



# The Basilica of St. Patrick's Old Cathedral

The Corner of Mott & Prince Streets  
New York City

## Third Sunday of Lent - March 15, 2020



### Basilica Mass Schedule

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|-----------------------|-----------------|---------|
| <b>Saturday Vigil</b> | 5:30pm          | English |
| <b>Sunday</b>         | 9:15am          | English |
|                       | 10:15am         | Chinese |
|                       | 11:30am         | Spanish |
|                       | 12:45pm         | English |
|                       | 7:00pm          | English |
| <b>Monday-Friday</b>  | 8:00am          | Spanish |
|                       | 12:10pm         | English |
| <b>Saturday</b>       | 8:00am          | Spanish |
| <b>Confessions</b>    |                 |         |
| Saturday              | 4:30pm - 5:15pm |         |
| Sunday                | 6:00pm - 6:45pm |         |

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### Saturday/Sabado-March 14

**8:00AM (Spa)** Por el eterno descanso de Joaquin y Jocelyn Vasquez

**12:00PM (Gae)** For: Mr. & Mrs. Charles O'Connor

**5:30PM (Eng)** For: The people of the parish

### Sunday/Domingo-March 15, Third Sunday of Lent

**9:15AM (Eng)** For: Joseph Purcell

By: Katie O'Marra & O'Marra Family

**10:15AM (Chi)** In Thanksgiving to the Blessed Virgin Mary

By: Andy Chen

**11:30AM (Spa)** Por el alma de Alfonso Ugarte invita Santiago Ugarte

**12:45PM (Eng)** For: Sue Manfredo

By: Camille Agro

**7:00PM (Eng)** For: Thomas Edward O'Connell

By: Friends of Patrick O'Connell

### Monday/Lunes-March 16

**8:00AM (Spa)** Por el eterno descanso de Maria Dolores Lanuza  
invita su nieto Juan Lopez

**12:10PM (Eng)** For: Vincent Luongo

By: Michael Shea

### Tuesday/Martes-March 17, St. Patrick, Patron of the Archdiocese and our Basilica

**8:00AM (Spa)** For: John Purcell

**12:10PM (Eng)** For: Thomas Finucane

By: Kathleen Cogan Walcott

### Wednesday/Miercoles - March 18, St. Cyril of Jerusalem

**8:00AM (Spa)** Por todos los miembros de nuestra parroquia

**12:10PM (Eng)** For: Joanne Spadafora

By: The Flatz Family

### Thursday/Jueves - March 19, St. Joseph

**8:00AM (Spa)** Por el eterno descanso de Rosa Digna Santana  
invita Agustina Rodriguez

**12:10PM (Eng)** For: Henry Rice

By: Victoria O'Connell

### Friday/Viernes - March 20

**8:00AM (Spa)** Por el eterno descanso de Francisco Maria Nuñez,  
Jose Antonio Nuñez y Agustin Nuñez invita

Agustina Rodriguez

**12:10PM (Eng)** For: Frances Maguire

By: Brendan Kelly

### Saturday/Sabado - March 21

**8:00AM (Spa)** Por todos los miembros de nuestra parroquia

**5:30PM (Eng)** For: James Latino By: The Bray Family

### Last Sunday's Collection:

The Basilica of St. Patrick's Old Cathedral: \$3,968.00

Shrine Church of the Most Precious Blood: \$340.00

## Lent 2020 at the Basílica

### Rules of Fast and Abstinence

**Fasting** means eating only one full meal. Two smaller meals can be eaten to maintain physical strength but together they should not equal another full meal in quantity. Snacking between meals is not permitted. *Catholics ages 18-59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.*

**Abstinence** forbids the eating of meat or poultry. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged to abstain on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent and continues to oblige throughout their lives.

### Lenten Reflections & Stations of the Cross

Each Friday of Lent, Father Graebe will offer a reflection on one of the characters of the Passion drama, and the lesson that he or she offers us during our Lenten journey. The reflection will be followed by Stations of the Cross. The evening will begin at 7pm and conclude at 7:45pm. Please join us for this prayerful opportunity.

### *Characters of the Passion*

|             |          |
|-------------|----------|
| February 28 | Judas    |
| March 6     | Pilate   |
| March 13    | Herod    |
| March 20    | Simon    |
| March 27    | Veronica |
| April 3     | Mary     |

## St. Patrick's Day Indulgence

*Sláinte*: Here's to our spiritual health!

As a basilica, we have special opportunities to obtain a plenary indulgence. Among the days on which one can obtain a plenary indulgence here are the following:

- 1) on the anniversary of the dedication of the same basilica;
- 2) on the day of the liturgical celebration of the title;
- 3) on the anniversary of the granting of the title of basilica;

For us, those three occasions all fall on the same day: **March 17**. As St. Patrick's Day, it is our **patronal feast** (no. 2); on March 17, 1868 Archbishop (later Cardinal) McCloskey **re-dedicated** our basilica after the devastating fire (no. 1). Finally, Pope Benedict XVI granted us the **title of basilica** on March 17, 2010 (no. 3).

*There are certain conditions for obtaining the indulgence. According to the official decree:*

The faithful who devoutly visit the basilica and within it participate in any sacred rite or at least recite the Lord's Prayer and the profession of faith (Nicene Creed) may obtain a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the intention of the Supreme Pontiff).

**So what is an indulgence?** We recall that even after sins are absolved, we need to heal the damage that they have left behind. That's why we receive a penance in confession, for example. An indulgence is an especially powerful healing that offers either a partial or complete (plenary) remission of the temporal punishment due to sin.

Indulgences can be applied either to oneself or to someone who has died, but they cannot be applied to other persons living on earth.

**Happy St. Patrick's Day to one and all!**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **Communion & Liberation** ~ Communion and Liberation has the purpose of forming its members in Christianity in order to make them coworkers in the Church's mission in all areas of society. They regularly meet on Fridays evenings for prayer and meditation. For more information: [simonetta.ditalia@gmail.com](mailto:simonetta.ditalia@gmail.com)
- **Spanish Prayer Group** meets on Fridays at 32 Prince Street at 7:30pm. First Fridays take place at the Basilica.
- **Cursillistas Meeting** takes place on Sundays after the 11:30am Spanish Mass.
- **Cancer Support Group** meets on Thursdays at 32 Prince Street at 7pm.
- **It's not too late to have Your Best Lent Ever!** Join a small group and see how reading and listening to God's Word can change your life. Benefits include: Great conversation! More peace/joy in your life - who doesn't want that? Growing closer to God!!

#### **Choose YOUR Small Group!**

Monday evenings for women at 7:00PM – 32 Prince St.  
Monday evenings for men at 7:00PM – 32 Prince St.  
Interested but need another time slot - let's talk!  
For more information: Tony MacDonnell: text (914) 471-2084 or email: [tony@oldcathedral.org](mailto:tony@oldcathedral.org)

### **MUSIC AT THE BASILICA**

- **March 21 at 7:30 PM: Erben Benefit Recital with Polish concert organist Dr. Michał Szostak** in a program marking Bach's birthday as well as improvisations on Gregorian and Polish melodies. General Admission \$20; 25% off using code **PARISH25**
- **July 27-31 2020 Pedals, Pipes, and Peals** registration is live! Kids (grades 1-8) learn about various instruments and the physics of sound through the lens of the Erben—they even build their own working pipe organ! See <http://erbenorgan.org/education>.
- Interested in joining the **Basilica Schola**? The Schola is our fabulous volunteer choir that sings at the Sunday 7 PM Mass and major feasts throughout the year. Contact Jared Lamenzo, our Director of Music, at [organist@oldcathedral.org](mailto:organist@oldcathedral.org).
- Learn about the music you hear at Mass <http://facebook.com/erbenorgan> — Insta [@erbenorgan](https://www.instagram.com/erbenorgan) on Web—[erbenorgan.org](http://erbenorgan.org)
- **Basilica Voices**, our children's choir and member of the international Catholic "Pueri Cantores" association, joins the Schola in singing throughout the year. With expert vocal instruction, we strive to instill a passion for excellence they can carry throughout their lives. To register your child, email: [basilicavoices@oldcathedral.org](mailto:basilicavoices@oldcathedral.org).



## **Tour Our Catacombs**

Take a tour of our catacombs. Would you like to learn about our Old Cathedral's rich history? Join one of our Catacombs by Candlelight Tours. In just 90 minutes you will walk through two centuries of history experiencing exclusive treasures, not open to the public.

Visit [www.oldcathedral.org](http://www.oldcathedral.org) and click on the tours link.



## **Burial Services at the Basilica**

Want to secure your place in our history? We've revived the tradition of Christian Burial here at Old St. Pat's. We are the only operating Catholic graveyard and catacombs in Manhattan. We have a limited number of niches available. Call (212) 226-8075 or email Frank Alfieri at [frank@oldcathedral.org](mailto:frank@oldcathedral.org) to learn more.

## **A Message from Cardinal Dolan**



As we embark on this new decade, together in faith, I invite us to remember the mission to which we are all called. It is the task of every

generation to take the faith that we've received and share it with others. This is what the Lord calls us to do: to teach, to serve, and to sanctify the world, by proclaiming the truth and making disciples of all nations. This work is most effectively accomplished through the ministry of the Church – in our parishes, our schools, our religious orders, our seminaries, and the many charitable services that are designed to respond to the evolving needs of our communities. This is the work that the Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal makes possible through your generous donations.

The works that are represented in the Cardinal's Appeal make tangible the mission of the Church in our communities at a time when – some might say – the world is most in need of such a witness.

***Please visit [cardinalsappeal.org](http://cardinalsappeal.org) to make your gift.*** I thank you for your continued support of the Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal.



Catholic Bytes Podcast offers short, dynamic talks about the faith. The goal of Catholic Bytes is to offer dynamic catechesis for people on the move. Most people do not have time to sit down and study the faith, so these episodes offer an opportunity to learn more

about Catholicism or to grow in your relationship with the Lord, in short 5-10 minute sessions. Episodes offer listeners a variety of themes ranging from faith fundamentals, Scripture, dogma, morals, liturgy, spirituality, saints, and Church history. Here's the link: <https://catholicbytespodcast.com>

## **The Shrine Church of the Most Precious Blood**

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### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Wednesday 12:10pm  
Saturday Vigil 5:30pm  
Sunday 2:00pm Vietnamese



### **Mass Celebrants at Most Precious Blood**

Rev. Robert Campagna, OFM  
Rev. Patrick Boyle, OFM  
Rev. Louis Troiani, OFM  
Rev. Philip Phan (Vietnamese Apostolate)

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2020**

5:30PM (Vigil) For: Theresa Pertose  
By: Vivian Catenaccio and Camille Welsh

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2020 – 3rd Sunday of Lent**

2:00PM Mass in Vietnamese

### **TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2020 – Week 1 – St. Anthony Novena**

12:10PM For: Joe "Moe" and John DePalo, Jr.  
By: Josephine Scala

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2020**

12:10PM For: Jean LaSorsa  
By: sister Minnie & Emily  
For: Elsie Elluzzi  
By: Nancy Tan

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2020**

5:30PM (Vigil) For: Santo Aimone, Jr.  
By: D. Aimone

### **Notes from Most Precious Blood**

**SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA ANNUAL NOVENA** at Most Precious Blood Church begins Tuesday, March 17th and ends on the 13th Tuesday, June 9th. Novena Masses are at 12:10PM. The novena begins on St. Patrick's Day; please remember that two days later we celebrate the feast day of St. Joseph, one of the most important figures in the lives of both Mary and Jesus.

**THE HISTORY OF LITTLE ITALY & MPB CHURCH** is being memorialized in a book being authored by Janice Carapellucci & Mary Brown, with an assist by MPB's Bill Russo. Janice is the great-grand niece of Donatus Buongiorno, the artist whose murals grace our church's walls and ceiling. The book will chronicle how immigration played a role in creating Little Italy, MPB Church, its statues, societies, etc. It will also showcase what life was like back when Little Italy was a family-oriented neighborhood celebrating Italian culture as opposed to the more commercial area it's become today. To have your story and memories included in the book, please contact Janice at [janice@feetonthegroundnyc.com](mailto:janice@feetonthegroundnyc.com) or call her at 718-852-7205. You may also contact Bill at [viabravo@msn.com](mailto:viabravo@msn.com) or by calling him at 347-933-3337. Any photos you submit will be returned, unharmed.

**MPB CHURCH IS SINCERELY GRATEFUL** for the generous donation of \$50,000.00 we recently received from the Figli di San Gennaro. We pray God bestows special blessings on its board members and their families, and we hope their generosity comes back to them in many ways.