

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

**MONDAY - Saint Cyril of Jerusalem**

8:30 Donald Turkus req. by Clare Cronin

**TUESDAY – Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:30 Special Intention of Katie McIntyre req. by Linda O'Connell

**WEDNESDAY**

8:30 Mary Ann Gubitosi req. by Judge & Mrs. N. Peter Conforti

**THURSDAY**

8:30 Joseph Fobert req. by the Nardone Family  
Pedro Ramos req. by Gina & Dennis Talon

**FRIDAY**

8:30 Ed Ellis (13<sup>th</sup> Anniv.) req. by his wife, Gerri Ellis  
Doris Bliss req. by the McGovern Family

**SATURDAY – Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo**

8:30 Clare Clark req. by Kathryn Clark  
5:30 Jerome Cleveland req. by the DeGasperi Family  
Members of the Purgatorial Society

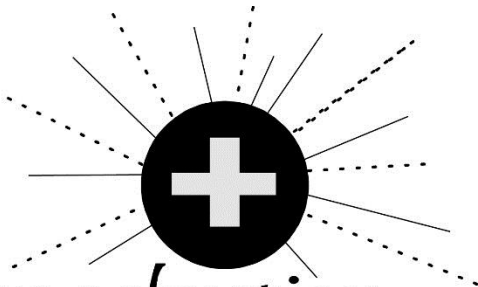
**MARCH 24, 2019  
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

7:45 People of the Parish  
Msgr. Paul F. Knauer req. by the Dirlle Family  
9:00 Chubby McCarthy req. by the O'Leary Family  
Maxine Mountjoy  
10:30 Rose Barcewski req. by Joseph & Barbara Maneri  
Msgr. Paul F. Knauer req. by Arline Sharpe  
12:00 Margaret Parisi req. by Phyllis Marrone  
George Castagno req. by the Diesso Family

**PARISH FINANCES**

<b>March 10, 2019</b>	<b>\$ 8,970</b>
<b>Diocesan Assessment</b>	<b>\$ 1,922</b>
<b>Central &amp; Eastern Europe (Ash Wed.)</b>	<b>\$ 2,364</b>

God  
is my  
Light  
and my salvation



**REFLECTION**

**Our Lenten Journey**

*This, rather is the fasting that I wish. (Isaiah 58:6)*

Of the three practices that we focus on in Lent – prayer, fasting, and almsgiving – it's the last that we can find the most challenging, especially if it means going beyond putting some money in the poor box. While many of us are already in the practice of giving to the needy during Lent, it can be harder to find opportunities to serve the poor in person.

Often we begin Lent with a sincere desire to help people who are in need, but somehow the whole season gets away from us before we are able to find a way to serve. With today being just the twelfth day of Lent, we still have plenty of time to make a concrete decision about what we will do!

Are you not sure where to start? Maybe a call to your parish office would be a good first step. Ask about opportunities to help with a parish clothing drive, a food pantry, a soup kitchen, or check the weekly bulletin for other opportunities. More than simply giving a donation – which is always good – look for opportunities that bring you into direct contact with those less fortunate than you. That's when your heart changes – when you look into the eyes of those you are serving and recognize them as your brothers and sisters.

If you don't find something at first, keep looking. Check your diocesan newspaper, or visit the local charities in your area. Catholic newspapers often have listings of area charities that are looking for volunteers. Who knows? Maybe you can even turn this into a permanent thing once Lent is over. After all, Jesus reminds us that the poor we will always have with us, not just during Lent.

Jesus is looking at the motives of our hearts just as much as our outward actions. As much as he loves it when we fast, he is also looking for people who are seeking to set the oppressed free, share their bread with the hungry, shelter the homeless, and clothe the naked.

What's more, if we do this, God promises, "then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your wound shall quickly be healed.

...You shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am!

From: *The Word Among Us*

## THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH 3/17/19 – 03/24/19

Sun.	After Masses-Gifts from Bethlehem	Cassidy Hall
Mon.	7:30 pm Advisory	Cassidy Hall
Tues.	9:00 am Bible Study	Library
	7:30 pm Men's Cornerstone	Library
	7:30 pm Parent Support Group	St. Francis
Wed.	7:00 pm RCIA	St. Francis
	7:00 pm RB Uniform Exchange	McKenna Hall
	7:00 pm Bible Study	St. Joseph
Thurs.	6:30 pm Caring for God's Creation	Library
	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.	9:15 am Liturgy meeting	Library
	8:00 pm AA	Cassidy Hall
Sat.	9:00 am Legion of Mary	St. Benedict
	6:30 pm St. Patrick Dinner	McKenna Hall
	NO AA	
Sun.	Altar Server Commissioning	
	Caring for God's Creation	McKenna Hall

## LITURGY

### SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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

God told Abram that he would give him the land of Egypt and his descendants would become a great people. Abram then made sacrifices to God, cutting them in half. A torch passed between the pieces, as a visible sign to Abram of God's promise.

#### Second Reading: Philippians 3:17—4:1

Paul urges the Philippians to avoid becoming too interested in material possessions. He reminds them that their most important wealth is their faith in Jesus, which will lead them to eternal life.

#### Gospel: Luke 9:28b-36

Jesus took Peter, John and James to a mountain to pray. When his clothes grew incredibly white, Moses and Elijah appeared. They spoke of the scripture he was to fulfill. Then a cloud came down and a voice said, "This is my Son, my Chosen One. Listen to him." The disciples who had seen Jesus' glory did not disclose this experience to anyone until much later.

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

**First Reading:** Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

**Gospel:** Luke 13:1-9

## SISTERS AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Child sex trafficking is a growing concern across urban, suburban and rural communities in the U.S. It transcends racial, ethnic, gender, and socio-economic boundaries. Learn what is happening in your community, in your state. US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. Visit: [sistersagainsttrafficking.org](http://sistersagainsttrafficking.org).

## 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.

### GATHERING

This week the young people of the parish who are preparing for Confirmation and Eucharist reflected on gathering together as a church family. The Church is the assembly of those people, belonging to the Lord Jesus, whom God has called together. How do we as a parish come together to pray and care for one another?

### 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, 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!**



## LENT 2019

### 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 14<sup>th</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup>. **Our Lenten Communal Penance Service will be on Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> 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

3/18 – 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.



**CRS Rice Bowl** is a Catholic Relief Services' Lenten faith-in-action program. Learn more at [crsricebowl.org](http://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 5<sup>TH</sup> & 6<sup>TH</sup>**

*Come  
Follow Me*



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 Campaign**

**Mondays during Lent  
March 11<sup>th</sup>– April 15<sup>th</sup>  
9:15 am to 10:15 am**

Come & Join us for an hour of prayer each Monday at 9:15 am in the Season of Lent at Planned Parenthood at 8 Moran Street, Newton, NJ, .to pray The Rosary.

40 Days for Life is a community-based campaign that takes a determined, peaceful approach to showing local communities the consequences of abortion in their own neighborhoods, for their own friends and families. It puts into action a desire to cooperate with God in the carrying out of His plan for the end of abortion. It draws attention to the evil of abortion through the use of a three-point program: Prayer and fasting, constant vigil, Community outreach.

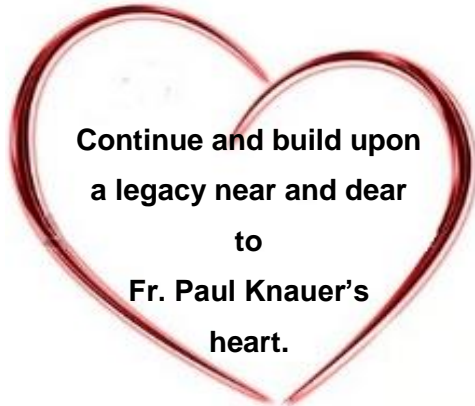
For those who cannot join us, please support us through your prayers, especially by Praying the Rosary.

## Msgr. Paul F. Knauer

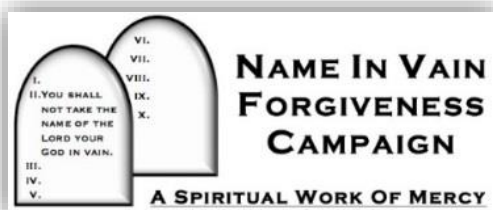
### Rest in Peace

We are sad to say that Msgr. Paul F. Knauer passed away peacefully on Friday, March 8, 2019 at Nazareth Village Priest Retirement Residence in Chester. His Wake and Funeral Mass were held at St. Lawrence the Martyr in Chester on Wednesday, March 13 and March 14. Msgr. Knauer was pastor at Our Lady of the Lake from 1995 through 2009

and retired in 2014.



In lieu of flowers, donations may be made for the Twinning Parishes and Fr. Jean-Claude Foundation all of which support St. Francis of Assisi, DU Family, and Notre Dame of the Nativity Parish at Acul de Nord, Haiti. These monies will be administered by K of C 588 in Msgr. Paul Knauer's name. Please mail checks to: K of C, PO Box 588, Sparta, NJ 07871. Thank you for your support.



### 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." 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 while supplies last.

## PRAYER FOR AN END TO INFANTICIDE

The U.S. Senate recently failed to pass the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act – legislation that prohibits infanticide by ensuring that a child born alive following an attempted abortion would receive the same degree of care to preserve her or his life and health as would be given to any other child born alive at the same gestational age. Please join us in prayer for an end to infanticide:

***"Jesus, Lord of Life, transform the hearts of all elected leaders to recognize that infanticide is wrong and must not be tolerated. We especially pray for our Senators, Cory Booker and Bob Menendez. Open their hearts and minds to recognize and defend the precious gift of every human life."***

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus are having an "All you can eat Breakfast" in conjunction with Ministry Day on March 31<sup>st</sup>, from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon at McKenna Hall. All proceeds will benefit our Seminarian Program. Cost is \$9.00 adult/\$8.00 senior/ \$6.00 Children 12 and under / \$25.00 for family of up to 5 members. All are invited to attend.



### 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! **For more information, call Judy and Bill Bosworth, 973-729-4629.**