

# THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

## MARCH 4, 2018

### A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners:

As we come into the heart of Lent, it is good to stop and look at how we are doing. If we have slacked off a little on the resolutions we made, there is still plenty of time to begin again. The important thing is that we are moving closer to Jesus and away from the things that keep us from Him.

Our Gospel for this Third Sunday of Lent is the Cleansing of the Temple as we see Jesus become quite angry when He sees the hypocrisy going on there. Jesus' anger was not a sinful and self-centered anger, but a righteous anger out of zeal for His Father's House. He was angry because he hates sin and what it does to our soul – so much so that He suffered and died to free us from it. And the more we come to know and love Jesus, the more we, too, come to hate sin. That is why this holy season of Lent calls us to conversion and sincere repentance which leads us to make an honest, humble, and sincere Confession in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Last month we had the First Confessions of our children preparing to receive their First Holy Communion in May. What a joy it is to be part of the work of teaching our children our beautiful Catholic Faith, about the Mercy of God, and the incredible love that He has for each and every one of them. May their First Confession help them to come to know the love of Jesus a little more personally, and be the beginning of a life-long friendship with Him who will always be there for them leading them and guiding them to the beautiful plan He has for their lives.

The First Confession of our children is a reminder of how important this Sacrament of God's Mercy is for all of us, especially during this holy season of Lent. Pope Francis has often contrasted "sinners" with the "corrupt." In one homily he said: *"The problem is not sinning, but not repenting of the sin, not feeling ashamed of what we have done. That is the problem. We are sinners, yes, but corrupt, no."* The corrupt do not feel shame for their sins and do not repent, for their love for God has grown cold. A good confession is a profound act of worship, and one of the most authentic expressions of sincere love for God, for the more we love God the more we hate sin which separates us from Him.

How sad it is that so many ignore this Sacrament of Divine Mercy that we all need so much.

What a sense of inner peace and serenity making a good Confession and hearing the words of Absolution brings to our hearts and souls, a peace this world cannot give or take away. There will be plenty of opportunities here and elsewhere to make a good Confession before Easter, especially during our Parish Mission in Holy Week. A good Confession is such an essential part of a good Lent, so that we may be able to experience deep within the Joy of Easter in a very real and profound way. May God bless us all.

Sincerely in Christ,  
Rev. Matthew J. Furey

**TUESDAYS: LENTEN TALKS**  
**WITH FR. INNOCENT**  
**7:00PM TO 8:00PM**

**FRIDAYS: LENTEN MASS AT 7:00pm**  
**FOLLOWED BY**  
**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
**at 7:30pm**  
**February 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**Good Friday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

**HOLY WEEK MISSION**  
**March 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm**  
**with Fr. Glenn Sudano, C.F.R.**  
CONFESSIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE EACH NIGHT  
**RECONCILIATION MONDAY MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup>**  
**CONFESSIONS 3:00pm to 9:00pm**

### **THE DIACONATE ORDINATION OF WALTER J. GENITO JR.**

Our own Walter Genito will be ordained a Deacon on April 7<sup>th</sup> at 10am at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in the Crypt Church, in Washington D. C. If you are interested in possibly attending the ordination we are considering obtaining a bus to attend. We will need to hear from you this week. Please call the rectory at 845-357-0035.

### **IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PRAYER GROUP**

During Lent the prayer group will meet on Tuesday nights in the Church at 7pm for the Lenten talks with Fr. Innocent and will pray the rosary immediately after.

### **PARISH MEMORIAL SOCIETY**

Catherine Kennedy	Connie Maslik
Josefa Lopez	Kay Wilton
Stephen B. Acunto	Joseph Bailey
William Sichol Jr.	Walter Keane
Daniel G. Bowman	Jose Kidangan

## 150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY MASS

JUNE 8, 2018 7:30PM

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART  
MAIN CELEBRANT- ARCHBISHOP CHARLES BALVO  
(Graduate of Sacred Heart School)

### 150<sup>TH</sup> GALA DINNER DANCE

JUNE 9, 2018 CROWNE PLAZA 7:00 PM  
Tickets available at the Rectory Office.

## SACRED HEART CHURCH

\$10,000.00 RAFFLE

TICKETS \$100 EACH (1 IN 250 CHANCE TO WIN)

Available at the Rectory

Monday to Friday - 9am to 5pm

1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE - \$10,000.00

2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE - \$1,000.00

3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE - \$500.00

Winning tickets will be drawn at 8:30pm in the school gymnasium on Friday, June 8, 2018.

PLEASE HELP SUPPORT OUR PARISH

## PARISH CALENDAR

### Sunday, March 4

### Monday, MARCH 5

Rel. Ed. – Grade 6 – 4:30pm

Rel. Ed. – Grade 7 – 7:00pm

Hispanic RCIA – 7:00pm Rectory

### Tuesday, MARCH 6

Rel. Ed. – Grades 3-5 – 4:30pm

Rel. Ed. – Grade 8 – 7:00pm

Prayer Group – Meets in Church 7:00pm

Lenten Talk with Fr. Innocent – 7:00pm Church

### Wednesday, MARCH 7

St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry – 2:00pm to 4:00pm

Children's Choir – 5:00pm

Choir Practice – 7:00pm

Hispanic Prayer Group – 8:00pm

### Thursday, March 8

RCIA -7:00pm in the Rectory

### Friday, March 9

Prayer Shawl Mtg. – 1:00pm in the Rectory

Mass – 7:00pm

Stations of the Cross – 7:30pm

### Saturday, March 10

St. Joseph Group – 7:30am in the Rectory

Rel. Ed – Grades 1 & 2 – 9:30am

Rel. Ed.- First Communion Retreat 9:30am to 12:00pm

### Sunday, March 11

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS'S  
NAME

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent Collection –\$13,798.

Last Year's Collection - \$13,638.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL EASTER BASKETS

The St. Vincent DePaul Society of Sacred Heart Parish is once again asking for donations of hams and non-perishable foods for our Easter Baskets.

**Easter Baskets will be distributed on Monday March 26, 2018 from 10am to 12 noon. Deadline: for donations is April 2, 2018.**

## OUR LADY'S GUILD

Please join the members of Our Lady's Guild on March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm for a general meeting. Everyone is asked to remember to bring \$25 for the upcoming Communion Breakfast.

## DESIGNER POCKETBOOK BINGO

SACRED HEART CHURCH

FRIDAY- APRIL 13, 2018

Doors open at 6:00pm – Bingo Starts at 7:30pm

Sacred Heart School Auditorium

60 Washington Ave., Suffern NY

Admission \$40 per person

(Includes 8 games of Bingo & Bingo Marker,  
Desserts, Coffee & Tea)

Prizes include authentic handbags by Kate Spade,  
Coach, Ralph Lauren, Michael Kors, and more!!

Raffle Baskets & Other Games Too!

Prepayment required by April 2, 2018

For more info call: Denise Aiola @914-309-2233 or

[diamonddaiola@gmail.com](mailto:diamonddaiola@gmail.com)

## ST. PATRICK'S DINNER DANCE TO BENEFIT

TAGASTE MONASTERY

Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

BYOB (soda and water are included)

Saturday, March 10, 2018

Doors open 6:00pm / Dinner Served 6:30pm

\$20 per person

Call for Reservations

Connie Montanye: 845-598-5595

Tagaste Monastery – 845-357-0067

## ANNUAL ONLINE GIVING STATEMENTS – INFORMATION NEEDED

As some of you may know, ParishPay online giving services was acquired by Liturgical Publications, Inc. in February 2017, and is now operated under the name WeShare. In order to ensure that all parishioners using the WeShare (formerly ParishPay) program, are able to obtain their annual online giving statements in a timely manner, we ask that you go online and validate your contact information with WeShare. You can do this by going to the Donate Online link on our parish website and follow the prompt by clicking "Verify My Account", enter your username and the last four digits of the funding source (bank a/c or credit/debit card) and continue to verify your information. Thank you for your cooperation with this request.

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES COMMUNITY SERVICES

(CCCSR) serves as a "safety and support net" for all our County residents who have either lived in poverty all their lives or fallen into poverty due to unexpected circumstances. You can help make a difference in the lives of some of our most vulnerable families by picking up a Lenten Mite box on Sunday. Your donations will help to prevent evictions, feed the hungry and address basic emergency needs in Rockland.

### ANUNCIOS

El Grupo de Oración en Español tiene lugar habitualmente los miércoles, a las 8 de la noche en la cafetería.

Los próximos bautizos en español tendrán lugar el 14 de abril 2018 a la 1pm. Contactar en el 357-0035.



### BANNS OF MARRIAGE For the Second Time

Ana Loja and Antonio Huisicka



We pray for all those serving in the **Armed Forces** and for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them: Luciano Antonucci, Jenna Applebaum, Michael Brady, Annette Burbridge, Dolores Cangelose, Frank Calfa, Kelly Collins, Comerford Family, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Robert Cosenza, Joe Davey, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Matthew DeMayo, Cledha Desir, Mary Discini, John Duffy, Stefanie Gaudelli, Arlene Gentile, Debra Gravina, Catherine Greeley, Carrin Holborn, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Rob Incognoli, Bob Janson, Susan Jarkiewicz, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Vasily Lockhart, Laura Mack, Matthew Luludis, Marie Marasuilo, Thomas Mathai, Jeanne Matera, Richard McCarthy, Debra McGovern, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Ken Meyer, Florence Mohan, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Shace Paljusevic, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, Philomena Pelzer, Etta Rooney, Mary Russo, Daniel Sammarone, Eleanor Scelza, Janet Schwartz, Ruth Schwetz, Michael Shumway, Jean Simons, Aurelia Sorgo, Maureen Starke, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Margaret Szaro, Fr. Peter Tarantino, SA, Phyllis Varacalli, and Fr. Wing.

### ALTAR MEMORIALS

MARCH 4, 2018

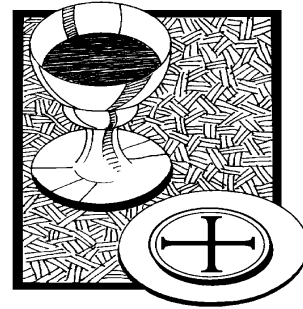
Sanctuary Lamp  
In Memory of

DEACON JOSEPH WITT



Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, family members and loved ones.

**Especially:** Leonore Davis, Victoria Codispoti  
Erika Lahr, Richard Mariani  
Stephen Luick



## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

### SATURDAY, MARCH 3

9:00am – Steve Statham

### SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS FOR SUNDAY

5:30pm – Gagliano Family

### SUNDAY, MARCH 4

7:00am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Santora & Family

10:00am – Dr. Leo Greco

11:30am – Harry Barrett

1:00pm – Joe & Florence Kavanaugh

5:30pm – Parish Memorial Society

### MONDAY, MARCH 5

7:00am – William Chisholm

9:00am – William O'Neill

7:15pm – Novena

### TUESDAY, MARCH 6

7:00am –

9:00am – William Halloran

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7

7:00am –

9:00am – Dorothy Sepulveda

### THURSDAY, MARCH 8

7:00am –

9:00am – Special Intentions for Philly Pelzer

### FRIDAY, MARCH 9

7:00am – Special Intentions for the Mackenzie Family

9:00am – Deacon Joseph Witt

7:00pm – Lenten Mass – Connie Maslik

7:30pm – Stations of the Cross

### SATURDAY, MARCH 10

9:00am – Erla Schnabel

### SATURDAY, VIGIL MASS FOR SUNDAY

5:30pm – Allen Bulaon

### SUNDAY, MARCH 11

7:00am – All Parishioners

8:30am – Diane Messina

10:00am – Anne Lynch

11:30am – Deacon Joseph Witt

1:00pm – Angelica Calfa

5:30pm – Parish Memorial Society

### BOOSTER CLUB

WEEK 13- FRANK VARANO