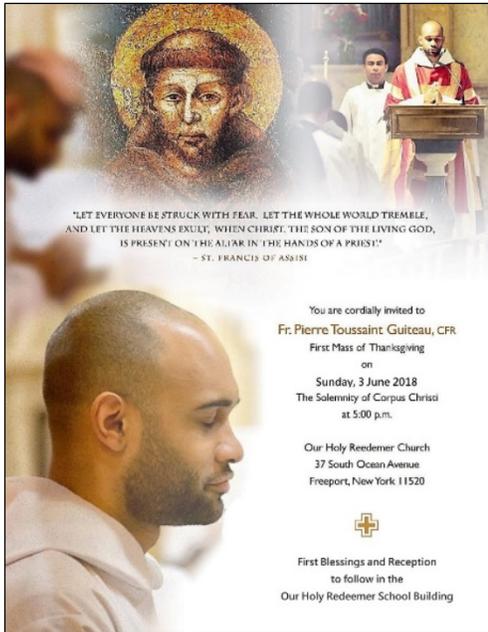




Come and Go: A Sacred Heart to Heart Relationship Between Jesus and His Priests



From the womb of Mother Church in [#FreeportNY](#), the Almighty has brought forth a new born Priest: Father Pierre Toussaint Guiteau, CFR. [#LetUsPray](#) for him, our brothers [@CFR Franciscans](#), and an increase in Vocations to the [#Priesthood](#) [@NY Arch](#) [@BrooklynDiocese](#) [@Diobpt](#) [@RVCDiocese](#).

That “tweet” issued from Our Holy Redeemer [@OHRFreeportNY](#) on 27 May 2018, and was sent specifically to three communities sharing Life/life at Saint Joseph’s Seminary in Yonkers, New York: the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, the Archdiocese of New York, the Diocese of Brooklyn, and the Diocese of Rockville Centre. And while those three communities were the direct recipients of the tweet, its message (with the help of social media) was carried into the whole world: *the Almighty has done great things for us!* (cf. Saint Luke 1:49a)

Counted amongst those *great things* are the nine men who were ordained Priests at Saint Patrick’s Cathedral on Saturday, 26 May 2018! These nine men came forth from their mother’s womb, heard the voice of God, and hardened not their hearts! The small still voice called and said: “come to Me all you who labour and find life burdensome and I will give you rest!” (Saint Matthew XI:28) The small still voice called and said, “Come after Me, and I will make you fishers of men.” (Saint Matthew IV:19) The small still voice called and each of these nine men said: “Here I am Lord. I come to do Your will!” (Hebrews X:9)

What a *great thing*/a blessing for the Church in Freeport that from her womb came forth one of these nine newborn Priests: Rev. Father Pierre Toussaint Guiteau, CFR. Over the years, readers of Our Holy Redeemer’s Parish bulletin (accessible online at www.ohrfreeport.org) have been invited to pray for “our Seminarian” Brother PT, to write to him, and most recently to join him for his first Mass-offering as a Priest at the Altar of Our Holy Redeemer, where in times past he heard the small still voice say (a great many things).

The journey *to* the Priesthood has ended for our Seminarian, but the journey *in* the Priesthood has only just begun for “our Priest”. The small still voice that called him and said **come**, has now called and said: “**Go**, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, Baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.” (Saint Matthew XXVIII: 19). May all of our Priests harden not their hearts to that small voice that assures them whether they **come and go**: “I am with you always, even until the end of the age!” (Saint Matthew XXVIII:20)



Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Have Mercy on Us.