

HOLY MASSES

at Our Lady of the Skies Chapel

Saturday, May 8, at 5:00 PM for all Mothers

Sunday, May 9, at 1:00 PM for all Mothers

Tuesday, May 11, at 12:15 PM

Wednesday, May 12, at 12:15 PM - *NO MASS*

Ascension Thursday, May 13, at 12:15 PM for Members of the Catholic Guild

Friday, May 14, at 12:15 PM for *Margaret Becker*

Saturday, May 15, at 5:00 PM in Honor of *Our Lady of the Skies*

Sunday, May 16, at 1:00 PM

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

the following sick:

Sue McCormick

Louise Cirillo

Lindsey Jefferies

Linda Cavello

Mike O'Sullivan

Doreen Hrubes

Lindsay & Kimberly Keenan

Maureen Ramazzotti

Anthony DiBenedetto

Yolan DePhillips

Maureen Devine

Walter McNally

Phylis Lucas

Mae Lavery

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

the following deceased:

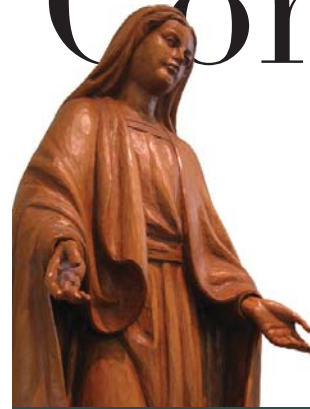
Leila Bichotte

Marie Cioffi

Almighty God, you have created the earth and the skies, you have given your people the ability to fly across the world and travel through the air. Keep me safe in the flight I am about to take. Give to the pilots, flight attendants and air traffic controllers your peace and tranquility. Strengthen them in body, mind and spirit, and make them free from any distractions. Send us your holy angels to guide us through the air free of turbulences. May all traveling today reach their destinations, and be united with their loved ones. Keep me always on your path, and at the end of my life welcome me at the Father's home, where you live forever and ever. Amen.

OUR LADY OF THE SKIES CHAPEL Connections

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MAY 9, 2010 | 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Gift of Mother



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6 AM-10 PM

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Something to Sit With...

FAREWELL LETTER

by David Whyte

She wrote me a letter after her death,
and I remember a kind of happy light
as I sat by the rose tree
on her old bench by the back door
so surprised to receive it
wondering what she would say
looking up before I could open it
and laughing to myself in silent expectation.

Dear son,
it is time for me to leave you
the words you are used to hearing,
are no longer mine to give.
You can only hear those words of motherly
affection now from your own mouth
and only for those who stand
motherless before you.

As for me I must forsake adulthood
and be bound gladly to a new childhood.
You must understand
this apprenticeship demands
of me an elemental innocence
from everything I have ever held in my hands.

I know your generous soul
is well able to let me go
You will in the end be happy to know
my God was true
and that after so many years
of loving you so long
I find myself in the wide, infinite mercy of being
mothered myself.

P.S. All of your intuitions were true.

Chapel News

Although the weather has been strongly suggesting that the summer is near, and so the time for vacation and hopefully exciting trips to beautiful places all over the world, this week still will be very busy, at least here, at Our Lady of the Skies, and so at JFK.

After rather ordinary Tuesday, on WEDNESDAY there will be no Mass celebrated at Our Lady of the Skies. On that day, our Chapel will receive the *Special Partner Award* at the Port Authority Aviation Department's Customer Care Awards Luncheon. This award is for our "assistance during the recent volcanic episode that stranded so many of Port Authority customers at JFK International Airport." Our Chapel was "an integral part of the Port Authority's customer care plan." Although the space at the luncheon is limited and we can't invite all who have helped us help others, we would like to receive this award on behalf of all these great people with whom it was a pleasure and honor to serve others.

On THURSDAY the Church celebrates the feast of Ascension of the Lord. This is a holy day of obligation. We will be celebrating Mass at 12:15 PM for all Members of the Catholic Guild. The Catholic Guild Board Members will have their meeting immediately after Mass at the Tri-Faith Museum.

On FRIDAY, the Catholic Guild, our Chapel staff, Center for Disease Control/U.S. Public Health Service and many of us at JFK Community will celebrate the retirement of Margaret Becker, the Catholic Guild Board Member. In 2000, Margaret was selected by the Catholic Guild the Woman of the Year at Our Lady of the Skies Annual Luncheon. After 28 years of government service, Margaret has given all of us countless reasons to celebrate her presence, friendship and professionalism. We will truly miss her presence, yet we wish her very happy and blessed retirement.

God bless you all on your paths,
Fr. Chris Piasta, OFM
Chaplain