

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



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| Sunday | March 19th | |
| 8:00 AM | Georgette Novak Broderick requested by Nina and Joe Dodzik | |
| 9:00 AM | John Patrick Gallagher requested by the Gallagher Family | POLISH |
| 10:30 AM | Fr. James J. Mc Grath requested by Mary Ann Mayo | CHOIR |
| 12:00 PM | The Hazelman Family (Living) requested by OLQP Food Pantry Volunteers | CANTOR |
| Monday | March 20th | |
| 6:30 PM | Betty Joyce Allen requested by Beth and James Gage, Jr. | |
| Tuesday | March 21st | |
| 8:30 AM | Larry Mayo requested by Mary Ann Mayo | |
| Wednesday | March 22nd | |
| 8:30 AM | John Patrick Gallagher requested by the Gallagher Family | |
| Thursday | March 23rd | |
| 8:30 AM | Patricia Bremer requested by Beth and James Gage, Jr. | |
| 7:30 PM | Polish Retreat Mass | |
| Friday | March 24th | |
| 8:30 AM | People of the Parish | |
| 7:30 PM | Polish Retreat Mass | |
| Saturday | March 25th | |
| 8:30 AM | Ellen and Bill McGreevy (Living) requested by Michael and Jill Kane | |
| 5:00 PM | James Horton III requested by Justina Horton | |
| 7:30 PM | Polish Retreat Mass | |
| Sunday | March 26th | |
| 8:00 AM | Mary Jefferson requested by Kevin Fox | |
| 9:00 AM | Jennifer (Living) requested by her Family | POLISH |
| 10:30 AM | Sal Fontana (Living) requested by Dave Hardin | CHOIR |
| 12:00 PM | Adolf Hiediger requested by Martha Shirlaw | CANTOR |

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER MICHAEL FINDING SELF IN THE MIDST OF THE COLD

This past Wednesday morning was probably the most stark, and coldest moments since I have been in the parish. The Highlander Academy was closed as well as the Day Care, and the Office was not opening till 1 PM. No one was around, not even the plows that were so busy during the storm on Tuesday. Just nothing, no people, or wildlife, and it was cold and barren, no activities. It was like the parish was closed and located in the arctic. This was certainly eerie, and It was a reminder that life sometimes at its base is nothing without God. Yes, no human or animal, but God was present. It was like walking in the desert (mind you 70 or 80 degrees cooler), but not alone, and in fact trying to seek someone.

I think that we all have had this same experience, but the question is how did we handle it? Did we seek God? Did we use the opportunity to find someone? Did we recognize our-self in the midst of the abyss?

Ultimately, we need these experiences to realize God in our lives, how important people are among us, and yes that wildlife does cheer us up. It also should inspire us to seek God and make Him a priority. We should desire a relationship with God and never desire to be alone. We should desire the Heavenly gates, and not the emptiness that the devil promises. If anything, this past week should serve as a reminder that even in the midst of the cold loneliness, that God is there and that we are called to a relationship with Him.

By finding our self, and reawakening the soul, we will find that relationship to be more fruitful with God.

Father Michael



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READINGS FOR March 26, 2017



Fourth Sunday of Lent

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel: John 9:1-41

ALTAR CLEANING



Week of March 19, 2017

Team 5 –Mary Schouten and Cecilia Cassella

PASTOR NOTES



A Pilgrimage to the Top

Last week, I had the opportunity to be at the National Pilgrimage Directors Conference in Washington at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. As part of the week, I had a once in a lifetime opportunity to go to the top of the dome. The inside dome is currently being reconstructed and will have a mosaic of the Trinity. I had to take two construction elevators, and walk up a couple flights of stairs with some difficulty. I had to reach up and touch, knowing that in just a few months, the part of the dome I was touching will display the majestic beauty of the Trinity. Pilgrimage is a journey, and it's the journey to the majesty of Church.

Saints Chapel



I hope by now that you have had the opportunity to visit the new Saints Chapel. Truly, this is a place of meditation, and prayer, seeking the intercession of the Saints. I encourage the faithful to visit, pray, meditate, light a candle, and find a home with God in the beauty of our new Chapel.

Parish Festival

May 18, 19, 20 & 21

This week we begin to present information about our parish festival. This is an exciting time in our parish, as we gear up for four days of fun, and comradery among the volunteers, and see the joy on the faces of children and adult alike. Please mark your calendars and plan to participate, visit, and have some fun.



*Our Lady Queen of Peace
Family Festival*

2017 Family Festival Liaisons

Preparation is underway!

Let's collaborate on your role for the 2017 Festival.

All committee liaisons, join us Sunday, March 19, 2017 at 9:00 AM right here in the church annex library for a planning meeting. If you can't make, March 19, meet Tim same time and place on Sunday, March 26, 2017.

Want to lend a hand, but not sure how you can help? See Tim Gerity before/after Masses March 19 or 26. Call or text Angelina Gerity at 201.600.0954 – anytime! Call the parish office 973.728.8162 and commit to making the 5th annual Family Festival the best ever! Thank you!

Blood Drive Today

Don't "give up" for Lent, GIVE BLOOD!!-The Monthly Blood Drive is Sunday, March 19 (St. Pat's Weekend) and we need your help! The Monthly Blood Drive is held at the First Aid Squad Building, 619 Ridge Road (by the Library) from 8:30-1:30. Everyone is invited to help, including 16 year olds (with parental consent). Every donor will receive a Dunkin Donuts gift card. In addition, The WM Lions will be collecting used eye glasses & hearing aids to share with those in need. Eat a good meal before donating, bring your ID (and a friend to donate, too) and Wear green to celebrate St. Patrick's Day! Questions? Comments? Contact Jim Gilligan at 551-486-6608 or jrg2y@yahoo.com P.S. If you cannot donate, please encourage others to do so—babysit their kids, buy them breakfast, give them a ride—Remember, the need is great.



Bereavement Support

The next session of bereavement support for those who are grieving the death of a loved one is being held at St. Joseph's Church on Tuesdays, April 25, May 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30. Those interested in attending please call 973-697-6100.

Knights St. Pat's Breakfast

Today, Sunday, March 19 from 8:30 - 12 we will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day in a breakfast way. Come enjoy a sumptuous meal of pancakes, eggs, sausage, bacon, French Toast, hash browns and toast; or pick from our Continental table. Meals from \$3 - \$7 for adults, \$5 for children 12 & under and children under 6 eat free. Bring your kids, friends, mom and dad, or your neighbor and have a fine time!



HEALING MASS AND SENIOR LUNCHEON

April 1, 11:00 AM
Church and Church Annex

Join us for

- Mass at 11 AM
- Anointing of the Sick
- Senior Luncheon after Mass with fun and prizes

RSVP by March 23rd - 973-728-8162, ext. 301

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, March 19th

Knights of Columbus Breakfast 8:30 AM - 12 noon – Café
Parish Festival Planning Meeting – 9:00 AM – Library
CCD Classes grade K-4 – 9:00 AM-Education Center
AA – 7:30 PM – Cafeteria
Al Anon – 7:30 PM – Gathering Space

Monday, March 20th

Evening Mass – 6:30 PM – Church
Confessions – 7-8:30 PM – Church
Eucharistic Adoration – 7-8:30 PM – Church

Tuesday, March 21st

Lenten Bible Study – 1:00 PM – Convent
CCD Classes grade 1-4 – 4:30 PM-Education Center
Children's Choir – 5:45 PM – Church
Adult Choir – 7:00 PM – Church
CCD Classes grade 5-8 – 7:00 PM-Education Center

Wednesday, March 22nd

Lenten Bible Study – 10:00 AM – Library
Lenten Soup Supper – 6:30 PM – Gathering Space
Boy Scout Troop – 7:00 PM – Gym

Thursday, March 23rd

Lenten Bible Study – 9:15 AM – Library
Troop Committee – 7:00 PM - Cafeteria
Polish Retreat – 7:30 PM – Church

Friday, March 24th

Stations of the Cross in English – 7:00 PM
Polish Retreat – 7:30 PM - Church

Saturday, March 25th

Legion of Mary – 9:00 AM –Library
AA – 2:00 PM – Library
Confessions – 4:00 PM – Church
Polish Retreat – 7:30 PM - Church

Sunday, March 26th

CCD Classes grade K-4 – 9:00 AM-Education Center
RCIA – Library – 11:30 AM
Baptisms – 2:00 PM – Church
AA – 7:30 PM – Cafeteria
Al Anon – 7:30 PM – Gathering Space

40 DAYS FOR LIFE™ Spring Campaign March 1 to April 9

40 Days for Life is a peaceful pro-life effort made up of more than 725,000 volunteers in 675 cities across 40 nations.

With God's help, 40 Days for Life has seen proven results: 10,331 babies spared from abortion, 118 abortion worker conversions, and 60 closed abortion centers.

We invite you to join OLQP parishioners during the Spring Campaign to pray at a high volume abortion clinic in Montclair.

For further information call Dennis at 845-477-3069.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Sunday Donations

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| March 12, 2017 | \$6,899 |
| Diocesan Assessment | \$1,526 |

Donation For Loved One

Altar Bread for Week of March 18-24
For the Intention of the Ralph Coppola Family
Requested by Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish

SHOP-RITE GIFT CARDS

Week Ending March 12, 2017
Sold – \$3,060.00
Profit – \$153.00
Total Profit since July 1 – \$5,157.50

FOOD PANTRY ITEM



Canned Fruit and Applesauce

ENSURING OUR FUTURE With Your Help

As a family of faith, last weekend many of us made our commitment to our parish, thank you. For those unable to participate, you should have received in the mail our invitation to make your commitment to our family of faith, please return this Commitment Card via mail or at Mass next weekend. It is important that all parishioners complete a Commitment Card as we will be mailing out a Summary Report of the program and need all commitments accounted for in this report. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. We also encourage you to use our online giving. Visit our website (www.olqpnj.org) to see how you can use your credit card or bank account to continue to support our parish family.

PRAYERS REQUESTED



Please remember in your prayers the following:
Lexi Baron, Julie Baron-Kidder, Gail Burr, Wilma Caldwell, Mary Lou Canino, Jeanne Chacon, Doris Colborn, Anthony DiGirolamo Sr., Joan Dunderdorf, Nancy Ann Gallo, Ann Fitzpatrick, Pat Hajek, Suzanne Kahaly, Infant Gabriella Mann, Evelyn McCabe, Dave McClellan, Mac McCormick, Sissy Aho, Babies Ryne Onarato and Mia Onarato, Frank Pellegrino, Gemma Felice Podwol, Genevieve Puso, Cynthia Reinauer, Nicholas Salleroli Sr., Joann Somma, John Tenhula, Ursula Torella, Eileen Trahan, Ruth Wiedemann, Joe Verboys, Ann Vogel, Ann Weinschenk, Barbara Zaccaro.

Please also pray for those who have gone before us and are now at rest: Tom Baron.



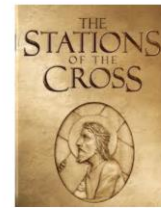
CELEBRATING EUCHARIST

Daily Mass:

6:30 PM (Mondays during Lent)
8:30 AM (Tuesday– Saturday)

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00 AM
9:00 AM (Polish)
10:30 AM
12:00 Noon



Come Pray the Stations with us

EVERY FRIDAY OF LENT

7:00 PM in English
7:30 PM in Polish



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION DURING LENT

**MONDAYS DURING CONFESSIONS
7-8:30 PM**

**AND FIRST FRIDAYS: MARCH 3 & APRIL 7
9:00 AM TO 6:30 PM**

FOLLOWED BY BENEDICTION AT 6:30 PM



Live Passion Play

Presented by the youth of our parish

**Palm Sunday, April 9
about 1:15 PM in the Gym**

ALL ARE WELCOME

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FREE

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS WEDNESDAYS OF LENT

Mar. 22 and 29, 6:30 PM
Homemade Soup and bread served
Mac and Cheese available on the 29

**In Gathering Space of Annex
followed by Scripture Reflection**

Bring the whole family!



WELCOME HOME TO HEALING

*RECONCILIATION ON MONDAY NIGHTS
THROUGHOUT LENT*

RECONCILIATION DURING LENT

Confessions

Mondays:

March 20, 27 and April 3
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

Saturdays:

March 18, 25 and April 1
4:00 PM – 4:45 PM

April 8

3:00 PM – 4:45 PM

RECONCILIATION SERVICE

with private confessions (4 priests):

Wednesday, April 5 7:00 PM