

March 1, 2015

Second Sunday of Lent

MASSES for the WEEK

"It is a holy and wholesome thing to pray for the living and the dead." (II Mac. 12:46)

Sunday, March 1, 2015

7:00 AM Vincent Petroccione (7th Anniv.)

Req. Wife, Alice

8:30 AM Venturini Paolo

Req. Maria Minutoli

10:00 AM Maria & Curt Bach

Req. Cassone Family

11:30 AM John Guerin

Req. The Martinez Family

1:00 PM Marty Mihalek

*Req. Wife, Ana*Monday, March 2, 2015

7:00 AM Frances & Harold LaSalle

8:30 AM Margaret Givens

Req. Ann Marie Christie & Neil Haggerty

9:30 AM Multiple Intention Mass

Tuesday, March 3, 2015

7:00 AM Richard P. Smith

Req. John & Bernadette O'Connor

8:30 AM Frank Aris (14th Anniversary)

*Req. Margaret Aris*Wednesday, March 4, 2015

7:00 AM Louis Pannucci

Req. Ann and Tony Stolfi

8:30 AM John Paul Pedagna

*Req. Louis & Carl Bargone
Cousins*Thursday, March 5, 2015

7:00 AM Joseph & Jean Barkovitz

Req. Steffie, Sister

8:30 AM Maria Taraboka

*Req. The Mustac Family*Friday, March 6, 2015

7:00 AM Ann Domanski

Req. Husband, John

8:30 AM Margaret Givens

*Req. RoseAnn Dwyer*Saturday, March 7, 2015

7:00 AM Thomas McCormick

Req. Kate Weadock

8:30 AM Teddy Kaczka

Req. Wife, Ethel

4:00 PM James Finnegan

Req. Wife, Pat

5:30 PM Angelo Damato

*Req. Olive Kearney*Sunday, March 8, 2015

7:00 AM. Magdallena Sesta

Req. Husband, Larry

8:30 AM Eileen P. Kennedy

Req. Claire Kennedy, Sister

10:00 AM Donato (Dan) DeRose

Req. Wife, Gerry

11:30 AM Joseph & Josephine Zappulla

Req. Arlene Z. Toth

1:00 PM Anthony Forgione

Req. Sister

**Multiple Mass Intention
Monday at 9:30 AM
March 2, 2015**

In Memory of: Rev. Francis E. Santitoro
The Santitoro Family (*Living & Deceased*)
Rev. Frank Porazzo, & Porazzo Family
Joseph P. Flaherty
Kathleen & Anthony Jackomin
Frances & Harold LaSalle
Steven Kilianski (Speedy Recovery),
Req. Grandmother
Jack Guerin, *Req. Wife, Pat*
Rita DeLucci, *Req. Family*
Dec'd. Relatives, Friends, Armed Forces,
Req. Ann Bederka
Carol Geisler, *Req. Husband,*
Bernard
Orlando Mainero, *Req. Betty Kleinfeld*
Joyce Szeszko, *Req. Gene Szeszko*
Dean W. Peterson, *Req. Wife,*
Gertrude
Rose Riley (3rd Anniversary).
Req. Paddy & Agnes Kelly
Emily Manzella, *Req. Phillip & Audrey*
Manzella
Andras & Kabasco Families,
Req. Joseph Dec
Anthony Jannuzzi, *Req. Al & Barbara*
Giamarino
Sylvester Tyszkiewicz, *Req. Wife,*
Alicia and Sons

Valerie O'Leary (Healing), *Req. Husband,*
John
Charles Oloughlin, *Req. Gertrude*
Peterson
Marianne Chessick (Healing),
Req. Elaine Williams
Jennie & Vincent Fasciani,
Req. Daughters
Special Intentions, *Req. Anonymous*
Florence Mavuro, *Req. Patricia Guerin*
Joe Rubano, *Req. Bob Martino*
Ann Angelo, *Req. Rose & Paul*
DeVita
Sadie Guarino, *Req. Rose Haines*
Raffaella DiFilippo, *Req. Fay & Malcolm*
Davis
Clifton P. Titcomb, *Req. Wife, Eva*
Robert Titcomb (In Thanksgiving),
Req. Mema
Living & Dec'd Mbrs. Montross & Calamia
Families, *Req. Mabel Zalkiewicz*
Kevin Trull, *Req. Michael Wladich*
Patrick Riley, *Req. Peggy & Ted*
Cunningham
The Modeshefsky & Caverly Family,
Req. Mary Modeshefsky
Stephen Kuchar, *Req. Zimador Kuchar*

*Pray for the deceased and sick parishioners
of our parish.*

SPECIAL INTENTIONS – WEEK of February 28 to March 6, 2015

Bread & Wine – Church
John Guerin, *Req. Wife, Pat*

Bread & Wine – Chapel
Gertrude Daidone, *Req. Josephine Roeder*

Altar Candles – Church
John Guerin, *Req. Wife, Pat*

Altar Candles – Chapel
Joseph Gregory, *Req. Daughter, Doris*

Sanctuary Candles – Church
Michael Lanza, *Req. Wife, Millie*

PARISH NEWS

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

The meeting for the Altar Rosary Society will be on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at 1:00 PM. Cake and coffee will be available prior to the meeting. Father John DeSandre will be our guest speaker at this meeting,

An invitation is extended to all the women of the parish to join us at the Altar Rosary Society meeting on March 18th.

The Altar Rosary Society is dedicated to Promoting Devotion to our Blessed Mother. We do works of Charity, host a yearly Communion Breakfast, along with other activities. Join us!

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 4, 2015 at 12:30 PM.

The Holy Name Society is in dire need of new and active members. Our monthly meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 12:30 PM in the Parish Hall. We do not meet during the months of July and August.

Plans are being made for our April 1st meeting whether to have a Pizza Party or a Sandwich Party. We will be taken names and \$3.00 at our March meeting.

Andy Turco: (732) 286-6353

LEGION OF MARY

Our meetings take place on Mondays from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM.

The Legion of Mary is pleased to offer a weekly visitation of the Blessed Mother's statue to homes within the Parish community.

If you are sick or homebound and would like to say the Rosary with someone, kindly call either: Jean Hanna (732) 473-9755

Kathleen Farms (732) 286-1608

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Next Sunday, March 8, 2015 at 2:00 AM we begin our new time.... getting up an hour earlier, but we delight in long sunny days.

So before going to sleep on Saturday, set all your clocks ahead one hour so when you arise in the morning you will be ready for the

PARISH NEWS

ATLANTIC CITY TRIP TO RESORTS

Date: March 2, 2015

Cost: \$23.00 Coins: \$25.00

Tickets are sold by the Parish Auditorium on Tuesdays from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. or call:

Mr. Sandy Monda (732) 349-0143

The bus leaves for Atlantic City from St. Maximilian Kolbe Church promptly at 9:15 A.M.

Note: All Cancellations are non-refundable.

ADORATION

During Lent, and continually during Lent the Stations of the Cross will begin at 12:00 Noon in the Church, followed by the Adoration.

The Adoration devotion is to join the Holy Father in praying for the unborn and for the special intentions of our families.

PENANCE SERVICE

Kindly note your calendars. Our Easter Penance Service will be held on:

Wednesday, March 25, 2015

12:00 Noon to 1:30 PM

Priests from surrounding churches will help with confessions on this day.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Council 10899

The Knights of Columbus will be providing Lenten Meals on Fridays during the Lenten Season. Meals will be served between the hours of 12:30 PM and 2:00 PM. A charge of \$8.00 per person may be paid at the door of the Parish Hall on that day. Enjoy lunch.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

World Day of Prayer is held each year on the first Friday in March. The day was the idea of Church Women United, an ecumenical Christian group of women who work for justice and peace.

Each year a women's group from a different part of the world writes a prayer service for the day.

BINGO...BINGO... BINGO

Bingo is held on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons in the Parish Hall auditorium. Doors open at 10:00A.M. and the games begin at 12:00 Noon.

Food is also available for purchase.

ARTS & CRAFTS

The Arts and Craft Group meetings are on Mondays from 9:00 to 11:30 AM.

We welcome all new members to our group to share their ideas with us.

WEEKLY DEVOTIONS

The weekly devotions of Bread and Wine; Altar Candles, Sanctuary Candles and Flowers are available for 2015 for the Church and Chapel.

Stop by the Parish Office during our business hours to request your special week.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

The second collection this weekend is for Parish Development and Maintenance.

The Swallows of Capistrano

The mission of San Juan Capistrano in California was founded in 1776.

Legend has it that a Franciscan priest at the mission became upset when he saw an innkeeper destroying the nests that cliff swallows built into the crevices of his inn's roof. In the spirit of St. Francis of Assisi, this priest invited the swallows to come and nest at the mission.

As a result the swallows come back every year on the Feast of St. Joseph and leave on October 23rd the Feast of St. John of Capistrano.

A Lenten Reflection

A HOLY DAY

From the beginning of his time, Pope John Paul II kept urging us, "Do not be afraid. Open wide the doors to Christ." The Church strongly urges all of us to rediscover Sundays for ourselves. Give this time to Jesus Christ and let Christ shine light on it.

ST. JOSEPH AND ST. PATRICK

Dinner Dance

Sunday: March 15, 2015

Time: 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Music: Pipers Alley

Tickets: \$20.00 Per Person

Place: St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish Hall

Buffet Menu Includes

Meat Lasagna; Eggplant Parmesan; Chicken Francese; Corned Beef on Rye; String Bean Almondine; Salad, Cole Slaw; Potato Chips; Dessert; Coffee; Tea; Water; Soda; Setups; BYOB

50/50 Raffle tickets and Door Prizes

Tickets are sold during the week at the Parish Office.

Don't forget your dancing shoes!

SMOKY MOUNTAIN COMBO

April 20 -26, 2015

7 Days 6 Nights

12 Meals, Shows and more.....

Asheville, North Carolina

Biltmore Estate

Harrah's Casino, North Carolina

Smoky Mountain National Park

Gatlinburg, Tennessee

Ober Gatlinburg Tramway

Ripley's Aquarium of the Smokies

The Sweet Fanny Adams Theatre

Contact:

Barbara Kwiatek, CTC, MCC

cruiseortours@aol.com

848- 227-3963

KINDLY NOTE

The Knights of Columbus, Council 10899 will hold their meeting this Saturday, March 7, 2015. Please note the change in date for this month.

The officers will meet at 9:15 AM followed by the Council Meeting at 10:00 and the Fourth Degree Assembly will meet after the Council Meeting.

For Inquiries:

John Donnelly (908) 692-6701

LIVES OF THE SAINTS

May the wisdom of the saints inspire us in our daily lives.

- March 1 St. David of Wales
- March 2 St. Cunegund, Empress
- March 3 St. Katharine Drexel
- March 4 St. Casimir
- March 5 St. John Joseph of the Cross
- March 6 St. Colette
- March 7 St. Perpetua & St. Felicity

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Simon's Soup Kitchen

Simon's Soup Kitchen operates in Seaside Heights, NJ. The kitchen serves meals Tuesday and Friday nights during the months of October through April to anyone in need of a meal and a friendly smile.

Simon's Soup Kitchen is sponsored by Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish and the Knights of Columbus Council 8415.

Since the start of Simon's Soup Kitchen over 45,000 meals have been served. Many of our clientele live in Seaside Heights and the surrounding area throughout the year and work in our community during the summer months. Sometimes one needs a little extra support during the winter.

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The Act of Faith you make each day as a Roman Catholic to unite yourself with the Body of Christ in the Diocese of Trenton is the foundation of the Works of Love that show our brothers and sisters in need what it means to be a Catholic every single day.

REACH OUT

Forgiveness rarely happens in a blink of an eye. It is a gradual process of letting go of the wrong so we are not imprisoned by the past, unable to grow. We are healed as we walk toward forgiveness, leaving judgment and revenge in the dust. (Father Joseph Sica)

Did You Know?????

As a reminder that Lent was a time of prayer, pretzels were an ancient Christian Lenten bread shaped in the form of arms crossed in prayer. They were call *bracellae*, which in Latin

means "little arms."

PRAYER FOR THE FAMILY

Dear Lord,

We thank you for sending Your Son to show us the way to eternal salvation.

Look down upon our family and less us as we pray together and strive to accomplish Your will.

Teach us patience, kindness, understanding and compassion toward one another and toward all mankind.

Give us courage to face each day with joy. Help us to be united in good times and in hard times, striving always to forgive one another as You always forgive.

May our dedication to You be a source of peace to each of us and the basis for a peaceful world in Christ. Amen

(Franciscan Missions Associates)

ARE YOU LISTENING?

Before we were born, we heard sounds surrounding us in the womb and before we die, we may hear the tender goodbyes of our loved ones. We learn not to just hear but to listen to life in the wind, and in the world's painful cries its joy filled happiness along with its worries, failures and successes.

Lent bids us to truly listen to God, to turn our inner ears into a place of silent prayer. In genuine listening we discover that God is ever attentive to our voice, and in gratitude, we return the favor. Sister Bridget Haase, O.S.U.

CHRIST THE KING MAUSOLEUM

at

St. Maximilian Kolbe Church

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Christ the King Mausoleum has been opened for Section One since November 2013. If you are interested in a final resting place for a loved one or yourself, kindly call our Parish Office during regular business hours.

If you would like additional information about our seasonal flower program, which we are implementing for our mausoleum, kindly call Maria at the Parish Office.

(732) 914-0300

The Life of Jesus

John 7: 14-29

FEAST OF THE TABERNACLES

Jesus arrived in Jerusalem when the week long Feast of Tabernacles was already half over. When He began teaching in the temple, the Jews were surprised that an untutored man should be so learned, but Jesus said to them:

"My teaching is not My own, but His who sent Me. If anyone desires to do His will, he will know of the teaching whether it is from God, or whether I speak on My own authority. He who speaks on his own authority seeks his own glory. But he who seeks the glory of the one who sent him is truthful, and there is no injustice in him.

Did not Moses give you the Law and none of you observes the Law? Why do you seek to put Me to death?"

The people who were ignorant of the plans of their leaders, thought He was mad, but Jesus said to them:

"One work I did and you all wonder. For this reason Moses gave you the circumcision and on a Sabbath you circumcise a man. If a man receives circumcision on a Sabbath, that the Law of Moses may not be broken are you indignant with Me because I made a whole man well on a Sabbath? Judge not by appearances but give just judgment."

Now they remembered Jesus' miracle at the Passover, six months before, when He cured a paralytic at the Pool of Bethesda and was accused by the Pharisees of breaking the Sabbath. They said to one another: "Is this the man they seek to kill? Behold He speaks openly and they say nothing to Him. Can it be that the rulers have really come to know that this man is Jesus Christ?"

Yet we know where this man is from, but when the Christ comes, no one will know where He is from." Then He told them that they erred in concerning themselves with His human origin. It is the divine origin of His mission that they must accept.

"You both know Me, and know where I am from. Yet I have not come of Myself, but He is true who has sent Me, whom you do not know. I know Him because I am from Him, and He has sent Me."

The Life of Christ
Catholic Press

Reflection:

Some people distort Christianity by preaching a Gospel of automatic prosperity for believers and trying to make faith in Jesus into a guarantee of divine protection from suffering. However, we are promised no such thing.

Jesus brings us life in all its fullness, certainly, but he also invites us to join Him along the Way of the Cross. The God whom Jesus reveals to us is the One who suffers with and for us. He is a God who does not offer us an easy exit from our difficulties, but who gives us the strength to face the challenges and trials that may come our way.

Throughout His ministry, Jesus had turned worldly standards upside down, rejecting the false securities of status, control and popularity and choosing instead a path of humility and suffering. He burned with a passionate love for all people regardless of rank, wealth or virtue and this was scandalous in the eyes of the respectable people of His time.

Not by Bread Alone
Daily Reflections for Lent

LIVES OF THE SAINTS

Occasionally in this space will appear a short article covering the lives of the saints, especially with reference to those saints whose likeness appear on the stained glass windows in the church and chapel, or whose statue is present in the chapel area or the candle room area.

ST. KATHARINE DREXEL

Foundress of the Sisters of Blessed Sacrament

Five weeks after Katharine was born, her mother died. Her father a wealthy banker later married a devout Catholic, Emma Bouvier. She instilled a great love of charity in Katharine and involved her in distributing food, medicine, clothing and money to the poor.

When Katharine father died, he left her an estate worth millions of dollars which she used to help the needy. In the year 1889 Katharine became a Sister of Mercy. A few years later she founded the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament. In addition to the traditional vows of poverty, chastity and obedience she became Mother and servant of Native Americans and African Americans.

The nuns built their first mission school for Native Americans in Santa Fe, New Mexico. In the years that followed they established a total of 145 missions and schools for the Native Americans. Katharine also founded Xavier University in New Orleans, which was the first U.S. Catholic college for African Americans.

In 1935 Katharine suffered a severe heart attack and spent her last 20 years in a quiet, prayer like retirement. She died at the age of 96. Mother Drexel was canonized in the year 2000.

Note:

Katharine's step mother, Emma Bouvier, was the great, great aunt of Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy Onassis.

"You have no time to occupy your thoughts with complacency or consideration of what others will think. Your business is simply, "What will my Father in heaven think?"

Mother Katharine Drexel

ST. COLETTE

Foundress of the Colentine Poor Clares

Nicolette Boellet was born in France and was the daughter of a carpenter who worked at the Benedictine Abbey of Corbie in France. At the age of seventeen years, her father died and Colette gave away her inheritance and became a Franciscan. For many years she lived as a recluse, devoted to prayer.

Colette became known for her holiness. She helped reform the Poor Clares. Colette eventually founded the Colentine Poor Clares who were known for their extremely austere life and for rejecting any fixed income.

Colette was canonized on May 24, 1807.

ST. JOHN JOSEPH OF THE CROSS

Patron of Naples, Italy

Carlo Gaetano Calosirto was born to wealthy charitable parents. Young Carlo used the family attic as his bedroom so he could pray in solitude. At the age of sixteen, he joined the Franciscan Order who stressed strict discipline and poverty and took the name of John Joseph of the Cross.

John Joseph became a priest and was revered for his wisdom and insight as a confessor. He always sought the most demanding jobs and eagerly helped the less fortunate. John compassionately fed the hungry and if necessary at times, sacrificed his own food.

Although people already hailed him as a saint, this humble friar never took credit for his healings. He calmly carried his duties until he was stricken by a massive stroke.

John Joseph was canonized in 1839.

Our Faith

In the Name of Jesus we Pray....

1. For God's Holy Church that He may lead and unify it and that it may faithfully proclaim the good news of salvation we join in prayer to God.
2. For our Holy Father Pope Francis that he may always have divine support and that he may lead us in faith and service all his days.
3. For our Bishop David O'Connell and all who have ministry in the Church, may they always serve generously.
4. For all who are preparing for baptism and new life in God's love, that they may always grow in faith and Christian service.
5. For all who are one through Baptism and faith in Jesus, that they may share fullness of faith and unity in love.
6. For the Jewish people first to be embraced in God's covenant, that they may attain the fulfillment of the promise.
7. For those who live in sincerity without believing in Jesus that they may grow in faith and witness to God's love.
8. For unbelievers to find God in pursuing truth and justice, and to see in our lives the signs of God's love and care.
9. For those in public service to have divine assistance, to cultivate liberty, tranquility and security in society.
10. For the sick, fearful, oppressed, suffering and dying that every moral, physical and psychological burden may be lifted.

Faithful God,

Jesus placed His life in Your hands. Give us a loving trust in You, inspired by His holy and saving Cross. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

(Prayer for Lent)

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY SUPPORT GROUP

The Bereavement Ministry of St. Maximilian Kolbe Church cordially invite you to a Support Group for those who have lost a loved one through death.

It is a six week program to share your story, learn about the grieving process, coping skills and to be comforted.

Our goals are understanding your loss, respect, growth, acceptance and spiritual consolation in a confidential setting.

If you would like support on your "grief journey" and would like to attend, please call the number below to register.

Registration is necessary and is only during the month of March.

Please bring a "Framed" photo of your loved one with you to each session.

Refreshments will be served.

Dates: Fridays, April 10 to May 15, 2015

Time: 1:00 PM

Place: St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish Hall

To Register:

Call: Madeline Gardner, RN
(732) 608-6840

Kindly leave your name and number and Madeline will get back to you.