



**Saturday February 23**  
 5:30 pm Louise Kelly

**Sunday February 24** *Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 7:30 am Rosemary Haas  
 9:30 am Sergio and Noemi Wong and  
 Oliver Shaw Fusaro  
 11:30 am Edmund Keyes and Our Parishioners

**Monday February 25**  
 6:45 am Robert Dircks

**Tuesday February 26**  
 6:45 am Joanne Maute

**Wednesday February 27**  
 6:45 am Gerald Banda

**Thursday February 28**  
 6:45 am Edith Porzio and Philip Clark

**Friday March 1**  
 6:45 am Angela Commarato

**Saturday March 2**  
 8:00 am Anthony Delgardio  
 5:30 pm Robert Halm and Marion Marinaro

**Sunday March 3** *Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 7:30 am Mary Sekel and Our Parishioners  
 9:30 am Ann Williams and Antonio Ferreira  
 11:30 am Edna O'Donnell

**March 2/3 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE**

5:30 pm Fr. Michal Rybinski  
 7:30 am Fr. Michal Rybinski  
 9:30 am Fr. Jared Brogan  
 11:30 am Fr. Jared Brogan

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, especially Arline and Francis Forte, Sr. Bernadette Weller, Karen Lang, Mary Ann Armstrong, Christa Fairclough, Pat Flannery, Pat Pongracz, Gus Mitchell, Ann Gerhardt, Rob Leavy, Trina Carlson, Carol Campbell, Winifred Pierce, Phil Cibiniak, Frank Zabriskie, Yvonne Querrard, Rachel Agzigian, Terry Chavelez, Tracy Tovo Gary Marcello, Gerald Hoy, Barbara Dietrick, Kelly Ramirez, Peggy Hoff, Ramona Colao, Thomas Ghilain, Jr, Christian Ramirez, Thomas John, Lorraine Alicia, Mark Gerard, Dorothy McCoy and Robert Plucinsky, Sr.

**STEWARDSHIP**

February 18, 2018 collection & PP (snow)	\$ 6,814
MASS ATTENDANCE	463
February 17, 2019	
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 7,171
ParishPay	1,067
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,238</b>
MASS ATTENDANCE	624
Weekly operating expense	\$ 15,156

**Scripture Readings**  
**March 3, 2019**  
**Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading: Sirach 27:4-7**

This reading explains that quality and truth in conversation is a test for humankind. Only after listening to a person's reasoning can we know the mind of another.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:54-58**

Paul speaks of the mystery of transformation that is victory over death when our mortality puts on immortality. We are encouraged by Paul to be steadfast and immovable, filling our lives with the work of the Lord.

**Gospel: Luke 6:39-45**

Today, Jesus teaches through the use of parables, first encouraging us to be like the teacher, understand that the blind cannot lead the blind. Jesus also reminds us that only the heart's good treasure produces good. In order to remain steadfast, we must heed what Jesus tells us. If we hear God's word, our foundation will be strong, unshaken, steadfast, built upon rock.

We welcome our recently baptized new member in the church and our parish community.

**Lucas Joseph Kleiber**  
*son of Hanns and Nicole*

**There will be a second collection next weekend for the Diocesan Assessment**

**The Word Among Us daily meditation booklets for Lent will be available next weekend.**

**ALTAR SERVERS:** There will be an altar server meeting held **Tuesday, February 26 and Thursday, February 28 at 6:00 pm** in the church. Please attend one of these meetings according to your schedule.

**SPIRITUAL, SERVICE, & SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES**

**Spiritual**

**Scripture Study** - Mondays at 1:00, *The Gospel of John*  
**RCIA** - Mondays at 7:30 pm  
**Prayer Group Book Study** - Wednesdays at 1:30 pm, *Station to Station*, by Gary Jansen  
**Women's Retreat** - March 8, 9, 10  
**Adult Enrichment Series** - Tuesdays, 4 and 7:30 pm  
 March 12 - April 9

**Service**

**Fr. English Food Pantry** - Food collection every 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend (April collection will be the 28<sup>th</sup> due to Easter)  
**Soup Kitchen** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month.  
**Pasta Dinner to benefit Haiti** - April 27 at 6:30 pm

**Social**

**Moms & Tots** - Tuesdays from 9:30-11 in the gym.  
**After Mass Socials** - Following the 9:30 Mass Feb 24 and March 3 and after the 7:30 Mass every second Sunday



## From the Desk of Fr. Jared

### Papal General Audience and Catechesis continued

“Keep holy the Sabbath.” (Exodus 20:8)

Today's society thirsts for amusement and holidays. The entertainment industry is really flourishing, and advertising portrays the ideal world as one great amusement park where everyone has fun. The prevailing concept of *life* today does not have its center of gravity in activity and commitment, but in *escapism*. Earning money to have fun, to satisfy oneself. Man has never rested as much as today, yet man has never experienced as much emptiness as today! Opportunities to amuse oneself, to go out, cruises, travels; but many things do not give you fullness of heart. Indeed: they do not give you rest.

What, then, is rest according to this commandment? It is the moment of contemplation, it is the moment of praise, not that of escapism. It is the time to look at reality and say: how beautiful life is! Contrary to rest as an escape from reality, the Decalogue proposes rest as the *blessing of reality*. For us Christians, the center of the Lord's day, Sunday, is the Eucharist, which means “*thanksgiving*”. It is the day to say to God: thank you Lord for life, for your mercy, for all your gifts. Sunday is not the day to forget the other days but to remember them, bless them and make peace with life. How many people there are who have many opportunities to amuse themselves, who are not at peace with life! Sunday is the day to make peace with life, saying: life is precious; it is not easy, sometimes it is painful, but it is precious.

Peace is chosen; it cannot be imposed and it is not found by chance. Distancing oneself from the bitter wounds of one's heart, one needs to make peace with what he or she is fleeing from. It is necessary to reconcile oneself with one's own history, with facts that one does not accept, with the difficult parts of one's own existence. I ask you: is each of you reconciled with your own history? A question to ponder: Am I reconciled with my own history? True peace, in fact, is not about changing one's own history but about welcoming it and valuing it, just as it has unfolded.

### Annual Women's Retreat

Each year the women of the parish gather for a Retreat, traditionally in Lent. This year, they will go on retreat the weekend of March 8-10 at Villa Pauline in Mendham. This is open to all women of the parish and friends and relatives from outside. From my experience, we never know how much we need a retreat until we actually make one. We get so caught up in the routine and activity of daily life that we see that as the norm. We lose sight of the need to stop, breathe, and take retreat from our routines. This Women's Retreat is the perfect opportunity for you. This year's retreat leader will be Dr. Julie V. Burkey, D.Min., Adjunct Professor of Pastoral Theology at

Immaculate Conception Seminary at Seton Hall University. Dr. Burkey teaches the courses she created, *Theology of Work, Catholic Evangelization* and *New Evangelization and Catechesis*. From 2008 to 2015, she served the Seminary as *Coordinator, Workplace Spirituality and Evangelization Initiatives*, creating programs focusing on a spirituality of work for parishes, academia and the secular workplace. Dr. Burkey also created and facilitated the lay student leadership retreat series, *Making our Work God's Work: Spiritual Formation for Lay Leadership in Pastoral Ministry*, and she served as advisor to the lay student prayer and reflection group, Clay Lamps of Emmaus. She holds a master's degree from Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology, having earned the prestigious Pope John Paul II Medal of Academic Excellence upon graduation, and a Doctor of Ministry from The Catholic University of America. She has worked with the Institute for Christian Spirituality since its inception, initially creating the core program, *Finding the Work You Love*, followed by several other programs on a variety of topics, including careers in Church ministry. Dr. Burkey currently serves on the Board of the American Academy of Management's Management, Spirituality, and Religion Division. She will be a wonderful leader facilitating you to retreat into the mystery of God's love and mercy for the weekend.

Peace,  
Fr. Jared

### LUNCH WITH A LEPRECHAUN

**Saturday, March 2** Our Lady of the Lakes Knights of Columbus Council #3359 will host **Lunch with a Leprechaun** from noon to 2:00 pm in the parish center. Enjoy corned beef, hot dogs, soda, coffee, tea, scones and cupcakes while being entertained with Irish dancers, a bagpiper and other musicians, plus a visit from our honored guest, the leprechaun. Children age 3 to 12, \$10. Adults \$15. Look for sign-up sheets in the vestibule and religious education office. Tickets will be sold at the door.

### ST. CATHERINE'S ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT Friday, March 8 - Sunday, March 10

Please join us at Villa Pauline Retreat House in Mendham on March 8, 9, & 10. Cost for the entire weekend is \$185 and includes sleeping accommodations for 2 nights, 5 meals, & 5 conferences. Confession, Masses, social time and free time are also a part of the weekend. Cost for 1 night only is \$125.

For more information or to reserve a spot, contact:  
Cretia Rotella @ 201-919-1060,  
crenurse06@gmail.com or  
Cheryl Clark @ 973-885-0908, [clclark@optonline.net](mailto:clclark@optonline.net)



**NEWS FROM  
THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

**UPCOMING DATES:**

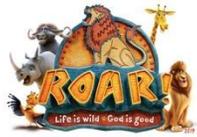
**March 3** – 9<sup>th</sup> grade family Mass & Social – 11:30 Mass with Rite of Enrollment and Bible presentation

**March 10** – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade family Mass at 11:30

**March 10** – Lenten Family Day following the 11:30 Mass



**Lenten Family Day  
Sunday, March 10 following 11:30 Mass.  
Mac 'n' Cheese, cookies, crafts, & Lenten activities. Join us for the fun!**



**ROAR Vacation Bible School Camp**  
where kids learn that life is wild...  
God is good!

At ROAR, kids learn one important Bible Point each day. Each day we sing songs, have a wild Bible adventure, play interactive games, learn about the saints, have sciency-fun gizmos, and have faith-building Bible memory buddies.

And don't forget the super-fun snack!  
So join us and meet the Bible memory buddies like Mack the rhino.



**June 24 – June 28, 9:00 am --12:00 pm**

Registration will begin soon.

To volunteer, contact Lisa at (973) 334-5257 or [DRE@stcatherine-ml.org](mailto:DRE@stcatherine-ml.org).

**YOUTH NIGHT\***

**\*open to the entire St. Catherine's Community**

***"A Night of Prayer and Praise"***

Eucharistic Adoration with Contemporary Praise and Worship Music

**Thursday, March 7 at 7:30 pm in the church**

Come pray with us and join us for Dunkin Donuts hot chocolate and donuts immediately following!

All Peer Leaders are strongly encouraged to attend!  
Questions? Email [youthministry@stcatherine-ml.org](mailto:youthministry@stcatherine-ml.org)

Knights of Columbus, Denville Council #3359 **Annual Fish & Chips Dinner** catered by Argyles restaurant of Kearney will be held at St. Mary's Prep on **Friday, March 8..** Eat in or take-out. Dinner, beverages, dessert and coffee are included.

St. Ann Church, 781 Smith Rd, Parsippany invites you to their Lenten Mission **Sunday, March 10 at 7:00 pm.** Fr. Jared Brogan will present *Conversion: Called, Nourished, Sent.*

**LITURGICAL Q & A**

Each week we will post a question and answer about the liturgy. If you would like to submit a question, please do so to [lisahward@aol.com](mailto:lisahward@aol.com)

**Is Jesus present in the Mass in a special way?**

Jesus is present in the Word proclaimed and listened to, the gathered assembly, and the Priest. The Eucharist is Jesus Christ, truly present, true God and true Man, the Son of God Who became the Son of Mary. The substance of the bread and wine change into the actual body and blood of Jesus. This doctrine is called "transubstantiation". The entire substance of bread and wine is completely transformed into the Divine.

**FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE**

Consider joining the Morris County Right to Life at Planned Parenthood of Morristown, 196 Speedwell Ave, to give peaceful witness and prayer. March 6 – April 14, groups will gather from 7 am – 7 pm. Contact Frances Spillman 973-627-1654 or visit [40daysforlife.com](http://40daysforlife.com).

**COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS**

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents, will be meeting on **Thursday, March 14** at 7:30 pm at St. Christopher Church, 1050 Littleton Rd. (Rt. 202), Parsippany in room 101. Program is "Managing Stress During Grief". For more information, call Lily Capriglione at 973-568-4164.

**PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES**

**Young Adult PUB NIGHT**

**Wednesday, March 13 from 7:30-9:30 pm**

Get into the spirit of St. Patrick's Day with a night of song with Irish/American musician Ben-David Warner.

*Must be 21 or older to attend, cost is \$15 per ticket (Drinks and snacks included). Register in advance at [insidethewalls.org/marchpubnight](http://insidethewalls.org/marchpubnight)*

**Set Free: Journey of Recovery through Christian Virtues**

Our addictions do not make us less loved by God. Again and again, Jesus reminds us that with Him, we are capable of living in freedom. So if God believes in us, why don't we believe in ourselves? Join us for lecture and group discussion on the following **Tuesdays at 7:30 pm: March 19 and May 21.**

[www.insidethewalls.org/set-free](http://www.insidethewalls.org/set-free)

**Being a Man for Others: An Evening of Recollection for Men with Msgr. Geno Sylva**

This lent why not join men from throughout the diocese for food, fellowship and prayer with our dynamic speaker, Monsignor Geno Sylva. Msgr. Sylva, founder of St. Paul Inside the Walls, will inspire participants to grow closer to God and serve others. **Friday, March 22 7:00 - 9:00 pm**

[www.insidethewalls.org/man4others](http://www.insidethewalls.org/man4others)

**St. Paul Inside the Walls, 205 Madison Ave, Madison**