



SATURDAY, March 11th

8:30 A.M. Nicholas & Mary Kosteczko and dec'd children
Req. by Frank & Kim Kosteczko & Family + Archie Reid
4:30 P.M. Req. by his Parents

SUNDAY, March 12th Second Sunday in Lent

8:00 A.M. + Ann Capozzi
Req. by John & Gert Lenio
10:30 A.M. People of the Parish

MONDAY, March 13th

8:00 A.M. + George Pallace
Req. by the Montrose Family

TUESDAY, March 14th

8:00 A.M. + Ed Byrne
Req. by Gerard (Jerry) Fricker

WEDNESDAY, March 15th

8:00 A.M. + Anna Lipariti
Req. by Mary Terranova

THURSDAY, March 16th

8:00 A.M. + Gerald F. Vinett
Req. by Paul & Gert Vinett

FRIDAY, March 17th

7:00 P.M. Stations of the Cross
7:30 P.M. + Ed Byrne
Req. by Marguerite Violante

SATURDAY, March 18th

8:30 A.M. Marion Shuckrow
Req. by Carol Passaic
4:30 P.M. People of the Parish

SUNDAY, March 19th Third Sunday in Lent

8:00 A.M. + Joseph A. Carfizzi
Req. by his wife
10:30 A.M. + Rosino Cardillo
Req. by the DiFazio Family

IF YOU HAVE ARRANGED FOR A MASS TO BE SAID, WE REMIND YOU THAT IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BRING UP THE GIFTS- PLEASE SEE THE USHERS BEFORE MASS BEGINS. THANK YOU.



PLEASE PRAY FOR AN INCREASE IN VOCATIONS.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Dora Carolan, Betty Cambalik, MaryAnn Herzog, Peggy Napolitano, Anthony Lassiter, Stewart Glenn, Gloria Sorrentino, Frank Alonzo, Richard Continanzi. Mary Verdi, Rich Carlson, Andrew Avellino, Hunter Caswell, Annette Palmer, Nancy Bedard, Gil Senescu, Carmen Esposito

If you know of someone in need of prayer - please let us know by calling the rectory.

MEMORIALS

This week's **Bread & Wine** was given in loving memory of **Ed Byrne by his wife.**

Arrangements for Memorials can be made in the rectory office. You may call or stop in.



LECTORS

03/11 4:30 p.m. Paul Vinett
03/12 8:00 a.m. Lori Youssefbaik
03/12 10:30 a.m. Jamie Hoyt
03/18 4:30 p.m. Peter LeRose
03/19 8:00 a.m. Kathleen Fowler
03/19 10:30 a.m. Julie & Michael Weatherly

ATTENTION: LECTORS AND MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST....

DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH WE WILL NEED YOUR HELP IN COVERING YOUR MINISTRY. SEVERAL LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE. WE ASK THAT YOU CALL JANET AT 564-3370 OR CHECK WHEN YOU ATTEND MASS - TO SEE IF YOUR SERVICES ARE NEEDED. THANK YOU.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST

03/11 4:30 p.m. Renne Meyer, Peter LeRose, Need Volunteer
03/12 8:00 a.m. Ed & Gladys Collins, Kathleen Fowler
Morans: Ed Collins
03/12 10:30 a.m. Chuck Montrose, Marie Regino, Need Volunteers
03/18 4:30 p.m. Renna Meyer, Peter LeRose, Need Volunteer
03/19 8:00 a.m. Ginny Gravatt, Cathy Naclerio, Janet Betanzos
Morans: Ginny Gravatt
03/19 10:30 a.m. Alice Heidecker, Need 2 Volunteers

ALTAR SERVERS

03/11 4:30 p.m. Devin Egan, Need Volunteer
03/12 8:00 a.m. Frank Seelmann, Darius Youssefbaik, Olivia Lowery, Travis Titmas
03/12 10:30 a.m. Roseanna Perillo, Jessie Timm
03/18 4:30 p.m. Danielle & John Reynolds
03/19 8:00 a.m. Frank Seelmann, Travis Titmas, Jack Cook
03/19 10:30 a.m. Jessie Timm

ATTENDANCE & COLLECTION -

February 25 & 26

Attendance 262 (224 Adults - 38 Children)
Collection: \$2715.00
Peter's Pence: \$110.00
Fuel: \$50.00

March 4 & 5

Attendance 348 (288 Adults - 60 Children)
Collection: \$3483.00 Ash Wednesday: \$956.00
Parish Support: \$3035.00

Weekly reminder:

For prayerful preparation during the week before Sunday Mass please visit liturgy.slu.edu. Reflecting on the spirituality of the scriptures *before* Mass can have a great impact on hearing the Word proclaimed on Sunday.



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."

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

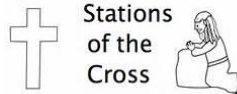
"God has saved us and has called us to a holy life, not because of any merit of ours but according to his own design – the grace held out to us in Christ Jesus before the world began but now made manifest through the appearance of our Savior. He has robbed death of its power..."

With Peter, James and John we join Jesus on the Mount of Transfiguration. It is a transforming moment, when the Lord reveals to us who He is. The voice speaks, not only telling us of Jesus, but also that we are chosen, His favor rests in us, and our lent is our moment to be transformed by God's forgiving grace. We remember the simple definition that 'grace is the very life of God, communicated to us as a gift, and accepted.'

We begin our second week on our journey, aware that we have been chosen. God offers us the gift of His grace, but we need to seek it and accept it. As Paul told Timothy, God's grace robs sin of its power. Another name for grace is 'power.' Use it, seek forgiveness and forgive someone else.



If you feel God is calling YOU and would like information on becoming a Lector, Eucharistic Minister or an Altar Server, please see Fr. Matthew or call the rectory.



All Fridays in Lent

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday in Lent at 7 pm followed by Mass at 7:30 pm. **There will be NO morning Mass on Fridays during Lent.**



LIVING FAITH LENTEN DEVOTIONS

Booklets containing meditations, prayers and scripture suggestions for each day of Lent are available for your Lenten journey. They can be found in both vestibules.

Please take one home and use it.



Anyone wishing to sing in our up-coming Lenten Taize Prayer Service, or for our Easter Masses, must attend choir practice, which is held on Sunday mornings from 9 am to 10 am. We are always accepting new choir members – Please join us.



ANNUAL PALM FUNDRAISER



Please contact Donna Vertullo at 883-5823, if you would like to help with this year's Palm Fundraiser. Many hands are needed to make this project a success. Please consider volunteering your time. **No prior experience necessary.** Call Donna Vertullo at 883-5823 to place your order.



Church Library

Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen. Enhance your faith by spiritual reading from our Library. **READ, RETURN OR PASS IT ON.**

FOUND---- a single key on a ring in the Church parking lot. Call rectory if you lost a key.



Gerard (Jerry) Fricker and Family would like to express their sincere appreciation for the many phone calls, cards, Mass/Memorial intentions, and their presence at Sally's wake and Funeral Mass. It truly meant a lot to them.

LENT...

IS A TIME FOR QUIET REFLECTION AND CONTEMPLATION

OUR LENTEN PRAYER

Dear Lord,

During this holy season of Lent, remind us these are days of salvation.

Help us to make it through our difficulties, and the trails and temptations of everyday life.

Help us keep from evil and help us avoid the pain and hurt sin causes.

Remind us to be prayerful and to reflect upon the great sacrifice Jesus made for each one of us.

Amen



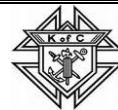
Feast of St. Joseph March 19th

NEXT Sunday, March 19th is the feast of St. Joseph. This day is a lovely opportunity not only for Italian-Americans but all of us to honor this great saint.

YOUTH 2000 NY "Fearless" Retreat

March 31-April 2, 2017

Imagine...hundreds of teens from around the region, inspiring talks, honest conversation, and powerful worship. This is NOT your typical retreat. It's the start of a *journey*. YOUTH 2000 NY is pleased to present, "Fearless," an experience for students in grades 9-12. Join us the weekend of March 31-April 2, at the Church of the Holy Trinity in Poughkeepsie, NY. Featuring talks by Fr. Chris Argano, Bryan Mercier, the Franciscan Friars and Sisters of the Renewal, music by Jess Nayden, and Mass with Bishop Peter Byrne. \$45 registration fee includes meals and lodging. For information and to register, visit us at www.youth2000ny.org or 845.663.1689 or jedwards@youth2000ny.org.



KNIGHTS CORNER:

There are only a few tickets left for a bus trip to The Sands. Proceeds will go towards the Veterans' lunch in the fall. Contact Pete LeRose at 564-1153 or Ray Heinsman at 564-7867.

If you are thinking of joining the Knights or should have any questions please contact Ray at 564-7867 or Bill at 883-0138, we would be glad to provide you with information.



CARDINAL SPELLMAN COUNCIL 5800 COLUMBIETTES

The Columbiettes are an International Organization of Catholic Women presently established in the United States and Canada. We dedicate ourselves to do God's work by promoting unity, Christ's love for each of us, and Zeal to serve God through Faith, Hope and Charity. If you are a Catholic woman over the age of 17 looking for a way to make your time fruitful, come and find out about the Columbiettes and the charitable work we do. Please consider joining us for our annual Social Tea for new members on Sunday March 26, from 1:30 – 4 PM, at St Joseph's Church Hall in New Paltz, please call Irene at 255-5911 or Karen at 255-8873 for to attend.

ST. CHARLES FOUR SEASON CLUB

**Seventh week's Winner: Pearl Kosinski
Eighth week's winner: Sharon Dedek**

There are entry forms in the vestibules. We ask if you would like to be part of this club, please return your entry form today. Cost \$15.00 for the season.