

Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 13, 2016
LITURGY SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 12

5:00 p.m. – Ronald Cooke req. by Aunt Geri

Sunday, March 13

8:30 a.m. – Mary Ezzi req. by the Hopler & Profit families

10:00 a.m. – Thomas A. Morgan req. by Carol & Michael D'Anton

Monday, March 14

12:00 p.m. – Aniela Debska req. by family

Tuesday, March 15

12:00 p.m. – Stella Parochniak req. by the Maulbeck family

Wednesday, March 16

12:00 p.m. – Joseph Curran Sr. req. by family

Thursday, March 17

12:00 p.m. – Kevin McGuire req. by his wife, Kelly & daughters, Caitlin & Tess

Friday, March 18

8:00 a.m. – Lorraine Lynch req. by the Downs family

7:00 p.m. – Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 19

5:00 p.m. – William Donnelly, 1st Anniversary, req. by the Maulbeck family

Sunday, March 20

8:30 a.m. – Bill Lenahan req. by his wife, Eleanor

10:00 a.m. – Emma M. Andreotta req. by Ralph J. & Laura M. Andreotta

John Skutka, William McBurney, Anne Riordan, D.M. Lynch, Linda Hoffman, Ann McCue.

PARISH POLICY – PLEASE NOTE – All Catholic families living within the parish boundaries are encouraged to register as members. Registration as a parish member has many benefits, and in particular, facilitates any arrangements for baptisms, marriages, sponsors, etc. **Please contact the Parish Office at 973-627-0422**

First Friday Communion Calls: A priest will be making “First Friday” visits to those who are homebound. These visits will be made by one of our priests who will distribute Holy Communion. He will also be available for the sacraments of penance and anointing of the sick. Please call the rectory at 972-627-0422 to register your name for this monthly visit by one of our priests.

Want to be more involved?

If you are wondering “how can I become more involved in my church community”, we happen to be looking for a few good people!! If you would like more information on how to become a Lector or Minister of Communion please contact Fr. Marcin at 973-627-0313 ext. 15 or martmich1983@gmail.com. Interested in becoming an Altar Server, please contact Fr. Mateusz at 973-627-0313 ext. 14 or fr.m.jasniewicz@gmail.com.

For St. Cecilia Cemetery information, please email Diane Boykow at StCeciliaCemetery@gmail.com

“Welcome Home” is a diocesan initiative to invite all Catholics to experience the grace of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confession is a wonderful opportunity to set aside our sinful ways and to draw closer to our Lord. Confessions will be held every Monday during Lent, from February 15 to March 14, 2016, from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. in every Catholic Church in the Diocese of Paterson. Don't be afraid! Information will be provided. Ask the priest to help you. Experience the gracious mercy of God!
www.WelcomeHomeToHealing.org

Banns of Marriage: Diana Salvatore & Timothy Hiler will be married April 3, 2016 at 12:00 noon.

Hospitality: Please join us for hospitality after the 10AM mass on Sunday, March 20th. This month will be hosted by Sacred Heart Women Society.

Food Drive: The weekend of March 19th and 20th is our monthly food drive for the Rockaway Food Pantry. Canned goods, Paper goods, cereal, peanut butter, pasta, etc. Last month we had a wonderful donation to the pantry. Thank you.



William McCue
Requested by: Shaffer family

Collection for March 5&6: \$3809.00
Parish Pay Electronic Giving: \$ 1933.23 (February)
Collection from last year: \$ 3864.00
Ongoing Renovation “Jug” Money: \$11,040.05

PARISH PAY: Have you thought about automating your giving? No more writing checks! You decide the amount and the frequency. Sign up today for automatic contributions to Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish. Go to the Parish Pay link at www.sacredheartrockaway.org or call 866-727-4741.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS
IN THE MILITARY

Major Mike Cherry
LCpl. Aleksandr Killeen, SSgt. Zhenya Killeen
Airman 1st Cl. Andrew Mistkowski,
1st Lt. Nicholas DelCore, Air Force
1st Lt. Jessica L. Rotile Rudo
Kenneth Rudo, Warrant Officer,1

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: M.J. Simon, Irene Schreiber, Rosemary Woodring, Doug Bansch, Maria Acevedo, TJ Schoudel, Capt. Adam Cowan, USA, Julio Soto, Ellen Forbes, Ben Marvilla, Michelle Monslave, Enid Osorno Patricia Martinelli, Amelia Marie Cayea, Mary Therese Loftus, Sharon Bauer, Mary Davenport, Jose Prado, Eugene Walsh, Arlene Berlin, Emil Fahrman, Jim Goliat, Robert Nielsen, Betty Dixon, Marge Vogel, Dan Koettters, Efrain Gonzalez, Amanda Villarubia, Mary Skelly,

Rosary Tea: Save the date: Sunday, May 22, 2016. More details to come.

**Church Regulations
Regarding Fast and Abstinence**

Abstinence from meat (beast or fowl) is to be observed by all Catholics fourteen years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. This obligation prohibits the eating of meat, but not eggs, milk products, or condiments of any kind, even though it's made from animal fat. Fasting means limiting oneself to one full meal on a given fast day. Catholics who are eighteen years of age but not yet fifty-nine are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On fast days, two additional smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength. However, the two smaller meals together may not equal one full meal. Moreover, eating solid foods between meals on fast days is not permitted.

	<i>Lector</i>	<i>Minister of Communion</i>	<i>Altar Servers</i>
March 19 @ 5:00 pm	Tom Gorman		Jason Emerlieze Christine Habib Benjamin Raroque Mateo Raroque
March 20 @ 8:30 am	Bob Martinelli		Lilian Brennan Danielle Berlin Ella Di Scala Jake Di Scala
March 20@10:00 am	Jack Zayac		Danielle Waskas Jessica Waskas Gianna Nelson Nicholas Schreiber

ALL MINISTERS: Copies of the schedule are available in the sacristy. Any questions/concerns please contact the appropriate group leader.

My dear parishioners,

We gather on the Lord's Day to celebrate the Fifth Sunday of Lent. The Gospel Acclamation for the liturgy is "Even now, says the Lord, return to me with your whole heart; for I am gracious and merciful." We see the mercy of God displayed in the Gospel reading of the "woman caught in adultery." The Lord Jesus tells the self-righteous men who have brought the woman before Him for stoning, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." One by one the sinful men leave until only the sinful woman remains before Jesus. He says to her, "Go, and from now on do not sin anymore."

YES, God is merciful to us sinners! This graciousness is shown us when we come before Him acknowledging our sins and resolving to avoid sins in the future. This mercy is demonstrated every time we receive the sacrament of penance, when we confess our sins before the priest. Why would we want to avoid experiencing this mercy? Why would we want to remain in the despair of our sins rather than experience the joy of forgiveness? So why not go to confession in these remaining days of Lent? Monday evening is the final day of the Monday evening confessions in the Diocese of Paterson, so please join us from 7 to 8:30 for confessions, adults and children. We will have a LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE ON WEDNESDAY EVENING OF HOLY WEEK AT 7 O'CLOCK (in Saint Cecilia Church). Please join us for this final opportunity before Easter.

We see how Lent is drawing to its conclusion as we enter the church. In Rockaway we follow the optional practice of covering statues and crucifixes with purple cloth. The Third Edition of the Roman Missal states that the practice of covering holy images is done from the Fifth Sunday of Lent until the Easter Vigil. This practice reminds us of the somber nature of these remaining days of Lent. The covering of holy images originated in the 12th century in Germany.

Next Sunday we begin HOLY WEEK with the celebration of Palm Sunday. All the faithful are called during this solemn time to keep watch with Christ as we recall His Passion, Death and Resurrection. Indeed, His disciples will respond to this invitation. All of us are disciples, life-long students of the Lord. Next Sunday the younger members of our parish will have the opportunity to enroll in next year's "CCD PROGRAM (at St. Cecilia's). Parents are especially reminded of this opportunity next Sunday and are called upon to encourage and lovingly direct their children to the faith formation program which is open to all young people of Saint Cecilia and Sacred Heart of Jesus Parishes.

Recalling all the God has done for us in Jesus, His Only Begotten Son, we can sing: THE LORD HAS DONE GREAT THINGS FOR US; WE ARE FILLED WITH JOY!

God bless you!

Father Zig

DIVINE MERCY ACADEMY: REGISTRATION OPEN- Registration for Divine Mercy Academy for the 2016-2017 school year is now taking place. Divine Mercy Academy, Rockaway's New Catholic School, will offer an academically excellent, faith-based education to students in pre-k3 through eighth grade. Full -day and half day pre-k3 & 4 will be available as well as full-day kindergarten. We will also offer a before care program and an after school program. For more information or a registration packet, please call the rectory @973-627-0422, Sacred Heart School @973-627-7689, St. Cecilia Parish Office @973-627-0313, or St. Cecilia School @973-627-6003.

The School's Annual Calendar Raffle Ticket Winners will be posted on the school's website weekly. www.sacredheartnj.com - Drawings will be held Wednesday mornings in the school office beginning January 27th and end on April 27th!

ECUMENICAL LENTEN LUNCHESES

Each Friday during Lent (except Good Friday) a luncheon is held at the First Presbyterian Church beginning at 12 Noon followed by a Lenten reflection offered by one of the clergy of the participating churches. The theme for this year is "God's Name is Mercy."

The following schedule has been set: March 18 – Saint Cecilia Roman Catholic Church.

All are welcome to attend, An offering for the lunch is appreciated.

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT -- HUNGERING TO GROW A NEW TOMORROW: This week's CRS Rice Bowl country is the island nation of Madagascar, where we're reminded of the important role farmers play in caring for God's creation. As we prepare our meals throughout the week, let us reflect on where our food comes from and what role we can play in caring for our environment. Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

CD of the Month: Join us as we continue with our parish 'CD of the Month' program. For the month of March all parishioners are welcome and encouraged to purchase and listen to "My Beloved Son" by Bishop Robert Barron. This is a simple opportunity to listen, learn, and share our faith together as a community. On Thursday, March 17th, in Hayes Hall, our 'Formation Night' will be dedicated to a discussion and sharing on this CD. All are welcome to attend. CDs are available by contacting the rectory. CDs are \$3 each.

FLINT WATER FUNDRAISER UPDATE The Kolbe Krew Family Rosary group would like to thank all who participated in the fundraiser for clean water for Flint, Michigan residents. In one weekend, the parishes of St.Cecilia and Sacred Heart raised a little over \$1,000. Thank you again for your generosity!

Morris Catholic – St Patrick's 5K Break out of the winter doldrums !!! Break into spring with a beginning of the season run!! On Saturday morning, March 19, Morris Catholic will host its 5th Annual St Patrick's 5K Challenge. The 5K will begin and end at the Morris Catholic Campus in Denville. The race starts at 9 AM. In addition to the normal age-group prizes, the race features special prizes for Morris Catholic alumni. Proceeds from the race will go to the Morris Catholic Scholarship and Athletic Programs. Runners can register at runsignup.com or register on the day of the race beginning at 7:30. For additional information, contact Mike O'Brien (973-625-3198) mobrien10@aol.com

SAVE THE DATE: THE PARISH PICNIC WILL BE HELD SUNDAY JUNE 5 AT FIREMAN'S FIELD. Plans include a mass at the field starting around noon. Details will be announced as the date gets closer. If you are interested in helping please call the rectory.

WELCOME: We wish to extend a warm welcome to the Reed/Prosser family and the Wry family who recently registered as parishioners of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish. We ask that you keep them in your prayers as they grow with us within the life of our parish community.

