

Most Precious Blood Church Bulletin

A Little Italy Newsletter

Sunday, February 24, 2008

13 Tuesdays Begin March 18th

In Three Weeks,

We will begin the Thirteen Tuesdays in preparation for the Feast of St. Anthony, Wonder-Worker of Padua. We have always tried to have good speakers here to conduct the Devotions to St. Anthony for these thirteen weeks, and this year is no exception. We are trying to make arrangements for a special speaker to be here for the entire devotion, and when we confirm this, we will let you know.

In the meantime, we ask you to plan to make these devotions weekly for the entire period of the Thirteen Tuesdays, and we in turn promise you that St. Anthony will not turn a deaf ear to your petitions. Spread the word among your friends that we want them here every Tuesday. Devotions are held immediately after the 8 am Mass, after the 12:10 Mass, and in the evening at 7:30. At the 8 am Mass, there will be NO HOMILY, but there will be the full devotions after the Mass. This we do because some people have to get to work in the morning and cannot afford the extra five minutes or so for a homily.

2008 Cardinal's Appeal

Next Sunday, we will have the "in-Pew" solicitation for the Cardinal's 2008 Appeal. If you have not yet made your contribution, we beg you to bring it in next week, and we will put it in with the "in-Pew" contributions. It will also give all those present at Mass, whose name and addresses are usually unknown to us and the Chancery Office the opportunity to make their contribution to this very important

Charity for the Archdiocese, and for the Church of the Most Precious Blood.

All of us have to do our part, and if we do, we will have no difficulty in reaching and even going over our goal of \$5,500.00. Let's see if we can go over the top of our goal by this coming week.

Lent

We have, this week, almost passed into the middle of Lent, and we might ask ourselves how we are doing spiritually, if we have kept up with what we wanted to do according to our intentions way back on Ash Wednesday.

If we have, that is all well and good, and we should perhaps give ourselves a little pat on the back and say: "Well Done" - and then continue in our good work. But if we have faltered in any way, let us analyze where we failed, and take the bull by the horns and see if we can correct ourselves and rededicate our efforts to start up again. It is never too late. Restart and reinforce our efforts to treat the straight and narrow paths to heaven's door, because it is only by continuing on the good path that we will eventually succeed. Make a resolution to try a little harder. Each of us can do it. And by Easter will be so proud of the new persons that we are!

During this period of Lent, it might be a great idea also to pick up a spiritual book and get some good spiritual reading in. We try our best to put some good pamphlets in the rack at the back, but we no sooner put them in than they disappear. We hope they do end up in good hands and at least that those who take them will not only read them, but after they

use them, redistribute them to others who might be able to use them.

At the beginning of Lent we also distributed to all a Pamphlet on How to Make a Good Confession. If you did not

And we also offered another on how to become a better Christian, and to do this during Lent would be a great help to you and to your families. This was also a free pamphlet. If you didn't get one, ask at the rectory.

Atlantic City Bus Trip

The next trip will be on Wednesday, March 19, and if you are interested in going on this, call Mary Frattini at 212 242-0195 and she will be happy to assign a seat for you and give you departure times as well as arrival times.

Parish Sick & Deceased

Say a prayer occasionally for the sick and deceased of the Parish, and especially your own relatives and friends. Some of them may be depending upon your prayers to help them in the "after-life."

25 Beautiful One-liners

A Give God what's right not what's left.

B. Man's way leads to hopeless end God's way leads to and endless hope.

C. A lot of kneeling will keep you in good standing.

D. He who kneels before God can stand before anyone.

E. In the sentence of life, the devil may be a comma, but never let him be a period.

F. Don't put a question mark where God puts a period.

G. Are you Wrinkled with burden? Come to the Church for a face-lift!

H. When praying, don't give God instructions Just report for duty

get one, please inquire at the rectory for one - it is free and it will help you spiritually.

I. Don't wait for six strong men to take YOU to Church.

J. We don't change God's message ... His Message changes us.

K. The Church is Prayer-conditioned.

L. When God ordains, He sustains.

M. Warning: Exposure to the Son may prevent burning.

N. Plan ahead ... It wasn't raining when Noah built the Ark.

O. Most People want to serve God, but only in an advisory position.

P. Suffering from Truth Decay? Brush up on your Bible.

Q. Exercise daily Walk with the Lord.

R. Never give the devil a ride ... he will always want to drive.

S. Nothing else ruins the truth like stretching it.

T. Compassion is difficult to give away because it is keeps coming back.

U. He who angers you controls you.

V. Worry is the darkroom in which negatives can develop.

W. Give Satan an inch and he'll be a ruler.

X. Be Ye fishers of men. You catch them and He'll clean them.

Y God doesn't call the qualified, he qualifies the called.

After reading all these, say a short prayer for the one who typed all these and then pass this bulletin on to a loved one to read.

Within a short time, you will have prayed and you will have caused countless others to pray also to God for other people, including yourself.

Then sit back and watch the power of God work in YOUR life because you are doing the work of God that will last into eternity!