

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



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK
AT OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH:**

SATURDAY MARCH 9th :
8:00 am Mariano & Michelina Papa
5:00 pm John Portano

SUNDAY MARCH 10th:
7:30 am For the Health of Barbara and
Chris Wesolowski
9:00 am John Caputo
10:30 am Lenora Rosen
NOON Deceased Holy Name Members

MONDAY MARCH 11th:
8:30 am Lawrence & Barbara Marlin

TUESDAY MARCH 12th:
8:30 am Susana Maningas

WEDNESDAY MARCH 13th:
8:30 am Celestina & Romano Nacinovic

THURSDAY MARCH 14th:
8:30 am Diane Rivera & Maria Illarazza

FRIDAY MARCH 15th:
8:30 am For All Parishioners
7:00 pm **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

SATURDAY MARCH 16th :
8:00 am Felice & Maria Procaccio
5:00 pm Joseph O'Brien

SUNDAY MARCH 17th:
7:30 am Luigi DeBenedictus
9:00 am Mary & Patrick Maguire
10:30 am Giovanni Sciara & Calogera &
Giuseppe Ciccotto
NOON Philip Schaefer



MORNING DEVOTIONS

Following weekday 8:30 am Mass at Our Lady of Pity: Recitation of the Rosary. On First Fridays only, there is the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour. On Saturday following the 8 am Mass, novena prayers are said.

At St. Anthony of Padua there is Recitation of the Rosary and Devotions after the weekday 7:30 am Masses



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK
AT ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH:**

SATURDAY MARCH 9th:
5:00 pm Robert & Ellen Tatar
Requested by their nephew

SUNDAY MARCH 10th:
8:00 am Frank Ottomanelli
Requested by Sue Cole
11:00 am Ann Atlak
Requested by Virginia Corrente

MONDAY MARCH 11th:
7:30 am Raymond Sanchez
Requested by Sandy Sanchez

WEDNESDAY MARCH 13th:
7:30 am Florence M. Hagan
Requested by Sue & Paul Wicinski

FRIDAY MARCH 15th:
7:30 am The Wilinski Family
Requested by the family
7:00 pm **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

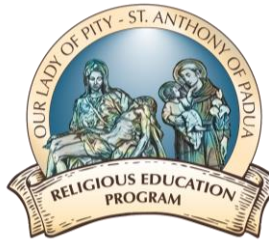
SATURDAY MARCH 16th:
5:00 pm Joseph & Lilian Sottile
Requested by the family

SUNDAY MARCH 17th:
8:00 am Michael Vecsi
Requested by Sue & Paul Wicinski
11:00 am Ronald DeMarco – Anniv. in Heaven
Requested by Virginia Corrente



**PEACE THAT ONLY CHRIST CAN GIVE
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Do you desire a more loving relationship with Jesus? Every 1st Friday of the month, you will have the opportunity to spend time with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place at Our Lady of Pity Church from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm Eucharistic Guardians will be needed. For further information call Joseph Magliocco at 718-698-8054.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

Raffles were mailed home for our Religious Education fund raiser. The cost of the raffles is \$15 per ticket. Prizes are: \$2,000, \$1,000 and \$500. Upon receipt of your raffles either return them by mail, put them in the Sunday collection or drop them off at one of the rectories. Winner need not be present to win. Please return any unused raffles.

Mandatory Parent Meetings for Sacraments:

First Holy Communion: March 15th @ 7 pm in the Parish Center. \$175 Fee due at that time. Cash or check.

YOUTH GROUP

All students in the 5th grade through High School are welcome to join our parish Youth Group. Please contact our Religious Education Office at 718-494-0308 for further details.

MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF MARCH 10th:



OUR LADY OF PITY

THE ALTAR BREAD & WINE
are being offered in memory of

THE PORTANO FAMILY

requested lovingly by Julia Ruocco

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

Is being offered in memory of

LEO SCAGLIONE

Requested lovingly by Gloria, Carol LeeAnn & Judith

Anyone wishing to offer a memorial of Wine, Host or Sanctuary lamp in memory of their loved ones or any intention at either church, please contact the respective rectory Monday – Friday, 10:00am–4:00pm

GOLDEN WEDDING JUBILEE MASS

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2019 are invited to attend the Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at Saint Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, June 2nd at 2:00 pm. Pre-registration is required. Please contact your parish to register. **The closing date to register for the Mass is Monday, May 13, 2019 at 5:00 pm.**

SHUT-INS

If any member of your family is homebound and unable to attend Mass, please notify the rectory and if you wish, a priest or an extraordinary minister will bring them the Eucharist on the first Friday of every month.

BEREAVEMENT

"Blessed are those who mourn; for they shall be comforted."
-Matthew 5:4.

Our Bereavement Minister, Deacon Michael Venditto, is available to assist anyone who has experienced a loss. Call the rectory (718-761-5421) weekdays between 9 am and 5 pm to set up an appointment with Deacon Michael.

RCIA PROGRAM

If you or a friend are interested in becoming Catholic, or perhaps you need to be confirmed, the RCIA Program invites you to meet every Wednesday at 7:30 pm in our Parish Center. No registration necessary.

ST. ANTHONY'S 50/50

The monthly envelopes for the **MARCH** "50/50" drawing are available in the back of the church. The fee is **\$5 per envelope** and you can enter as many times as you wish. **Cash only**, no checks please.

OUR LADY OF PITY 50/50

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FORMED CATHOLIC MEDIA

Join Catholics around the country with this fantastic program. Formed is a digital program that can be used on your computer, smart phone or tablet. There is something for everyone, Catholic information Audio talks, eBooks, films, documentaries and video based study programs for both adults and children. There is no cost.

To Register go to Formed.org. The Parish Code is K36ZWZ. It will request your name and email address and the Parish Code. Once registered it will ask for a password. That's all there is to it. If you need help you can call Vincent Violetta @ 917-836-5920.



The Sick

Prayer Request for Sick Parishioners

Every worshipping community is called to pray for the sick or elderly in their parish. It is a privilege to ask Our Lord to heal and strengthen the sick. *The Prayer List for the Sick* is our way of reaching out to our parishioners, young and elderly, who have received a critical diagnosis and are unable to go about the routines of life: **Michael Ragonese, Frank Marchese,**

Dayanara Georzette Acevedo, Lawrence Ambrosino, Neil Amodio, Rusty Amodio, MaryAnn Azzarello, Edward Bach, Jeff Beauzil, Isabella Borzumato, Brook Balacco, Barbara Bilardi, Mary Ellen Bednar, Joan Lee Cammy, Jennifer Campione, Gianna Cerullo, Jared Choset, Josephine Cordaro, Joseph Crescenzi Sr., Elsie Cuevas, Marc Dantoni, Dom Dealto, Donna DeFazio, Maureen Dragula, Danny Fortunato, Larry Hanley, Rose Infuso, Vincent Infuso, Charles Knecht Sr.,

Victoria Larson, Fannie Marro, Jack Masso, Lillian Miner, Ann and Angela Recker, Cheri Rosen, Margaret Ryan Galeto, Annette McGoff, Angie Mendez, Charles Messina, Richie Pahopin, Frank Alexis Ragusa, Philip Ragusa,

Darlene Remy, Valerie Rose, Peter Ruisi. Gloria Scaglione, Dcn. Michael Venditto, and Phillip Yoo

The listed names above for those asking for prayers has been updated according to months on the list.

Those remaining have been reinstated by parishioners calling after the six month period. If anyone wishes to put a name back or to add a new name of a parishioner who is sick please contact the rectory Mon.-Fri. from 9 am to 5 pm.

THE BIBLE TIMELINE: THE STORY OF SALVATION

The Bible Timeline is a twenty-four-week program that takes participants on a journey through the entire Bible. They will go deep into each period of salvation history and discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. Using a unique color-coded system, they will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and see how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith.

The program will be given in two 12-week sessions, first 12 weeks will be from February 11th through April 29th, 2019, we will break for spring and summer and start the second 12 weeks in September 2019. Cost for materials is \$40. Please register by calling the rectory and speaking with Joanne or Frank @ n718-494-0308 by January 20th to give us enough time to order materials. For more information please contact Vincent Violetta @ 917-836-5920.

SPONSOR CERTIFICATES

Anyone desiring a certificate to serve as a sponsor for a Sacrament must be a Roman Catholic who has received the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. Certificates are distributed only after weekend Masses in the sacristy, not in the rectory.

ORGANIZATIONS AT OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

We cordially invite all parishioners to join any of the groups in our parish. The following are the group titles and days they meet:

Golden Age Tues. 12-3 pm Parish Center

Legion of Mary Thurs. 7:00 pm St Jude Chapel

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary has a pilgrimage statue of Our Lady of Fatima. Anyone wishing to have the statue in their home, please call Ruth at 718-761-7717.

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES

Rosary Altar Society: Mass First Sunday of every month at 9:00 am and that Monday is their meeting at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center.

Ladies Auxiliary: Meet on the first **Wednesday** of the month at 7:00 pm in the Church basement. New members are always welcome. The next meeting will be in March.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our Lady of Pity: Second Sunday of the month Mass at 12:00 pm; that Monday is their meeting at 8:00 pm in the Parish Center.

St. Anthony of Padua: Second Sunday of every month at 8:00 am Mass, meeting follows Mass

PALM CROSS SALE

The Youth Group will be selling 24-inch Palm Crosses. Please use the order form in the back of the church. The price of the palm crosses is 1 for \$15.00 or 2 for \$25. After you purchase two then each additional cross will cost \$10. Please return the form to the rectory, Religious education Office or in the Sunday collection at both churches by March 17th. The crosses will be ready for pick up during all Masses at both worship sites the weekend of April 6th, 2019. Please make sure to indicate which church location you would like to pick up your crosses on the order form. Payment is due when you submit your order form. Supply is limited so please make sure you get your form in. Checks are to be made payable to Our lady of Pity-Sat. Anthony of Padua. Please be supportive!

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

Place nonperishable food items in a bag and place them in the back of St. Anthony's Church. Thank you and God Bless.



JOIN THE CHOIRS

Our Lady of Pity Choir

We have one combined choir for all ages which rehearses on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the Chapel of the Parish Center. Our choir sings at the Sunday 10:30 am Mass. New members are always welcome and should introduce themselves to our organist Ron D'Albero after the weekend Masses, or you may call Ron at 347-770-3477

Choir at St. Anthony of Padua meets after the 11:00 am Sunday Mass. Please see our organist Austin Lee. New members are always welcome.

OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH: EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY	MARCH 16th:
5:00 pm	M. O'Brien-J. Coraci
SUNDAY	MARCH 17th:
7:30 am	J. Salcedo
9:00 am	M. Mendez-K. Carpenito
10:30 am	S. LaRosa-I. LaRosa
NOON	M. Terracino-N. Terracino

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY:	MARCH 16th:
5:00 pm	C. Daniels
SUNDAY	MARCH 17th:
7:30 am	M. Salcedo
9:00 am	M. Pontarella
10:30 am	L. Buttacavoli
NOON	P. Magliocco

ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY	MARCH 16th:
5:00 pm	J. Flood-C. Noby
SUNDAY	MARCH 17th:
7:30 am	D. Boniface-A. Boniface
9:00 am	M. Maningas-K. Romero
10:30 am	M. Tubay-N. Lopez-H. Bailey
NOON	F. Aum-M. Maguire-I. Maguire

*PEOPLE WITH HUMILITY DON'T
THINK LESS OF THEMSELVES, THEY
JUST THINK OF THEMSELVES LESS.*



LENT

THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT LENTEN REGULATIONS

Fasting: Requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two smaller meals may be taken during the day, but these two meals together should not equal a full meal in quantity.

Fasting obliges those from 18 to 59 years of age.

Individuals not specifically obliged to fast are encouraged to join in the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able.

Abstinence: Prohibits us from eating meat on a particular day. **ALL FRIDAYS DURING LENT ARE DAYS OF ABSTINENCE. Abstinence obliges those who are 14 and continues throughout their entire life.** Those not specifically obliged from eating meat are encouraged to join in this discipline to the extent that they are able.

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



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.

HIS WORD TODAY

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

“What does the Scripture say? ‘The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart’ (that is , the word of faith that we preach), for if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.”

We have launched the Holy Season of Repentance and Reform. It is not just a change in the calendar, but a moment in which we are summoned to repentance, admit our need for the Savior. We are called in two directions, to re-form our own lives, and to walk the Lenten journey with others.

Our resolve to live Lent 2019 is truly important. The saving work of Jesus is at work in us, and through us, for others. Jesus' mission focuses on Calvary, His death and resurrection. The church too, in its mission to evangelize asks us to focus on Jesus, His cross, and our salvation. We are not just revisiting former Lents, or the first Good Friday, we ask that the paschal mystery touch, penetrate and transform us.

We move from the word on our lips to the belief in our hearts, that Jesus is here to save us today. ‘Lord, by your cross and resurrection, you have set us free. You are the Savior of the world.’

OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY SPRING FLING BASKET AUCTION

Join us for a delicious brunch including breakfast items, carving stations, salads & desserts. All you can drink mimosas, soda, coffee & tea. Basket Auction to be held at E.J. Michaels, 137 Bernard Ave. , S.I., NY on Sunday March 31st, 2019 from 11:30 am – 3:30 pm. Cost is \$55.00 per person includes brunch, DJ & some raffle tickets. If you are reserving a table of 10 please send ONE check for \$550.00 Payment is due by March 8th, 2019. Payable by check ONLY to Our Lady of Pity-St. Anthony of Padua.

OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA COMMUNION BREAKFAST

On Sunday, March 24th, the Holy Name Society will hold it's Annual Communion Breakfast after the 9:00 am Mass. The guest speaker will be Kyle McAlarney, Head Basketball and Associate Director at Moore Catholic High School. The price is \$20.00 per adult & children ages 7 – 12 are \$5.00. First Communion children with a paid adult are free. Tickets

EASTER DINNER CHRIS' RESTAURANT

Richmond Road, S.I., NY

The cost is \$58.00 per person, menu includes kielbasa & sauerkraut, stuffed cabbage, ham, chicken, pierogis, hard boiled eggs, 2 salads, butter lamb, rye bread, babka & chrusciki (cash bar). For information and reservation please contact Deacon Joe Rentkowski @ 718-727-4567.

CALLING ALL VENDORS

Franciscan Handmaids of Mary, Inc.
St. Edward Food Pantry Flea Market at
Mount Loretta, May 18, 2019
10:00 am – 5:00 pm

To be held in the parking lot of
Mount Loretto Friendship Club

are on sale in the back of the church after all the Masses.

BUS TRIP

The Saint Anthony of Padua Knights of Columbus bus trip to Atlantic City will take place on Thursday, **April 11, 2019**. We will be going to the TROPICANA CASINO. The bus is \$40 per person and each person will receive a \$25 casino credit. All are invited to join us for a day of fun. The bus will be leaving from Our Lady of Pity on Richmond Avenue at 9:00 am. Coffee and Danish will be available at 8:30 am in the parking lot. The bus will leave Atlantic City at 5:00 pm and we should be back by 7:00 pm.

Checks can be made out to the Knight of Columbus, Council 16134 at PO Box 131509, Staten Island, NY 10313. Please contact Robert Liberto, cell 917-886-7210. email ral09@aol.com or Angelo Chiapperino, at 718-698-6528, email aijuice@msn.com, if you need any additional information.

WELCOME SPRING LANCASTER, PA

Wednesday, April 24th – Friday, April 26th, 2 night stay at the Fulton Steamboat Hotel;

Day 1 – Dinner & show at the Dutch Apple

Day 2 – Dinner & show at the the Rainbow Comedy Play House

Breakfast each morning at the hotel, visit to Kitchen Kettle and a farmers market

Day 3 – Visit to Harrah's Chester Casino

Double Occupancy per person \$500

Triple Occupancy per person \$470

Single Occupancy per person \$570

For information & reservation contact Lena @ 718-761-8216

BRANSON SHOW EXTRAVAGANZA

May 25 – June 2

Motorcoach transportation, 8 nights lodging including 4 consecutive nights in the Branson area, 14 meals: 8 breakfasts and 6 dinners, admission to 7 fabulous shows, including The Presley's Country Jubilee, Amazing Acrobats of Shanghai, The Million Dollar Quartet, 1 dinner show: Showboat Branson Belle and more. Visit a casino and Historic Downtown Branson and more. The cost is \$919 per person, double occupancy for 9 days and 8 nights departing from Our Lady of Pity Church. For additional information and reservation please contact Agnes Davis @ 718-494-5475.

SOUTHERN MAINE TRIP

Lobster Bake & Boston

July 14th – July 17th, \$850 per person dbl occup. Includes 3 nights hotel with breakfast, 3 dinners including a lobster bake, Kennebunkport & Dock Square, York Harbor & The Nubbie Lighthouse, Kittery Point, Old Sturbridge Village, Tour of Boston and Quincy Market, tour manager and deluxe motorcoach, gratuities included. For information and reservation please contact Dcn. Joe Rentkowski @ 718-727-4567.

ATLANTIC CITY

Bus trip to the Tropicana Casino, March 13, 2019. Bus leaves in front of Our lady of Pity Church at 9:00 am. Cost is \$38.00 per person with \$25.00 cash back. For information and reservation please contact Agnes Davis @ 718-494-5475.

ELECTRONIC GIVING (WE SHARE PROGRAM)

This is an alternate means of supporting your parish instead of using the envelope system. This program will collect monthly contributions from your checking, savings or credit card accounts. There is **NO COST** to you, the parishioner, to participate in this program. Log on to churchofourladyofpity.churchgiving.com or call 1-866-727-4741 Ext. 1