

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers
Weekend of March 17-18

SATURDAY, MARCH 10
5:00 ONORIO MORELLI

SUNDAY, MARCH 11
7:00 DAVID JOHNSON
8:30 ALICE PERRY
10:00 XUE QIANG ZHENG
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:00 BEN ZARRELLI
5:00 DR. ANTHONY FLAGIELLO

MONDAY, MARCH 12
7:00 WILLIAM O'HALLORAN
9:00 ANTHONY ATELLA

TUESDAY, MARCH 13
7:00 FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES
9:00 JOHNNY SANTALIZ TORO

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14
7:00 PAUL ARIOLA
9:00 RAYMOND WITTEK

THURSDAY, MARCH 15
7:00 MARION COLLISON-BROWN
9:00 NICHOLAS TORELLO

FRIDAY, MARCH 16
7:00 MARIE OETTING
9:00 MARY KIRINCICH

SATURDAY, MARCH 17
9:00 JOSEPHINE HORAN
5:00 MATTHEW DRISCOLL

SUNDAY, MARCH 18
7:00 THOMAS DONNELLY
8:30 KAY McMULLEN
10:00 JANE McCARTHY
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:00 BESSIE ALTHOFF
5:00 ALBERT BARTOLO, SR.

Saturday, March 17
5:00 Frank Ponterio Maureen Driscoll

Sunday, March 18
7:00 Theresa Zulch
8:30 Kennedy Apoe Evelyn Bilotto
10:00 Roy Hansen Joan Hughes
11:30 Maria Montuori Theresa Cunningham
1:00 Charles Sullivan Mary Ann Gambardella
5:00 John Gurrieri

Sick Relatives & Friends

Susan Pellicchia, Lois Mazzitelli, Rosanne Mezzacappa, Christopher Luciano, Kathryn Brock, Margaret Shay, Patricia Repoli, Al Frezio, Julie Hunting, Meghan Clark, Mary DiSalvo, Youlanda Santella, Tim Campagna, Alberto Meranda, Matthew Gleason, Jerry Russo, Ethel Thomas, Aurora David, Ruth Irons, Gordon C. Gladden, Ian Torello, Anna Parente, James Parente, John Lewis, Gerard Crane, Mimi Norberg, Marianne Garlan, Ruth Manieri, Tommy Baratta, Dawn Meade, Rev. Thomas Blessin SJ, Lauren Lam, Rafaella Tierno, Mary Kenney, John C. Marino, Alice Longo, Spc. Bryan Camacho, Patsy Jackson, Gabrielle Plumy, Michael Rucci, Sylvia Lichtenstein, Cpl Justin Campbell, Daniel Gomes, Grace Ford Seamans, Christian Pepo, Joan Romano, Roseanne Liveo, Robert Donohue, Ottimia Paradiso, Elizabeth James Timmins, Robert Poggi, USM, Spec. Michael Biggins, Marie Elaine Jerome, Tom Kopf, Bernard D. Nidus MD, Joyce Rusinak, Jeffrey Schnorbus, Barbara Brennan, Venera Delamonico, Sam Pezzano, Sheila Jones, Edward B. Hanson, Franco DeGennaro, Robert Gaylord

Collection for March 4
Regular Collection \$7,192.00
Monthly \$2,613.00
There will be a special collection next weekend for Catholic Relief Service.

In the charity of your prayers, please pray for the soul of
James Greenwood
Karen Silva
Rose Scamardella

The Bread and Wine are in loving memory of Mary Noone requested by Rosetta Messina.

The Sanctuary Candle is in loving memory of Johnny Santaliz Toro requested by his family.

Please note correction from 3/4 bulletin:
The Bread and Wine are in loving memory of Mary and Frank Santora requested by Rosetta and Tony Messina.

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A GREAT DAY FOR THE IRISH...AND EVERYONE!

Recently, someone sent me a little Irish tale from County Cork. The story is about Father O'Connor. Father O'Connor walked into a pub and says to the first man he meets, "Do you want to go to Heaven?" The man replies, "Yes, Father." Father O'Connor then says, "Leave this bar right now, and go outside."

Father proceeds to another man and asks him the same thing. The chap also answers, "Yes." Father O'Connor asks him to leave the bar as well. Finally, the Reverend Father goes to a third man and asks, "Would you like to go to Heaven?" This time the reply is, "No thank you, Father!"

Surprised, Father O'Connor asks, "Why not?" The man explains, "Well, I do really, but only after I die." Father O'Connor says, "That's what I'm talking about." "Oh," the man replies, "I thought you were getting a group ready to go right now!"

Well, a little Irish humor is appropriate this week as we celebrate Saint Patrick's Day this Saturday. As they say, "It's a great day for the Irish and also for all of us as well here in New York. Who was the man that will be honored with a great parade down Fifth Avenue on March 17th?"

Patrick was born in Roman Britain probably around the year 389. When he was about fourteen years old, pirates captured him and many others and he became a slave in Ireland. It was there in Ireland, probably in Mayo, that Patrick tended sheep in the most extreme and difficult conditions.

In his confession Saint Patrick tells us that it was the Lord who got him through this very difficult time in his life. "Constantly," he said, "I used to pray in the day...love of God increased and my spirit was stirred up, so that in a single day I said as many as a hundred prayers and at night nearly as many."

Eventually Patrick escaped from slavery and bound a ship to Europe probably to France where he was ordained a priest. In a vision, he heard a voice telling him to return to Ireland: "We beseech thee holy youth, to come and walk among us once more..."

Although the details of his life are sketchy, we know that Germanus ordained Patrick as a bishop to succeed Palladius, the bishop in Ireland who had died. On his return to Ireland, Patrick began the massive job of evangelization and spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The Druids, who were pagan, were Patrick's most bitter opponents - yet through prayer, sacrifice and incredible labors, Patrick converted them all.

Patrick summed up his ministry in these words: "Wherefore then in Ireland they who had never had the knowledge of God, but until now only worshiped idols and abominations - now there has been lately prepared a people of the Lord and they are called the Children of God."

What a wonderful testament to the Grace of God and the work that one man can do for the faith. That is really why we celebrate Saint Patrick's Day! While we enjoy the parades, the corned beef and "the wearing of the green", this day should mean more than just a spring ritual of parties and revelry. We honor a holy man - Patrick; a Catholic saint who took seriously the words of Jesus Christ in the Gospel and applied them. May we go and do likewise!
Sincerely in Christ, Father Jerome



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be every Friday during Lent. Exposition will start at 11AM (barring any funerals) and end with Benediction at 7:15PM. Stations of the Cross will follow at 7:30 PM.



SACRED HEART SCHOOL

is now accepting applications for the 2012-2013 academic year. A private tour of the school can be arranged by appointment only. For additional information please call the school office at 718-442-0347.



CCD - MARCH CLASSES:

March 14, 21, 28

COME AND JOIN US AT SACRED HEART

PARISH SEDER - Friday, March 16 at 7 PM in the school cafeteria. Have a deeper understanding of Jesus' Passover meal. Learn the meaning and symbolism of the foods at a Seder. Share an evening and pizza dinner with family and friends. Please see the flyer in today's bulletin for further details.

SACRED HEART TROOP/PACK74 - March 12 - No Meeting. Round Table at Moravian 7:30PM

SACRED HEART YOUTH GROUP NEWS Today, March 11th we will be taking Palm Cross orders after each Mass. The cost of an individual 28-inch Palm Cross is \$10.00 cash. If you are unable to order today, please send your order to the rectory by March 18th in a sealed envelope with a notation on it: Palm Cross. Cash must accompany the order.

We will be at the church on March 25th for you to pick up your order.

Next youth group meeting, today, March 11. All high school students are invited to join us beginning at 5:00PM Mass. The meeting follows the Mass in the rectory.

AS STEWARDS AND DISCIPLES OF CHRIST, we recognize that all the goods and riches in our life are gifts from God. Strengthened by the Eucharist, we respond to God's generosity in our lives with gratitude by using and sharing our gifts in service of others. Please share your gifts and make a gift to the *2012 Archdiocesan Stewardship Appeal*.



Parish Choir sings this week, 3rd Sunday of Lent, March 11 - 11:30 AM Mass. Join us for this wonderful musical Lenten journey - live into the beautiful music of Lent and Holy Week!! Come on up!! Sing with us!! Make this an Easter Season you won't forget!! (Bring one of your older children!!) See you in the loft!!

Do you love to travel... And sing?? We are planning our next trip and space is limited - come join us for an adventure you will never forget!! See Pamela for details!!

Pamela
442-0058 VM 24

Attn. All Brides of SH!!

All prospective brides (grooms if you want!) must come up to the choir loft for their music consultation regarding their wedding at least 6 weeks prior to your wedding (or traditional music will be selected for you). You do not need an appointment - just come up after any 1 PM Mass on Sun - See you in the loft!!

Questions??
Pamela 442-0058 VM 24

Join a Choir! See you in the loft! Join a Choir!

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE MARCH 17 & 18

Saturday, March 17

5:00 PM Brendan Wohr, Vicky Bruno, Andrew Mistler, Luisa Montuori

Sunday, March 18

7:00 AM John & Deidre McCafferty

8:30 AM Chris Nevins, Michelle Moffett

10:00 AM Albert Cardone, Jazlyn Alcaide, Joseph Basile, Rudy Merlino

11:30 AM Emma & Sarah Newgarden, Vincenzo Biggins, Patrick Buzzard

1:00 PM Nick & Steven Bivona, Juan Cruz, Casey Riley

5:00 PM Donald & Andrea Regan, Alyssa Debrosse, Thomas Laub



**Sacred Heart YAC
Annual St. Joseph/St. Patrick's
Dinner**

**Saturday March 24th
6:00PM – 10:00PM in the
School Cafeteria**

(Hosted by YAC Board)

\$45 per family (up to 5)

**PASTA, MEATBALLS, CORNED
BEEF & CABBAGE**

Refreshments will be served, BYOB

ALL ARE WELCOME!!

Send Check payable to YAC to Rectory or School office, Attn: Winston
Wohr, c/o Brendan

Call Winston 718-447-4195 or Bill Althoff 718-273-2383

Come and Join Us At Sacred Heart Parish Seder



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Share an evening and pizza dinner with family and friends.*

Friday, March 16th at 7pm in the School Cafeteria

Please return the tear off to Mrs. Rizzuto no later than Wednesday, March 14th.
This will help us to order the proper amount of food for all.



Family Name _____

Number of Adults _____

Number of Children _____

Phone Number _____