

OUR LADY OF PEACE

March 17, 2024

Fifth Sunday Of Lent

The Fifth Sunday of Lent



SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday:

11:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

4:00 P.M. to 4:45 P.M.

HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Saturday 5:15 P.M.

Sunday: 8:00 A.M.

10:00 A.M., 12:00 P.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday – Saturday

8:00 A.M.

Last Tuesday of the month

7:00 P.M.

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MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR
MARCH 24/25

5:15 p.m. Mass

Eucharistic Ministers: Julia Dischler,
Marita Hansen, Joan Deyak

Reader: Gloria DeMarzo

Altar Server: Anna Delgado

8:00 a.m. Mass

Eucharistic Ministers: Kenneth Egan,
Alan Nygard, Barbara Sinko

Reader: Thomas Deignan

10:00 a.m. Mass

Eucharistic Ministers: MaryAnn Shingola,
Mary Prumos, Marie Frey

Reader: Corinne Ambrosi

Altar Server: Joshua Baptista

12:00 noon Mass

Eucharistic Ministers: Arlene Cezar,
Augustus Cezar, James Padden

Reader: Bill Herring, Frank Heelan

Altar Server: Ashley Alfaro

UPCOMING DATES

March 28, 2024 ~ 7:00pm Holy Thursday
Mass

March 29, 2024 ~ Good Friday
3:00pm Liturgy of the Passion
7:00pm Stations of the Cross

March 30, 2024 ~ Holy Saturday,
1:00pm Easter Food Blessings
7:00pm Easter Vigil

NO CONFESSION on
Holy Saturday

March 31, 2024 ~ Easter Sunday Masses
8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00 Noon

April 7, 2024 ~ 3:00pm Divine Mercy

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday March 17, Fifth Sunday
Of Lent

8:00am

+ Cecelia & Joe Anders from The Wendt
Family

10:00

+ Dennis McCabe from Wife Better & Family

12:00

+ Magdalena Dequito Ho from Maricar Ho

Monday March 18, Lenten Weekday

8:00 am

+ Adeline Zarro from Daughters Rita & Marge

Tuesday March 19, St. Joseph Spouse of
The Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 am

+ For Our Parishioners from Our Pastor

Wednesday March 20, Lenten Weekday

8:00 am

+ Ann DeMaria from Friends

Thursday March 21, Lenten Weekday

8:00 am

+ Jimmy & Josephine Laspino
From The Dekonski Family

Friday March 22, Lenten Weekday

8:00 am

+ Rui Pedro Dos Santos Carinhas from
Michelle & Marcus Branciforte

Saturday March 23, Lenten Weekday

8:00 am

+ Sharon Shevlin from JoAnn Grandal

5:15 pm

+ Salvatera Gamba from Family

Sunday March 24, Palm Sunday

8:00am

+ The Gloria of God from Virginia

10:00

+ Shirley Kimmick from The Sheridan Family

12:00

+ David Narcisco from The Sheridan Family



Bread & Wine

In memory of
Shirley Kimmick
From
The Sheridan Family

Candle

In memory of
Warren Depuy
From
Patricia Glebocki



March 17, 2024 - 5th Sunday of Lent

"I will be their God and they shall be my people."- Jeremiah 31:33

What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbors and for people we don't know, just as God cares for each of us.

2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal
STAY WITH US, LORD: Renew our Hearts
and Send Us on Mission

"Were not our hearts burning within us while He spoke to us on the way and opened the scriptures to us?" (Luke 24:32)

Just as the two disciples on the Road to Emmaus "set out at once" to share their experience of the Risen Lord with others, we too are inspired to go out into the world and tell everyone we meet of His love and grace. Your gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal supports the work of the **Vicariate for Evangelization and Communication**. Responsible for our website, social media platforms, videos, podcasts and written content about our Catholic faith, the Evangelization & Communication ministry is essential to how we expand our effort to share the Gospel message and make His love known to all. More and more, we have come to understand that these tools are necessary for reaching people where they live and work. A gift of any amount is important and greatly appreciated.

March 17, 2024 Hymns

Breaking Bread #717 Lift High
the Cross
Blue Book #348
Seed, Scattered and Sown
Breaking Bread #137 Gracious
God
Breaking Bread # 682 We Shall
Rise Again



Confessions

On March 23, 2024 Confession
will be from 11:30am to 12:00pm
and

3:30pm to 4:45pm

No confessions will be heard on
Holy Saturday March 30, 2024

Monthly Parish Mass

Our Lady of Peace celebrates Mass at 7:00 pm on the last Tuesday of every month. All are welcome to join in this Eucharistic Celebration. Due to the Chrism Mass on 3/26/24, there will be no monthly Parish Mass

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



COME AND
JOIN US
EVERY FRIDAY
DURING LENT AT 7:00 P.M.

REMEMBER - ALL FRIDAYS DURING
LENT ARE DAYS OF ABSTINENCE
(NO MEAT.)

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY ~ March 17

1:00pm - 5:00pm Knights St. Patrick Dinner ~
Parish Hall

4:00pm Evening prayer ~ Church

MONDAY ~ March 18

8:30 am Novena ~ Church

7:00pm-8:00pm Bible Study ~ Parish Hall

TUESDAY ~ March 19

7:00 pm Blue Army Devotions ~ Church

WEDNESDAY ~ March 20

4:30-5:45pm Rel. Ed 1 & 2 ~ Parish Center

7:00-8:15pm Rel. Ed Individual Instruction ~
Parish Center

7:00PM Religious Ed. Lenten Confession

Grades 3-8 ~ Church

7:00 pm Social Concerns ~ Regina Caeli Room

THURSDAY ~ March 21

7:00 pm Choir Practice ~ Church

FRIDAY ~ March 22

Stations Of The Cross

SATURDAY ~ March 23

11:00 am Confessions ~ Church

4:00 pm Confessions ~ Church

SUNDAY ~ March 24

1:00pm Baptism ~ Church

STEWARDSHIP

WEEKLY COLLECTION ~ February 10, 2024

Offertory Collection.....\$ 4,283.00

Mail In.....\$ 865.00

Online Giving.....\$ 2,831.50

Repairs and Maintenance.....\$ 1,038.00

Total.....\$ 9,017.50

Stewardship of Treasure

Thank you for remembering your parish with your
Stewardship of Treasure when you are away on vacation or
when weather prohibits your attendance at Mass. Your
continued financial support is essential and much appreciated
by our
parish community.

PARISH ORGANIZATION & MINISTRIES

ALTAR-ROSARY SOCIETY: 1st Sunday of the month. Contact
Angela Chundak at 732-221-0977

BAPTISM PREPARATION: 2nd Tuesday of January, April, July, &
October. Contact the Parish Office. (Must Register, no Walk-Ins)

BLUE ARMY DEVOTIONS: Tuesday at 7:00pm

COLUMBIETTES #9199: 2nd Thursday at 7:00pm

HOLY NAME SOCIETY: 2nd Sunday of the month. Contact Alan
Nygard 732-986-3199.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #9199: 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the
month at 8:00pm

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: Monday at 8:30am

PRE-CANA MINISTRY: 2nd Saturday of March & 3rd Saturday Of
October. Contact the Parish Office.

FOCCUS: Contact Parish Office.

R.C.I.A.: All persons seeking instruction or more information about
membership in the Roman Catholic Church are invited to call the
parish office.

ROSARY: 1st Sunday of every month at 9:30am sharp before the
10:00am Mass and 1st Saturday of the Month following 8:00am Mass.

SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY: meets as scheduled

OFFERTORY GIFTS

*Anyone who wishes to present the gifts
at the Offertory of the Mass (especially if
the Mass is being offered for a member
of your family or at your request) should
speak with one of the ushers at the main
entrance to the Church before Mass.*

ST PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION



Our Lady of Peace Knights of
Columbus Council 9199 of Fords is sponsoring a
Sr. Patrick's Day Celebration on Sunday, March
17, 2024. It will run from 1PM to 5PM at the
OLP Cafeteria, below the Church. The menu
includes: corned beef (cooked to perfection),
cabbage, Irish soda bread, potatoes, carrots and
desserts. Soda and bottled water will be
available. Cost is \$20/meal in advance and \$25
at the door.

For tickets or info, contact Rich Fetzer at
732-822-4957.

The Pastor's Pen

Dear Friend,

Lent is a time of refreshment and renewal. The word "Lent" comes from the old English, "lencten," which means spring. Lent is meant to be a "springtime" for the church. In Lent we participate in works of charity, prayer, and penance. Oftentimes people give up something in

Lent and this is certainly a laudable practice. However, it is also good to do more prayer, more works of charity, etc. It is also a time to examine our conscience to see where we need God's help and forgiveness. Consider giving up these things, for the rest of your life:

1. **Fear:** God is on my side. In Him I am more than a conqueror. (See Romans 98)
2. **The need to please everyone:** I can't please everyone anyway. There is only one I need to strive to please.
3. **Envy:** I am blessed. My value is not found in my possessions, but in my relationship with my Heavenly Father.
4. **Impatience:** God's timing is the perfect timing.
5. **Sense of entitlement:** The world does not owe me anything. God does not owe me anything. I live in humility and grace.
6. **Bitterness and Resentment:** The only person I am hurting by holding onto these is myself.
7. **Blame:** I am not going to pass the buck. I will take responsibility for my actions.
8. **Gossip and Negativity:** I will put the best construction on everything when it comes to other people.

I will also minimize my contact with people who are negative and toxic and bring other people down.
9. **Comparison:** I have my own unique contribution to make and there is no one else like me.
10. **Fear of failure:** You don't succeed without experiencing failure. Just make sure you fall forward.
11. **A spirit of poverty:** Believe with God that there is always more than enough and never a lack.
12. **Feelings of unworthiness:** You are fearfully and wonderfully made by your creator. (see Psalm 139)
13. **Doubt:** Believe God has a plan for you that is beyond anything you could imagine.

The future is brighter than you could ever realize.
14. **Self-pity:** God comforts us in our sorrow so that we can comfort others with the comfort we ourselves have received from God.
15. **Retirement:** As long as you are still breathing, you are here for a reason. You have a purpose to influence others for Christ. That does not come to an end until the day we die.
16. **Excuses:** A wise man once said, if you need an excuse, any excuse will do.
17. **Lack of counsel:** Wise decisions are rarely made in a vacuum.
18. **Pride:** Blessed are the humble.
19. **Worry:** God is in control and worrying will not help.

Don't give up praying and never lose heart.

Father Matthew



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK



Eunice McLaughlin, Raymond Miller,
Danielle Maglies, Francis Lee,
Dotty Karnowski, Anna Verrico,
Anthony Sclafani, Rolando Rey
Christine Mary Brown,
Donna Ferrara, Lonie Ebarle
Julia Forsythe,
Jessica Barretta, Joanne M.,
Maria Lavid, Teddy Sabo,
Lisa Sabo, Norma Nebus, Nancy Gaid,
Joan Trainor, Harriet Gockel

Prayer For Strength & Confidence

*Heavenly Father, Giver of life and health:
comfort and relieve Your sick servants and give
Your power of healing to those who minister to
their needs, that they may be strengthened in
their weakness and have confidence in Your
loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

Kind Reminder
Please do not park in front of the
rectory garages.

Parochial Ministry

Rev. Matthew R. Paratore, S.T.L., J.C.L., Pastor
Rev. James G. Tucker, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Sebastian Kaithackal C.M.I., (In Res.)
Deacon John A. Raychel

Parish Services

Rev. John J. Zec, Ph.D., Music Director
Candida Gonzalez, Coordinator of Religious
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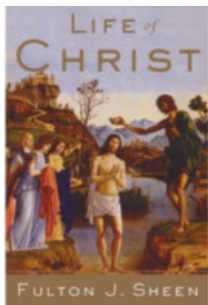
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EVENING PRAYER AND **EXPOSITION**

**Come and join us on Sunday's
Evening at 4:00pm in the Church
March 17, 2024**

****REGISTRO PARROQUIAL****

Para permitirnos servirle mejor, todos los feligreses deben registrarse en la oficina parroquial. Si usted es un nuevo feligr s, o un feligr s actual que se mud  o cambi  de n mero de tel fono, por favor contacte a la Oficina Parroquial.

Los miembros de la familia de 23 a os o m s deben registrarse por separado como individuos, incluso si contin an viviendo con sus padres. Debe ser un feligr s registrado para ser un Patrocinador de Confirmaci n o un Padrino.

REQUISITOS PARA SER PADRINO/PATROCINADOR DE CONFIRMACI N

Debe ser un feligr s ACTIVO, REGISTRADO por un m nimo de seis meses que asista a misa semanalmente y contribuya al apoyo de la Iglesia, de acuerdo con los medios de uno.

Debe haber recibido todos los sacramentos de iniciaci n.

Si est  casado, debe estar en un matrimoni reconocido como v lido por la Iglesia Cat lica.

Debe vivir una vida cristiana consistente con el papel de padrino o patrocinador de confirmaci n

****REGISTRATION****

To enable us to better serve you, all parishioners should register at the Parish Office. If you are a new parishioner, or a current parishioner who has moved or changed phone numbers, please contact the Parish Office.

Family members 23 years or older should register separately as individuals even if continuing to live with their parents. You must be a registered parishioner to be a Confirmation Sponsor or a Godparent.

GODPARENT/CONFIRMATION SPONSOR REQUIREMENTS

Must be an ACTIVE, REGISTERED parishioner for a minimum of six months, who attends Mass weekly, and contributes to the support of the Church, in accordance with one's means.

Must have received all the Sacraments of Initiation.

If married, must be in a marriage recognized as valid by the Catholic Church.

Must live a Christian life consistent with the role of godparent or sponsor.

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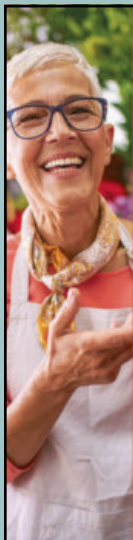


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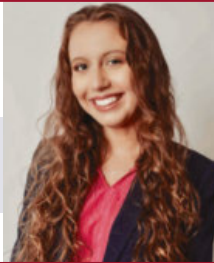
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