

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 11, 2018

MASSES FOR the WEEK

SUNDAY, MARCH 11TH

8:30 A.M. People of the Parish
10:30A.M. Vera Donohue
12:00P.M. Allen Gebhardt

MONDAY, MARCH 12TH

8:00 A.M. Mark Rech

TUESDAY, MARCH 13TH

8:00 A.M. Gerard Campbell

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14TH

8:00 A.M. Arthur Clarke
7:30 P.M. NO EVENING MASS

THURSDAY, MARCH 15TH

8:00 A.M. Vincent Hicks

FRIDAY, MARCH 16TH

8:00 A.M. Carmella Rizzuto
7:15 P.M. Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, MARCH 17TH

9:00 A.M. Francisca Kariyawasam
5:00 P.M. Dennis Lenihan

SUNDAY, MARCH 18TH

8:30 A.M. Buccafurni & Spagnolo Families
10:30A.M. People of the Parish
12:00P.M. James Nicholl

SCRIPTURES:

March 18, 2018 – Fifth Sunday of Lent

First Reading: The Lord comforted His people, who were exiled to Babylon, by telling them of the new covenant He planned to make with them. The Lord declared He would write His law upon their hearts, and that He would forgive their evil and forget the sins they had committed in the past. (JEREMIAH 31:31-34)

SECOND READING THOUGH GOD COULD HAVE HEEDED HIS SON'S PRAYERS AND SPARED HIM SUFFERING, JESUS ACCEPTED HIS FATHER'S WILL. THROUGH HIS SUFFERING, HE LEARNED OBEDIENCE AND BECAME THE SOURCE OF ETERNAL SALVATION FOR ALL PEOPLE. (HEBREWS 5:7-9)

GOSPEL: JESUS WAS AFRAID OF THE SUFFERING HE KNEW HE MUST FACE. YET, HE EXPLAINED JUST AS A GRAIN OF WHEAT MUST DIE TO BE HARVESTED, HE HAD TO FACE HIS HOUR OF SUFFERING TO GLORIFY HIS FATHER'S NAME. JESUS EXPLAINED THAT ONCE HE WAS LIFTED FROM THE EARTH, HE COULD DRAW ALL PEOPLE TO HIMSELF, LIFTING THEM TO ETERNAL LIFE. (JOHN:12: 20-33)

STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK-March 11, 2018

All that we have and all that we are comes from the Lord. "We are truly His handiwork," says St. Paul in the Second reading, "created in Christ Jesus to lead the life of good deeds which God prepared for us in advance."

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MASS CARDS We are asked to pray for the dead. The best way to do this is to have a mass celebrated in memory of a loved one. Call the rectory 973-663-0211. **Please note-** offering is \$15.

RCIA -- next meeting Tuesday, **March 13th** at 7:30pm at the Rectory.

COME HOME TO HEALING --THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IS AVAILABLE IN ALL Paterson Diocese parishes **Mondays of Lent- March 12, & 19--7- 8:30pm.**



BAPTISMS are regularly performed on the First Sunday of each month at 1pm. To arrange for a Baptism please call the rectory M-F - 973-663-0211.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 
CCD Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/olsoslh>

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL -PRE-K-Grade 5

Sunday, March 11, 2018 – 8:45 AM **A Week** (Pre-K) classes
9:15am 1st Communion Parent Meeting Grade 1
10:30am Class Mass Grade 2A
Sunday, March 18, 2018– 8:45 AM **B Week**
10:30am Class Mass Grade 2B

MIDDLE SCHOOL -GRADES 6-8

Sunday, March 11, 2018 6:30-8:00PM – classes

HIGH SCHOOL – GRADES 9-10

Sun., March 11, 2018- 6:30 -8:00PM – class
10th Grade-Start time to be determined for proposed Evening Mass, followed by students & parents playing "Are you Smarter than Your 10th Grader?"
March 18 & 25, 2018 – pick up for Gertrude Hawk Orders

Please remember in prayer those who are sick:

Teresa Conway, Maureen Crowley, Patricia Kautter, Michael Christopher Dalessio, Tara Tighe Burnham, John Babbitt, Tyler Mueller, Larry Stimpfel, Terri Corcoran-Stimpfel, Dolores Yagozinski, Vito Polera, Cathy Collins, Thomas Gorman, Kathleen Stefanski, Cindy Telmosse, Carol Aulbach, & all who are ill at this time.



LENTE HEALING MASS- will be held –**NEXT Wednesday, March 21st, at 7:30pm. Msgr. Martin McDonnell**, retired priest of the Paterson Diocese will be our guest celebrant for the **Healing Mass**, and the last of our Wednesday evening Lenten Masses. Please join us and bring family and friends who may be in need of healing at this time. **(No evening mass this Wed. March 14th).**



SATURDAY. MARCH 24th 9am-3pm Annual OLSOS INDOOR FLEA MARKET & CRAFT EVENT – Vendors wanted! Reserve a table by March 8th. Applications will be in the vestibule in the coming weeks or **e-mail GRACESILL@optonline.net** and ask for one. **Gym SOLD OUT, only \$30 tables available in the Church Hall.** Vendor set up will be at 7AM. Snow Date Saturday, 4/7.



NEW ALTAR SERVERS FOR 2018 Altar servers assist the priest and deacon on the altar at Mass, help to serve at Christmas, Holy Week and Easter, and special celebrations such as Confirmation. **Instructions are being held Saturday mornings from 10AM to 11AM on March 17 & 24.**



STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be held in Church Friday at 7:15 PM. Come join us for this wonderful devotion.



EASTER FLOWERS *Easter is our greatest feast- celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus. It is fitting that our sanctuary reflects this joy.* You can help decorate our sanctuary by donating an **Easter Lily**, in memory of a loved one. A **donation of \$25.00** is requested. Envelopes are available in the church pews.



The Rosary is recited Mon-Fri after 8AM Mass, and after 9AM Mass on Saturday. All are welcome to participate, especially during LENT.



NEW TO THE PARISH Welcome! Please call (973) 663-0211 & register to become a member of our active parish.



JOURNEYING IN FAITH

As we celebrate the feasts of two great men of faith during Lent - St. Patrick and St. Joseph - we are reminded that faithfulness to God is a challenge for all Christians. Both of these men were called by God and given a mission which was uniquely their own. Because both responded faithfully and humbly to their call, they fulfilled God's plan for them.

As a boy, Patrick was wrenched from his family, from Roman civilization and sold into slavery in Ireland, an unknown land to him. During his captivity he experienced a profound conversion that changed the course of his life. After escaping and returning to his homeland, He responded to God's call to become a priest and to return to Ireland to bring the Gospel of Christ to the people. He spent some thirty years there and evangelized and baptized thousands. His work, carried on through his successors, brought a shining light into the "Dark Ages" and his influence has been experienced in the Church down through the ages even to our present day.

Joseph's courage to live a life of faith is an inspiration for us to trust in God especially in times of uncertainty and struggle. Joseph risked his reputation and trusted God's voice when the angel told him to wed Mary and believe that she was bearing God's Son. His journey through life was filled with uncertainty but led by the Spirit, he traveled the rough, uncertain journeys to Bethlehem, to Egypt and to Nazareth. He uprooted his family, traveled in faith and trusted in God. All of this he did in response to a deep inner sense of his call. Joseph's faith was rooted in trust in a God of steadfast love.

As we continue our Lenten Journey let us be mindful of our own call to Journey in Faith. Let us ask God to give us the courage to risk and to be open to His mysterious ways in our lives. To walk in faith will often mean that we do not have the answers at the moment we want them. It means taking one step at a time as we allow the Lord's light to shine and guide us on our Journey.

*Sincerely in Christ,
Father Chris*



OPERATION RICE BOWL: As part of our observance of Lent, we ask all families to participate in **Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl, a program of prayer, fasting, learning and giving.** If you have not yet done so, please take home a Rice Bowl packet and follow this simple yet powerful Lenten practice. **Visit orb.crs.org for more information.**

OLSOS ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY's first meeting of 2018 will be Monday, **March 12th**, at 7PM in the Church Hall. **All women of the parish are invited to join us** in praying the rosary and discussing this month's topics, including our upcoming **March 24th Craft Fair & Flea Market, and our Spring Yankee Candle Fundraiser** to support our Scholarship Award. Please join us!



FOOD PANTRY

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 10:45-11:45AM 1:30-3:30PM call 973-663-0211 for appointment.

Coordinator is Toni Tarighi- **Items we are out of:** **MILK, EGGS, canned fruits, oatmeal, CANNED PASTA, canned meats & stews, hash, macaroni & cheese, Pancake mix & syrup, peanut butter, JELLY, cake/brownie mixes, jello & pudding. Other items needed: SOUP, CEREAL, COFFEE, TEA, veggies, 2-in-1 shampoo, Dish/ Laundry detergents, deodorant, paper towels, toilet tissue.**
Refrigerator: yogurt; frozen foods- all types.
NOTE: Shoprite gift card donations also accepted.
Thank you to everyone supporting our food pantry.

GERTRUDE HAWK CANDY fundraiser for Religious Education Program Candy will be ready for pick up on March 18th & 25th. Thank you for your support



The Journey Part 2: Encountering the Community of Jesus" continues. For those not participating in groups, please read bulletin inserts and pick up a copy of the daily devotional.

SICK OR SHUT IN-or know someone who is- unable to get to church to receive Communion? Please call the rectory at 663-0211 to set up time for a Communion call.



OLSOS VACATION BIBLE CAMP – SPLASH CANYON- August 20-24, 2018 9am-3pm OLSOS will again be hosting one week of Day Camp for our Kindergarten through 5th grade children. 5 days filled with creative activities geared to all ages.

Fees: \$175 per child-deadline 5/20; \$150 per child. **Early Registration** deadline April 29th;

Special multi child discount \$10 per additional child.

Special and optional prices:

Volunteer pricing – any parent who volunteers for the entire week, child attends for ½ price.

BEFORE CARE (7-9am), AFTER CARE (3-6 pm), LUNCH, also available.

For more information and registration forms contact OLSOS Religious Ed Office 973-663-0124 or on-line at <http://olsoslh.org?religious-ed>.

On-Line Giving - Please go to the website olsoslh.org and click on the icon "We Share" and follow instructions to use on-line giving instead of envelopes. It is a way to make sure your offering is made even when you are unable to come to weekend Mass.

PEBBLES IN THE HOLY WATER FONTS?

During the season of Lent pebbles are placed in the fonts and the holy water is removed. This is to remind us that Lent is meant to be a time when we remember that Jesus spent forty days in the desert fasting. Water is a scarce commodity in the desert. The pebbles remind us that for us, too, Lent is meant to be a desert experience.



May your cup be filled to overflowing with Love, Health and Happiness.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!



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