



First Sunday in Lent
February 14, 2016

Saturday February 13th

- 9:00 For St. Patrick's Children Preparing for 1st Communion
- 5:30 Arthur Davis req. by Hughes Family

Sunday, February 14th

- 7:30 For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Patrick's Parish
- 9:00 Augustina Caruso req. by The Scuderi Family
- 10:30 Kenneth W. Gonsalves req. by The Lyons Family
- Noon Patricia Smith req. by Karen McInerney
- 5:30 Teresa & Joseph Vitelli req. by Marianne Vitelli

Monday, February 15th

- 7:00 (No 7am Mass)
- 9:00 Rita Costello req. by Beverly & Peter Albano

Tuesday, February 16th

- 7:00 For St. Patrick's Children Preparing for Confirmation
- 9:00 Rita Costello req. by Beverly & Peter Albano

Wednesday, February 17th

- 7:00 For Those in RCIA Programs Preparing for a Deeper Relationship with the Church
- 9:00 William Harrington req. by Family

Thursday, February 18th

- 7:00 Lenten Devotion of St. Patrick's Parish
- 9:00 Armando Di Biase, Sr. req. by Angelina Di Biase

Friday, February 19th

- 7:00 Persecuted Christians around the World
- 9:00 Aileen Schaefer req. by Eileen Connelly

Saturday February 20th

- 9:00 Florence Berens req. by Jane & Arthur Margolin
- 5:30 Paul Lombardi req. by The Cardillo Family

Sunday, February 21th

- 7:30 For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Patrick's Parish
- 9:00 Augustina Caruso req. by The Scuderi Family
- 10:30 Kenneth W. Gonsalves req. by The Lyons Family
- Noon Patricia Smith req. by Karen McInerney
- 5:30 Teresa & Joseph Vitelli req. by Marianne Vitelli

Recent Collection

Sunday, February 7th – \$7,169
Peter's Pence – \$2,863

ParishPay: January 16th – January 31st – \$1,225

Today's Second Collection

There will be a second collection today for our Partner-in-Faith Parish, Sacred Heart in the Bronx. Thank you for your generosity.



Pray for the Sick

Tatum Allen, Jacqueline Ruvalo Ascenzi, Virginia Barrett, Lauren Dittrich Bilyeu Thomas Browne, Connor Curran, Betty D'Alton, Frankie Dezell, Kathleen Ducksworth, Martha Dursi, Joe George, Jeffrey Greason, Leslie Hammerschmidt, Margaret Harrington, Francine Holley Richard Hughes, Christine Iannino, Felice Joaquim, Frank Kearns, Joyce Kersh, Diane Malichio, Robert Mangone, Gary Montanus, Robert Schimpf, Kirk Siegwarth, Michael Walsh, Christine Young and all who request our prayers.

It is a privilege and a duty for us to pray for those commended to our prayers. From time to time we start a new list to make sure that it is up-to-date. If we have removed someone who should remain on the list, please call the Parish Office at 234-3344.

Partner-in-Faith Prayer

Heavenly Father, we ask your blessings and protection on the people of Sacred Heart Parish. We, your children at St. Patrick's, invoke your name on their behalf. We are grateful for all you have given us and in return we are mindful of those who have less than we do. Bless us all and keep us close to you. May the example of your Son, Jesus Christ, be the strength that will make us one in you. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Check Out Our Updated Website at
stpatricksbedford.org

If you have any comments or suggestions, send them to patrick485@optonline.net or call 234-3344.

**LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS
BENEDICTION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT**
takes place on Friday, February 19th at 7:30pm



From the Pastor's Desk

Prayer – The First “Pillar” of Lent

So now that Ash Wednesday has begun our Lenten experience, and we have entered the first week of Lent, it's appropriate to ask ourselves: what am I doing for Lent? Many times the first thing that comes to mind is what food type I have decided to give up or curtail during Lent. That's well and good and generally falls under the second Lenten pillar of fasting. But allow me to offer some thoughts about the first pillar – prayer. It should also be on our Lenten “to do” list.

It seems to me that the essence of prayer is the realization that it is God alone Who is to be worshipped. God comes first. When we pray well no matter how, we are putting God first. Sometimes it is to say we are sorry. Sometimes it is to say thanks. Sometimes it is to humbly ask. Sometimes it is to adore or praise. Sometimes it is to listen. Sometimes it is simply to be in God's presence. However, we do it, we are putting God first. On another level, prayer is more than something that we do in the strictest sense. Rather, it's a relationship that we are invited to join. We are invited to receive the life of God in the Holy Trinity. We become caught up in this life of God. Our whole life becomes a prayer, so to speak. More and more, we can live with an awareness of God's presence. What a difference that makes in one's life. It is the life of prayer that leads us away from a life of idolatry and self-worship to a life in grace, spent in the presence of God. No wonder prayer is one of the great pillars of Lenten spirituality. This Lent, make prayer more a part of your daily routine.

All of the foregoing can be applied to both private (affective) prayer and public (liturgical) prayer. It is in this last category that attending a weekday mass or two would belong. I think you will find that if you really want to do Lent well, prayer will have to be a big part of it.

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A Mass for Persecuted Christians

It was on February 15th of last year that the murder of 21 Coptic Christians by ISIS terrorists took place in Libya. To mark this sad anniversary and to pray for persecuted Christians everywhere, Cardinal Dolan has asked all parishes to celebrate Mass on Monday, February 15th with that tragedy in mind. Accordingly, tomorrow's 9am Mass will be the Mass for Persecuted Christians. Since it is also President's Day, you may be home and available to join us. Because of the holiday, there is only one Mass (at 9am) on that day.



Words of Pope Francis

SINNERS WELCOME

“Jesus leads us to the Father and the door that is Jesus is never closed but always open to all, without distinction, without exclusion, without privileges. Some of you might say: ‘But, Father, I am certainly excluded because I am a great sinner: I have done terrible things in my life.’ No you are not excluded! Precisely for this reason you are the favorite, because Jesus prefers sinners, always, in order to forgive them, to love them. He is waiting for you to embrace you, to pardon you. Do not be afraid: he is waiting for you. Take heart, have courage! Everyone is invited to enter into his life and to make him enter our life, so that he may transform it, renew it and give it full and enduring joy.”

Cardinal's Appeal 2016

The Annual Cardinal's Appeal is underway. Please be as generous as you can to this most important Archdiocesan charity. There is an insert in this bulletin.

Did you attend Cathedral College or Cathedral Prep Seminary in the Archdiocese of NY?

If you attended Cathedral College or Cathedral Prep (or know someone who did), the College/ Prep Alumni Association would like to add you to its mailing list. You will then receive notifications of upcoming alumni events such memorial masses, class re-unions, etc. Our current mailing list includes over 600 names. To register please go online to: <http://bit.do/cccpaa>



Upcoming Weddings

- 02/27/16 Kari Deangelis
Joseph Jeselnik
- 04/24/16 Joanna Delaney
John Ruvo
- 05/28/16 Mia Yabut
Edward Wiese
- 06/04/16 Victoria Hunter
Stephen Rivera
(St. Francis, Mt. Kisco)
- 06/17/16 Jayne Sullivan
Matthew Coleman
- 06/25/16 Kaylin Tavolacci
Peter Aarts

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATON 2016-2017

Registration forms for Religious Education classes for the 2016-2017 school year will be e-mailed in early March. Registration forms will automatically be e-mailed to all families who are currently registered in the program and to new families who have requested a form. Our Religious Education Program begins in 1st Grade and continues until 8th Grade. For more information or to obtain a registration form, please call the Religious Education Office at 234-3775 or e-mail goodnews2@verizon.net.

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION LENTEN SERIES

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH
9:30AM – 10:30AM OR 7:30PM – 8:30PM
CHURCH MEETING ROOM

Topic: Definition of the Church", Jesus and the Church
Presenter: Fr. Joseph Domfeh



Service Personnel Prayer List

The names listed below are service personnel serving in our nation's armed forces who are relatives of our parishioners. Please keep them in your prayers.

Darren Adler/Marines
Robert F. Benedettini/Army
Ryan Bludau/Air Force
Casey Dale Climis/Air Force
Christopher Cruz/Army
Daniel Cruz/Army
Thomas Dever/Marines
Matthew Diterichs/Army
Terrence Higgins/Navy
Christopher Homon/Marines
Richie Hughes/Marines
Christopher G. Johnson/Coast Guard
Paddy McManus/Army
Stephen Musick/Marines
Matthew Nevios/Air Force
Cristin Pulise/Marines
Charles Retter/Marines
Peter Riley/Army
Kate Rosenschein/Navy
Christian Roth/Coast Guard
Craig Scott/Army
Andrew Solt/Marines
Thomas McAllister Stevenson/Army
Michael Tynan/Marines
Howard Wulforst/Army



Annual St. Patrick's Auction/Dinner Dance

- Saturday Evening, March 12, 2016 at 7 PM
- Salem Golf Club, North Salem NY
- Honoring Patrick Collins & Sam Roberts
- PLEASE JOIN US FOR A GREAT EVENING!
- Need a ride to the Auction? Please call the Parish Office at 234-3344



Here I Am!

55+ CLUB – ST. PATRICK'S MSGR'S BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON



Friday, March 4th, 2016 – 1 PM
Church Meeting Room



Catered by Scott's Corner Market

LENTEN MEAL

\$25.00 per Person

Paid Reservations by February 28th

Please make your checks payable to 55+ Fund
and send to: Gail Desio

150 South Bedford Road Pound Ridge, N.Y. 10576
Please indicate on your check –Msgr's Luncheon

Name: _____

Tel.No. _____

Address: _____