

**MASS INTENTIONS  
APRIL 1 – APRIL 9, 2017**



**SATURDAY, APRIL 1  
VIGIL OF THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

5:30 +Andy Leishman  
+Josephine Szczomak  
+Catherine Beagin  
+Lisa Carral & Kathryn Nestico-Kalibas

**SUNDAY, APRIL 2  
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

7:30 For the Parishioners  
9:30 +Priscilla Mallaney  
+Rosa Quintero  
+Angolina Tollis  
+Maria Scorzo  
11:30 +Joyce Barbary-Post  
+Joseph Ryan  
+Giovanni Mazza  
+Bill Stuart  
5:30 +Juan Cubenas

**MONDAY, APRIL 3**

11:30 Franciscan Mass League  
+Fr. Anthony Berghoff, O.F.M.  
Seventh Pastor of St. Bonaventure  
Anniversary +1922

**TUESDAY, APRIL 4**

11:30 +Anthony Tudda, Jr.  
+Howard & Thomas Gilhooley  
+Karen Kraft  
7 PM +Myrtle Evans  
+Beatrice Brophy  
+Sama Francesco

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5**

11:30 +Mary Nugent  
+Maribelle & Francis Tomedy  
+Elizabeth Monahan

**THURSDAY, APRIL 6**

11:30 +Myrtle Evans  
+Souls in Purgatory  
+Vincent Bustard

**FRIDAY, APRIL 7**

11:30 +Mary Nugent  
+Guarino & Zampella Family  
+Anna & Giuseppe Occhiuzzi  
+Rosemarie Baumann

**SATURDAY, APRIL 8**

11:30 +Frances & Lou Eswood  
+James Egan  
+Jane Dowling  
+Mary Forgione

**VIGIL OF PALM SUNDAY OF THE  
PASSION OF THE LORD**

5:30 +Francesco & Teresa Geracitano  
+Frank De Rosa  
+Eleanor Chidiac  
+Mary Iozzio

**SUNDAY, APRIL 9**

**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

7:30 +Carmen Scorzo  
+Charles & Kay Tedeschi  
+Mario, Susan & Myrtle Nocera  
+Pauline & Charles Giamonco  
9:30 For the Parishioners  
11:30 +Don Hayden  
+John S. & John J. Yuhasz  
+Carol Ann Bushey Lucas  
+Ruth Castro  
5:30 +Modesto Espejo

***FLOWER DONATIONS***

If you are interested in making a donation of a floral arrangement for the Church in memory of a loved one, please call the Parish Office. We will discuss with you what would be a suitable occasion and then we will make the arrangements. We will also put a notice in the bulletin acknowledging your donation if you would like.



*EUCCHARISTIC GIFTS of  
Bread & Wine are offered this  
week in Memory of / Los dones  
Eucarísticos se ofrecerán  
en memoria de  
Fr. John Piccione, O.F.M.*



*SANCTUARY LAMP will burn this  
week in Memory of / La Vela del  
Santuario permanecerá  
encendida en memoria de  
Theresa A. Scancarella*

✠ pray for the deceased ✠

*DECEASED FRANCISCAN FRIARS*

Is God Calling You to Be a Franciscan Friar?

Contact our Vocation Director, Br. Basil Valente, O.F.M. at [bvalente@fnp.org](mailto:bvalente@fnp.org), visit: [BeAFranciscan.org](http://BeAFranciscan.org) or scan this symbol with your smartphone:




**Oremos por los enfermos, especialmente**

**Pray For The Sick**

Teresa Apolei, Juan Arias, John Barcewski, Robert Barone, Laurie Barone, Michele Bender, Jean Berdan, Sr. Anne Elizabeth Bolte, Tom Brown, Garret Buys, Phillipe Carino, Debbie Caruso, Anthony Cinderella, Maria Colatarci, Jean Colletti, Vincent Colucci, Josephine Constantinople, Genevieve DeChellis, Susanna DeNude, Richard DiMauro, Susie & Frank DeVito, Angela Di Pasquale, Steven Domalewski, Ann Dorning, Cesarina Earl, Eileen Egan, Wendy Estrada, Vincent William Gaffney, Joseph Gilmore, Adele Ginnotti, Antonio Giudice, Salvatore Giudice, John Grectin, Ray Gulbin, Steve Hermann, Sabina Huayta, Maryann Hughes, Jay Intili, Alke M. Laffey, Irene Lester, Dean Patrick Lewis, Addison Mary Lewis, Mary MacDonald, Caden Many, Ed Marrone, Sandra Mas, Andrew Maye, Patricia McGovern, Kenneth McGraw, Rosemary McGraw, Mario Menjincello, Stan Michunovich, Cindy Orchowski, Lois Orlando, Gemma Nacleria, Eileen Primavera, Clara Ramia, Luisa Rendenna, Eliane Rocca, Diana Romeo, John Ruff, John Saputo, Gloria Russo, Shirley G. Salavarría, Debbie Sherwood, Jean Smith, Annette Streicher, Philip Treanor, Joan Trecartin, John Trommelen, Patricia Tucher, Barbara Urgovitch, Jayne Vandorsten, Ray Veltri and Philip Zipoy

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**BULLETIN DEADLINES**

**Articles for the April 9<sup>th</sup> bulletin should be in the Parish Office no later than Tuesday, April 4<sup>th</sup>.**

**COLLECTION**

**March 26.....\$4,104.50**

**Second Collection  
Winter Maintenance/Heating.....\$1,053.00**

Thank you for your continued support.



**Scripture Readings for This Week**

**Fifth Sunday of Lent**

- Sunday** Ez 37:12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45
- Monday** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Jn 8:1-11
- Tuesday** Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30
- Wednesday** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42
- Thursday** Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59
- Friday** Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42
- Saturday** Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56

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**REGULATION FOR THE LENTEN SEASON**

Fasting is required for those 18-59 years of age on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and *abstinence from meat* on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays during Lent for those 14 years and older.

*Fasting means* eating only one full meatless meal and two light meatless meals during the day. Fasting also includes no eating at all in between meals, although liquids are permitted. *Abstinence means* not eating meat at all that day.

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**ENCOUNTER LENT**

We encounter Dita in Ethiopia, and see how her newfound entrepreneurial skills are providing three meals a day for her children – even during a devastating drought. What skills have you discovered this Lent that can be put to good use in building God’s kingdom? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Fridays during Lent at 7 PM

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**“Coffee &...”**

**will take place THIS Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Church Hall after all Sunday Masses.**



**Week #4** of the 13 Tuesdays in Honor of St. Anthony of Padua continues at the 11:30 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. Masses.

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**WELCOME HOME TO HEALING**

This Lenten season, each Catholic parish in the Diocese of Paterson will have Confession available every Monday evening from **March 6 to April 3**, from **7 PM – 8:30 PM**. If you have been reluctant to come to the Sacrament, have been away for some time or just found it difficult to get to a Saturday afternoon Confession time, this is a wonderful opportunity to re-connect with Christ and His Church. Don't be afraid! Information will be provided. Ask the priest to help you. Experience the gracious mercy of God! [www.WelcomeHomeToHealing.org](http://www.WelcomeHomeToHealing.org).

Also, please note that because the **Chrism Mass** will be celebrated on **Monday, April 10, 2017 at St. Philip the Apostle Parish, Clifton**. Procession begins at 6:45 PM; Mass will begin at 7:00 PM.

The last Monday confessions are **April 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Also, once the Sacred Triduum begins with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, priests are not supposed to hear confessions except in situations of impending death. Thus, there will be no confessions on Holy Saturday. Saturday, **April 8<sup>th</sup>** from 1 -2 PM is the last regularly scheduled confessions before Easter. There are forty days of Lent, the season of reconciliation. Please do not wait until the last minute to avail yourself of this wonderful sacrament.

**CONFIRMATION**  
**SUNDAY, APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup>**  
will be celebrated here at St. Bonaventure  
**at the 9:30 AM Mass.**

*Friendship...*

**"True friendship multiplies the good in life and divides its evils. Strive to have friends, for life without friends is like life on a desert island... to find one real friend in a lifetime is good fortune; to keep him is a blessing."** **Baltasar Gracian**

**Lenten Fish n' Chips Dinner**

**Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Bishop Manning Hall**

**5:30 PM – 7:30 PM**

**Tickets: \$16.00**

**Catered by Argyle of Kearny**

**Take-out orders from 5:00 to 5:30 PM.**

**You may purchase tickets in advance for takeout and for a sit-down dinner, after all Masses or through the Parish Office.**

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**Support our Easter Collections & Easter Flowers**

Did you know that you can contribute to our Good Friday & Easter Sunday collections online? It's as easy as going to <https://stbonspaterson.org/special-collections> and entering your credit or debit card information.

You can also make a donation to help purchase of our Easter flowers by going to <https://stbonspaterson.org/easter-flowers> . Donations can be dedicated to a deceased relative or friend from this webpage.

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**Forget Your Offering? No Problem – Give Online!**

Did you forget your checkbook or offertory envelope today? Are you a visitor who doesn't carry a lot of cash? Don't worry....we have you covered! One-time or recurring donations are as easy as...

1. Go to <https://stbonspaterson.org/online-giving> using any device
2. Choose One-time or Recurring donation (weekly or monthly)
3. Select your preferred form of payment (debit or credit card)
4. Enter your information
5. Submit your donation

Please feel free to use your smartphone to make a donation before or after mass, or during our offertory collection.

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**WE NEED YOU TO SERVE YOUR PARISH**

Are you a baptized and confirmed Catholic who loves your Church? Are you interested in serving the Church and contributing to our worship of God? You could be a Lector or Eucharistic Minister. We are looking for volunteers to enhance our worship by proclaiming the Word of God and helping us share in the Body and Blood of Christ. Training will be provided. If you are interested, please call the Parish Office or email Fr. Stephen at [sdewittofm@stbonspaterson.org](mailto:sdewittofm@stbonspaterson.org).

**ST. BONAVENTURE COMMUNITY GARDEN  
2017 SEASON**

Spring is in the air. Plants are starting to grow. Time to reserve your spot in the St. Bon's Community Garden.

6 x 4 fertile areas available to green thumbs, vegetable aficionados or novice gardeners.

Land, water and sun provided free of charge. First come first served. Help and instruction available for the inexperienced.

Please inquire at Parish Office or contact Fr. Stephen at [sdewitt@stbonspaterson.org](mailto:sdewitt@stbonspaterson.org). Applications accepted through the end of April.

***Religious Formation Classes Begin***

April 2 - 10:30 AM All Grades  
April 9 - **No Classes**  
April 16 - **No Classes – Easter Sunday**  
**April 23 Confirmation at the  
9:30 AM Mass**  
April 30 - 10:30 AM All Grades  
**FINAL CLASS FOR THE YEAR**

**BENEFIT BEEFSTEAK DINNER  
FOR THE FAMILY OF  
RAYMOND BEESLEY**

**Friday, May 12, 2017 – 7 PM**

**Russian Hall, 4 Woodhull Avenue, Little Falls**  
Live music, food, beer and soda included. Tricky  
Tray & 50/50 raffles. Donation \$55.00. To  
purchase tickets, contact Patty at 973.223.7999.

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***ST. BON'S SENIORS' GROUP***

You are invited to go by bus to Mt. Airy on **Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>** with St. James Seniors' Group. \$10 back in slots play, free buffet, free show – 'Shades of Buble' – Sinatra favorites. The cost is \$50.00 per person and the deadline is **April 15<sup>th</sup>**. Please call Delores at 973.956.8760 for more information and to make reservations.



**FEEDING THE POOR AND HUNGRY**

Our St. Bonaventure community generously supported the food collection for the Father English Center, on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>. Contributions included:

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| 26 frozen dinners    | 9 cartons of canned goods |
| 22 bags of groceries | 200 lbs. of rice          |
| \$150 in donations   | 8 bags of used clothing   |

These totals include a \$150 donation to the NJ Food Bank for the account of the Fr. English Food Pantry made by our Knights of Columbus Council #240, as well as 9 frozen dinners provided by a parishioner with the help of neighbors and friends.

Men and women who desperately want to work cannot find full-time jobs. To keep body and soul together, they are taking part-time or temporary work that too often pays far less than they need to feed their families. With your continued support, the Father English Food Pantry helps feed them. You are literally saving your neighbors from hunger!

*Please, as we go about our lives in this season of Lent, continue to remember the hungry in our midst and prepare for our next collection of groceries and frozen dinners on Holy Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>.*

**Our Schedule for April is as follows:**

**FROZEN DINNER PANS**

**Saturday & Sunday, April 8/9**

**Available after all Masses in rear of church**

**FROZEN DINNER PICKUP**

**Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> – 8:30 to 9:30 AM**

**In front of Bishop Manning Hall**

**NON-PERISHABLE GROCERIES**

**May be dropped off at the same time or  
any time before April 15<sup>th</sup> in rear of  
church or at the Parish Office.**

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DePaul Catholic High School will host an Open House on Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. Program begins at 7 PM and concludes at 8:30 PM. Prospective students grades (7-11) and their families are encouraged to attend. To register please visit [www.depaulcatholic.org](http://www.depaulcatholic.org) For further information, please email [admissions@dpchs.org](mailto:admissions@dpchs.org) or contact Darlene Saporito 973.694.3702 ext. 442.