

# Mass Intentions

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT  
March 10, 2019

**Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 Cis Glavin req. by DeDe & Jack Burke  
5:30 Maria Scuderi req. by The Scuderi Family

**Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 For the Living & Deceased Members  
of St. Patrick's Parish  
9:00 Louise & Joseph Garibaldi req. by The Decina Family  
10:30 James Flynn req. by The Flynn Family  
12:00 Laura & Joseph Del Riccio req. by Rosa Cannistraci  
5:30 John (Jack) F. Tobin req. by Charles Montalbano

**Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 Joseph Vitelli req. by Marianne Vitale  
9:00 Olivia Engel (Newtown) req. by The Smith Family

**Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 Joan Caruso req. by Joseph Whelan  
9:00 Peter & Lee Cardinale req. by The Decina Family

**Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 Patricia D. Hart req. by Robert G. Hart  
9:00 Flynn Family req. by The Flynn Family

**Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 -  
9:00 Bob Calvert req. by Evelyn Calvert

**Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 -  
9:00 Msgr. George Thompson (L) req. by The Kearns Family

**Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 Terry Stevenson req. by The Stevenson Family  
5:30 Marie Healy req. by John Healy

**Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 For the Living & Deceased Members  
of St. Patrick's Parish  
9:00 Nora Magarahan req. by Sr. Kathleen Fitzgerald  
10:30 Jerri & Terri Hawe req. by Sr. Kathleen Fitzgerald  
12:00 Cox & Trost Families req. by The Tinsley Family  
5:30 Kim Knowles req. by The Fuhrman Family

**RECENT COLLECTIONS:**

March 3, 2019 \$6,057  
Last year: \$6,553



**St. Patrick's Blood Drive**

Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>

8am to 2pm

St. Patrick's School Gym!

For more info: [johnsfink@gmail.com](mailto:johnsfink@gmail.com)



***Pray for the Sick***

Joseph Califano, Virginia Curran, Marie Doescher, Edward Farley, John Flynn, John Gill, Joan Graves, Molly Henry, Patrick Higgins, Francine Holley, Richie Hughes, Freeman Huntington, Michael Lage, Liz Leinhard, Kevin Mahoney, Kelly Mealia, Mackenzie Saunders, Msgr. George Thompson, Christine Young, Eileen Riley Zawada  
and all who request our prayers

**Service Personnel Prayer List**

The names listed below are service personnel serving in our nation's armed forces who are relatives of our parishioners. Please keep them in your prayers.

Darren Adler/Marines  
Charlie Carr /Air Force  
Richard Hughes/Marines  
Steven Scully/Marines  
Thomas M. Stevenson/Army

**Email Scam Alert!!**

Please beware of an email scam that has plagued our parish once again! If you receive an email from Msgr. Ferry at a gmail.com account or anyone else asking for you to purchase gift cards of any kind, or to contact them, please disregard it and report it to: Sgt. Comunale at the Bedford Police Dept. at 914-864-3856.



**A CELEBRATION OF FEASTS  
OF ST. PATRICK & ST. JOSEPH**



*Please join fellow parishioners in celebration of  
Irish and Italian heritage at a special  
Coffee Sunday!*

**Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**

**after 9:00, 10:30 & Noon Masses  
in the Church Meeting Room**

Looking for donations of Irish Soda Bread and Italian Pastries. Please contact Colleen Gelfand at [colleenjriley@yahoo.com](mailto:colleenjriley@yahoo.com) if you are able to contribute.

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**Stations of the Cross:**

Please join us every Friday evening at 7:30pm during Lent for the Stations of the Cross.

## *FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:*

Dear Parishioners,

On this First Sunday of Lent, we hear the Gospel where Jesus is tempted by the devil. In his divinity, Jesus was able to resist the temptations so as to remain faithful to the will of the Father. Temptation is one of the effects of Original Sin and we are all well aware it is part of the human condition. We are often tempted to choose our will over what we know is God's will for us. We can be tempted in many different ways. We seek power, money, influence and many other things that we know in the end are all temporary. We will always be tempted, but by cooperating with God's grace we too can resist the temptations that we encounter in life. The forty days of Lent are offered to God in imitation of Jesus, who "was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, where he was tempted by the devil." Jesus chose to rely on the care of his Father, to surrender himself as servant to the will and plan of his Father, and to follow God's will, even if that meant suffering and death on the cross. The season of Lent gives us the opportunity to free ourselves from the things that keep us from following the example of Jesus in being true to what God's will is for us. May it be a time of grace for each of us.

Lenten Blessings,  
Msgr. John T. Ferry, Pastor

### 2019 LENTENT ADULT FAITH FORMATION SERIES

**Five Consecutive Mondays from March 11—April 8th**

Morning Session: 9:30—10:30 am

Evening Session: 7:30—8:30 pm

Venue: Church Meeting room/the church basement

#### **TOPIC: The Jesus of the Scriptures**

Presenter: Reverend Donald Senior, C.P., S.T.D

Facilitator: Fr. Joseph

1. **March 11<sup>th</sup>** The Jesus of the Scriptures: Introduction. Jesus as presented in the Gospels
2. **March 18<sup>th</sup>** The Origin of Jesus and his identity as Son of God. Jesus and His disciples.
3. **March 25<sup>th</sup>** Jesus as the healer, the teacher, the prophet, and the Christ.
4. **April 1<sup>st</sup>** The background of the passion and death of Jesus. Its significance to us as believers.
5. **April 8<sup>th</sup>** Beyond Jesus. The Risen Christ and the early Church.

**LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE:** During the season of Lent, the Church urges the faithful to reflect a spirit of penance in their daily lives through performing acts of fast and abstinence.

+Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 6 and ends on Holy Thursday, April 18.

+Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. This is a serious matter within Church law.

+Fasting means only one full meal a day may be taken. Two smaller meals can be eaten to maintain physical strength but together they should not equal another full meal in quantity. Snacking between meals is not permitted. Catholics ages 18-59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those who are not specifically obliged to fast are encouraged to join in the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able.

+Abstinence forbids the eating of meat or poultry. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged to abstain on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent and continues to oblige throughout their lives. Those who are not specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are encouraged to join in the discipline of abstaining to the extent that they are able.

+Remember all Fridays of the year are designated as days of penance during which we are encouraged to practice self-denial out of gratitude for the suffering and death Jesus accepted for us.

+The time for fulfilling your Easter Duty extends from the First Sunday of Lent (March 10) to Holy Trinity Sunday (June 16).

### ***Prayer Board for Lent:***

Prayer is one of the pillars of Lent. A new prayer board is posted at the back of the church. If you need prayers for an intention, please fill out a tag and hang it on the board. If you are able to pray for an intention this week, please take a tag, pray during the week, and return the tag next week so someone else can add their prayers for that intention. What a lovely way to give the gift of prayer to each other this Lenten season!

### **Respect Life Committee Spiritual Adoption Program Month 3**

Our spiritually adopted babies' hearts pump several quarts of blood through the body every day. Our unborn babies have developed the body parts required to experience pain, including all of the nerves, spinal cord and thalamus. From this age on, there is only growth in size and maturation of the organs already present. All organ systems are functioning. This precious child is being formed by God.

## Ministry Reminders

**Adult Faith Formation Series:** Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 9:30-10:30am & 7:30-8:30pm in the Church Meeting Room.

**Women's Faith Sharing Group** meets Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8pm at the Cenacle.

**Centering Prayer Group** meets Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm in the Church Meeting Room.

**Men's Ministry** meets Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30am in the Church Meeting Room.

**St. Patrick's Wine Tasting & Silent Auction:** Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at Bedford Historic Hall 6:30pm to 8:30pm.

**St. Patrick's Blood Drive:** Next Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 8am-2pm School Gymnasium.

**A Celebration of Feasts of Sr. Patrick & St. Joseph:** Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> after all morning masses. Church Meeting Room.

### *40 Days for Life March 6<sup>th</sup> - April 14<sup>th</sup>*

With the passage of the Reproductive Health Act, so many are asking what can be done in response. 40 Days for Life is a life-saving prayer campaign that will be held March 6<sup>th</sup> through April 14<sup>th</sup>. 40 Days for Life is a peaceful initiative consisting of 40 days of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil at abortion facilities, and education outreach with the goal of protecting mothers and their children from abortion. Over 15,256 children have been saved from abortion during the 40 Days for Life campaigns. To learn more, visit: [www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com). Or call Gerald Yeung 914-837-7008; [broger8@gmail.com](mailto:broger8@gmail.com)

#### **To Build a Culture of Life**

All are welcome to a meeting on how we can respond to the recent law expanding abortion rights. The meeting will be held at St. Francis of Assisi in Mount Kisco on Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. All are welcome!

### *You're Invited...*

All are welcome to join our Confirmation families on **Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00 pm** in the Church for an inspiring talk led by John Buonviaggio, our guest speaker for Spirit Night. John Buonviaggio is a much sought-after, dynamic speaker who offers powerful insight into Christ's love for all. His experiences working in the Bowery in NYC serve as a witness to the Holy Spirit working through us as we are called to serve those less fortunate. John speaks very candidly about his personal relationship with Jesus. Since his retirement, in addition to speaking engagements, John spends his time offering testimony to his love for Christ in prison ministries throughout the Northeast. He truly views all individuals who cross his path as his brother or sister in Christ. He is extraordinary!



You are cordially invited to

St. Patrick's Parish  
Wine Tasting and Auction  
Saturday, March 16, 2019  
Bedford Historical Hall  
at the Bedford Green  
6:30pm-9:30pm  
\$50 per person

Please come and support our parish!

Register online by March 11<sup>th</sup> at:

<https://stpatricksbedford.churchgiving.com/St.PatricksWineTastingandAuction>

or by calling the parish office: 914-234-3344

\*Must be 21 or over to attend\*

### ***BEST LENT EVER***

Discover simple ways to transform your life in forty days. Join our parish for **BEST LENT EVER**, a free email program from Dynamic Catholic that is designed to help you have a life-changing Lent. Each day, you'll receive a short inspirational video that will help you to find areas for growth, build better habits, spark lasting change. SIGN UP AT: [DynamicCatholic.com/BestLent](http://DynamicCatholic.com/BestLent)

The Archdiocese of New York is committed to doing all that it can to protect children and young people from sexual abuse. As part of that effort, we periodically write to the Catholic community to advise them whom they may contact and what steps they can take if they have suffered abuse by someone representing the Catholic church.

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sister Eileen Clifford, OP at 646-794-2949 or [victimsassistance@archny.org](mailto:victimsassistance@archny.org). Information can also be found on the archdiocesan website [www.archny.org](http://www.archny.org).

In keeping with archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.