

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Saturday, March 18, St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop

8.30AM Devotees of Mary

4.00PM Henry Mahnkopf by Filomena Mahnkopf

Sunday, March 19, Third Sunday in Lent

9.00AM Ruth Meyer by Anna & Ron Meyer

11.15AM People of the Parish

Monday, March 20, St. Joseph, Spouse of Blessed Mother

8.30AM Paul Ocana by Barbara & Vinnie Donnelly

Tuesday, March 21

8.30AM Kit Carson by Barbara & Jon Todd

Wednesday, March 22

8.30AM Ben Ingrisano by Albert & Eleanor Stierheim

Thursday, March 23, St. Turbius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

8.30AM Michael&Mary Bertha Heiser by Horeckey Family

Friday, March 24, Bl. Oscar Romero, Bishop & Martyr

8.30AM Richard Jennings by Nancy & Jim Rizzi

Saturday, March 25, The Annunciation of the Lord

8.30AM Devotees of Mary

4.00PM Kay Lang by Horeckey Family

Sunday, March 26, Fourth Sunday in Lent

9.00AM People of the Parish

11.15AM James Franz by Elizabeth Higgins

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Collection \$ 1118.00

Thank you for your continued support and generosity

FOOD PANTRY

The food pantry is always in need of food stuffs and/or monetary donations! Please be generous. Thank you for your increased giving to the food pantry.

THE HISTORY OF THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

From the earliest of days, followers of Jesus told the story of his passion, death and resurrection. When pilgrims came to see Jerusalem, they were anxious to see the sites where Jesus was. These sites become important holy connections with Jesus. Eventually, following in the footsteps of the Lord, along the way of the cross, became a part of the pilgrimage visit. The stations, as we know them today, came about when it was no longer easy or even possible to visit the holy sites. In the 1500's, villages all over Europe started creating "replicas" of the way of the cross, with small shrines commemorating the places along the route in Jerusalem. Eventually, these shrines became the set of 14 stations we now know and were placed in almost every Catholic Church in the world.

Pray the stations, and experience the consolation they offer. And return often, to be renewed in this intimate experience of Jesus' solidarity with all humanity in our way of the cross.

LENT 2017

In order to make the season of Lent a more fruitful one we invite our parish family to come to events we have scheduled below:

ASH WEDNESDAY March 1st: Ashes will be distributed in 8.30 AM & 7.00 PM Mass.

WEEKDAYS IN LENT: Eucharistic Adoration, Monday through Saturday from 7.30 AM to 8.30 AM.

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT: 8:15am Morning Prayer before Mass

FRIDAYS IN LENT: Stations of the Cross at 7.00 PM & Eucharistic Adoration from 9.00 AM to 10.00 AM.

RECONCILIATION MONDAY: Monday, April 10th 3:00PM to 9:00PM.

REGULAR CONFESSION SCHEDULE: Saturday 3.00 PM to 3.45 PM.

A LENTEN PRAYER

Gracious, merciful Lord, Be my guide this Lent and always. Draw me closer to You. Help me to suffer as I ought. You are the Great Comforter. Be with me, Lord, as I pray and fast. Teach me to pray and fast to join You and all the saints. Teach me to offer up my suffering to help those most in need. Guide me to be ever mindful of You and the greater purpose You have in mind for me. Amen.

LETTER FROM CARDINAL DOLAN

My Brother Priest:

A blessed Lent to you! My purpose in writing you today is to extend a special invitation for you and the men of your parish to join me at the 2017 Archdiocesan Men's Conference on Saturday, April 1, at St. Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers.

The lineup of speakers includes Mr. Alfred Kelly, CEO of Visa and Director of the 2015 Visit of Pope Francis to New York City; Father Jonathan Morris, pastor, author and media personality; and Mr. Ryan Young, director of the well-renowned *Camp Veritas* – a youth ministry retreat program. In addition to Mass, there will also be the opportunity for our parishioners to experience God's mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. **We are still looking for assistance with confessions; if you are interested, please contact Dr. Daniel Frascella, director of Adult Faith Formation, at Daniel.Frascella@archny.org or (646) 794-2577.**

The theme for the conference is "Faith Every Day," and it is my hope that our parishioners will be inspired, and come away with practical ways to continue living out their Catholic faith beyond Sunday.

For more information about the conference and to register, please visit:

www.ArchNYMensConference.eventbrite.com. It is my prayer that your Lent be filled with many graces as we focus our gaze on Jesus Crucified sent for our salvation!

With prayerful best wishes, I am,

Fraternally in Christ,
Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York

LECTOR SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, MARCH 18

4.00 PM Kathleen Johnson

SUNDAY, MARCH 19

9.00 AM Marsha Sereno

11.15 AM Joan Girardi

SATURDAY, MARCH 25

4.00 PM Kathleen Johnson

SUNDAY, MARCH 26

9.00 AM Ed Kennedy

11.15 AM Nancy & Jim Rizzi

**OUR PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY,
MARCH 22, 2017 at 7.00 PM**

LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As a way of reminding everyone about the guidelines for the Lenten Fast and Abstinence, I offer the following explanation:

Lenten Fast and Abstinence: During the Season of Lent, the Church urges all the faithful to reflect a spirit of penance in their daily life through performing acts of fast and abstinence.

FASTING: Fasting requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but these two meals together should not equal a full meal in quantity. Fasting obliges all those who have reached the age of 18 and continues to oblige until age 59. Those not specifically obliged to fast are encouraged to join in the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able.

ABSTINENCE: Abstinence prohibits individuals from eating meat on a particular day. Abstinence obliges all those who have reached the age of 14 and continues to oblige throughout their entire life. Those not specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are encouraged to join in this discipline to the extent that they are able.

ASH WEDNESDAY and GOOD FRIDAY are days of Fast and Abstinence. FRIDAYS in Lent are days of Abstinence.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please Pray for Don Tedesco, Marilyn Pizzonia, Michael Dean, Kyle Graham, Michele Griesbaum, Lisa Donohue, James Valenti, JJ Hanson, Kathleen Quinn, Vincent Russo, Aliya Rachlin, Tara Byrne, Anthony Giordano, Betty Fok, Bob Einterz, Andrea Fedoruk, Nicky Castagna, Jane Schneider, Michael and Matthew Mclean, and Samantha. For Our Military Personnel: Michael Donnelly, Matthew Counts, Joseph Counts, Vaughn Schlott, Kevin Bozza, Kathleen Jaeger, Michael Walsh, and Ana Lucia Teran-Stasilli.

NOTIFY US OF CHANGES AND ADDITIONS

CONGRATULATIONS

Our "200 Club" Winner for March 12
"MIKE PARADISIS"

SECOND COLLECTION

NEXT WEEK THE SECOND COLLECTION WILL
BE FOR "THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICE"
