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Dear parishioners,

We follow on liturgical clothing from last week:

The maniple is an article of liturgical dress used in the celebration of the extraordinary form of the Holy Mass of the Roman Rite. It fell into disuse in the years of the post-conciliar reform, even though it was never abrogated. The maniple is similar to the stole but is not as long: It is fixed in the middle with a clasp or strings similar to those of the chasuble. During the celebration of the Holy Mass in the extraordinary form, the celebrant, the deacon and the subdeacon wear the maniple on their left forearm. This article of liturgical garb perhaps derives from a handkerchief, or "mappula," that the Romans wore knotted on their left arm. As the "mappula" was used to wipe away tears or sweat, medieval ecclesiastical writers regarded the maniple as a symbol of the toils of the priesthood. This understanding found its way into the prayer recited when the maniple is put on: "Merrear, Domine, portare manipulum fletus et doloris; ut cum exultatione recipiam mercedem laboris" (May I deserve, O Lord, to bear the maniple of weeping and sorrow in order that I may joyfully reap the reward of my labors).

The stole is a long cloth, about four inches wide and of the same color as the chasuble, that is worn around the neck like a scarf. It is secured at the waist with the cincture. Traditionally, the stole was crisscrossed on the chest of the priest to symbolize the cross. The stole too is of ancient origin. Rabbis wore prayer shawls with tassels as a sign of their authority. The crisscrossing of the stole also was symbolic of the crisscrossed belts the Roman soldiers wore: one belt, holding the sword at the waist, and the other belt, holding a pouch with provisions, like food and water. In this sense, the stole reminds the priest not only of his authority and dignity as a priest, but also of his duty to preach the Word the God with courage and conviction ("Indeed, God's word is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword." Hebrews 4:12) and to serve the needs of the faithful. Putting on the alb, the priest recites this prayer: "Redde mihi, Domine, stolam immortalitatis, quam perdidit in praevaricatione primi parentis; et, quamvis indignus accedo ad tuum sacrum mysterium, merrear tamen gaudium sempiternum" (Lord, restore the stole of immortality, which I lost through the collusion of our first parents, and, unworthy as I am to approach Thy sacred mysteries, may I yet gain eternal joy)

Finally, the chasuble is the outer garment worn over the alb and stole. Over the centuries, various styles of chasubles have emerged. Derived from the Latin word casula meaning "house," the chasuble in the Graeco-Roman world was like a cape that completely covered the body and protected the person from inclement weather. Spiritually, the chasuble reminds the priest of the charity of Christ: "Over all these virtues put on love, which binds the rest together and makes them perfect" (Colossians, 3:14). The prayer for the donning of the chasuble references the exhortation in the Letter to the Colossians (3:14) -- "Above all these things [put on] charity, which is the bond of perfection" -- and the Lord's words in Matthew, 11:30: "Domine, qui dixisti: Iugum meum suave est, et onus meum leve: fac, ut istud portare sic valeam, quod consequar tuam gratiam. Amen" (O Lord, who has said, "My yoke is sweet and My burden light," grant that I may so carry it as to merit Thy grace).

In the Middle Ages, two popular interpretations of the meaning of the vestments arose. The most prevalent one interpreted the vestments as symbols of Jesus' passion: the blindfold (the amice) and the garment (the alb) as He was mocked and beaten; the ropes and fetters (the cincture) which bound Him during the scourging; the cross (the stole) He carried; and the seamless garment (the chasuble) for which the soldiers rolled dice. The other popular interpretation focused on the vestments in their Roman military origins and viewed them as symbols of the priest as the soldier of Christ doing battle against sin and Satan.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Father Newcomb

In celebration of Catholic School Week, *St. Mary's Little Lambs* Early Childhood Learning Center in Port Jervis invites current, prospective, and alumni families to attend an Open House on Mon. Jan. 30 from 5-7pm (Snow date Mon., Feb. 6). Visit classrooms, meet with staff, shop our Scholastic Book Fair, and learn how Little Lambs is raising standards in Catholic education. Little Lambs will begin accepting registrations for the 2017-18 school year at Open House. For more information, parents of prospective students are encouraged to contact director Eileen Carmody at 845-858-4208 or littlelambs@stmarysportjervis.com

Upcoming Faith Events-

Saturday, February 11th Double Feature Movie
Finding Dory Doors Open at 12 p.m. and
Miracles from Heaven Doors open 6 p.m.

Details coming soon!

Saturday, March 4th Lenten Event
Friday, April 7th Fish and Chips Dinner
Saturday, April 22nd 2nd Annual Parish Dance

Liturgical Ministers for January 21/22, 2017

MASS	LECTOR	MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	ALTAR SERVERS
4:00PM	P. CAL	K. BOBISH, L. AVELLA, H. ECKES	J. KLOTZ, S. KLOTZ, D. KLOTZ
8:30AM	J. HENDRICK	J. TAYLOR, D. AND V. LIVINGSTON	T. LAMOREAUX, E. AND A. WITKOWSKI
11:30AM	M. ESLING	B. DENNINGTON, T. MARION, H. MARINARO	C. CENTAURO, M. FEDRIZZI, M. LAUTURE, DJ PERRIN

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Tickets 25 for \$1
All funds raised benefit Community Charities.

We will have a bus to Washington, DC on January 27th. The cost is \$40 per person or \$75 per family. Mass will be held at 4:30am and the bus will leave promptly at 5am. For more information contact Nancy Smith 845-856-4610.

Fat Friday Fun

All children in grades 5 through 8 are invited to join the members of **G.E.M.S.** on Friday, February 24th from 5pm until 7pm in the church hall. We will have a pizza party, activities, and video games for all to enjoy. Come learn about our youth group while having fun. Please call the parish office for more information and to RSVP by February 17th.

Catholic Charities marks a 100 year legacy of service and launches the next century of providing help and creating hope for New Yorkers in need for non catholics and catholics alike. Catholic Charities recommits to providing basic human services that are effective and caring and to being a valued partner in building the fabric of a caring New York.

For Help: 888-744-7900. To Help: 646-794-2051.

The Family Life Respect Life Office works in collaboration with the Courage and Encourage Apostolates to support those with same-sex attractions and their families, in fidelity to Catholic teaching on marriage and sexuality. **Encourage** is a catholic apostolate for those who have family members with same-sex attraction. A new website has been created to help the faithful who are searching for information about Encourage, the church's teachings on same sex attraction and spiritual support. Go to www.encyourageny.com.

Holy Name of Jesus – Adult Faith Formation

“Euthanasia and assisted suicide are never acceptable acts of mercy. They always gravely exploit the suffering and desperate, extinguishing life in the name of the ‘quality of life’ itself.” (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Living the Gospel of Life*) This is the teaching of the Church. Why? What if....my loved one wishes to be released from pain and suffering? What good is continuing life in this way?

Desperate, soul-searching questions. Ethical and moral issues. How do I know what to do?

Join us as we welcome Ed Mechmann and his team from the Archdiocesan Family Life/Respect Life office who will explain the reasoning behind the Church's guidance on end of life issues on Tuesday, January 17th at 7pm
Holy Name of Jesus, 45 Highland Avenue, Otisville, New York – Brennan Hall

“What a sick person needs, besides medical care, is love, the human and supernatural warmth with which the sick person can and ought to be surrounded by all those close to him or her, parents and children, doctors and nurses.” (Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. *Declaration on Euthanasia*)

ANNOUNCED MASSES

- Monday, January 16**
9:00am John Little, by Donna Muro, Chrissy, and Linda Korycki
Fritz Klostermeier, by Irene Klostermeier
- Tuesday, January 17 (Anthony, abbot)**
9:00am Frank Semerano, by Bo Pawlicha
- Wednesday, January 18**
9:00am Dennis Simmons, by Rayola McLaughlin
- Thursday, January 19**
9:00am Violeta Smadbeck, by Dr. Jane Brooks
Deceased members of the William Gore family, by Dolores and family
- Saturday, January 21**
4:00pm Deceased members of the Sauer family, by Russell and Janet Smith
- Sunday, January 22**
8:30am June Livingston, by Vincent and family
11:30am The parishioners of St. Mary's
Deceased members of the McKeon family, by Donna and Ray Calvario

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Joann Wilcox, Nick Moscatiello, Jackie Mundy, Theresa Fuller, Donald Wolff, Walter Szpakowicz, Frances Brennan, Jose Ramos, Aedan Roach, Jim Roach, Robyn Radzikowski, Joseph Brennan, Betty Brennan, Richard Samek, Sandy Osbourne, John McKeon, William Lincoln, Michael Barnes, Jeanine Lincoln, Mary Platania, Angela Grillo, Ruth Lewis, Anthony Medaglia, Maureen Hildebrandt, Robert Cinerar, Andrea Fedoruk, Angela Portella, Pauline Portella, Steve Wilkinson, Grace Maillet, Joseph Cox, William Gaide, Jacqueline Hamilton, Ashley Avella, Christina Greeves, Amelia Quinn, Marianne Ripel, Joseph Livingston, Donna Bancala, Teddy Mead, Pat Arnold, Angela Lillo, Pat Muller, Debi Cotugno, Tom Earley, Conner McHugh, Bobby Fett, Sue Arnold, Dennis Perrin, Gary Lopriore, Josephine Fiorillo, Carol Tufano, Jacqueline Leggett, David M. Phillips, Laney Carnahan, and Elizabeth Startup Jones.

A Healing Mass will take place at The National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Middletown, NY on Thursday, January 26, 2017 at 7:00pm. For further information, contact Carol Bezak, Shrine Director at 845-343-1879 or visit

www.ourladyofmtcarmelshrine.org

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The collection for January 7th/8th was \$6,370.
Thank you for your continued generosity.