Second Sunday of Lent

March 12, 2017

MASSES FOR the WEEK

SUNDAY, **MARCH 12TH**

8:30 A.M Mark Rech

10:30A.M. Sr. Rosemary McSorley

12:00P.M. Stella Padlo MONDAY. MARCH 13TH

Ivan Bouniaev 8:00 A.M.

TUESDAY, MARCH 14TH

8:00 A.M. Ann O'Connell

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15TH

8:00 A.M. Vincent Hicks

7:30 P.M. Maria Bilotta

THURSDAY, MARCH 16TH

8:00 A.M. Elizabeth Kent

FRIDAY. **MARCH 17TH** 8:00 A.M. Dorothy Reading

7:15 P.M. Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, MARCH 18TH

Arthur Clarke 9:00 A.M.

5:00 P.M. Lena Friscia

SUNDAY, **MARCH 19TH**

8:30 A.M People of the Parish

10:30A.M. Salvatore Paonessa 12:00P.M. Michael Della Terza, Sr.

SCRIPTURES

March 19, 2017 - 3rd Sunday of Lent

First Reading: This story from exodus reveals that the ISRAELITES, AFTER THEIR ESCAPE FROM EGYPT, CAST ALL BLAME FOR THEIR SUFFERINGS ON MOSES. IN THIS INSTANCE, THEY WERE DYING OF THIRST. WHEN MOSES APPEALED TO THE LORD, THE LORD DIRECTED MOSES TO STRIKE A ROCK AND WATER WOULD GUSH FORTH. (Exodus 17: 3-7)

SECOND READING: PAUL REMINDS THE ROMANS THAT BECAUSE CHRIST DIED FOR ALL PEOPLE, THEY ARE ACCEPTABLE IN GOD'S (ROMANS 5: 1-2, 5-8)

GOSPEL: JESUS CONVERSES WITH THE SAMARITAN WOMAN AT JACOB'S WELL. WHEN JESUS INDICATES THAT WHOEVER DRINKS FROM THE WATER HE GIVES WILL NEVER BE THIRSTY AGAIN, THE WOMAN IMMEDIATELY ANSWERS, "GIVE ME THIS WATER, SIR..." JESUS THEN REVEALS THAT SHE HAS HAD FIVE HUSBANDS AND TELLS HER THAT HE IS THE MESSIAH. THE WOMAN BELIEVES JESUS AND PROCLAIMS THIS NEWS TO ALL THE TOWNSPEOPLE, WHO BELIEVE HER AND COME TO SEE JESUS. (JOHN 4: 5-42)

STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK-March 12, 2017

"Bear your share of the hardship which the gospel entails," St. Paul tells Timothy in today's second reading. What sacrifice is asked of me for the sake of the Gospel? How willing am I to bear my share?

MASS CARDS We are asked to pray for the dead. The best way to do this is to have a mass celebrated in memory of a loved one. Call the rectory 973-663-0211. Please note- offering is \$15.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS are being held in Church Fridays during Lent at 7:15 PM. Please join us for this wonderful devotion.

RCIA next meeting is on Tuesday, March 14th at 7:30pm

at the Rectory.

BAPTISMS The next Baptism prep will be held Monday, March 27th at 7:15pm for Baptisms to be performed on Sunday, April 2nd. at 1:00PM.



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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL -PRE-K-Grade 5

Sunday, March 12th -8:45-10:15AM A-Wk classes +(Pre-K)

9AM- 1st Communion Parent Meeting Grade 1A

10:30AM - Class Mass Grade 2A

Sunday, March 19th -8:45-10:15AM B-Wk classes +(Pre-K)

10:30AM - Class Mass Grade 2B **MIDDLE SCHOOL -GRADES 6-8**

Sunday, March 12th -6:30-8:00PM A-Wk classes

Sunday, March 19th -6:30-8:00PM B-Wk classes

HIGH SCHOOL - GRADES 9-10

Sunday, March 12th -6:30-8pm classes-Sophomores Sunday, March 12th - Sophomore Interviews PANCAKE BREAKFAST -9-12PM FRESHMEN SERVICE

Please remember in prayer those who are sick:

SR. Kathleen Doyle, Msgr. Leo Carey, Msgr. Martin Rauscher, Dennis Lenihan, Jamie Williams, Tracy McBride, Tommy Vacca, Karen Zarzycki, Peter Romaine, Joseph Gorman, Carol Aulbach, Maureen McDermott, Gary Leaver, Patrick William, Christine Profaca & all who are ill at this time.



SECOND GRADERS BREAKFAST WITH FATHER CHRIS will be held on Saturday, March 18th at 9:30AM in the Church

Hall. Parents and children are invited to share this very special experience as our 2nd graders continue their preparation for First Communion in May.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST Sunday, March 12th hosted by the Freshman Class in the Church

Hall. Cost: \$7.00 adults and \$4.00 children. Please support our High School Program by enjoying a delicious pancake & sausage

NEW



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breakfast with your family after 8:30 or 10:30 Mass.

ALTAR

Instructions are being held Saturday mornings from 10AM to 11AM on March 18 & 25. Call the rectory 973-663-0211 for info.

SERVERS

LENTEN MASS PROGRAM-This Wednesday, March 15th, at 7:30pm Fr. Alfred Lampron from St. Bernard, Mt. Hope, will be our guest celebrant for the first of our Wednesday evening Lenten Masses. Please join us and bring a friend.



2017:

OLSOS ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY's first meeting of 2017 will be Monday, March 13th, at 7PM in the Church Hall. All women of the parish are invited to join us in praying the rosary and discussing this month's topics, including our



upcoming March 25th Craft Fair & Flea Market. Join us!



NEW TO THE PARISH WELCOME! Please call 973-663-0211 Mon-Fri to become a registered member of our active parish.



GERTRUDE HAWK CANDY SALE Flyers were distributed to grades 1 through 10. Please support this yearly fundraiser for our Religious Ed Program. Order deadline is March 19th. Candy will be here for Easter.

OPERATION RICE BOWL: As part of our observance of Lent, we ask all families to

participate in Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl, a program of prayer, fasting, learning and giving. Please take home a Rice Bowl packet and follow this simple yet powerful Lenten practice. Visit orb.crs.org for more info & additional resources to use.



LENT IS A TIME FOR FEASTING

We rarely think of the word "feasting"" in connection with Lent, but there is no word more appropriate to describe the works of the Holy Spirit in our hearts during this holy season. It is truly a time to feast on the goodness and mercy of God and a time to be lavish in sharing these gifts with ourselves and the world. It is a time to bask in the love of our God. "God so loved the world He gave His only Son," (John 3:16). These words are at the heart of Lent. We are led into the desert to renew the marriage covenant of our Lover-God- and ourselves. Our God lures us into the desert almost seducing us to believe and accept His passionate love and tenderness.

Lent can be somber as the color purple suggests, yet it is also a time of passion and renewal of our love affair with Love itself. It is as much a time to accept, to embrace, and to celebrate as it is to deny ourselves. We have broken our covenant with God and Lent is a time for us to renew that covenant. The feast of Lent is meant for us to celebrate and renew our love for our God, for ourselves, and for others. It grows into a feast of gratitude as our hearts praise the Lord for all the blessings in our lives. We feast on forgiveness as we forgive ourselves, and all who have hurt us through our lives. We believe in the total forgiveness won for us on the Cross.

Our feasting is full of compassion as we have a new heart for the suffering and pain of the human family. We see humanity on the cross with Jesus and we have a new heart to work for social justice and peace. Our feasting gives us a new hope as we believe in the goodness of our world and the goodness of the people in it. We feast on the hope that we can grow and change for the better.

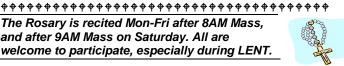
Our feasting has generous portions of commitment as we say "yes" once again to the Lord and to the call He has given us. We want to be the best, husband, wife, parent, sister, brother or friend that we can be. Our feasting is a sharing in the truth of Jesus as we give our lives, as Jesus did, for what is just and right. We make our stands based on truth and conscience.

The great feast is a feast of patience. We know that growth in ourselves takes time, just as it does in others and in institutions. We do not excuse laziness or indifference in ourselves, but we challenge ourselves to grow.

We also feast on the Mercy of God. It is our hope for the present and the future. The God of Love calls us this Lent to bask in His love and to continue to model ourselves on Jesus. This is a special time!

Sincerely in Christ, Father Chris

The Rosary is recited Mon-Fri after 8AM Mass, and after 9AM Mass on Saturday. All are welcome to participate, especially during LENT.





COME HOME TO HEALING -- THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IS AVAILABLE IN ALL Paterson diocese parishes on the Mondays of Lent- March 13, 20 & 27, and April 3rd from 7pm to 8:30pm.

SATURDAY, MARCH 25TH 9AM-3PM OLSOS Craft Fair & Flea

Market hosted by The Rosary Altar Society in the Parish Center & Church Hall.

Vendor Set up-7AM. Tables -\$30- Church Hall. For applications please contact Lisa or Grace gracesill@optonline.net or lisag1267.gonzales@aol.com Food & drink for sale in the Church Hall.

Snow Date -Sat. April 1, 2017.

ParishPay Available: If you would like to make your offerings automatically by check or credit card, please go to www.olsoslh.org & click

the "Parish Pay" icon (seen here) to follow instructions.

FOOD PANTRY

Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:45-11:45Am & 1:30-3PM. Coordinator is Toni Tarighi. Items needed: coffee,

JUICE, TEA, PASTA, TUNA, carrots, spinach, beets, **SAUCE**, stew, applesauce, fruit, dish & laundry detergents, deodorant, paper towels, 2-in-1 shampoo, TP, tissues.

Refrigerated: EGGS, Milk, yogurt, bread & frozen foods **NOTE**: ShopRite gift card donations are also appreciated.



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SICK OR SHUT IN-or know someone who isunable to get to church to receive Communion? Please call the rectory at 663-0211 to set up a time for a Communion call.





CATHOLIC CHARITIES: Please support Catholic Charities local programs by donating clothes, shoes and household items to the donation bin *located at the back of our parking lot...* For large quantities of clothes, household items, or furniture

to donate, please call 1-877-343-3651 (# on collection bin) for pick up at home.



OLSOS VACATION BIBLE CAMP -August 21-25, 2017 9am-3pm This year OLSOS will be hosting one week of Day Camp for our Kindergarten through 5th grade children. 5 days filled with creative

activities geared to all ages. Fees: \$175 per child-deadline 5/21; \$150 per child early Reg. deadline April 30th; Special multi child discount \$10 per additional child. Special and optional prices: Volunteer pricing - any parent who volunteers for the entire week, child attends for ½ price.

BEFORE CARE- 7-9AM- \$25 per child per week. AFTER CARE - 3-6 PM- \$37.50 per child per week. LUNCH - \$5 per child per DAY.

For more information and registration forms contact OLSOS Religious Ed Office 973-663-0124.

SPECIAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY DISPENSATION FROM THE LAWS OF FAST & ABSTINENCE has been given BY BISHOP SERRATELLI with a strong recommendation that the faithful honor both St. Patrick and this holy season of Lent on March 17th by doing some special work of charity or exercise of piety in place of abstinence.

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