

March 8, 2015

## Third 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 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 (Daughter)
- 1:00 PM Anthony Forgione  
Req. Sister

Monday, March 9, 2015

- 7:00 AM Mario DiMaggio  
Req. Maria & Don Manganello
- 8:30 AM Ivan, Ana Skrivanic & Son  
Req. The Mustac Family
- 9:30 AM Multiple Intention Mass

Tuesday, March 10, 2015

- 7:00 AM Janet Manzo  
Req. Rose & Chester Magda
- 8:30 AM Michael Puccio  
Req. Lawrence & Grace Marie Puccio

Wednesday, March 11, 2015

- 7:00 AM Frances & Harold LaSalle  
Rest in Peace
- 8:30 AM Rosemary & Frederick J. Roper  
Req. Emma

Thursday, March 12 2015

- 7:00 AM Margaret Weadock (Living)  
Req. Kate Weadock
- 8:30 AM Marie Galante  
Req. Anne Iacullo, Cousin

Friday, March 13, 2015

- 7:00 AM Judith Thierer  
Req. William and Patricia Vella
- 8:30 AM Gerardo Alison  
Req. Denise & Evan Gungon

Saturday, March 14, 2015

- 7:00 AM John Matlosz (5th Anniversary)  
Req. Wife, Carolyn
- 8:30 AM Brunette Maurice  
Req. Patricia Smith
- 4:00 PM Theresa Cicchetti  
Req. Joseph V. Polito
- 5:30 PM Charles & Muriel Cook  
Req. The Cook Family

Sunday, March 15, 2015

- 7:00 AM Dec'd. Mbrs. Fernandez & Suarez Fams.  
Req. Bertha Suarez
- 8:30 AM Thomas Srsich  
Req. Pat & Tom Srsich
- 10:00 AM Brendon Vesey  
Req. Uncle, Mike Fay
- 11:30 AM Joseph Scalabrino  
Req. Wife, Camile and Family
- 1:00 PM Madilyn Callahan  
Req. Peggy and Joe Milden

**Multiple Mass Intention  
Monday at 9:30 AM  
March 9, 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  
 Special Intention – RDF  
 Steven Kilianski (*Speedy Recovery*),  
     *Req. Grandmother*  
 Colonel Elenore Sullivan, *Req. Eileen*  
     Graziano, Sister  
 Nicholas Rufo, *Req. Wife, Marie and*  
     Children  
 Carmela Cundari, *Req. Husband, Frank &*  
     Family  
 Roger Vandenberghe, *Req. Wife,*  
     Lea  
 Mary Margaret McGinley, *Req. Paddy and*  
     Agnes Kelly  
 Henry Przychodzki, *Req. Wife,*  
     Rose  
 Marianne Chessick (*Healing*),  
     *Req. Elaine Williams*  
 Florence Mavuro, *Req. Carole Manning*  
     Peter San Filippo, *Req. Wife,*  
     Janice  
 Ann Angelo, *Req. Carmella & John*  
 Gertrude Daidone, *Req. Tuesday Bingo*  
     Workers

Fred Kustowski, *Req. Wife, Mary*  
 Esther Hanrahan, *Req. Husband,*  
     Murtagh  
 Valerie O'Leary (*Healing*), *Req. Husband,*  
     John  
 Trina A. Higgins, *Req. George*  
     Churpakovich  
 Mary Nolte, *Req. Gloria, Sister*  
 Kenneth Bomeisl, *Req. Raymond & Gloria*  
     Belvin  
 All Souls in Purgatory, *Req. Mary*  
     Janonis  
 Robert Nidds, *Req. John & Lorraine*  
     DiGeorge  
 Doloras Walsh, *Req. Jerry & Rose*  
     DelGaudio  
 Alison Dore, *Req. Betty Hunt*  
 Concetta O'Cone, *Req. Frank Cundari*  
 Nancy C. Villaluz (*Healing & Blessing*),  
     *Req. Mom, Felicitas M. Villaluz*  
 Nancy Lunney, *Req. Shela Christie*  
 Renee Kittredge, *Req. Andre & Ann*  
     Santitoro-Vispetti  
 Patsy O'Brien (*Healing*), *Req. Mary Jo*  
     Charterina

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*Be kind and merciful!    By the living*  
*expression of God's kindness:*  
*kindness in your face,*  
*kindness in your eyes,*  
*kindness in your smile,*

**SPECIAL INTENTIONS – WEEK of March 7, 2015 to March 13, 2015**

*Bread & Wine – Church*  
 Robert Berg, *Req. Wife, Pat*

*Altar Candles – Church*  
 Robert Berg, *Req. Wife, Pat*

*Sanctuary Candles – Church*  
 Robert Berg, *Req. Wife, Pat*

*Sanctuary Candles – Chapel*  
 Rev. Francis E. Santitoro, *Req. Andre & Ann*  
     Santitoro- Vispetti

*Altar Flowers – Church*  
 Robert Berg, *Req. Wife, Pat*

## 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. Our guest speaker at this meeting will be Father John DeSandre.

We are extending an invitation to all the women of the parish to join us at the Altar Rosary Society meeting on March 18th. Our society is dedicated to Promoting Devotion to our Blessed Mother. We do works of charity, host a yearly Communion Breakfast along with other activities. Please join us.

### HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The Holy Name Society is in dire need of new and active members. Our monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 1st at 12:30 PM in the Parish Hall. We do not meet during the months of July and August.

We also have Pizza and Sandwich parties during the year and when possible guest speakers. Also, at every meeting we enjoy coffee and cake.

Inquiries: 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:  
Jean Hanna (732) 473-9755

### ANNUAL DIOCESAN WITNESS FOR LIFE

You are invited to pray for life at the Annual Diocesan Witness for Life, on Saturday, March 14th.

The Respect Life Mass starts at 9:00 AM at St. Anthony Church, 121 Bridge Ave, Red Bank, NJ. The Mass is followed by a procession to the Shrewsbury Planned Parenthood where the Rosary will be prayed.

## PARISH NEWS

### ATLANTIC CITY TRIP TO RESORTS

Date: April 6, 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 1:00 PM and 2:30 PM. A charge of \$8.00 per person can be paid at the door of the Parish Hall on that day. Enjoy lunch.

### February 50/50 Raffle Results

1st Prize 002380 Amount: \$415.00

2nd Prize 003278 Amount \$250.00

3rd Prize 001303 Amount \$166.00

Congratulations to all February winners.

**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**

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

A Spring Craft show will be held in the foyer of the Church, on the weekend of March 21st and March 22, 2015. Please stop by!

**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.

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The second collection next weekend March 15th is for Catholic Relief Services.

More than 60 years ago the U.S. Bishops Overseas Appeal was established, but in 2005 it was renamed the Catholic Relief Services Collection. Each year on the fourth Sunday of Lent, this appeal is held to support agencies, such as: Catholic Relief Services that fund works of famine relief, development and peace.

**FROM THE PASTOR**

To be a volunteer is to work without pay. That is a sacrifice, but when it is done in the name of God and also for His Church, it is a tremendous blessing. I know this is true because when I did volunteer work, back in the 1980's, before I was a priest, I felt God's extra blessing working in my life. Volunteer work is very rewarding.

We currently need volunteers to help in the kitchen for Thursday Bingo. Please step up and help, you will not regret 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, and Setups; BYOB

*50/50 Raffle tickets and Door Prizes*

This is your last week to buy your tickets. Remember, tickets will not be sold at the door.

**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

**OUR FOOD PANTRY**

Our food pantry is seemingly growing smaller. We appreciate your kind food donations each month along with the thanks from grateful parishioners who receive these items.

During the Easter Season, we would appreciate all donations including small hams, condiments, tea, cereal, soups, pasta, etc.

With the snow and cold temperatures, possibly your own cupboards are pretty slim also. However, Spring is around the corner as we enjoy the warmth of the day and kindness

LIVES OF THE SAINTS

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

- March 8 St. John of God
- March 9 St. Frances of Rome
- March 10 St. John Ogilvie
- March 11 St. Eulogius
- March 12 St. Gregory the Great
- March 13 St. Helderad, Abbot
- March 13 St. Roderick
- March 14 St. Mathilda, Queen

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

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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.

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Ministry of Vocations

God calls each person to a life of holiness and service, whether single, married, ordained or consecrated. The Diocesan Ministry of Vocations provides discernment opportunities, encouragement, support, education and resources for those responding to God's call through the ministerial priesthood.

We are committed to fostering an environment where vocations to the priesthood are valued and nurtured within the domestic church of the family and the local parish community.

The priest is a servant of the Lord, giving his life to worship, prayer and commitment to God's people.

Your gift helps the call to serve.

Father Max's Smile for the Day

When Dudley was preparing to leave the office late one night he found his boss standing in front of a "shredder" holding a piece of paper in his hand, looking bewildered. He remarked to Dudley, "Son, this is a very important paper and my secretary left for the day. Can you help me to get this machine to work for me." Dudley said, "Of course." He put the paper in the machine and pressed start. "Thank You, Dudley for helping me." his boss said, "All I need is one copy."

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MY LENTEN JOURNEY

Dear Lord,

I am now on my Lenten journey, with you and you startle me with the dazzling presence of your transfiguration, let I forget that the cross and resurrection are integral to each other.

Like Peter, grant me the grace to say, "Lord, it is good to be here," whether here is amid the suffering, chaos, and death so present in all of your beloved creation, or in the life-giving gift of its beauty and strength.

On this Lenten day may I be conscious of and present to those who suffer and those who rejoice. Amen

VIA DOLOROSA

In Jerusalem, the path that Jesus is said to have followed on the way to being crucified is called the Via Dolorosa.

*(Latin for the Way of Sorrow)*

The route has changed a bit over the years, and was not officially called Via Dolorosa before the sixteenth century. It begins at the Arch of Ecce Homo, where Pilate is said to have proclaimed: "Behold the Man" and ends at the site of the burial of Jesus.

It is a winding, crowded path, where the faithful who are praying the Stations of the Cross have to dodge shopkeepers, tourists, and folks who are on their way to shop along the Old City of Jerusalem. Today, on each Friday during Lent at 3:00 PM, the Franciscan Fathers lead a procession along the Via Dolorosa.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The only prayer that is common to Christians from all traditions and denominations is "The Lord's Prayer" or the "The Our Father."

When introducing "The Lord's Prayer" to His disciples, Jesus said them:

*"When you pray, do not use a lot of meaningless words, as the pagans do, who think that their gods will hear them because their prayers are long. Your Father already knows what you need before you ask Him. This is how you should pray." (Matthew 6:6-13)*

Set aside some "quiet time" during Lent.

(Prayer and Worship)

Introduction to Christianity

## The Life of Jesus

*John 5: 1-47: 7-1*

### JESUS GOES TO JERUSALEM

Jesus visited a mineral spring, one Sabbath, at the Pool of Bethesda which was frequented by the sick and infirmed. From time to time the waters of the pool bubbled up. When this boiling took place, the invalids who lay in the porches surrounding the small pool would scramble down to the water or be carried down by attendants. At that time the water had miraculous power.

On one of the porches Jesus found a cripple who had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. Jesus said to him:

*"Dost thou want to get well?"*

The cripple man explained that having no one to carry him to the pool, he has never succeeded in reaching the water while it was stirred up. Jesus remarked:

*"Rise, take up thy pallet and walk."*

Cured instantly, the man took up the litter on which he had been laying and began to walk. A crowd gathered around the former invalid and the Jews pointed out that he was breaking the Sabbath by carrying his pallet. The crippled man repeated to them what Jesus had said, but he did not know the name of his healer. Meanwhile, Jesus slipped away into the crowd. Shortly afterward, Jesus came upon this man in the temple and said to him:

*"Behold thou art cured. Sin no more, lest something worse befall thee."*

The man recognized Jesus as the one who had healed him, and he went off and told the Jews. They began persecuting Jesus as a violator of the Sabbath. Jesus replied:

*"My Father works even unto now and I work."*

The Sabbath is for man, not for God, whose activity is unceasing. Jesus was not here proclaiming His divinity, but the Jews were exasperated by His reply, which they construed as blasphemous. Jesus further explained His relationship to the Father:

*"Amen, amen I say to thee, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but only what He sees the Father doing. Whatever He does, this Son also does in like manner. For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all that He Himself does. Greater works than these He will show Him."*

*For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, even so the Son also gives life to whom He will. The Father does not judge any man, but all judgment He has given to the Son. He who does not honor the Son, does not honor the Father who sent Him."*

*Amen, amen I say to thee, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me has life everlasting and does not come to judge, but has passed from death to life."*

*Amen, amen I say to thee, the hour is coming and now is here, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear shall live. For as the Father has life in Himself, even so He has given to the Son also to have life in Himself. Do not wonder at this, for the hour is coming which all who are in the tombs shall hear the voice of the Son of God."*

The Life of Christ  
Catholic Press

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## 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. GREGORY THE GREAT

*Patron of England, Teachers and Musicians*

Gregory was born in Rome, the son of a wealthy senator. By the age of thirty, Gregory had become an official in the Roman government. Yet within a year, he gave it all up and went to live in a Benedictine monastery.

After many years at the monastery, Gregory was appointed as one of the Pope's seven deacons, and served as the Pope's representative in Constantinople. Gregory then returned to the monastery where he was elected abbot.

Gregory was unanimously chosen to become Pope. During his papacy, he would become known for his liturgical reforms. He founded a school for church musicians and although it is doubtful that he composed Gregorian chant, the music style is named after him.

Gregory also became known as a strong administrator and for his charity, emptying the papal treasury to ransom war prisoners and to care for the victims of plague and famine. A gifted homilist, he also wrote a popular book on the duties and qualities of a bishop.

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### ST. JOHN OGILVIC

*Scottish Martyr*

John was the son of a baron and was raised a Presbyterian. He converted while visiting Belgium and joined the Society of Jesus and was soon ordained a priest. Meanwhile the King in Scotland was diligent in abolishing the practice of Catholicism. He asked to return home and received permission to celebrate Mass and to carry out this dangerous mission.

He was arrested and the persecutors tried to force John to betray other Scottish Catholics but he refused adamantly. He was found guilty

### ST. JOHN OF GOD

*Patron of Hospitals*

John was impetuous throughout his life. He ran away from home at the age of eight to travel to Spain with a visiting priest. There a new family educated him and taught him to be a shepherd. A few years later he joined the Spanish army and fell from a horse near the enemy camp. Stunned by the accident he begged the Blessed Mother for help. Gradually he found his way back to his troops but was later accused of stealing and barely escaped being hanged.

Upon learning that his real mother was dead and his father had become a Franciscan monk, John resolved to make reparation for his sins. Eager to help others, he traveled to Africa where Christians were being persecuted. John returned to Grenada and decided to care for the ill and destitute. He started providing hospitals for the unfortunate people. During a fire in one of the hospitals which he started John single handedly rescued patients and helped save the building. He was known as "John of God" and died on his 55th birthday while praying.

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### ST. FRANCES OF ROME

*Foundress of the Oblates*

At the age of thirteen, Frances married a nobleman name Lorenzo Ponziano, along with her parents good wishes. Her marriage was shared with a sister-in-law an their devotion to God. The two women helped the sick, the poor, and fulfilled their obligations of their marriages.

Frances and Lorenzo had three children and was loved by all. However, there was great suffering in Rome. Lorenzo was stabbed and one of their sons was taken hostage. That same year another son died of the plague and Frances also contracted the disease. When she recovered she founded the Oblates. Frances died at the age of fifty-six. Her last words were: "The angel has finished his work. He is beckoning me to follow."

## Our Faith

### THE LENTEN SEASON

As we journey through Lent to Easter, we ask God's blessing on all. As Christians we believe that resurrection follows death. Our death to self-will each day now strengthens our prayers as we await the coming Resurrection.

1. For our Holy Father, Pope Francis, Bishops, Priests, Deacons and Religious that their example may lead many to follow Jesus more closely.
2. For those who do not believe in the resurrection, that they may receive this consolation of Christian faith.
3. That the faith which catechumens possess may strengthen them against the world's deceptions.
4. That we may reject sin which destroys life.
5. For those who have died, that they may share the fullness of redemption.

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### WE BELONG TOGETHER

Christians are called to bear witness to the truth that God has gathered all people into one family. Yet wherever we look we see the devastating fear people have of one another. Fear between races, religions, nations and continents. Fear between rich and poor, North and South; East and West, This fear leads to hatred, violence, destruction and war.

We need new eyes to see and new ears to hear the truth, a unity which cannot be perceived by our broken, sinful and anxious hearts. Only a heart filled with perfect love can perceive the unity of humanity. God wants to open our eyes so that we can see that we belong together in the embrace of God's perfect love.

(Solitude of the Heart)  
A Lenten Prayer

### 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 phone 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.