

MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD CHURCH

ST. BENEDICT'S CHAPEL

"You were rescued by the Precious Blood of Christ, that spotless and innocent lamb." 1 Peter 1:19

42 Walnut St., Walden, NY 12586



Rev. Joseph P. Fallon
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Mr. Woodrow Hallaway
School Principal

Mrs. Lori Mahoney
Coordinator of Religious Education

Knights of Columbus: First Wednesday and third Friday at 7:30 pm in Fr. Sullivan Hall.

MPB Rosary Altar Society: Second Monday, call Kathy 778-1217 for details.

St. Benedict's Rosary Altar Society: Second Tuesday, call Toni 895-8865 for details.

Sunday Masses:

Most Precious Blood Church:

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday Morning: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.

St. Benedict's Chapel:

Saturday: 6:30 p.m.

Weekday Masses at MPB:

Monday-Wednesday: 9:00 a.m.

Friday - Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

Confessions: Saturday 9:30-10:00 a.m. and 3:45-4:15 p.m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

First Fridays 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Baptisms: The first Sunday of each month, call the rectory to arrange.

Sponsorship certificates are available to active parishioners, please call the rectory two weeks in advance.

Marriages: At least seven months in advance, call the rectory.

Bingo is hosted at the school Sunday 12:30 p.m., Tuesday 12:00 p.m., Friday 6:00 p.m. 778-0127

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778-3028

www.mpbschool.org

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778-5719

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778-7081

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Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time





MASS INTENTIONS

Most Precious Blood Church:

Monday	February	13,	9:00 a.m.	Larry Kane
Tuesday	February	14,	9:00 a.m.	Mel McCoy
Wednesday	February	15,	9:00 a.m.	Mel McCoy
Friday	February	17,	9:00 a.m.	Grace Ryan
Saturday	February	18,	9:00 a.m.	Rose Oliva
			4:30 p.m.	Marie Lake
Sunday	February	19,	7:30 a.m.	Pat & Red Fitzgerald
			9:00 a.m.	Brian Masterson
			11:00 a.m.	Keith Anne Bornhurst

St. Benedict's Chapel:

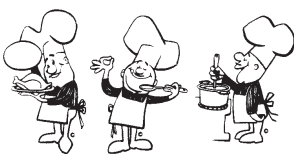
Saturday February 18, 6:30 p.m. Josephine Popiel

Altar Server Schedule—February 18th & February 19th

Saturday 4:30 Erin & Katie Gillette, Joseph, Emma & Julia Krzeminski
 Sunday 7:30 Julian & Steven Aviles, Madison Sherry
 9:00 Kaylee Benson, Gabriella Carpino, Alex Motter, Christopher & Adriana Valentin
 11:00 Liam & Brendan Butler, Stephen Harrison, Nick Hinspeter, Patrick Primavera

This week marks the beginning of the *2017 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal* in our parish. You will be receiving a letter from Cardinal Dolan asking for your support of the vital ministries, programs and services provided through the *Appeal* each year. When you receive your letter, please fill out your pledge card and send it in. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

International Food Festival is coming to MPB!



Mark your calendar: Saturday
 February 25 | 6:30 p.m. | Fr. Sullivan Hall
 Volunteers needed for the Food Committee and lots of volunteer cooks needed for international food.

Contact Laura 649-5443 to volunteer or for more information.

February 5, 2017 Collection

Most Precious Blood:	\$ 4,741.00
St. Benedict's:	\$ 480.00
Parish Pay:	\$ 443.00
Total:	\$ 5,664.00
Last year collection:	\$ 5,608.00
Total donated in envelopes:	\$ 4,048.00

MPB Summer Basketball

Registration is open.
 To register go to the website mpbsummer.countmein.com.
 Questions can be emailed to info@mpbsummer.com.

Altar Flowers

If you would like to place flower intentions for MPB, please call Kathy Kastberg at 778-1217 and Toni Knabl for St. Benedicts at 895-8865.



Dennis Abate, Maureen Benner, Ann Bestenheider, John Ciardullo, Theresa Colantuono, Verna Dando, Catherine Deasy, Carmen Esposito, Kevin Fries, Irene Fontaine, Donald Garcia, Gary Geiger, Rosalie Kunkel, Anthony & Mary Legnini, Carmela Mazzella, Kevin McFadden, Mary Meehan, Pat Meisel, Eileen Mishk, George Molnar, Joseph Mongelluzzo, Richard Pavelski, Annmarie Schupper, Trystian Ting, Ron Utter, Vince Villani, John Zuzuck

Gospel of Matthew – come join us as we begin our deeper understanding of the Gospel of Matthew. We will watch a DVD by a scripture scholar, then discuss the topic for that week. Each session lasts about one hour. Please give it a try, Tuesday evening from 7:30 to 8:30 in Fr. Sullivan Hall.



Save The Dates

Knights of Columbus
 St. Patrick's Day Dinner
 Saturday, March 11th

Lenten Meals will be offered starting Friday, March 3rd. Watch the bulletin for each week's menu.



January was MPB's time at the food pantry. We served 182 children, 312 adults and 51 seniors. Our next month is May.

Martha Host is making a recipe book to put out at the pantry in May. If anyone has recipes they would like to share mail them to 53 Riverview Street, Walden, NY 12586 or email them to mdhost@earthlink.net.

Dear Parishioners,

Moving the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament to 7:00 pm on First Friday worked out well. It appears that some of our parishioners might not be familiar with this ancient prayer. Adoration dates back to the 1200 with the rise of the Feast of Corpus Christi. Essentially – Adoration is time for quiet prayer, reflection and thinking in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. A large host, is placed in a special cross called a “monstrance.” In the center of the monstrance, is a small round window where the Eucharist is placed, then the monstrance itself is placed on the altar, where it can be seen. It is a beautiful devotion and I encourage you to take some time and come for a visit.

Last Wednesday I attended a Cluster meeting in Montgomery. As you might recall, all parishes in the Archdiocese are part of a “cluster” of neighboring parishes. Our “cluster” includes: Infant Savior in Pine Bush, St. Mary’s in Montgomery and Maybrook and of course MPB. Furthermore, the diocese is requiring all parishes to have a cluster parish mission. With that in mind, our cluster mission will be: June 5, 6 and 7 in Montgomery. As we get closer there will be more information.

There has been some great feedback on the new website: formed.org. I encourage you to take a look. It offers free movies, ebooks and a lot of Catholic resources.

Finally – February 3, last Friday was St. Blaise Day. The day before is the whimsical “Ground Hog Day”. Well the day before St. Blaise is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, when the Christ Child was presented in the temple. Historically, this was the end of the Christmas season; in the present day Christmas ends after the Feast of the Epiphany. Traditionally, the Feast of the Presentation is the day when candles were blessed which would be used for the coming year, hence it was commonly called “Candlemas.” Part of this feast day was the expectation that winter was coming to an end. The groundhog was a later addition. In fact, according to Wikipedia: “the first documented American reference to Groundhog Day can be found in a diary entry, dated February 4, 1841, by Morgantown, Pennsylvania, storekeeper James Morris: Last Tuesday, the 2nd, was Candlemas day, the day on which, according to the Germans, the Groundhog peeps out of his winter quarters and if he sees his shadow he pops back for another six week nap, but if the day be cloudy he remains out, as the weather is to be moderate.”

From England, the poem:

If Candlemas be fair and bright,
Winter has another flight.
If Candlemas brings clouds and rain,
Winter will not come again.

From Scotland, the poem:

If Candlemas Day is bright and clear,
There'll be two winters in the year.

Finally, our Cardinal’s Appeal goal this year was diminished to \$38,500! So hopefully we can make it considering we made last year’s goal, which was a bit higher.



Camp Veritas 2017

A one week play and pray sleep away camp for teens going into 7th to 12th grades. It will be held July 16th — 22nd at Mount St. Mary’s College in Newburgh and August 13th — 19th at Camp Lakota in Sullivan County. Enrollment is presently open. The cost for the week is \$450 per camper. Early bird rate \$400 if paid by 4/1. Full Scholarships for MPB altar servers. For more details go to: www.campveritas.com.

Operation Archangel in conjunction with the Orange County Sheriff’s Office, the Archdiocese has initiated a program called **Operation Archangel** to safeguard our parishes during the celebration of Sunday Mass. To establish this program, the parish is in need of volunteers who are Active Duty or Retired Law Enforcement officers. There are no schedules but there will be one meeting with a representative from the Sheriff’s Office to discuss procedure. Essentially, this program will help to coordinate the efforts of Law Enforcement Officers who are at Mass anyway. For instance, if there is some unusual occurrence at the 7:30 Mass or the 9:00 Mass, those officers who have participated in **Operation Archangel**, will know each other and be on the same page on how to respond. If you are willing and able, please call the parish and leave your name and phone number. Once we have several volunteers, we will contact the Sheriff’s Office to come for a meeting. Please step up to the plate and help protect our parish.



Old Palms Needed—Ash Wednesday is March 1st and we are collecting old palms to be burned to make ashes. A labeled container is located in front of the Church.

Assumption Church Bereavement Group

Meets 1st & 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
Church Hall | 211 Homestead Avenue | Maybrook
Bereavement Mass March 4 at 10 a.m. Refreshments after Mass. For more details contact Rosemarie McGroarty 427-5298 or Father Dan O’Hare at St. Mary’s in Montgomery 457-5276.

Cathedral Prep Weekend Program For young men in high school considering the priesthood. Join our monthly retreats and experience Christ through fraternity, sports and prayer. Open to young men in high school who attend Mass regularly and are open to a vocation to the priesthood. March 10-12 & April 28-30 St. Joseph’s Seminary. For more Information contact (914) 968-1340 or cprep@archny.org.

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