



Saturday January 18
 5:30 pm Robert Leavy and Dr. Edwin Valdepenas

Sunday January 19 *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 7:30 am Margaret Hoff, PM Mathur, and Our Parishioners
 9:30 am Barbara Flanagan, Don Tierney and Charles and Margaret Pascarella
 11:30 am Matthew Riccardi, Helen Wojcik, and Dr. Barry Rankin

Monday January 20
 6:45 am Rafaela Fonti
 12:00 pm Thomas Sullivan

Tuesday January 21 *St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr*
 6:45 am Intention of Elaine Stroppe
 12:00 pm Robert Lewkow

Wednesday January 22
 6:45 am Raymond and Blanca Taylor, and Roy Cardona
 12:00 pm Paul Schmidt

Thursday January 23
 6:45 am The Sick in our Parish
 12:00 pm Raymond Brady

Friday January 24 *St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*
 6:45 am Special Intention of Fr. Michal
 12:00 pm Intention of Rosemarie and Charlie Fischer

Saturday January 25 *Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle*
 8:00 am Margaret Kelleher
 5:30 pm Florence McEntyre and Arthur Vogel

Sunday January 26 *Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 7:30 am Peggy Hoff and Our Parishioners
 9:30 am Manny DaSilva, Vera Leva and Sergio and Noemi Wong
 11:30 am Matthew Riccardi and Robert Leavy

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, Ann Gerhardt, Pat Flannery, Pat Pongracz, Carol Campbell, Winifred Pierce, Phil Cibiniak, Rachel Agzigian, Terry Chavelez, Tracy Tovo, Gerald Hoy, Barbara Dietrick, Kelly and Christian Ramirez, Thomas John, Lorraine Alicia, Mark Gerard, Dorothy McCoy, Robert Plucinsky, Sr., Alexander Scherman, Joyce Huebsch, Sr. Joan Phillips, Gus, Stephen and Peggy Mitchell, Amber Tosh, Bill Traeger, Cheryl Granito, Sally O'Brien, Rosemarie Fischer and Walter Wagner, Sr.

STEWARDSHIP

January 12, 2020

Envelopes/Cash	\$ 9,314
ParishPay	1,745
Total	\$ 11,059

MASS ATTENDANCE 754

**Scripture Readings
 January 26, 2020
 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

First Reading: Isaiah 8:23—9:3

The prophet Isaiah describes the anguish of a conquered people, but he promises that they will triumph and will see a great light as on the "day of Midian."

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

Paul speaks to the Corinthians with both anger and indignation because they are quarreling among themselves as to whom they should show allegiance. Some wish to follow Paul; some, Peter; others Apollos; others, Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23

Jesus begins his mission by going to Capernaum, fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah. He selects Peter, Andrew, James and John as his disciples, inviting them to be "fishers of men."

January 25/26 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

The offices will be closed Monday, January 20 for Martin Luther King Day

SAVE THE DATE:

St. Catherine's annual women's retreat will be held March 13-15 at Villa Pauline. Details to follow.

Spiritual, Service, & Social Opportunities

Spiritual

Scripture Study – Mondays at 1:00 pm in the Parish Center

Prayer Group Book Study – Wednesdays at 1:00 pm in the Parish Center

Adoration – Mondays from 12:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Women's Retreat – March 13-15

Service

Soup Kitchen – 2nd Monday of the month. To volunteer, see front cover of bulletin for contact information.

Fr. English Food Pantry - Food collection every third weekend

Social

Moms & Tots – Tuesdays from 9:30-11am in the gym

After Mass Socials – Following 7:30 am Mass every second Sunday.

Night in Havana Party – Saturday, Feb. 15 at 7:00 pm



From the Desk of Fr. Jared

Forty-seven years ago the Supreme Court Decision *Roe v. Wade* legalized abortion in our nation. The Court's decision was based on a defense of personal liberty and privacy and not the sanctity of the unborn human life. Since January 23, 1973, on or around its anniversary, women and men of all faiths march in Washington, DC to protest this decision. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, representatives from St. Catherine's will travel this coming Friday to "stand up for life." Over the years the court has attempted to balance its decision with the state's right to control abortion and "protect women's health." This has not been without lethal consequences. In protecting a right to privacy and women's health, more than 50,000,000 unborn children have died. To put that in perspective, our state of New Jersey has approximately 9 million people and our entire country 319 million. Many people see these consequences as insignificant, but we, as people of faith, cannot. In addition, this is an ethical issue that has become politicized. Good ethics strengthen society. Poor ethics eat away and ultimately destroy.

As people of faith, we believe that every human life is sacred because it has been created in the image and likeness of God. No matter how old, young, sick, healthy, sexual orientation, race, ethnic background, whether rich, poor, legal citizen or not; every human life has dignity and deserves the respect that the image of our God deserves. Jesus Christ himself was a baby in the womb, born into a needy family, a refugee, who suffered the pains and trials of all humans. All human life bares the loving imprint of God.

The "Pro-Life" cause often is understood as restricted to the *Roe v. Wade* decision, but is not limited to abortion only. Life is threatened and abused and terminated in many different ways. Issues include abortion, euthanasia, assisted suicide, conscience protection, embryonic stem cell research, IVF/reproductive technology, capital punishment, racism, poverty, health care, just war, and discrimination of any kind. Other issues such as gossiping, lying, and disrespect of any kind also are all threats and abuse to life. All of these issues are important in that they do not respect life, but some do to a greater degree than others. Denying healthcare to someone is graver than lying. Aborting a full-term baby is graver than gossiping.

A slippery slope is created though when we are indifferent to the killing of the unborn. If we do not respect the life of a baby, either by outright support of abortion or support of legislation that permits it, how can we be surprised when we are indifferent to the environment, capital punishment, racism, poverty, and health care policies? We need to cultivate a consistent ethic of life, being mindful of the most basic and

fundamental part of life...the child in the womb. There are some who say "a 'fetus' is not a human being." Science has proven this wrong. Surgery is performed on babies in the womb. Others claim that "nobody can tell me what to do with my body." The truth is we are dealing with the body of another human being. In no other situation are we legally able to terminate the life of another human being based on "choice" or "privacy." If we terminate the life of a baby, differences of opinion on issues like health care and poverty pale in comparison. Human life is a gift from God and therefore cannot be subject to a human choice.

St. Teresa of Calcutta said, "The right to life does not depend, and must not be declared to be contingent, on the pleasure of anyone else, not even a parent or a sovereign" (*Wall Street Journal* 2/25/94). Let us continue to pray for an end to this grave act. Let us pray for the babies, mothers, fathers, and grandparents who have been affected by abortion. There is a haunting and lasting effect to this "choice" that many people do not comprehend. The effect is also seen in society in the slippery slope that is created when we pick and choose what and who to respect. The Church is present to pray for and accompany in the healing of all those affected in any way by the disrespect of any human life.

A Night in Havana Party

Join us on Saturday, February 15 at 7pm as St. Catherine's is transported to the streets of 'Old Havana.' Dinner, dancing, and mojitos. All for only \$25 per person! Come on your own, come with your spouse, or come with some friends. Sign-up sheets are located in the entrance of the church. Tables of ten are available. **Payment in an envelope labeled A Night in Havana Party** can be placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the parish office.

Peace,
Fr. Jared

FR. ENGLISH FOOD PANTRY

Every third Sunday of the month we generously donate a large amount of food to the *Fr. English Center* which is picked up early the following Monday morning. The food collection is done on the third weekend (Saturday and Sunday) of the month. Due to a lack of space and for the sake of good appearance and cleanliness, **please drop off food ONLY ON THE THIRD WEEKEND.**

Thank you very much for your cooperation in this matter and for your generosity in donating the food each month. **Below are the third weekend dates – please mark your calendar:**

January 19	February 16	March 22
April 19	May 17	June 21
July 19	August 16	Sept 20
October 18	November 15	Dec 20



**NEWS FROM
THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

UPCOMING DATES:

January 19 & 20 – No class attached to Mass or regular classes - MLK

January 26 – 2nd grade blessing for the preparation for the Sacrament of the Eucharist at 9:30am and 11:30am Masses

January 27 – 2nd grade parent meeting for 1st Holy Communion, 7:00pm

February 1 – Catechist Day of Reflection, 9:30-11:30am

February 16 - 18 – No class attached to Mass or regular classes

February 19 – 9th grade second semester begins

February 23 – Lenten Family Faith session following 11:30 Mass. No regular class attached to Mass.

February 24 – 8th grade second semester begins

February 29 – 2nd grade First Holy Communion retreat, 9:00am – 11:30am



**CATHOLIC HEART WORKCAMP
PITTSBURGH, PA * JULY 19-25, 2020**

HURRY! ONLY A FEW SPOTS LEFT!!

All 8th - 12th grade students are invited to join us on a week-long service trip this summer!
\$385 + transportation ** \$100 and deposit form

REGISTER NOW – SPACE IS LIMITED.
Registration forms are available in the religious education office and church vestibule.

8th and 9th graders will earn by participating all of their required service hours for Confirmation

Contact Gail at youthministry@stcatherine-ml.org

NOURISH.NJ

Thank you to those who helped to shop for and serve 117 meals on January 13 at Nourish.NJ in Morristown: *Katherine DiRicco, Al and Esther Falivene, Barbara Girz, Jamie, Jim and Michele Gregorek, Marcela lulo, Dom and Pat Miliano, Joel Ramich, Frank Razzano Sue Rogers, and Antoinette Shanker.* Thank you also to *Rose Ann Coutreau-Hastings and friends* for the dessert treats. To volunteer, contact Denise Ramirez at 973-299-1554.

Men's Cornerstone Retreat

Notre Dame of Mt. Carmel Church, Cedar Knolls
A 24-hour experience that brings our faith to life.
Begins 5:30pm Friday, January 24 and culminates
Saturday, January 25 at 5:00pm Mass
Register at www.ndcarmel.com (click Discipleship tab)

The Knights of Columbus Councils 514 and 3359 wish to thank the generous parishioners of St. Catherine's whose Rose for Life donations of \$990 will help cover the \$4,000 cost to send two busloads of pro-life marchers to Washington, DC. Seats are still available; see *Life Rally Events* below for details.

LIFE RALLY EVENTS

St. Rose of Lima in East Hanover is sponsoring a bus trip to Trenton **Wednesday, January 22** for a *Rally for Life* at the Trenton State House. Cost is \$10. Contact Anne Marie Gillespie 973-884-2011.

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The Knights of Columbus Councils 514 and 3359 invite you to join the bus trip to the 47th *March for Life* in Washington, DC on **Friday, January 24th**. The bus will depart at 6 AM from the Gardner Field Park and Ride in Denville. Mass will be celebrated at 5:15 AM at St. Mary's, Denville prior to departure. There is no charge for the bus, but please bring \$10.00 to cover DC Metro cost and a tip for the driver. Please contact Jim Rizos 973.627.2596 or 973-670-2535, jrizos10@gmail.com to reserve your place. If you are unable to join the march, please keep the cause for life in your prayers.

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40 Days for Life. Morris County Right to Life daily prayer vigils February 26 - April 5 from 7 am - 7 pm outside Morristown Planned Parenthood. Call 973-627-1654 or visit www.40daysforlife.com/Morristown to participate.



YOUTH NIGHT

**2:2 Basketball Tournament
Thursday, February 6
at 7:30 pm**

***Winner plays against Fr. Jared
and MLHS senior Cole Malnati***

All 9th-12th graders are invited to join us. Come play or cheer on your friends! **Sign-up your team by Wednesday, January 29. Individuals can sign up and will be matched with a partner at the event.**

**Bring a friend! Win door prizes!
Pizza and popcorn will be served.**

We will also be collecting fleece blankets and winter hats for Nourish.NJ *

** formerly known the Community Soup Kitchen*

Service hours awarded for 9th and 10th grade

Contact Gail @ youthministry@stcatherine-ml.org

Knights of Columbus Council #3359
invites you to



A KNIGHT AT THE RACES

an exciting and entertaining evening of horse racing and fun. The races have been filmed on actual racing days and will be shown on two large screens. Place your \$2 bets and take a chance on a daily double!!

Saturday, February 8, 6:30-10:30 pm
St. Mary's school gym
15 Myers Ave, Denville

\$15 pp includes sandwiches, soft drinks and dessert.
BYOB

*** Must be 21 ***

Proceeds will support Knights of Columbus charities

Reserve your tickets now:
Ron 732-674-1455 or Dennis 973-945-9467

OPEN HOUSE: Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Boonton

Open house Sun, Jan 26 from 10-2 and
a guided school tour Fri, Jan 31 from 9-10:30 am.
205 Oak St, Boonton
www.olmc.academy, 973-334-2777

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO SLOW DOWN?

"Slow down. Take a deep breath. What's the hurry? Why wear yourself out?" ~ Jeremiah 2:25. God doesn't want us to be stressed out or so busy that we race through life. God longs to give us peace, rest, and repose. Please join men from our parish family for a quiet listening retreat on **Friday, January 31 to Sunday, February 2** at Loyola Jesuit Center in Morristown. Loyola is a welcoming, sacred place where you can slow down, be quiet and still with God, and experience His deep peace. The weekend includes preached talks on a theme, daily Mass, Reconciliation, a Healing Mass, optional private consultations with retreat leaders, outdoor stations of the cross and generous amounts of free time for personal prayer and reflection. It is truly a wonderful experience and the only cost is a free will offering.

For more information or to register, contact
Damiano Servidio, damiano.servidio@gmail.com,
(973) 407-0186 or visit www.kofc3359.org

A RETREAT FOR TEACHERS

Marianist Family Retreat Center, Cape May Point

This retreat, intended for educators of all levels, will provide an opportunity to recharge through prayer, reflection and sharing. Our time will include Eucharist, prayer, individual and group reflection time, and free time to experience the wonders of the beach in winter.

Cost: \$140 pp, double occupancy.

Register: www.capemaymarianists.org, 609-884-3829.

FRANCISCAN MYSTERY PLAYERS NEED YOU!

The Franciscan Mystery Players are recruiting student performers (grades 8-12) to participate in their Lenten presentation "*The Way of the Cross*" which will be performed at approximately 10 churches throughout Northern New Jersey. Rehearsals begin January 24 at St. Catherine of Siena. Time commitment is most Friday and Sunday evenings through Good Friday. It is an excellent way to grow closer to God while having fun with a great group of teens! No experience is necessary. Please contact Anne Marie Pikor at 973-876-3440 for more information. Please visit our Facebook page, Franciscan Mystery Players of Morris County.

PROM DRESS COLLECTION AND SALE

The Friends of Parsippany Library are collecting dresses and accessories for their annual prom dress sale. Used or new formal dresses and accessories can be dropped off at the Parsippany Library, 449 Halsey Rd through February 3. Contact Peggy Smith at parsippanyfriends@gmail.com for more information.

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:**

Jan 21, Feb 18, March 24 and May 19.

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

Recovery Zone Solutions

Free Family and Friend Support Group

Join us every Wednesday from 6 to 7 pm
124 E Main St, Suite 109, Denville

We will come together to discuss solutions for opioid and alcohol dependence. A supportive and confidential environment to safely discuss the struggles you and your family may be having with opioid and alcohol dependence. Group led by a licensed social worker, LSW.

For information:

866-697-9711; info@recoveryzs.com;
www.recoveryzs.com

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents, will be meeting on **Thursday, February 13** at St. Christopher Church, 1050 Littleton Rd. (Rt. 202), Parsippany at 7:30 pm in room 101. Program is, "*Meet My Child*" (pictures are always welcome). For more information, please contact Lily Capriglione at 973-568-4164; lilycap@optonline.net.