+**

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

**Weekend of January 6 – 7**

Envelopes & Loose Collection: \$3,498.00  
No Second Collection

**Baptized in Christ**

Natalia Kate Galapon  
Josue Antonio Molina

**+ Died in Christ +**

Philip A. Almagno  
Linda Bianchi  
Corinne Grande  
Anna Vidiri

**SPONSORS FOR OUR BULLETIN**

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