

**MARCH 12, 2017
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

MONDAY

8:30 John Magrino req. by Barry & Tawnie Scymanski

TUESDAY

8:30 Dick Redshaw req. by Peggy McGovern

WEDNESDAY

8:30 Cary Mattos req. by Family
Deacon Ed Maron req. by Peggy McGovern

THURSDAY

8:30 Deacon Maron req. by the Faherty Family

FRIDAY – Saint Patrick

8:30 John Collins req. by Bernie & Joan Beihl
Msgr. Patrick Brown req. by Robert, Sue & Rob Coughlin

SATURDAY – Saint Cyril

8:30 Roy Wagoner req. by Pat & Mike Valle
Dr. Howard O’Gorman req. by Mike & Barbara Tilton
5:30 Richard Redshaw req. by Bob & Doris Mayer
Joseph Lorello req. by Re Lorello

**MARCH 19, 2017
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

7:45 Benedetto Calcaterra req. by his brother Sal & Family
Bernard Beihl Sr. req. by Bernie & Joan Beihl
9:00 People of the Parish
Jerzy Bradtke req. by Linda & Frank Boschi
10:30 Deacon Ed Maron req. by Denise Aldana
Special Intention for Irma Rodriguez req. by her sister, Sandra & family
12:00 Deacon Ed Maron req. by Joan Shaw
Mark Brigham req. by his wife, Linda
5:00 Deacon Edward Maron req. by Stan Gasior
Special Intention for Nicolas Torres req. by his Mom

PARISH FINANCES

March 5, 2017	\$ 12,233
Central & Eastern European Churches	\$ 2,265
Parish Maintenance (H.E.L.P.)	\$ 3,725
ParishPay February	\$ 7,201

Called...



REFLECTION

THIS IS MY BELOVED SON

Jesus’ Transfiguration was one of the most magnificent displays of God’s glory the world has seen. The purpose of the Transfiguration was to give his apostles, and all of us, a deeper understanding of who he is. So let’s see what we can learn from it.



Clearly, this was a dramatic revelation for Peter, James, and John. They never forgot what happened that day. Decades after it happened, John wrote, “We saw his glory”. Peter said, “We had been eyewitnesses of his majesty...when that unique declaration came to him from the majestic glory: The Transfiguration showed them that the kingdom of God that Jesus had been preaching would be characterized by glory. But it also encouraged them and strengthened them for the ordeal of the cross that lay before them. For as they learned at Calvary, the glory of God comes not only through displays of magnificence, but also through self-giving love – a love that embraces even death.

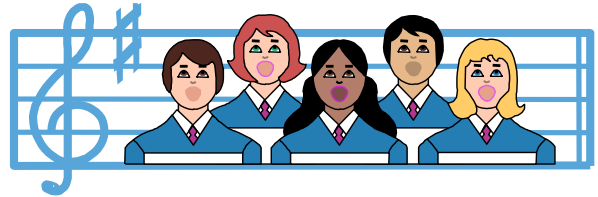
The Holy Spirit wants us to learn both of these concepts of glory. He wants us to see that Jesus is glorified every time we worship him at Mass and in prayer, and he is glorified every time we go out of our way to help someone. He is glorified when we reverence him during Eucharistic adoration, and he is glorified every time we confess our sins or forgive someone who has hurt us.

Let these lessons about glory and self-giving love sink into your heart. As you dwell on the glory of Jesus’ Transfiguration, see that it is a glory that comes because of his cross. Then, tell him that you want to be changed into his glorious image. Ask him to take your every act of love and fill it with his presence. It really is possible for us to live “for the praise of his glory”

From: *The Word Among Us*

THE WEEK IN THE PARISH 3/13/17 TO 3/18/17

Mon.	9:00 AM Bible Study	Library
	7:00 PM Theresa of Avila	Library
	7:00 – 8:30 Coming Home Confessions	
Tues.	9:00 AM Scripture Sharing	Library
	4:00 PM Liturgy	Church
	6:30 PM Endowment	St. Benedict
	7:00 PM Bible Study	Cassidy Hall
	7:30 PM 1 st Communion Parents	McKenna
Wed.	7:00 PM Men's Cornerstone	Youth Room
	7:00 PM Women's Cornerstone	Cassidy Hall
Thurs.	6:45 PM BINGO (non-smoking)	McKenna Hall
Fri.	8:30 PM AA	Cassidy Hall
Sat.	After 8:30 Mass – Legion of Mary	St. Benedict
	6:30 PM St. Patrick Dinner	McKenna Hall



MUSIC MINISTRY - CHOIR PRACTICE

The Adult Choir practice takes place on Tuesdays at 7:30 PM in the Choir loft.

Contemporary Choir - Saturdays, 4:30 PM

Children's Choir practice takes place on Thursdays at 2:45 PM in the St. Cecilia Room.

Vocal- Instrumental Group - contact our Music Director, Krzysztof Kowalewski at the parish office.

New and existing members are invited.

LITURGY

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a

God calls Abraham to leave his family and people and go to a new land. God promises to make the people of this new nation great and to bless Abraham.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10

Paul, from his place of imprisonment in Rome, writes words of encouragement to Timothy, telling him that Christ is for them everlasting life.

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Wishing to reveal His glory to Peter, James and John, Jesus takes them to a mountain where he is transfigured before them. When Peter exclaims that he will build three tabernacles here in honor of Jesus, Moses and Elijah, a voice from above proclaims: "This is My beloved Son on whom My favor rests. Listen to him."

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: Exodus 17:3-7

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

Gospel: John 4:5-42

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those serving in the military especially: Richard Fox, John Garlasco, Brian McCarthy, Lt. Daniel Faherty, Joseph Venutolo, Cpl. Marc Vero, Sgt. Jeremy Overstreet, Kevin Michael Kiefer, Michael Krapels, Robert Stumpe, USMC, Staff Sgt. Jeremy Curcio, Staff Sgt. Lena Webb, Spc. Samuel Nolan, US Army, Lt. Jamie Curcio, Navy Reserve, 1st Lt. Christopher Tantillo; Cpl. Conor J. Brady, USMC, LCpl. Marc Stanziale, USMC. 1st Lt. Joseph Brunone, US Nat'l Guard, Brandon Adams, USAF. Please continue to pray for all our servicemen and women.

SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

BIBLE STUDY

Increase your understanding of Holy Scripture by attending BIBLE STUDY every Tuesday in Cassidy Hall from 7:00 – 8:30 PM. Special emphasis will be placed on Sunday Scripture readings and how they connect to our daily living. All are welcome.

DOGMA TEAM/YOUTH GROUP

Dogma Team meets every Monday at 6:30 PM. to 8:00 PM in the Youth Room.

LENTEN EVENING OF REFLECTION

March 21, 7:00 to 8:30 PM in Church

Come to the Water...

If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." John 4: 10
As we thirst for God, do we realize that God thirsts for us as well? Come to the water and experience the abundance of God's love and compassionate healing. Renew and refresh your spirit, as this Lenten season reveals the God of our longing.

A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY

A spiritual journey through St. Teresa of Avila's Classic: **Interior Castle** - A new Study of the Saints discussion group is forming in our parish to learn about and experience true spiritual growth in prayer with the great Saints of the Church. We are starting with Doctor of the Church, St. Teresa of Avila. Meetings will be held on **Monday evenings, 7:00 to 8:30 PM** and will be in the Parish Library. We will proceed at a pace determined by the group. It is highly recommended that participants use the book titled, St. Teresa of Avila, The Interior Castle, Study Edition. Published by ICS. Please contact Nancy Hefele at (973) 713-1376 or Jeff Tucker at (973) 726-9011 for details to sign up and for book ordering.

RENEW AT CORNERSTONE!

REGISTER NOW!



Women's Cornerstone will start at 6:00 PM on Friday, March 31st through Saturday evening, April 1st.

Women's Retreat contacts:

Eileen Vandenberg (201) 310-6091 or Tawnie Scymanski at

OLLWOMENCORNERSTONE@GMAIL.COM

The **Men's Cornerstone** will start at 6:00 PM on Friday, April 21st through Saturday evening, April 22nd.



I am the Vine
You are the Branches

Men's Retreat contacts:

Victor Puglio ((973) 670-6999 or James Stanski at (917) 250-4981

Do not miss this unique opportunity to spend 26 hours that could have a profound impact on your outlook and your life! Step out of your routine to

think about those things that matter most. Reflect, Renew, Relax, and Strengthen Your Faith. Further information and registration forms are in the retreat brochures available in church or at the parish office. This is the year to give yourself the gift of Cornerstone. Participate as much or as little as you choose. Questions? Comments? See contacts above or call the Parish Office (973) 729-6107.

CLOTHING DRIVE AND TIN PAN DONATIONS

Thank you to all who took the time to bring clean, usable clothing to our clothing drive last Saturday. AND, Thank you to all who donated Tin Pan Meals. We received 68 frozen meals. Each meal feeds a family of three, so that means that your donations have fed over 200 people. God Bless you for your generosity!

WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO ANNOUNCE

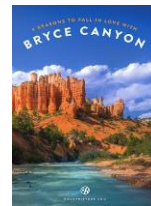
Parish Mission at O.L. Queen of Peace

Sun., March 26 through Wednesday, March 29, 7:30 PM. Fr. David W. Gunter, MIC will be giving the mission at O.L. Queen of Peace, 209 US Highway 206, Branchville, NJ. He is a member of the Marians of the Immaculate Conception located in Stockbridge, MA. For more info please call (973) 948-3185.

St. Kateri Blood & Platelet Drive

March 18th from 7:45 AM to 1:45 PM at Lafayette Fire House, 126 Route 15, Lafayette. Eligible blood donors are between the ages of 17 to 75, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds and in good health. Schedule your appointment online at www.tinyurl.com/StKateriBloodDrives. Walk-ins are always welcome. Call Mary Stanek at (973) 770-0429 or Melissa O'Malley at (201) 317-5160 for more information & www.facebook.com/StKateriBloodDrives.

U.S. NATIONAL PARKS TOUR-



MAY 23-June 5, 2017

ONLY 4 SEATS LEFT!

Join us on a comfortably-paced, in-depth tour of 6 of the U.S. National Parks, Yellowstone, the Grand Tetons, The Arches, the Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon, Zion National Park, and Monument Park, a tribal park. The grand finale of the trip will be a night in Las Vegas!

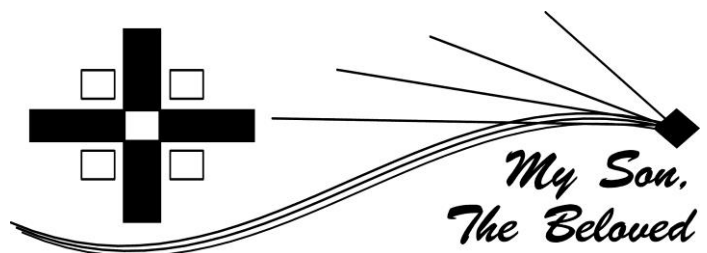
For more information, call the parish office or Judy and Bill Bosworth, 973-729-4629.

*Give Glory at
Cornerstone April 2017*

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

MANNA HOUSE

All food donations during the month of March will be given to Manna House. Manna House is a free lunch program open to anyone who feels the need of its service. Members of the Presbyterian Church in Newton saw the need for such a program and thought that other churches in the county would like to be part of the program. Our Lady of the Lake Church is one of twenty churches in Sussex County working to support Manna House. Each church takes one day a month to prepare and serve the meal and clean up afterward.



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Monday, April 10

Chrism Mass at St. Philips, Clifton

Tuesday, April 11

7:00 PM - Parish Penance Service

Holy Thursday – April 13

8:00 PM - *Mass of the Lord's Supper*

9:00 PM – Midnight – *Eucharistic Adoration*

Good Friday – April 14

12:00 Noon *7 Last Words of Christ*

2:00 PM *Passion of the Lord*

3:15 PM *Divine Mercy Novena*

7:00 PM *Living Stations of the Cross*



Holy Saturday – April 15

12:30 PM *Divine Mercy Novena*

1:00 PM *Blessing of the Food*

8:00 PM *Easter Vigil Mass*

Easter Sunday – April 16

Mass in Church

7:45 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 Noon

Mass in McKenna Hall

10:35 AM, 12:05 PM

(There is No 5:00 PM Mass on Easter Sunday)

INCREASED OFFERING PROGRAM

Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted their Commitment Card to the church. For those parishioners who have not yet had the opportunity to submit their card, a letter will be mailed to you with a personalized Commitment card. 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 all parishioners to consider our electronic giving method and to setup your reoccurring offertory gifts electronically.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES



OPERATION RICE BOWL

CRS Rice Bowl provides resources to bring Lenten spirituality to life for families and parish and school communities, while continuing to connect Catholics in our diocese with our brothers and sisters in need around the world."

Please pick up a rice bowl as you leave church today and return it after Easter Sunday. Your support means so much to many underprivileged people.

LENT 2017 LENTEN REGULATIONS

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of strict Fast and Abstinence from meat. There is a limit of one full meal for all between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive.

Days of Abstinence: (All Fridays in Lent)

All who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain totally from meat.

Weekdays of Lent:

There is no obligation to fast. However, voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

Easter Duty Obligation:

After they have received their First Communion, Catholics are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season.

RECONCILIATION

Confessions are heard every Saturday from 4:00–5:00 PM

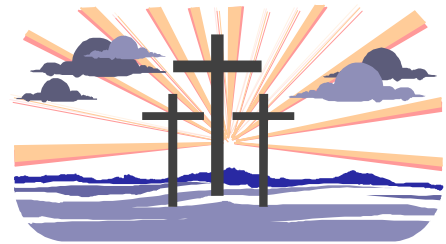
RECONCILIATION ADDITIONAL HOURS

7:00 – 8:30 PM Mondays: March 6, March 13, March 20, March 27, and April 3

Lenten Penance Service, Tuesday, April 11 at 7:00 PM

PRAY THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

In Lent it is especially meaningful to pray the stations. Join us as a community when we



pray them on Friday nights at 7:00 PM in Lent. It can also be done alone at any time, going from station to station as we pray. It can even be done at home!

FROM BISHOP SERRATELLI

*"I hereby grant a dispensation from the laws of fast and abstinence to all Roman Catholics living in or visiting this diocese on **Friday, March 17, 2017.***

This dispensation is given with the strong recommendation that the faithful honor both Saint Patrick and this holy season of Lent by some special work of charity or exercise of piety in place of abstinence."