



**Eighth Ordinary Sunday  
February 26, 2017**

**Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>**

- 9:00 For All Christians to Become Agents of True Love Reflecting the Love of Jesus Christ
- 5:30 Jim Kenyon req. by Dot Citro

**Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>**

- 7:30 For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Patrick's Parish
- 9:00 Thomas Cassidy req. by Jane & Dan Hickey
- 10:30 Raymond F. Hickey, Sr. req. by Family
- Noon Vincent Zacardo req. by The Smith Family
- 5:30 Philomena & Frank Cardinale req. by Garibaldi & Decina Families

**Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>**

- 7:00 (No Intention)
- 9:00 (No Intention)

**Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>**

- 7:00 (No Intention)
- 9:00 (No Intention)

**Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> Ash Wednesday**

- 7:00 For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Patrick's Parish
- 9:00 (No Intention)
- 12:00 (No Intention)
- 4:30 Liturgy of the Word
- 7:30 (No Intention)

**Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>**

- 7:00 (No Intention)
- 9:00 (No Intention)

**Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>**

- 7:00 (No Intention)
- 9:00 (No Intention)

**Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>**

- 9:00 Rose Bisignano req. by Fr. Joe Bisignano
- 5:30 Sr. Barbara Heil req. by Christina Fuhrman

**Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>**

- 7:30 For the Living & Deceased Members of St. Patrick's Parish
- 9:00 Joan Scribner req. by The Voltaggio Family
- 10:30 Mary Woods. req. by Marsha & Keith Borelli
- Noon Nick Modico req. by Christina Fuhrman
- 5:30 Vincent J. & Vincent D. Luccarelli req. by Family

**RECENT COLLECTION**

*Week of February 21st: \$7,209*



**Pray for the Sick**

Tatum Allen, Virginia Barrett, Zoe Bonowitz, Peter Bovat, Rudi Bovat, Lauren Dittrich Bilyeu, Dominick Cannavo, Conner Curran, Rose DeCicco, Frankie Dezell, Maureen Doran, Kathleen Ducksworth, Helen Flower, Jean Gallagher, Jeffrey Greason, Leslie Hammerschmidt, Margaret Harrington, Richard Hughes, Christine Iannino, Mirella Kahriman, Maureen Laning, Tom Lee, John Li Conti, Veronica Lopez, Frank Kearns, Joyce Kersh, Marlene Linz, Kevin Mahoney, Diane Malichio, Robert Mangone, Steve Mazzei, Jim Murphy, John Pasquale, Maureen Reardon, Chris Schate, Matthew Scherer, Kirk Siegwarth, Otto Siegwarth, Christine Young, Eileen Riley Zawada, 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.***

**Cardinal's Appeal 2017**  
***The Annual Cardinal's Appeal is underway. Please be as generous as you can to this most important Archdiocesan charity.***

**LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
BENEDICTION OF THE  
BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
***Takes place on Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30pm  
And every other Friday during Lent***



## From the Pastor's Desk

### LENT

Officially, Lent goes from the morning of Ash Wednesday until the evening of Holy Thursday with the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

This year our schedule for Ash Wednesday has changed: The Mass schedule is 7:00am, 9:00am, 12:00pm (noon) and 7:30pm. Ashes will be distributed during each of these Masses. There will also be a Liturgy of the Word at 4:30pm that will not include the Liturgy of the Eucharist or the distribution of Holy Communion.

Please remember that the ashes represent being aware of our sins and a willingness to sincerely try to do better. Therefore, it makes no sense to give ashes to children below the age of seven since they cannot commit a sin.

Fasting is binding for all people who are between the ages of 14 and 60. Fasting is defined as having one main meal with two smaller meals that together do not equal the main meal. There is absolutely no eating between meals. There are only two days where this is mandated which are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting is encouraged throughout the forty days of Lent.

Abstinence is not eating meat on specific days and is binding on all over the age of 14. The Church mandates that Ash Wednesday and every Friday during Lent, including Good Friday, are days of abstinence. There is a long tradition that people willing add another day during the week to observe abstinence; usually that day would be Wednesdays.

The Liturgy of the Hours, specifically Morning Prayer (Lauds), will precede the 9:00am Mass on Mondays through Saturdays. It will begin at 8:45am.

Fr. Joseph is offering an Adult Formation Class on Mondays after the morning Mass which is repeated on Monday evenings. (More information on the next page.)

Public celebration of the Stations of the Cross will be on all Fridays during Lent. It will be at 7:30pm and will be followed by Benediction. Of course, you may privately pray the Stations of the Cross at any time, on any day, whenever the Church is open.

In addition to giving things up during Lent we invite you to add things to your already busy lives. They could include extra prayers, reading of Scriptures, Rosaries centering on the Sorrowful Mysteries, works of charity and alms giving.

If you are looking for a suggestion of what to give up during Lent, how about choosing one habitual sin that may have become part of your life, and really trying to overcome that particular fault? I always thought candy got a bad reputation during Lent.

Also, if you are eating less then hopefully you are spending less. This money could be saved up and then given to the poor. Lent is not diet time. It should benefit others as much as possible such as being kinder to others.

May this coming Lent be a real time of renewal for each of us personally and for the parish as a whole. God Bless!

## Words of Pope Francis

### RESISTING THE DEVIL'S DIVERSIONS

"The tempter seeks to divert Jesus from the Father's plan, that is, from the way of sacrifice, of the love that offers itself in expiation, to make him take an easier path, one of success and power. The duel between Jesus and Satan takes place through strong quotations from Sacred Scripture. The devil, to divert Jesus from the way of the cross, sets before him false messianic hopes: economic well-being (the ability to turn stones into bread); a dramatic and miraculous style (throwing himself down from the top of the Jerusalem Temple and being saved by angels); and lastly, a shortcut to power and dominion (in exchange for an act of adoration to Satan). These are the three groups of temptations and we, too, know them well!"

### Ash Wednesday Schedule

Ashes will be distributed five times throughout the day:

**7am Mass 9am Mass 12 Noon Mass**  
**4:30m Liturgy of the Word (No Holy Communion)**  
**7:30pm Mass**



## **Come Celebrate with St. Patrick's Parish**

**St. Patrick's Day Cocktail Party  
and Silent Auction  
Saturday, March 18, 2017 at 6:30pm**

**Proceeds to go Toward a New  
Sound System for the Church**

**Open Bar and Hors D'oeuvres  
\$100 per person**

**The Stanwich Golf Club  
888 North Street Greenwich CT 06831  
(Just through Banksville, less than  
15 minutes from here)**

**Please respond by March 1<sup>st</sup> to Ann at  
234-3344 or [patrick485@optonline.net](mailto:patrick485@optonline.net)**

### **KATE FLETCHER NEXT WEEKEND**

Kate Fletcher of Hekima Place in Kenya will visit us next weekend, March 3rd and 4th. It will be good to see her.

### A Note from Deacon Lou

My employer has asked me to work in the company's Singapore and Shanghai offices during the month of March and early April. I will be leaving New York on Friday, March 3rd for Singapore and will not be back until Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>.

During this time I can be contacted on my mobile phone (914 393 1900) by either text or voice or you can email me at [lsantore@yahoo.com](mailto:lsantore@yahoo.com). I would be happy to hear from you and will respond to your messages as quickly as possible but please remember Singapore is **13 hours ahead** of New York time.

May God bless you all,  
Deacon Lou



### Coffee Sunday

Next Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, is Coffee Sunday. Please join us **AFTER THE 9am Mass** in the Church Meeting Room for refreshments. **WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE 10:30am AND 12 noon MASSES AND FOR CLEANUP.** We purchase everything.



SHROVE TUESDAY

### ATTENTION SENIOR ADULTS:

Pancake Dinner at St. Patrick's School Gym

Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>

Drop in any time from 6:00 pm-6:45 pm

The Religious Education Program invites St. Patrick's Senior Adults to join us for a Shrove Tuesday Celebration to prepare for the Lenten season.

There is **no charge** for the dinner but we ask that you please donate a non-perishable food item for us to bring to the Community Center of Northern Westchester.

Please RSVP so that we know how many to expect. To RSVP call 914-234-3775 or email [goodnews2@verizon.net](mailto:goodnews2@verizon.net)

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Registration forms for Religious Education classes for the 2017-2018 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](mailto:goodnews2@verizon.net).

## ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION LENTEN SERIES

### Christian Spirituality: Historical Development

(Fr. Anthony Cirorra, S.J, PhD)

**Facilitator: Fr. Joseph Domfeh**

**Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> – Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Morning Session: 9:30/After Mass-10:30am**

**Evening Session: 7:30-8:30pm**

**Church Meeting Room**

**Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>** - An Overview of Christian Spirituality from the First Century Through the Twentieth Century.

**Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>** -The Jewish Roots of Christian Spirituality (The Vision And Messages of Jesus Christ, and Introduction To The Patristic Period).

**Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup>** - The Spirituality of the First Christian Generation (Martyrdom).

**Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup>** - The Giants of the Second and Third Centuries (Irenaeus, Clement, and Origen).

**Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup>** - The Writings of Clement of Alexandria and Origen (The Monastic Movement and the Desert Fathers).

**Monday, March 27<sup>th</sup>** - The 4<sup>th</sup> Century Spirituality and the Golden Age (St. Ambrose, St. Jerome, and St. Augustine).

**Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>** - Modern Spirituality as a Gateway into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Spirituality. Where Do We Go From Here?



**On Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, St. Patrick's Spring Blood Drive will be held at St. Patrick's School from 8am to 2pm. If you are able, please consider donating. Blood is always vitally needed. A sign-up schedule will be available at the Church entrance on March 5<sup>th</sup>.**