

**MARCH 10, 2019
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

MONDAY

8:30 Mary & Vito Mazzaferre req. by Terry Mazzaferre

TUESDAY

8:30 Mary Catherine Clark req. by Mary Ann Castiglia

WEDNESDAY

8:30 Carmen Triano req. by Ana Hernandez

THURSDAY

8:30 Special Intention of Simon Jude Levien req. by Mom & Geronimo-Gorospe Families

FRIDAY

8:30 Deborah Meeker req. by the Scanlon Family

SATURDAY – Saint Frances of Rome

8:30 Mary L. Baylis req. by the Scanlon Family

5:30 Joseph Zurine req. by Jim & Silvia Riordan
Ronald P. Smith req. by his daughter, Carol Siro

**MARCH 17, 2019
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

7:45 Deceased members of the Rona, Banciu & Dirlle Family and all souls in Purgatory req. by the Dirlle Family.
Special intention of Andre, Marie & Hector req. by the Dirlle Family

9:00 Paul McKeon req. by Mike & Barbara Tilton
Emiliano Torres req. by Mildred Ortiz-Connors

10:30 People of the Parish
Christopher Segot req. by Cecilia Segot

12:00 Virginia Bodo & Deceased members of the Bodo, Tran & Kelly Families req. by Robert Bodo & Family

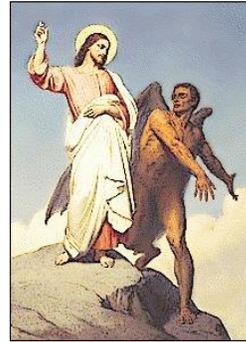
PARISH FINANCES

March 3, 2019	\$ 10,328
Parish Maintenance (H.E.L.P.)	\$ 2,495

REFLECTION

Our Lenten Journey

The Spirit led Jesus into the desert for forty days to be tempted and tested. During Lent we



too are led by the Spirit into the mystery of Jesus' sojourn in the desert. 'By the solemn forty days of Lent the Church unites herself each year to the mystery of Jesus in the desert' (Catechism of the Catholic Church 540). We too, during this holy

season, can expect to be tempted and tested.

The name Satan means 'adversary'. In the book of Job we are given a vivid picture of Satan in God's heavenly court, along with all the other angels, where he has the role of accuser or prosecutor. The Scriptures identify Satan as the serpent in the Garden of Eden who tempted Adam and Eve and, therefore, as the origin of sin and temptation. That the Scriptures and tradition make clear is that humankind has a mortal enemy who, although a finite being created by God, is in a desperate struggle to overthrow God's reign, usurp his Lordship and lead his creation into darkness and death. On Easter Sunday each of us will recite our baptismal promises and in doing so renew them. Bear this in mind as we move through Lent because, as you will be aware, a renewal of our baptismal promises involves us actively, freely and voluntarily rejecting Satan.

Lent is also a time for us to discover anew and afresh the gospel, the 'good news', which Jesus began to proclaim immediately after his time of testing. What is the good news? The good news is a message of two parts. The first part is to repent and the second part to believe in the gospel. We walk together on this road marked out for us by the Church and take up our call to stand firm and resist the devil, knowing that he will flee, and embrace freely and with love the gospel, which is Christ with us and in us, the hope of salvation.

From: *Bible Alive*



THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH 3/10/19 – 03/17/19

Sun.	1:00 pm Meeting on Alaska Trip	Cassidy Hall
Tues.	9:00 am Bible Study	Library
	7:30 pm Men's Cornerstone	Library
Wed.	7:00 pm RCIA	St. Lucy
	7:00 PM Bible Study	St. Joseph
Thurs.	6:45 pm BINGO (nonsmoking)	McKenna Hall
	7:00 pm Women's Cornerstone	St. Joseph
	7:30 pm Study of the Saints	Cassidy Hall
Fri.	8:00 pm AA	Cassidy Hall
Sat.	9:00 am Legion of Mary	St. Benedict
	8:00 pm AA	McKenna Hall
Sat./Sun.	After Masses – Gifts from Bethlehem	Cassidy

LITURGY FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Moses discusses the power God has displayed in freeing his people from oppression and leading them to a rich land. He tells the people that they should make offerings to God to show their gratitude, then celebrate over the great things he has given them.

Second Reading: Romans 10:8-13

Paul tells us that if we proclaim, "Jesus is Lord" and truly believe that God raised him from the dead, we will be saved. For God shows his mercy toward everyone who calls upon his name.

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

Jesus fasted in the desert for forty days, then Satan appeared to him and tempted him to turn stone into bread. After Jesus refused, Satan promised him great powers if Jesus would worship him. Jesus replied that he would worship God and no one else. Then Satan tried to persuade Jesus to put God to the test, but again Jesus resisted his temptation.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

Second Reading: Philippians 3:17—4:1

Gospel: Luke 9:28b-36

MUSIC MINISTRY



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

Contemporary Choir practice takes place every Saturday at 4:30 pm in the St. Cecilia room.

Children's Choir practice takes place on Thursday 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.*

SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT



SCRIPTURE CLASS

Scripture class takes place on Tuesday mornings following 8:30 am Mass. We meet every Tuesday in the Parish Library. Bring a friend as we all journey in our faith together. It will be an hour well spent.

BIBLE STUDY

Increase your understanding of Holy Scripture by attending Bible study at our parish center. Special emphasis will be placed on Sunday Scripture readings and how they connect to daily living. Meetings take place on Wednesdays at 7:00 to 8:30 PM in the Saint Joseph room. All are welcome.

BELONGING

This week the young people of the parish who are preparing for Confirmation and Eucharist reflected on their baptism. Through Baptism we are initiated into the life of Christ and his Body, the Church. Our membership in the Christian community is both a privilege and a responsibility. How are we as a parish witnessing the Holy Spirit's presence to others?

STUDY OF THE SAINTS

Where are you in your personal relationship with Jesus Christ? How often and how intimately do you converse with God? For a relationship so vital, could your prayer life use a little tune up?



St. Teresa of Avila tells us: "Prayer is nothing else than an intimate sharing between friends".

Please join us on **Thursday evenings, beginning March 14, from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. in Cassidy Hall**, for our next "Study of the Saints" discussion group opportunity

Participants will need to purchase ahead of time, then read along with us as we discuss, "The Way of Perfection (The Study Edition)" prepared by Kieran Kavanagh, OCD, obtainable through ICS Publications (or Amazon). **EVERYONE is welcome!**

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

"We are getting WILD for Jesus this year! VBS is kicking off this August 5th! We are running from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm, Monday through Friday and are very excited to see all of your beautiful children. Any children going into pre-K (age 5) through grade 4 are welcome! Always looking for adult volunteers as well! For more information, please contact Angela Bell at huntermenna22@hotmail.com or (862) 707-8000.

LENT 2019



Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019. Ashes will be distributed at Mass at 8:30 am and 7:00 pm and at the Prayer Service at 4:00 pm.

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.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross will be held each Friday at 7:00 PM during Lent.

RECONCILIATION

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

CONFESSIONS

All parishes in our Diocese will have the Sacrament of Reconciliation each Monday of Lent from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. The dates are, March 11, 18, 25, April 1 and April 8. There will be no confessions on Monday, April 15th. **Our Lenten Communal Penance Service will be on Tuesday, April 16th beginning at 7:00 pm.**

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION IMPORTANT DATES

Please pray for the candidates who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, March 29, at 7:30 pm.

Families whose loved ones are making the Sacrament of Confirmation, please mark your calendar for important dates:

Thursday, March 28 at 7:00 pm – rehearsal with students and their sponsor at the Church. If the sponsor is unable to be there, please have a parent in their place.

Friday, March 29 – Sacrament of Confirmation

Students must arrive at 6:30 pm in McKenna Hall. Sponsors should be seated by 7:15 pm in the church. 7:30 pm – Sacrament of Confirmation begins.

Should you have any questions please contact AllisonO@ourladyofthelake.org.

YOUTH GROUP

#OLL_Lent

Each week take a photo of your Lenten Experience. Use the hashtag #OLL_Lent

3/6 – Ashes

3/18 – Meatless Meal

3/25 – A Peaceful Spot

4/1/ - Laughter

4/8 – Helping Others

4/15 – Cross

4/21/ - Rejoice

Come to the OLL Lenten Challenge on 3/11 at 6:30 – 8:00 pm in the OLL Youth Group room.

Lenten Challenge for High School

High school students who are sophomores, juniors and seniors are welcome to attend the Youth Group Weekly Lenten Challenge Monday's at 6:30 to 8 pm. Food, Faith, Fellowship.

WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO ANNOUNCE

Columbiette News



This fresh Palm Cross is handmade with 10 fan sets of 6 palm loops, 2 plastic lilies and a bow. The bottom of the wooden lath is cut at an angle for easy ground insertion. All crosses are individually wrapped in a clear poly bag. Palm cross outer dimensions: 26"x14", the cost is \$10.00. **ADVANCE ORDERS ONLY!**

For additional information, please call Miriam Montagne at 201-230-1373. Palm crosses will be available for pick-up the weekend of March 24-25 at the St. Joseph Community Center on Halsted St. in Newton (directly across the street from the church). Please mail your orders by March 3rd along with payment to:

Don Bosco Columbiettes #7784
Post Office Box 412
Newton, NJ 07860

Please indicate the number of crosses desired with your name, address, phone number (or e-mail) along with your payment. Thank you!

NORDIC KNIGHTS OCEANIC CRUISE



Join Father David and Our Lady of the Lake parishioners on a cruise on the Nordic Knights of Oceanic Cruises from July 22nd to August 4th 2019 - visiting Sweden, Finland, Russia, Estonia, Denmark, and London. Contact Dan Scully at Daniel.scully@scullytravel.com or 973-534-6462.

ST. PATRICK'S NIGHT 2019 MARCH 23RD

6:30 pm



Always a great event, and a highlight of the year, St. Patrick's Night 2019 promises to be even more enjoyable.

✦ **Ticket sales close on March 15th.**

\$35.00 per person.



CRS Rice Bowl is a Catholic Relief Services' Lenten faith-in-action program. Learn more at crsricebowl.org.

Join our faith community – and more than 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States – in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. **Pickup your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the tables at each church exit.** During the 40 days of Lent, encounter the needs of the world. And don't forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl app!

MEN'S CORNERSTONE RETREAT – APRIL 5TH & 6TH



Cornerstone is a simple idea, but its impact has been profound. Thousands have attended Cornerstone weekend retreats through their Parish Communities. Come see for yourself! Pick up a brochure/registration form in church. Participate as much or as little as you choose. Questions? Please

contact Bill Bosworth (973)729-4629 or Tom Gallagher (973) 600-6095.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: PRO-LIFE PRAYER AND FASTING

40 Days for Life is an international pro-life campaign of prayer and fasting to encourage abortion-minded mothers to choose life for their babies, to encourage abortion workers to quit this industry, and to pray for abortion centers to close. A new "40 Days" campaign will run from March 6 to April 14.

Starting on March 11 and continuing throughout Lent, on Monday mornings from 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m., Fr. Ed Rama of Our Lady Queen of Peace Church in Branchville will lead peaceful prayer vigils outside the Planned Parenthood office at 8 Moran St. in Newton. Planned Parenthood is the single largest provider of abortions in the United States, and while they do not perform surgical abortions at their Newton office, they do dispense the abortion pill there. Would you join us on Monday mornings, to pray for the little ones in danger of death and to offer practical assistance to their mothers? If the day/time/place are impossible for you, perhaps consider prayer and fasting on another day or at another location (in church or in your home) for the three pro-life intentions above. Thank you for your prayers and other efforts on behalf of life.

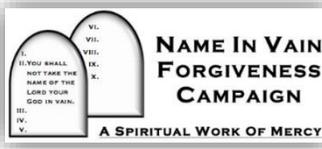
OLIVE WOOD PRODUCTS FROM THE HOLY LAND



A vendor, "Gifts from Bethlehem", will be here in Cassidy Hall after Mass next weekend – March 16-17 with beautiful hand made articles which make great gifts. Crosses, rosary beads, sculptures, etc. The sale of these items helps support the Christians in the Holy Land.

A LENTEN OPPORTUNITY – SO SIMPLE – SO DOABLE – SO BENEFICIAL!

For the fourth year in a row, we are asking all parishioners to participate in our parish-wide, "Name In Vain Forgiveness Campaign." It is a very easy yet effective way to exercise your love of God and love of neighbor during Lent. Here's how it



works - any time you hear someone taking the name of our Lord in vain, you **silently yet sincerely** pray a simple, one sentence prayer on behalf of that person, to ask for God's mercy. Namely, "Father forgive them, they know

not what they do."

We will provide you with a card containing the prayer and simple instructions, as well as a "Name In Vain" wristband or "Name In Vain" wooden nickel, to help you remember during Lent. All you need to do is wear the wristband or keep the prayer card or the wooden nickel in a place where you will see it every day as a reminder. Then, as you go about your normal day, any time you hear anyone taking the name of the Lord in vain, immediately pray this one-sentence prayer for him or her, in the silence of your heart. It's that simple!

Please join us and take the cards, wristbands and wooden nickels as reminders. Take more for your family and friends. They will be available near the exits of the church the weekend of March 3rd through Ash Wednesday while supplies last.

On the Road with Father David! Alaska Cruise and Denali National Park Tour July 6-July 17, 2020



Join Father David on an 11-night, 12-day trip of a lifetime to Alaska's Inside Passage and Denali National Park. We will visit Ketchikan, Juneau, Skagway, Glacier Bay (Very nice in July!), Hubbard Glacier (Also very nice in

July!), Seward, Denali National Park, and Anchorage. We will cruise the Inland Passage where we will see magnificent glaciers and go whale-watching. The area is noted for humpback whales, beluga whales, whale sharks (orcas), porpoises, and dolphins. We will explore Denali National Park and see Mt. McKinley, which, at a 20,000 ft. elevation, is second only in elevation to Mt. Everest, at 29,000 ft. We will ride on the official Alaska Railroad, visit the Alaska Wildlife Conservation Center, and even visit an Iditarod Dog Musher!

There will be an informational meeting in Cassidy Hall on Sunday, March 10th at 1:00 pm for more details. For more information, call Judy and Bill Bosworth, 973-729-4629.