



Saturday February 22
 5:30 pm Peggy Hoff and Barbara Flanagan
Sunday February 23 *Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 7:30 am Raymond and Blanca Taylor, Roy Cardona and Grace Cipriani
 9:30 am Sergio and Noemi Wong and Our Parishioners
 11:30 am Matthew Riccardi and Diane Gironda
Monday February 24
 6:45 am Marguerite Fulda
 12:00 pm Robert Dircks
Tuesday February 25
 6:45 am Private Intention
 12:00 pm Raffaella Fonti
Wednesday February 26 *Ash Wednesday*
 6:45 am Souls in Purgatory
 12:00 pm William Silcox and Paul Schmidt
 7:30 pm Our Parishioners
Thursday February 27
 6:45 am Alice Sorrelli
 12:00 pm Private Intention
Friday February 28
 6:45 am Sick in our Parish
 12:00 pm Jean and Edward Stanton
Saturday February 29
 8:00 am -----
 5:30 pm Peggy Hoff and Barbara Flanagan
Sunday March 1 *First Sunday of Lent*
 7:30 am Elaine Stoppel and Our Parishioners
 9:30 am Ceil Cerbo
 11:30 am Mary Sekel and Earl Pedersen

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, 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, Peggy, and Sammy Jo Mitchell, Amber Tosh, Bill Traeger, Cheryl Granito, Sally O'Brien, Rosemarie Fischer, Terence Mahon and Barbara Connor.

STEWARDSHIP

February 16, 2020	
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 8,070
ParishPay	1,495
Total	\$ 9,565

MASS ATTENDANCE 613

**Scripture Readings
 March 1, 2020
 First Sunday in Lent**

First Reading: Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7
 This passage from Genesis narrates the creation of man, the temptation by the serpent, and the fall of Adam and Eve.

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19
 Paul tells the Romans that Adam's disobedience brought sin and death to the world, but Christ's dying on the cross for us will bring us salvation and life.

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11
 In preparation for His ministry, Jesus goes into the desert to fast and pray for 40 days. There He is tempted by the devil to give evidence of His miraculous powers, but Jesus resists the devil saying, "Away with you Satan! You shall do homage to the Lord your God; Him alone shall you adore."

The Parish Mission will begin Sunday evening February 23 at 7:30 pm and continue at the same time on Monday, Feb 24 and Tuesday, Feb 25.

February 29/March 1 Celebrant Schedule

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

2019 tax contribution statements for those who use envelopes are available upon request. Please email the office parishoffice@stcatherine-ml.org to receive one.

Spiritual, Service, & Social Opportunities

Spiritual
Parish Mission – Sunday, 2/23 -- Wed, 2/25 at 7:30 pm in the church
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 6, 7, 8 at Villa Pauline
Stations of the Cross – Wednesdays and Fridays at 12:30 during Lent beginning March 4
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.



From the Desk of Fr. Jared

Ash Wednesday—Lent begins!

Lent has arrived. This coming Wednesday we begin the liturgical season of Lent on Ash Wednesday. Our Lenten schedule has been and will continue to be published in the bulletin each week. Take a look at our schedule of Ash Wednesday liturgies and be sure to come and worship with us. Take the time to ponder how you will make the most of this Lent and make it a special time of grace and renewal.

This weekend marks the final Sunday of Ordinary Time until June 1 when we return to Ordinary Time after Pentecost. As we transition into a new liturgical season, the liturgy highlights this change. As Lent is a penitential season, the liturgy omits the Gloria as well as the Alleluia. The Gospel Acclamation that is used throughout Lent, in place of the Alleluia is Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory. There are several options for the Penitential Rite at Mass. During Lent we will use option one which is the praying of the Confiteor (I confess to almighty God...) followed by the chanting of Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison (Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy) in Greek. At communion, we will sing a Latin Chant *Parce Domine*. The lyrics are translated as *Spare us gracious Lord, spare your people, who have sinned: spare us, lest we face your reproach forever*. As always, the liturgy is prayed in such a way that allows us to raise our hearts and minds to God. Everyone experiences this in different ways. What works for some, may not work for others. Therefore, we utilize the many different options that the Church gives us in the liturgy.

Fasting & Abstinence

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

The norms on fasting are for Catholics from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are for Catholics age 14 and older.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Do not wait until the last minute to go to confession! It is normal to celebrate this sacrament within the season of Lent. Therefore, we have many opportunities to do so. It is easy to desire this sacrament. It is another thing to do it. As part of our planning as to how we will make the most of Lent, make plans to go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). Our confession times during Lent will be listed in the bulletin throughout Lent, on the bulletin board in the back of church, and on the parish website. Don't wait until the last minute and find that you cannot get to Confession! There are plenty of times

available. Also, do not forget that every parish in the Diocese of Paterson has the Sacrament available each Monday evening of Lent starting at 7pm. Make your plan NOW to go to Confession, the same way you would set your doctor appointment or some important business meeting. It's a way of making sure you follow through on that good intention; after all, going to Confession is important enough to handle it that way, right?

Lenten Adult Faith Enrichment

This Lent, opportunities for enrichment continue. There are many topics and issues within our faith that are sometimes confusing, are of great interest, or sometimes just unknown. Therefore, this Lent you are invited to deepen your relationship with Christ and the Church, to grow in your own discipleship, by exploring various topics of the faith. There will be five presentations throughout Lent given by guest speakers. The presentations will occur on the Tuesdays of Lent. There will be two opportunities to participate in order to accommodate different schedules. The first is at 4pm and the next is at 7:30pm. Each presentation will be one hour with some time for questions and discussion. See page 4 of the bulletin for schedule.

Parish Mission

Each evening will begin at 7:30 pm

Sunday, February 23

Evening 1 -- The Saints

How are they the heroes of our faith? Am I a saint in training?

Monday, February 24

Evening 2 – Prayer

Is it worth it? Does God listen to me? Answered or unanswered prayers – which do I believe in?

Tuesday, February 25 (with Mass)

Evening 3 – The Family of Faith

Do I consider my Parish a family? How do I build up my family of faith? I want to belong – how do I do it?

Cornerstone Retreat

We are looking to introduce a new retreat format for adults in the parish. One of the more popular and effective adult retreats being used today is *Cornerstone*. These are typically a twenty-four hour retreat held in the parish. It begins on a Friday night and ends on Saturday evening. As we continue to explore our options here at St. Catherine's, if any women in the parish have attended a *Cornerstone* retreat in the past and would be interested in helping to bring *Cornerstone* to St. Catherine's, please contact Barbara McCartney at mccartneybh@gmail.com or Amy Dinka at amydinka@gmail.com.

Peace,
Fr. Jared



**NEWS FROM
THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

UPCOMING DATES:

February 24 – 8th grade second semester begins
February 29 – 2nd grade First Holy Communion retreat,
9:00am – 11:30am



**Jesus' Power Pulls us through!
Rocky Railway Vacation Bible School**

**SAVE THE DATES:
June 29, 30, July 1, 2**

It is the summer event that puts kids on track for trusting Jesus. At Rocky Railway, kids explore Jesus' power and how we can trust Jesus to pull us through when life feels like a valley or a mountain top. You can roll along the railway as you can expect a week full of faith discoveries, memorable music, and a serene setting that set a course for trusting Jesus' power.

**Let the good times roll with Rocky Railway
Vacation Bible School!**

Registration will open soon

**ST. CATHERINE'S
ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT**

***** Friday, March 6 --- Sunday, March 8 *****

Reserve your space now!

Please join us at Villa Pauline Retreat House in Mendham on **March 6, 7 & 8**. Cost for the full weekend is \$200 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 \$145.

For more information or to reserve a spot, contact:

Cretia Rotella @ 201-919-1060,
cre nurse06@gmail.com or

Cheryl Clark @ 973-885-0908, clclark@optonline.net



**SAVE THE DATE:
LUNCH WITH A LEPRECHAUN**

Sunday, March 15 Our Lady of the Lakes Knights of Columbus Council #3359 will host **Lunch with a Leprechaun** from 12:30 to 2:30 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. Tickets will be sold at the door.

We welcome our recently baptized new members to the church and our parish community.

**Harrison Cole and Abigail Paige Fabianski
son and daughter of John and Pam**

Knights of Columbus, Denville Council #3359

Annual Fish & Chips Dinner

will be held at St. Mary's Church, Denville

Friday, February 28 from 5:00 – 7:00 pm.

Eat in or take-out. Dinner, beverages, dessert and coffee are included. Adults \$17, seniors \$16, children \$11.

Tickets sold at the door.

Questions ? Contact Harry Fahrner 973-615-8465.

ST. PAUL INSIDE THE WALLS PROGRAMS

Navigating the Annulment Process

Come have your questions about the annulment process answered and receive step-by-step-support.

Wednesday, March 11 from 7:30 – 9:00 pm

**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 24 and May 19.**

St. Paul Inside the Walls, 205 Madison Ave, Madison
www.insidethewalls.org

FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE

From February 26 through April 5 there will be "40 Days for Life" daily prayer vigils around the world outside of Planned Parenthood and other abortion facilities. Please join us as we pray the rosary at Planned Parenthood of Morristown, 196 Speedwell Ave., where many lives of babies in the womb are lost every year. Your gift of an hour or more of peaceful witness and prayer any time between 7 am and 7 pm, Monday through Sunday, will help to save God's children in danger of abortion. Do something beautiful for Him, and sign up for any hour(s) you can give at www.40daysforlife.com/Morristown or call or email 973-627-1654, 44lifeus@gmail.com.

**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.

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

www.recoveryzs.com