

# Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 2, 2017

## MASSES FOR the WEEK

### SUNDAY, APRIL 2ND

8:30 A.M. Vito Spagnolo  
10:30A.M. Vito Paonessa  
12:00P.M. People of the Parish

### MONDAY, APRIL 3RD

8:00 A.M. Taylor Lynn Craig

### TUESDAY, APRIL 4TH

8:00 A.M. Andrew & Margaret Hudak

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5TH

8:00 A.M. Walter McCammond  
7:30 P.M. Teresa Latour

### THURSDAY, APRIL 6TH

8:00 A.M. Sean Columb

### FRIDAY, APRIL 7TH

8:00 A.M. Susan Dann

### 7:15 P.M. Stations of the Cross

### SATURDAY, APRIL 8TH

9:00 A.M. James Sokolich  
5:00 P.M. Di Gennaro & Barrick Families

### SUNDAY, APRIL 9TH

8:30 A.M. Lyn Schoonover  
10:30A.M. People of the Parish  
12:00P.M. Lena Friscia

## SCRIPTURES

### April 9, 2017– Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

**First Reading:** In a tone of quiet sadness, Isaiah describes the buffets and insults given to the Suffering Servant. The passage ends on a note of hope. (ISAIAH 50: 4-7)

**SECOND READING:** IN EXULTANT TONES, PAUL TELLS THE PHILIPPIANS TO REJOICE BECAUSE CHRIST BECAME MAN, DIED ON THE CROSS, ROSE FROM THE DEAD, AND SITS TRIUMPHANTLY AT THE RIGHT HAND OF THE FATHER. (PHILIPPIANS 2: 6-11)

**GOSPEL:** THIS IS A SOLEMN NARRATIVE OF THE PASSION AND DEATH OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. MATTHEW RECOUNTS THE TREACHERY AND BETRAYAL OF JUDAS AND THEN DESCRIBES THE EVENTS OF THE LAST SUPPER, CULMINATING IN THE INSTITUTION OF THE EUCHARIST. JESUS ENDURES THE AGONY IN THE GARDEN; HE IS THEN BROUGHT BEFORE CAIAPHAS AND PILATE AND CONDEMNED TO DEATH. AFTER HIS RESURRECTION, THE CENTURION SHOUTED, "CLEARLY THIS WAS THE SON OF GOD." (MATTHEW 26: 14-27, 66)

## STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK-April 2, 2017

When Jesus heard of the illness of His friend, Lazarus, He responded, "This illness is not to end in death; rather it is for God's glory, that through it the Son of God may be glorified." Every aspect of our lives—our gifts as well as our sufferings—can, if surrendered to Christ, lead to blessing for ourselves and others.  
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**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, April 4th at 7:30pm at the Rectory.

**BAPTISMS** Baptisms will be performed TODAY, Sunday, April 2nd, at 1:00PM.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION +

CCD Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/olsoslh>

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL -PRE-K-Grade 5

Sunday, April 2nd -8:45-10:15AM B-Wk classes + (Pre-K)  
10:30AM – Class Mass Grade 1B

Sunday, April 9th -8:45-10:15AM A-Wk classes + (Pre-K)

### MIDDLE SCHOOL -GRADES 6-8

Sunday, April 2nd -6:30-8:00PM B-Wk classes

Sunday, April 9th -6:30-8:00PM A-Wk classes

### HIGH SCHOOL – GRADES 9-10

Sunday, April 9th -6:30-8pm classes

April 13th -Holy Thursday Service- 7:30PM

April 14th -Good Friday Service- 7:30PM

### Please remember in prayer those who are sick:

**SR. Kathleen Doyle**, Msgr. Leo Carey, Msgr. Martin Rauscher, Fr. Luciano Cruz, Barbara Luckhardt, Tommy Vacca, Doris O'Rourke, Patrick William, James Pitts, Shirley Ryan Jordan, Mary & Michael D'Alessio, Nancy Snolis, Carol Aulbach, Diana Meunier, Maureen McDermott, Gary Leaver, Christine Profaca & all who are ill at this time.



**OUR NEW ALTAR SERVERS FOR 2017 will be commissioned at the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, April 30th.**

**LENTEN MASS PROGRAM**—This *Wednesday, April 5th, 7:30pm.* Msgr. Martin McDonnell, retired Pastor of Good Shepherd in Andover, will be our guest celebrant for the final of our Wednesday Lenten Masses. Please join us and bring a friend.



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

**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](http://orb.crs.org) for more info & additional resources to use.



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



**Available:** If you would like to make your offerings automatically **by check or credit card**, please go to [www.olsoslh.org](http://www.olsoslh.org) & click the "Parish Pay" icon (seen here) to follow instructions.

**OLSOS ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY's** meeting is on Monday, **April 10th, at 7PM** in the Church Hall. **All women of the parish are invited to join us** in praying the rosary and discussing Craft Fair results and upcoming SCHOLARSHIP AWARD.



**FISH & CHIPS DINNER GOOD FRIDAY,** April 14th, at **THE AMERICAN LEGION POST #245, on Espanong Rd.,** 5-7pm. **\$15 each.** For tickets call **973-663-3403 or 973-663-2090.**

## TRY A LITTLE KINDNESS

This Lent and indeed every Lent, we Christians profess that "the kindness and generous love of God our savior has appeared". (Epistle to Titus 3:4). We often use words like love, power, light, truth and justice to describe the coming of God but this letter uses the word kindness. Maybe this can be a special challenge this Lent: to show more of the kindness of God. In Catholic teaching, kindness is the virtue opposite that of envy. An envious person is unappreciative, resentful, tries to tear down others and even takes satisfaction at the misfortune of others. When we are tempted to indulge in envy why not "try a little kindness instead". Kindness entails an ability to reach out beyond our own situation, good or bad, to show goodness and compassion to others. This may be difficult in the present climate, when the economy has placed so much stress on us all.

Abraham Lincoln once said: "as a drop of honey catches more flies than a gallon of gall, so with men (and women). If you would win a man to your cause, first convince him that you are his sincere friend". Lincoln was famous as President for putting his political rivals in his cabinet, even though one or two conspired against him. President George H.W. Bush once called for "a kinder and gentler nation." This kind of change begins with the individual and should be seen in interaction with our families and our children, with neighbors and strangers, on the highway and on our streets.

This can happen in the way we greet each other. Too often we greet people in a perfunctory way, anxious to make our purchase, get our fill up at the gas station, make our deposit at the bank, pick up our lunch at the deli, etc. Now that our weather has improved- a sure sign of spring-we should be a little more chipper in taking care of the everyday tasks of life. In conversation we often can't wait to get our response in, so much so that we rarely listen to what the other has really said. Fr. Nicolas, superior of the Jesuits, says that before speaking you should ask three questions about what you will say: "Is it true, is it kind and gentle, and is it good for others?" A nice little test we can set for ourselves.

Lent is the Christian's journey with Jesus to Jerusalem. The Gospel of Matthew says of Jesus that "a bruised reed he will not break, a smoldering wick he will not quench until he brings justice to victory" (12:20). Jesus is "meek and humble of heart" (11:29). This Lent let us try to put on the mind and heart of Jesus Christ. It is a wonderful time to show forth God's kindness, and at the very least to "try a little kindness". (From an article by Peter Schineller S.J. in America magazine March 2, 2009).

*Sincerely in Christ,  
Father Chris*

**COME HOME TO HEALING --THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IS AVAILABLE IN ALL Paterson diocese parishes this Monday- April 3rd 7pm to 8:30pm.**



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



### FOOD PANTRY

**Open Tuesdays & Thursdays 10:45-11:45Am**

**& 1:30-3PM.** Please call 973-663-0211 to make appointment one day prior. Coordinator: Toni Tarighi.

Items needed: **SYRUP, COFFEE, JUICE, TUNA, PASTA, carrots, spinach, canned meats, baked beans, stew, fruit,** applesauce, Spam, 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.



**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 household items, or furniture to donate, please call 1-877-343-3651 (# on bin).



### 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 Registration 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.**

**Why become a Knight?** If you are interested in helping those in need, serving your parish and community, growing in your faith then the Knights of Columbus Organization is for you. By donating a few hours a month to as little as a few hours a year you can make a difference in your parish and community. **Join today! Please call 973-663-2831.**



**THANK YOU to all who donated to the Soup Kitchen Ministry at the Craft Fair on March 25th. We received \$225 through your purchases and donations.** With recent budget cuts this money is a big help in our efforts to keep this ministry going, enabling us to feed those in need. Thank you, Ed Young.



**EASTER FLOWERS** *Easter is our greatest feast- celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus. It is fitting that our sanctuary reflects this joy.* You can help decorate our sanctuary by donating an **Easter Lily**, in memory of a loved one. A **donation of \$25.00** is requested. Envelopes are available in the church pews.



### Bus Trip to see "CATS" Thursday, June 1st

**7PM Show. \$107** per ticket

includes orchestra seats + bus fee.

Join us for one of the most memorable

shows ever on Broadway. **Bus leaves**

**3:45pm. Call the rectory 973-663-0211 to reserve seats. One bus.**



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