



THE SAINT JAMES EXPERIENCE

The Saint James Cathedral-Basilica Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 15, 2024



**SAINT JAMES
CATHEDRAL-BASILICA**

SCHEDULE:

Weekday Mass: Monday to Friday 12:00 PM

Sunday Mass: 11:00 AM

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament: Friday 11:00 AM

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday 9:00 AM-3:00 PM

(Closed on Holidays & For Special Events)

Most Reverend Robert J. Brennan, D. D., Bishop

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Mrs. Rosa Paulsen-Williams, Secretary

Nick Martellacci, Music Director

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FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR AT SAINT JAMES CATHEDRAL-BASILICA

To the faithful parishioners of St. James Cathedral,

Last week we reflected on the importance of education and the start of a new academic year. This week we reflect on a similar theme: the beginning of a new Religious Education year. The theme for religious education this year is: "Lord, when did we see you hungry?" We are offered an invitation to spend the entire year introducing Catholic Social Teaching to our young disciples and their families.

The opening of religious education programs marks a significant milestone in fostering spiritual growth, moral development, and cultural understanding within our faith communities. These programs serve as an opportunity for sharing religious knowledge, values, and Catholic traditions with individuals of all ages, promoting a deeper connection with our faith and a deeper understanding of religious practices.

Religious education programs provide a structured environment where disciples of every age can explore the tenets of the Catholic faith, engage in meaningful discussions, and develop a sense of belonging within a religious community. These programs include a variety of activities such as scripture study, prayer sessions, and community service projects, all designed to reinforce the teachings of our faith and encourage putting them into practice in daily life.

One of the key benefits of religious education is the promotion of ethical and moral values. By learning about the principles and teachings of faith, disciples young and old are encouraged to lead lives of integrity, compassion, and respect for others. This moral foundation not only benefits individuals but also contributes to the overall well-being of society by fostering a culture of life and mutual respect.

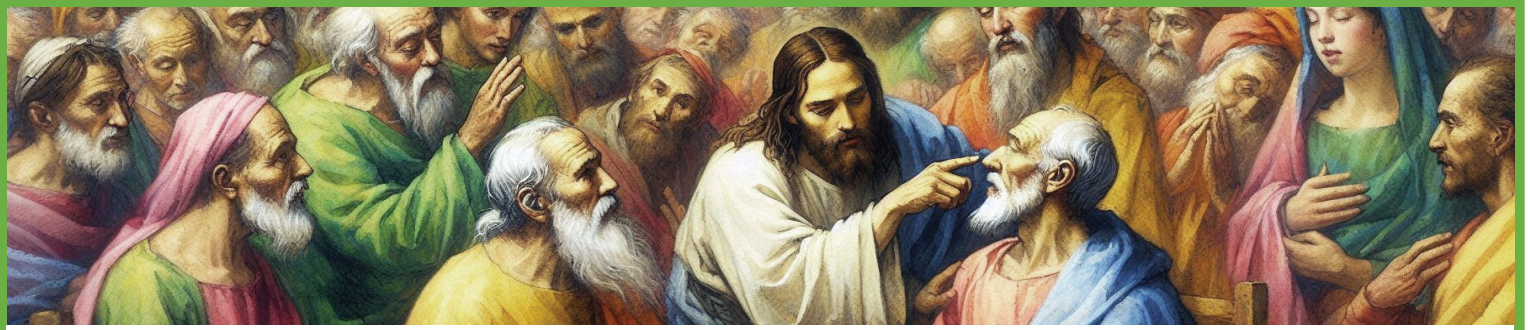
Moreover, religious education programs play a crucial role in preserving our cultural heritage and traditions. They provide a means for passing on rituals, customs, and stories from one generation to the next, ensuring that the rich tapestry of religious and cultural history is maintained. This intergenerational transmission of knowledge helps to strengthen community bonds and instill a sense of pride and identity among community members.

The opening of religious education programs is a vital step in nurturing spiritual growth, moral development, and cultural preservation. Throughout the Diocese of Brooklyn, Religious Education programs not only enrich the lives of disciples but also contribute to the creation of a more compassionate, respectful, and united community of faith. May God bless our faith formation communities at this start of a new catechetical year!

Peace,

Fr. Joseph R. Gibino





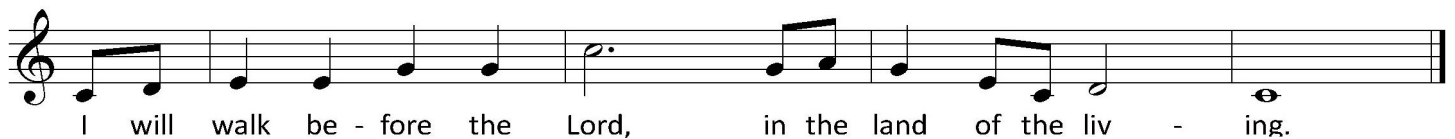
READING I : [Isaiah 50:5-9a](#)

(Proclaimed in Spanish)

The Lord GOD opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled, have not turned back. I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame. He is near who upholds my right; if anyone wishes to oppose me, let us appear together. Who disputes my right? Let that man confront me. See, the Lord GOD is my help; who will prove me wrong?

Response: TE ALABAMOS, SEÑOR

RESPONSORIAL PSALM : [116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9](#)



READING II : [James 2:14-18](#)

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? If a brother or sister has nothing to wear and has no food for the day, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, keep warm, and eat well, " but you do not give them the necessities of the body, what good is it? So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead. Indeed someone might say, "You have faith and I have works." Demonstrate your faith to me without works, and I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works.

GOSPEL: [Mark 8:27-35](#)

Jesus and his disciples set out for the villages of Caesarea Philippi. Along the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" They said in reply, "John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others one of the prophets." And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter said to him in reply, "You are the Christ." Then he warned them not to tell anyone about him. He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and rise after three days. He spoke this openly. Then Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. At this he turned around and, looking at his disciples, rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it."

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time B - Gloria

Open: [791](#) - Glorious in majesty

Offertory: [785](#) - What does the Lord require

Communion: [724](#) - We Remember

Recession: [699](#) - Christus paradox

Postlude: Procession March - F. Scotson Clark 1840-1883

Postlude: Erbarm Dich Mein - Johann Sebastian Bach 1685-1750

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME September 15, 2024

"Blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it."
You may be called to observe the word of God and embrace a calling to the priesthood or consecrated life. Talk to your priest or reach out to **Fr. Christopher J. Bethge**, the Vocations Director at (718) 827-2454 or vocations@diobook.org



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2:00 pm: Veneration of Blessed Carlo Acutis Relic
3:00 pm: Holy Hour, Confession, Rosary
4:00 pm: Holy Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral
4:45-5:45 pm: Eucharistic Procession Through Manhattan
5:50 pm: Benediction
6:15 pm: Event Concludes
6:15-8:30 pm: Veneration of Blessed Carlo Acutis Relic

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MESSAGE FROM THE 'MAN UPSTAIRS'

GLORY BE!

During the Gloria, I hear people timidly joining in with the Cantor. Be bold! If you know the music, then sing out! After all, the Gloria is a hymn of praise.

BRINGING BACK THE CHOIR

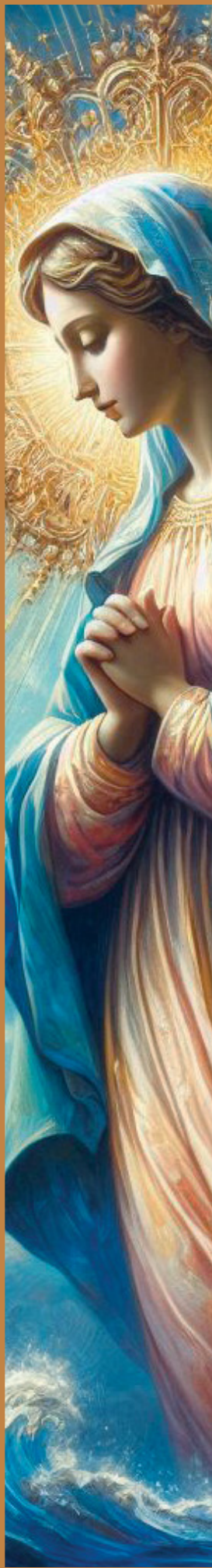
Last fall, I tried to restart the CBSJ Choir. I got no response. So I'm trying again this year. If I can find as few as four people who can sing on pitch, we can begin rehearsals. If you prefer sitting back and listening to the Cantors and occasional hired singers, that's fine. I promise I'll still bake cookies and carrot cake! But when I interviewed for the position at St James, I said I'd make an effort to get the choir up and singing again. And now I have. If you're interested, please speak to me after Mass.

Nick Martellacci

Music Director of St. James Cathedral-Basilica

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY: September 15, 2024	MONDAY: September 16, 2024	TUESDAY: September 17, 2024
People of the parish	Fr. M. R. Augustine	In the Thanksgiving to St. James
WEDNESDAY: September 18, 2024	THURSDAY: September 19, 2024	FRIDAY: September 20, 2024
Lorraine Pronek	For the Special Intention of Steve M. Joseph	For the Special Intention of Miracsaint Julie
LECTORS	September 15, 2024 Mary Pradt & Elina Cruz	September 22, 2024 Dan McCardell & Mireyda Reyes
COFFEE HOUR <i>Resumes 9/15/2024</i>	September 15, 2024 Potluck style - Bring a dish & share a smile	September 22, 2024 Potluck style - Bring a dish & share a smile



YOUR DAILY CAMINO

15th SEPTEMBER- SUNDAY

“Get behind me, Satan!” he said. “You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.”

~ **Mark 8: 33**

16th SEPTEMBER- MONDAY

“I sacrifice only to the Omnipotent God, who reigns in Heaven.”

~ **Saint Nicomedes**

17th SEPTEMBER- TUESDAY

“The only thing ever achieved in life without effort is failure.”

~ **Saint Francis of Assisi**

18th SEPTEMBER- WEDNESDAY

“A man may lose the good things of this life against his will but, if he loses the eternal blessings, he does so with his own consent.”

~ **Saint Joseph of Cupertino**

19th SEPTEMBER- THURSDAY

“Be not afraid to pray--to pray is right. Pray, if thou canst, with hope; but ever pray, Though hope be weak or sick with long delay; Pray in the darkness, if there be no light.

~ **Hartley Coleridge**

20th SEPTEMBER- FRIDAY

“A prophet is not without honor, except in the hometown and in his own household.”

~ **Saint Matthew the Apostle**

21th SEPTEMBER- SATURDAY

“I’ve always believed in God. I also think that’s the sort of thing that either comes as part of the equipment, the capacity to believe, or at some point in your life, when you’re in a position where you actually need help from a power greater than yourself, you simply make an agreement.”

~ **Stephen King**



WEEKLY PRAYERS

(SAINTS OBVIOUS AND UNFAMILIAR)

PRAYER OF ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE

O ALMIGHTY God, who by thy blessed Son didst call Matthew from the receipt of custom to be an Apostle and Evangelist: Grant us grace to forsake all covetous desires and inordinate love of riches, and to follow the same thy Son Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

PRAYER OF STS. CORNELIUS AND CYPRIAN

O God, who gave Saints Cornelius and Cyprian to your people as diligent shepherds and valiant Martyrs, grant that through their intercession we may be strengthened in faith and constancy and spend ourselves without reserve for the unity of the Church. Amen.

PRAYER OF ST. NICOMEDES

Stay close to Your people, O Lord, so that the brilliant merits of Your blessed martyr Nicomedes may help us, and his prayers win for us Your unfailing mercy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

PRAYER OF ST. HILDEGARD

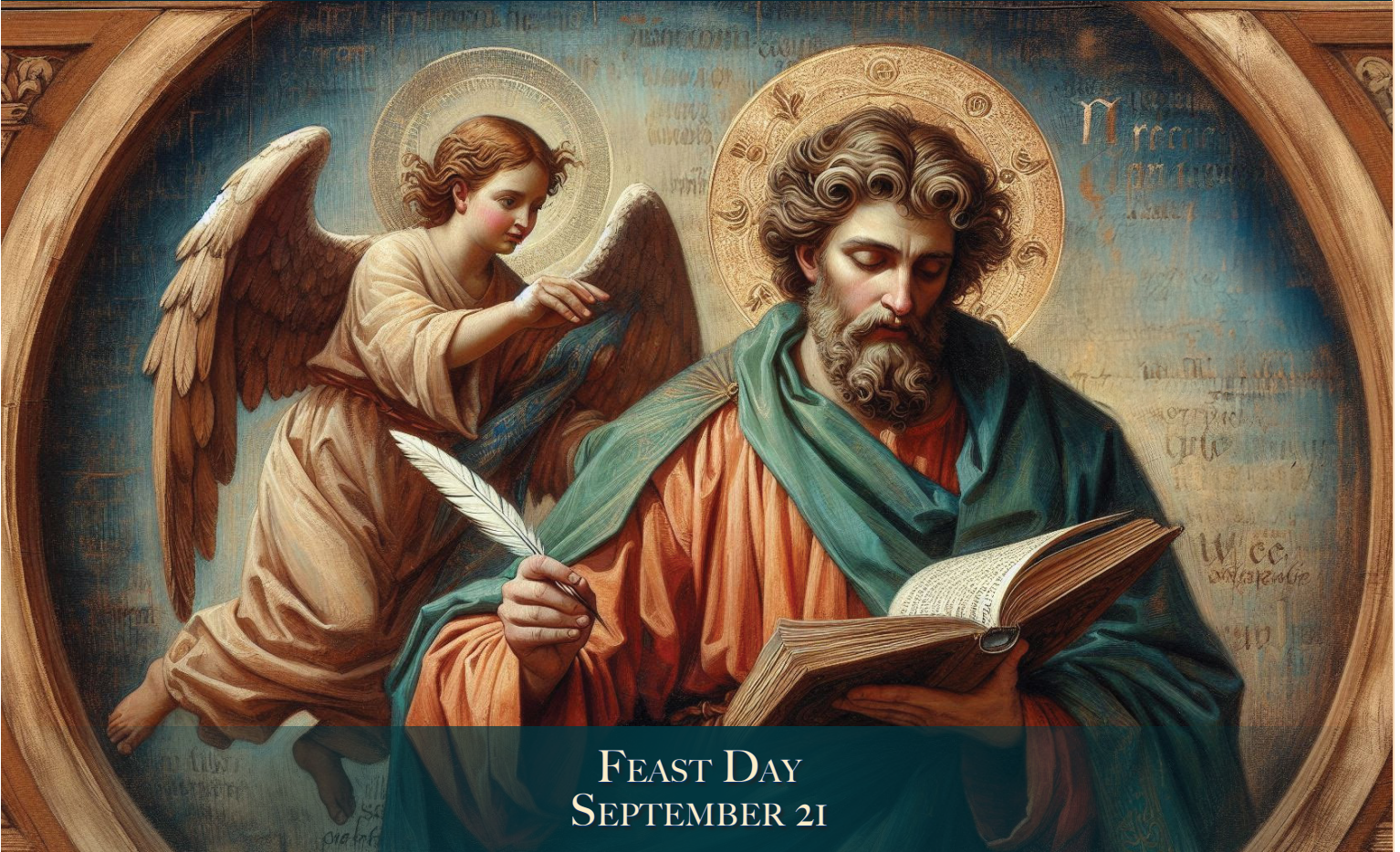
O God, by whose grace your servant Saint Hildegard, kindled with the Fire of your love, became a burning and shining light in your Church: Grant that we also may be aflame with the spirit of love and discipline, and walk before you as children of light; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit one God forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO

O great St. Joseph of Cupertino who, by your prayers, obtained from God to be asked at your examination only the propositions which you know, pray that I, like you, may succeed in the examination which lies before me. In return I promise to make your name known and cause you to be loved. Amen.

SAINT MATTHEW

APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST



FEAST DAY
SEPTEMBER 21

1. What is known about St. Matthew?

Matthew was the son of Alphaeus (Mark 2:14) and was likely a Galilean. He was a tax collector at Capharnaum and because of this was despised by the Pharisees. When he was called by Jesus, Matthew arose and followed Him and threw Him a feast in his house, where tax-gatherers and sinners sat together with Christ and His disciples. This drew forth a protest from the Pharisees whom Jesus rebuked with these words, "I came not to call the just, but sinners."

2. For what is Saint Matthew the Apostle most known?

St. Matthew is most known for being a tax collector (Matthew 10:3) turned Apostle and for his role as a Gospel writer.

3. How did Matthew the Apostle meet Jesus?

The calling of St. Matthew is depicted in The Gospels of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. This is the account from Matthew 9:9-13. As Jesus passed on from there, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax office; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him.

3. Why is Matthew the first Gospel?

Bishop Papias of Hierapolis (circa year 130) attests that St. Matthew the Apostle was the first to compile a collection of Jesus' sayings in Aramaic. Therefore, the Gospel of Matthew is considered the first Gospel to be written and is the first in the New Testament, though some scholars argue that the Gospel of Mark was the first in a completed form.

4. What is Jesus referred to as in Matthew's Gospel?

St. Matthew frequently refers to Jesus as "Messiah," "King," "Lord," and "Son of Man" in his Gospel. These reflect the prophetic expectation that Jesus was the long-awaited Messiah, the descendant of King David, yet both Lord (God) and Son of Man (literally "son of Adam").

5. Who is Levi?

The man named "Matthew" in Matthew 9:9 who was "sitting at the tax office" is the same as Levi (Mark 2:14 and Luke 5:27). The accounts are identical, meaning Matthew and Levi are the same person.

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7. How long after Jesus died was the New Testament written?

The New Testament was written over the span of fifty years after Jesus died, only being completed in the 80s and 90s A.D. with the mature reflection of John in his Gospel, his letters and Revelation.

8. How does the Gospel of Matthew depict Jesus?

In his Gospel, St. Matthew focuses on proclaiming the message of the kingdom of God. He wrote his Gospel in Aramaic in hope that his account would convince his fellow Jewish brethren that Jesus was the Messiah and that His kingdom had been fulfilled in Him in a spiritual way. At the beginning of Matthew 12, Matthew shows Jesus as leading Israel toward something greater than the laws and customs they were used to. The people at that time had known nothing other than their laws. Matthew shows Jesus as being the "Lord of the Sabbath" (Matthew 12:8), showing that He is above and beyond the laws they were used to, and He was leading them towards that. In Matthew 21:5, Matthew depicts Jesus as the "King" who fulfills the prophecy from the Old Testament (Zechariah 9:9).

9. How did St. Matthew die?

There is disagreement as to the place of St. Matthew's martyrdom and the kind of torture inflicted on him. It is not known whether he was burned, stoned, or beheaded. The date of his death is likewise uncertain, though the Church settled on September 21st to celebrate his feast.

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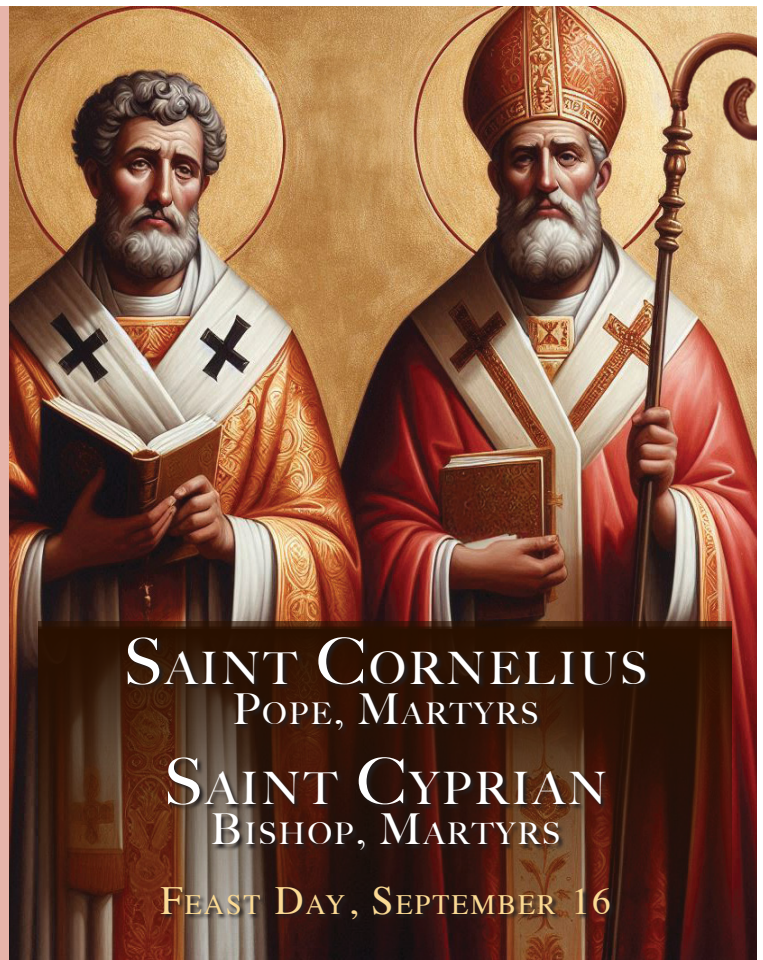
St. Cornelius had scarcely been elected Pope, when Novatian also claimed the pacy. After convoking a synod in Italy, in which he gained the support of sixty Bishops, he established himself as the lawful Pope. His correspondence with St. Cyprian in regard to reception of apostates in the Decian persecution remains as an early witness for the primacy of the Roman See. He died a martyr, in 253.

Thascius Cyprianus was born at Carthage in Africa, where his father was one of the principal senators. His proficiency in study was such that he became public professor of rhetoric in his native city. After a rather dissolute life, he was converted through the influence of a priest named Caecilian, and was formed at his school. He led a retired penitential life, gaining renown for his virtue and being raised to the priesthood. In 248, he was appointed to succeed Donatus as Bishop of Carthage and became a model pastor.

In a short span of ten years he led his flock through a two-year persecution under Decius, defended the unity of the Church against two schismatical movements, was the soul of the city's morale during a devastating plague, and experienced exile during which he kept up the spirits of his people by constant correspondence.

In 258, this saintly man fell victim to a new persecution that erupted under Valerian.

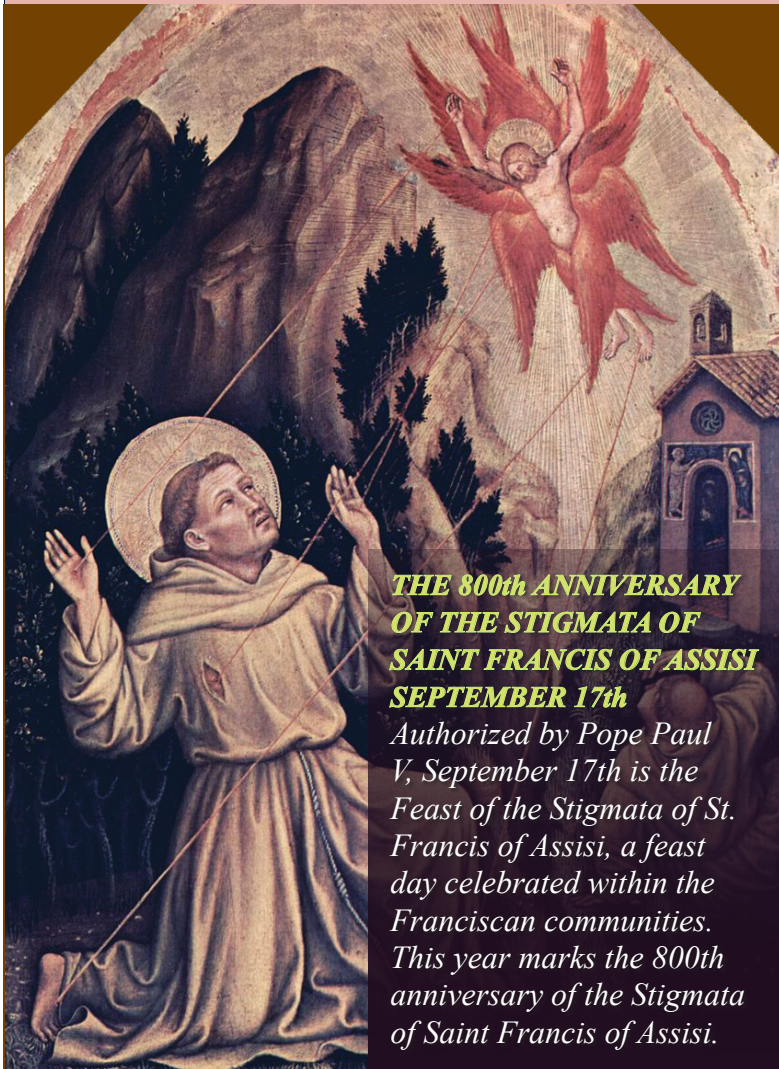
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SAINT CORNELIUS
POPE, MARTYRS

SAINT CYPRIAN
BISHOP, MARTYRS

FEAST DAY, SEPTEMBER 16



THE 800th ANNIVERSARY OF THE STIGMATA OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI SEPTEMBER 17th

Authorized by Pope Paul V, September 17th is the Feast of the Stigmata of St. Francis of Assisi, a feast day celebrated within the Franciscan communities. This year marks the 800th anniversary of the Stigmata of Saint Francis of Assisi.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION



BAPTISM

Parents are requested to contact the Rector to make the necessary arrangements for the Baptism of their child.



FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education is provided for children from 1st to 8th grade in preparation for the Sacraments and adult classes are also available. Please contact the office for more information.



MARRIAGES

Couples are requested to make arrangements at least six months before the actual date of the wedding.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for a Holy Hour each Friday from 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon.



SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

When we sin, the Holy Spirit calls us to conversion, to turn away from sin and to turn toward God. Friday: 12:40 P.M.-1:00 P.M.



VISITS TO THE SICK

Please call the office 718-852-4002 to notify us if any one is in the hospital or ill at home so that a pastoral visit can be made.