

**APRIL 2, 2017  
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

**MONDAY**

8:30 Nancy Zande req. by Peggy McGovern  
Maria & Frank Megna req. by the Green Family

**TUESDAY – Saint Isidore**

8:30 Fr. Patrick Brown req. by Betsy Sutherland

**WEDNESDAY – Saint Vincent Ferrer**

8:30 Fr. Patrick Brown req. by Peggy McGovern  
Carolyn Ambrosino req. by her husband, Gerard

**THURSDAY**

8:30 Joann Lewis req. by Chris & Doug Chesnulovitch

**FRIDAY – Saint John Baptist de la Salle**

8:30 William Lieb req. by Debbie & Keith Azzolina  
9:30 Parker McKeever req. by Jen Brady, Terry Post,  
& Lauren Linus  
Raymond O’Leary req. by the Faculty & Staff at  
Rev. Brown

**SATURDAY**

8:30 Dr. Howard O’Gorman req. by the Redshaw  
Family  
5:30 People of the Parish  
Richard Redshaw req. by Mary & Don McCreedy

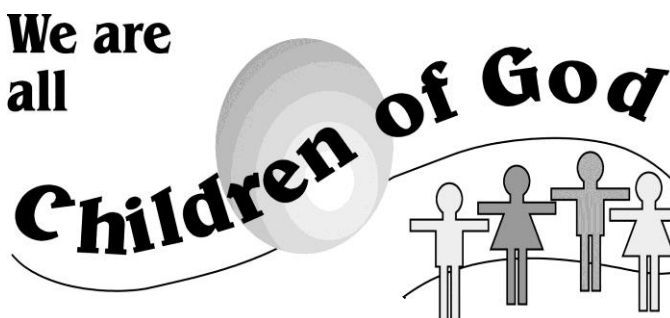
**APRIL 9, 2017  
PALM SUNDAY  
THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

7:45 Joanne Cambouris req. by her son, John  
Mrs. Rosemary Marsden req. by Doug Vance  
9:00 Deacon Ed Maron req. by the Convey Family  
Eugene Romanick req. by Katherine Stehr  
10:30 Anna Drelick req. by Stacey Kobescko  
Steve Iannacone req. by Gerri Ellis  
12:00 Deacon Ed Maron req. by the Mattos Family  
John F. (Jack) Brady req. by Michelle Miragliotta  
5:00 Elma L. Lindfoss req. by Carl & Jo Doubet

**PARISH FINANCES**

**March 26, 2017 \$ 12,264**

**The Second Collection next week is for Diocesan Assessment.**



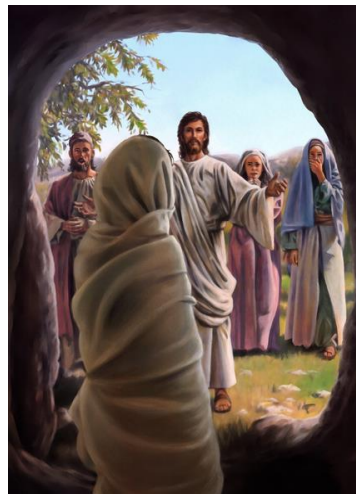
**REFLECTION**

**Lazarus, Come Out!**

Raising Lazarus from the dead was one of the most amazing miracles Jesus performed. But think about Martha. In this story, we see Jesus bringing this grieving sister from a theoretical faith to actual, living faith in him. In some respects, this is just as amazing as raising someone from the dead.

That’s why Martha makes a great Lenten companion for us. Hers is the kind of transformation Jesus wants to bring about in all of us. So let’s look at Martha’s progression to deeper faith:

At first, Martha trusts that Jesus can answer her prayers: “Lord, if you had been here...”



Jesus says Lazarus will rise, but Martha doesn’t believe it can happen now. She pushes it into a distant future time: “I know he will rise in the resurrection on the last day”

Jesus asks if she believes he is the resurrection and the life. Martha responds generally: “I have come to believe that you are the Christ”. She can’t seem to make the jump from Messiah to resurrection.

When Jesus asks Martha to open the tomb, she hesitates: “Lord, by now there will be a stench”. So Jesus nudges her forward: “Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?” You can see it here and now, not just in some distant future. Martha needs to apply her faith.

Will she allow her brother’s body to be brought out? You can almost feel the struggle as she grapples with this decision. Jesus isn’t afraid of the stench, but he waits for her to decide. Finally, Martha gives permission, and the tomb is opened. Jesus calls Lazarus forth, and Martha comes to believe.

Every Sunday this Lent, Jesus has been leading us to take another step forward in faith. As he did with Martha, he brings us along gradually. Even if we waver, he waits for us to say yes to the next step.

From: *The Word Among Us*

**THE WEEK IN THE PARISH 4/2/17 TO 4/8/17**

<b>Mon.</b>	6:30 PM Knights of Columbus	McKenna Hall
	7:00 PM Theresa of Avila	Library
	7:00 – 8:30 Coming Home Confessions	
<b>Tues.</b>	9:00 AM Scripture Sharing	Library
	7:00 PM Women’s Cornerstone	St. Lucy
	7:00 PM Bible Study	Cassidy Hall
<b>Wed.</b>	6:00 PM Men’s Cornerstone	McKenna Hall
<b>Thurs.</b>	6:45 PM BINGO (non-smoking)	McKenna Hall
	7:30 PM Mother’s Lenten Group	Library
	7:30 PM Ushers Meeting	Church
	7:00 PM Women’s Cornerstone	Cassidy Hall
<b>Fri.</b>	6:00 PM K of C Federation Meeting	McKenna Hall
	7:00 PM Filipino Mass	Church
	8:30 PM AA	Cassidy Hall
<b>Sat.</b>	After 8:30 Mass – Legion of Mary	St. Benedict
	8:00 PM AA	McKenna Hall

**LITURGY**

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

**First Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14**

This reading is a loving promise that the Lord will put His spirit into his people and will let them live.

**Second Reading: Romans 8:8-11**

Paul reminds the Romans that they are not people of the flesh but people of the Spirit because the Spirit of God dwells in them.

**Gospel: John 11:1-45**

In great detail, John tells the story of the raising of Lazarus to life. Upon learning of the death of Lazarus, his dear friend, Jesus goes to comfort Martha and Mary. After proclaiming, “I am the Resurrection and the Life,” Jesus goes to the tomb of Lazarus and restores him to life.

**NEXT WEEK’S READINGS**

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 50:4-7

**Second Reading:** Philippians 2:6-11

**Gospel:** Matthew 26:14—27:66

**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Those serving in the military especially: Richard Fox, John Garlasco, Brian McCarthy, Lt. Daniel Faherty, Joseph Venutolo, Cpl. Marc Vero, Sgt. Jeremy Overstreet, Kevin Michael Kiefer, Michael Krapels, Robert Stumpe, USMC, Staff Sgt. Jeremy Curcio, Staff Sgt. Lena Webb, Spc. Samuel Nolan, US Army, Lt. Jamie Curcio, Navy Reserve, 1<sup>ST</sup> Lt. Christopher Tantillo; Cpl. Conor J. Brady, USMC, LCpl. Marc Stanziale, USMC. 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Joseph Brunone, US Nat’l Guard, Brandon Adams, USAF. Please continue to pray for all our servicemen and women.

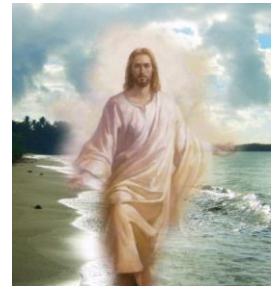
**SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT**

**LISTENING**

This week the young people of the parish who are preparing for Eucharist reflected on listening to the word of God. God’s presence with us is manifested in the gift of the Scriptures, God’s own word to us. How do we as a parish listen attentively to the word of God and allow the Spirit of love to transform our hearts and our minds – our very lives?

**A RETREAT WITH JESUS CHRIST**

All are welcome to join us for “*A Retreat with Jesus Christ*” presented by Fr. Robin Ryan C.P., Ph.D. during a 9-session DVD series every Tuesday at 7:00 to 8:30 PM in Cassidy Hall. Fr. Ryan will help us focus on Christ as Friend, Christ as the Healing Presence of God and other spiritually enriching topics.



There will be follow-up discussion and refreshments.

**DOGMA TEAM/YOUTH GROUP**

Dogma Team meets every Monday at 6:30 PM. to 8:00 PM in the Youth Room.

Pray for the women who were on the Cornerstone Retreat this weekend.

Cornerstone April 2017

**RENEW AT CORNERSTONE!**

**Men’s Retreat contacts:**

Victor Puglio ((973) 670-6999 or James Stanski at (917) 250-4981. Do not miss this unique opportunity to spend 26 hours that could have a profound impact on your outlook and your life! Step out of your routine to think about those things that matter most. Reflect, Renew, Relax, and Strengthen Your Faith. Further information and registration forms are in the retreat



I am the Vine  
You are the Branches

brochures available in church or at the parish office. This is the year to give yourself the gift of Cornerstone. Participate as much or as little as you choose. Questions? Comments? See contacts above or call the Parish Office (973) 729-6107.

## A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY

A spiritual journey through St. Teresa of Avila's Classic: **Interior Castle** - Meetings will be held on **Monday evenings, 7:00 to 8:30 PM** and will be in the Parish Library. We will proceed at a pace determined by the group. It is highly recommended that participants use the book titled, St. Teresa of Avila, *The Interior Castle*, Study Edition. Published by ICS. Please contact Nancy Hefe at (973) 713-1376 or Jeff Tucker at (973) 726-9011 for details to sign up and for book ordering.

## WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO ANNOUNCE

### Blood Donations Save Lives

Thank you for your past support of St. Kateri's Blood and Platelet Drives. At our March drive, 79 donors walked through the doors, donating a total of 87 life-saving blood products. Our upcoming drive is on Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> in the downstairs Community Room at St. Kateri, 427 Sparta Rd., Sparta.

### Pizza Fundraiser

The Don Bosco Columbiettes Auxiliary No. 7784 are having a pizza fundraiser at the Villa Capri Restaurant in the Plaza on Rt. 206 in Newton on Friday, April 14, 2017. Please help the Columbiettes raise money for scholarships and local charities. Villa Capri will donate \$1 for every pizza sold (all day) on Friday, April 14, 2017. So, treat your family to some really great pizza and help raise money for charity.

### Tri-County Scholarship Fund Golf Invitational

Monday, June 5, 2017 at Morris County Golf Club, 36 Punch Bowl Rd., Morristown. Go to [www.tcsfund.org/golf](http://www.tcsfund.org/golf) for more information, or call 973-984-9600 or email [msimon@tcsfund.org](mailto:msimon@tcsfund.org).

### Assumption College Summer Session 2017

**May 30 – July 7**

Th 201 The Church: Its Nature & History – 3 credits  
Mon, Wed, Fri, 9 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Th 203 – Fundamental Moral Theology – 3 credits  
Mon, Wed, Fri 12:45 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Three Credit Course: \$510; Audited Course: \$255  
Information: Phone 973-957-0188 Ext. 106 or email:  
[academicdean@acs350.org](mailto:academicdean@acs350.org).

### Marijuana: Potency, Policy & Public Impact

Conference May 3, 2017; 8:30 AM – 3:00 PM at Perona Farms, 350 Andover Sparta Rd., Andover. Cost \$60 per person. Breakfast and Lunch provided. Six hours of Continuing Education and Professional Development will be provided for this conference. For more information please contact Jenn at [jenn@centerforprevention.org](mailto:jenn@centerforprevention.org) or (973) 383-4787.

## CRUISE – PARIS & NORMANDY JULY 26<sup>TH</sup> TO AUGUST 3<sup>RD</sup> 2017

Starting from \$2,599 pp dbl occ./ \$3,599 pp single occ. (Plus airfare and optional 2 night Pre Paris stay) Begin your journey in magical Paris, the "City of Light," where you will embark your luxurious river cruise ship. Visit the village of Giverny, where Monet lived and worked for 43 years, and Honfleur, a charming French harbor town immortalized by generations of artists. Stroll through Rouen, the historic capital of Normandy, than take an unforgettable excursion to the famous Normandy beaches of WWII. Visit Les Andelys, home of Chateau Gaillard before concluding your trip back to Paris. For more information contact Dan Scully at (973) 729-5777 or (973) 534-6462 or [Daniel.Scully@Scullytravel.com](mailto:Daniel.Scully@Scullytravel.com).

## MANNA HOUSE DONATIONS

As you know, our parish has been donating food to Manna House during the month of March. I would just like to share with you how some of that food was used. On the day before the big snow storm, we took food over to Manna House. Some parishioners had donated small cans of stew, lasagna, soup, and packages of macaroni and cheese. These foods were immediately put out on tables for the patrons to take home so they would have something to eat during the storm. Last Thursday, someone donated extra-large boxes of mashed potatoes. That was our day to volunteer at Manna House. We had a turkey dinner, and one of those boxes provided mashed potatoes for over forty people. I just thought you might like to know how you were instrumental in feeding the hungry this month!

Nancy Clear

## WILL SOMMA – EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

Will Somma, a current Pope John High School student and graduate of Reverend Brown, has started his Eagle Scout Project to restore the Our Lady of Grace Shrine Garden on the Reverend Brown campus. A new fencing and landscaping design has been created to make the garden more appealing and open it up to inspire devotion to Mary and to remember Sister Ruth who gave so much to our parish. Please consider supporting Will's project by donating using the GoFundMe link below:  
<https://www.gofundme.com/our-lady-of-grace-garden-restoration>

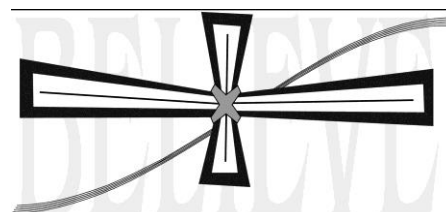


## SAINT PAUL INSIDE THE WALLS

### 2017 DIOCESAN CATECHETICAL CONFERENCE

**Saturday, April 22, 8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

Keynote speaker: Chris Stefanick. Registration and information is available at [www.insidethewalls.org](http://www.insidethewalls.org).



**SEE THE GLORY OF GOD**



## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

### **Monday, April 10**

*Chrism Mass at St. Philips, Clifton*

### **Tuesday, April 11**

7:00 PM - Parish Penance Service

### **Holy Thursday – April 13**

8:00 PM - *Mass of the Lord's Supper*

9:00 PM – Midnight – *Eucharistic Adoration*

### **Good Friday – April 14**

12:00 Noon *7 Last Words of Christ*

2:00 PM *Passion of the Lord*

3:15 PM *Divine Mercy Novena*

7:00 PM *Living Stations of the Cross*



### **Holy Saturday – April 15**

12:30 PM *Divine Mercy Novena*

1:00 PM *Blessing of the Food*

8:00 PM *Easter Vigil Mass*

### **Easter Sunday – April 16**

#### **Mass in Church**

7:45 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 Noon

#### **Mass in McKenna Hall**

10:35 AM, 12:05 PM

***(There is No 5:00 PM Mass on Easter Sunday)***

## HOLY THURSDAY OFFERING

During Holy Thursday this year, I would ask that if you are participating in the Mass, that you bring one or two non-perishable food items with you. During the Offertory you will be invited to come forward and place your offering in a basket in the sanctuary. It could be a can of tuna, canned vegetables, soup or apple sauce. Just one or two items will suffice to remind us to reach out in service to those in need.



## **LENT 2017** **LENTEN REGULATIONS**

**Ash Wednesday and Good Friday** are days of strict Fast and Abstinence from meat. There is a limit of one full meal for all between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive.

### **Days of Abstinence: (All Fridays in Lent)**

All who have reached their 14<sup>th</sup> year are bound to abstain totally from meat.

### **Weekdays of Lent:**

There is no obligation to fast. However, voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

### **Easter Duty Obligation:**

After they have received their First Communion, Catholics are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season.

### **RECONCILIATION**

Confessions are heard every Saturday from 4:00–5:00 PM

### **RECONCILIATION ADDITIONAL HOURS**

7:00 – 8:30 PM Mondays: March 6, March 13, March 20, March 27, and April 3

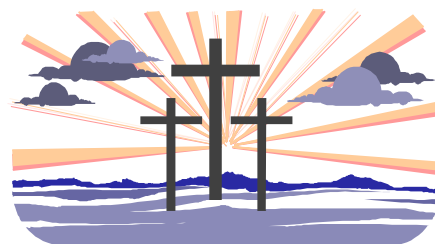
Lenten Penance Service, Tuesday, April 11 at 7:00 PM

### **PRAY THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

In Lent it is especially meaningful to pray the stations.

Join us as a community when we

pray them on Friday nights at 7:00 PM in Lent. It can also be done alone at any time, going from station to station as we pray. It can even be done at home!



### **JOIN THE LEGION OF MARY**

The Legion of Mary meets every Saturday morning after the 8:30 Mass in the St. Benedict Room. Come pray together.

*The Legion of Mary (Latin: Legio Mariae) is an international association of the faithful of the Catholic Church who serve the Church on a voluntary basis. It was founded in Dublin, Ireland, as a Roman Catholic Marian Movement by a lay man Br. Frank Duff.*

