

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



SATURDAY, MARCH 16

5:00 JOSEPH SYKES & MARY SYKES FROTHINGHAM

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

7:00 ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON
8:30 MARY McGRATH
10:00 CECILIA & ONORIO MORELLI
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:00 PATRICIA KAVANAGH & CLARENCE KAVANAGH
5:00 MARY KIRINCICH

MONDAY, MARCH 18

7:00 DOLORES TARTAVOULLE
9:00 JOSEPH RUSSELL

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

7:00 FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES
9:00 THOMAS J. CRANE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

7:00 ANNA GESSO
9:00 SELMA REPAGE

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

7:00 INTENTIONS FOR THE HEART OF MARY
9:00 THOMAS KOPF

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

7:00 FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES
9:00 KATHLEEN REILLY

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

9:00 CATHERINE LONG
5:00 CECILIA & ONORIO MORELLI

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

7:00 SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR SR. TERESE MARY O'ARM & KATHERINE FRIFAEI
8:30 ROSEMARIE BLAICH
10:00 WILLIAM JAFFRAY
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:00 XUE QIANG ZHEN
5:00 THOMAS KOPF

Lectors March 23 and 24

Saturday, March 23

5:00 Bill Jones

Sunday, March 24

7:00 Sr. Angela
8:30 Charles Romanelli
10:00 Roy Hansen
11:30 Ken Wisniewski
1:00 Stephen Brown
5:00 Bob Mazzuco

Sick Relatives & Friends

Susan Pellecchia, Lois Mazzitelli, Rosanne Mezzacappa, Christopher Luciano, Kathryn Brock, Patricia Repoli, Al Frezio, Meghan Clark, Youlanda Santella, Tim Campagna, Alberto Meranda, Matthew Gleason, Jerry Russo, Ethel Thomas, Ruth Irons, Ian Torello, Anna Parente, James Parente, John Lewis, Gerard Crane, Mimi Norberg, Marianne Garlan, Ruth Manieri, Dawn Meade, Lauren Lam, Rafaella Tierno, Mary Kenny, John C. Marino, Alice Longo, Spc. Bryan Camacho, Michael Rucci, Sylvia Lichtenstein, Cpl Justin Campbell, Roseanne Liveo, Robert Donohue, Ottimia Paradiso, Elizabeth James Timmins, Robert Poggi, USM, Joyce Rusinak, Barbara Brennan, Venera Delamonico, Sam Pezzano, Sheila Jones, Edward B. Hanson, Franco DeGennaro, Robert Gaylord, Emily Baron, Frank Silvestri, Carol Van Manen, Christian Pepo, Frank Juliano

Collection for March 10

Regular \$7,865.00
Catholic Relief \$2,055.00



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 7:15 PM. **Stations of the Cross** will follow at 7:30PM.

In the charity of your prayers please pray for the soul of Anne T. Cellamare

The Bread and Wine are in loving memory of Carl Lesch requested by Sarah MacDermott.

The Sanctuary Candle is in loving memory of Sister Elizabeth Riley requested by Sarah MacDermott.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL Accepting applications for 2013-2014 UPK, Pre-K - Grade 8 You are invited to tour our outstanding school and meet Mrs. Lacagnino, Principal, faculty, staff, parents, and our students. Call 718-442-0347 for more information.

A “SAINT PATRICK” FOR THE ENTIRE CHURCH...

As I write these words on Tuesday, the cardinals are gathering at the Vatican to elect a new pope, a supreme pastor for the entire Church. That is an enormous responsibility as the Holy Father is the bishop who leads all of us, the people of God in the big “parish” that is the world. Oftentimes, I think about the difficulties involved in just running one parish, but what about the entire Church? It is a Herculean task!

Perhaps that is why many of the cardinals elected to that office throughout history have expressed fear at the thought of the burdens involved in being the pope, the Vicar of Christ.

The story is told of Saint Pius X, who as Cardinal Joseph Sarto attended the Conclave of 1903. The cardinal from Paris approached him and started speaking French to him. Cardinal Sarto answered back in Latin, “Sorry, I don’t speak French.” To which the French cardinal replied, “You don’t speak French? Then you can’t be elected pope!” To which Sarto replied, “Thanks be to God!”

Well, the Holy Spirit reasoned otherwise and Sarto was elected as Pius X and became a great pope and a saint by the way! Actually, a saint is needed now to administer the Church, which we might say is in a mess.

Today, March 17th is the day that we celebrate the Feast of Saint Patrick. Because this is the Fifth Sunday of Lent, the Solemnity of Saint Patrick is celebrated on Monday. As I reflected on the great spiritual qualities of Saint Patrick, the thought came to mind, that we really need a “new Saint Patrick” for the whole Church!

Many of us are familiar with the story of Saint Patrick who was born in the year 389 in Britain. When Patrick was sixteen years of age, he was kidnapped by raiders and brought to Ireland where he was forced to tend sheep in the harshest of conditions. It was there in

and having much time to himself, prayed at great length on the hillsides.

Eventually, he escaped from slavery and boarded a ship for Europe, probably to France, where he was ordained a priest. In a vision, Patrick heard a voice telling him to return to Ireland: “We beseech thee, holy youth to come and walk among us once more...” That became a reality when Patrick was ordained a bishop and sent to Ireland to succeed Bishop Palladius who had died.

It was there back in Ireland, that Patrick began the massive job of Evangelization. That word “Evangelization” really means spreading the faith; preaching earnestly the Gospel of Christ. Patrick’s opponents in Ireland were the Druids, who were pagans that worshipped false gods. Through prayer, sacrifices and heroic labors, Patrick converted an entire country!

He summed up his ministry in his confession: “It came to pass in Ireland that those who never had knowledge of God, but until now always worshipped idols and things impure, have now been made people of the Lord and are now called the sons and daughters of God.”

Now today in our church although many do have the knowledge of God, for some reason, a good number of people have fallen away from the faith and have stooped to the worship of the false gods of materialism, hedonism and secularism. Let’s pray that the new pope be not only a successor of Saint Peter, but also possess the spirit of a Saint Patrick who was a formidable shepherd for Christ.

May the new pope whomever he may be, be a true example to his flock, shepherding the Church rightly in the ways of sincerity and truth.

Sincerely in Christ, Father Jerome



LENTEN REGULATIONS

- 1 - Lent is to be observed as a special season of prayer, penance and Christian charity.
- 2 - Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of abstinence from meat. They are also days of fasting, allowing one full meal.
- 3 - The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The obligation of fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday obliges all Catholics 21 years of age until the completion of their 59th year. The obligation of abstinence obliges all Catholics from the age of 14. Those whose health or efficiency of work would be substantially impaired by fast and abstinence are excused from physical mortification. When there is doubt or question regarding an individual's obligation a priest should be consulted.
- 4 - The Fridays of the year outside of Lent remain days of penance. Other practices of voluntary penance may be substituted for abstinence from meat. These practices may be acts of self-denial, temperance, public worship, personal prayer, charity or Christian witness.

CCD class for March - March 20th

THE SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE AND THE SACRED HEART YOUTH GROUP

would like to invite all children ages 10 and under to participate in an **Easter Egg Hunt** after the 11:30AM Mass on Easter Sunday. It will be held on the rectory lawn - weather permitting.



ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE MARCH 23 & 24

Saturday, March 23

5:00 Sam Medina, Peter LaPeruta

Sunday, March 24

7:00 James Esco, Bianca Roman

8:30 Shea Murphy, Matthew Miller

10:00 Andrew Johnson, Steven Mickel

11:30 Vincenzo Biggins, John Altschuler, Thomas Laub

1:00 Danielle & Michael Riccardi, Jackie Sullivan

5:00 Chris Riccardi, Albert Cardone



Kids Praise/Family Choirs sing a rousing St. Patty's Day Mass, March 17, arrive 11:15AM - choir loft Special Prizes!! Treats!! Coffee!! Bring the family-then go to the parade!!

MUSIC FOR HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday, March 24, 2013 11:30AM Mass
Sacred Heart Parish Choir/Portugal Traveling Choir 2013

Hosanna Filio David (Latin chant); All Glory, Laud and Honor; Ride on King Jesus; Sanctus, Agnus Dei; Soul of My Saviour; Jesus Priceless Treasure; Panis Angelicus; Lift High the Cross

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper 8PM

SH Parish Choir/Portugal Traveling Choir

Lift High the Cross; Gloria (Revised Andrews); Ave Verum (Mozart); Ubi Caritas; As I Have Done For You; Panis Angelicus; Adoramus Te (Dubois); Veni Jesu (Haydn); Christ Be Our Light; Pange Lingua Gloriosi

Good Friday, March 29th 3PM Solemn Liturgy Lord's

Passion

Sacred Heart Portugal Traveling Choir

Requiem (Faure); O Bone Jesu (Palestrina); When I Survey; Adoramus Te Christe (Dubois); Jesus Priceless Treasure; Ah, Holy Jesus; Go to Dark Gethsemene; Were You There; Pie Jesu (Weber); O' Sacred Head Surrounded

Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil March 30th

8PM Mass

Sacred Heart Parish Choir/Portugal Traveling Choir 2013/Strings and Trumpet

Exsultet (Fr. Jerome, Baritone); selected Psalms; Gloria (revised Andrews); Celtic Alleluia; Water of Life; Jesus is Risen; Festival Canticle; In Paradisum (Faure); Three Days; Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Easter Sunday, March 31, 2013 11:30AM

All Choirs

Jesus Christ is Risen Today; Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring (Bach); Alleluia; The Strife is O'er

MONSIGNOR FARRELL HS & FARRELL PLAYERS, recipients of the 2011 St. Genesius Award for Outstanding Musical, present *The Drowsy Chaperone* March 20th-21st at 7PM and 22nd-23rd at 8PM. For information call 718-987-2900, ext. 228.