

# Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 7, 2019

## MASSES FOR the WEEK

### SUNDAY, APRIL 7TH

8:30 A.M. People of the Parish  
10:30A.M. Daniel Lane  
12:00P.M. Carol Aulbach

### MONDAY, APRIL 8TH

8:00 A.M. Taylor Lynn Craig

### TUESDAY, APRIL 9TH

8:00 A.M. Elizabeth Messick

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10TH

8:00 A.M. Henry A. Rafferty  
7:30 P.M. Totino & Sestino families

### THURSDAY, APRIL 11TH

8:00 A.M. Fr. Francis Matarazzo

### FRIDAY, APRIL 12TH

8:00 A.M. Andrew Hudak  
7:15 P.M. Stations of the Cross

### SATURDAY, APRIL 13TH

9:00 A.M. Sister Bridget O'Shea  
5:00 P.M. Theresa Kiley

### SUNDAY, APRIL 14TH -Palm Sunday

8:30 A.M. Carol DePaola  
10:30A.M. Kathleen Della Terza  
12:00P.M. People of the Parish

## SCRIPTURES:

### April 14, 2019– Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

**First Reading:** ISAIAH DESCRIBES AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAD BEEN TAUGHT BY GOD TO REACH OUT TO OTHERS. HE ALSO DESCRIBES THIS INDIVIDUAL'S WILLINGNESS TO BE BEATEN AND SPIT UPON, SECURE THAT WITH GOD'S HELP, HE WILL NOT BE DISGRACED. (ISAIAH 50: 4-7)

**SECOND READING:** PAUL DISCUSSES HOW JESUS DID NOT DECLARE EQUALITY WITH GOD, BUT TOOK ON HUMAN FORM. HE HUMBLING HIMSELF ENOUGH TO ACCEPT DYING ON THE CROSS. GOD IN TURN EXALTED HIM AND WANTS US TO RESPECT JESUS' NAME AND WORSHIP HIM. (PHILIPPIANS 2: 6-11)

**GOSPEL:** LUKE GIVES A DETAILED ACCOUNT OF JESUS' LAST SUPPER WITH THE APOSTLES, WHERE JESUS TELLS THEM HE WILL SOON SUFFER IN FULFILLMENT OF GOD'S WILL. THEN JESUS PRAYED THAT HE MIGHT BE SPARED IF IT SUITED GOD'S WILL. AFTER JUDAS BETRAYED JESUS, HE WAS ARRESTED. ALTHOUGH PILATE DID NOT THINK JESUS WAS GUILTY OF A CRIME, HE GAVE IN TO THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE, AND SENTENCED JESUS TO DEATH ON A CROSS. THEN JESUS WAS CRUCIFIED AND HIS BODY LAID IN A NEW TOMB. (LUKE 22: 14---23:56)

### STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK- April 7, 2019

In today's second reading, St. Paul says, "For His sake I have forfeited everything: I have accounted all else rubbish so that Christ may be my wealth." Does my stewardship suggest that I could say the same?

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**MASS CARDS** We are asked to pray for the dead. The best way to do this is to have a mass celebrated in memory of a loved one. Call the rectory 973-663-0211. **Please note-** offering is \$15.

**RCIA next meeting** Tuesday, April 9th, 7:30pm in the Rectory.

**BAPTISMS** are usually performed on the First Sunday of each month at 1pm. To arrange for a Baptism please call the rectory M-F - 973-663-0211.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** are being held in Church Fridays during Lent at 7:15 PM. Please join us for this wonderful devotion.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CCD Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/olsoslh>

**NO CLASSES Palm Sun. APRIL 14th & Easter Sun. April 21st**

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL -PRE-K-Grade 5

Sunday, April 7th -8:45AM – classes Pre-K-5  
10:30 AM – Class Mass Grade 1- 1st Grade students **must** attend. Students Grades 2,3,4 & 5 should attend.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL -GRADES 6-8

Sunday, April 7th - 6:30 – 8:00 PM – classes  
**6:30PM- 8th grade Student & Parent Social**  
**"Are you Smarter than an 8th Grader?"**

One parent must attend

### HIGH SCHOOL – GRADES 9-10

Sunday, APRIL 7th – 6:30-8:00pm classes

### CHOIR PRACTICE:

Adults – practice is on Thursdays at 7:30PM in the Church. All parishioners 18 & over welcome.



### Please remember in prayer those who are sick:

Msgr. John Boland, Dominick Perrino, John Crowley, Pacita Cabaluna, Robin Wright, Quinn Gorman, Dylan Flinchum, Julian Bonifacio, Barbara Brennan, Linda Diamond, Patricia Ronacher, Msgr. Eugene Boland, Jack Gebhardt, Jr., & all who are ill at this time. **We also pray for the recently deceased:** Joseph Bottiglieri, Colton Rogers, Michael Mercadante, Gloria Dvornick.



**NEW ALTAR SERVERS FOR 2019** are being commissioned at the 10:30AM Mass today, April 7th. They will begin service in May. Congratulations.



**THE JOURNEY** series concludes in the Church Hall on Wed. afternoon **April 10th at 1:00PM, and Thursday evening April 11th at 7:30PM.** Thank you to all who participated.



**EASTER FLOWERS** *Easter is our greatest feast- celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus. It is fitting that our sanctuary reflects this joy.* You can help decorate

our sanctuary by donating an **Easter Lily**, in memory of a loved one. A **donation of \$25.00** is requested. Envelopes are in the church pews.

### OLSOS ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY'S

**next meeting is Monday, April 8th**, at 7PM in the Church Hall. **All women of the parish are invited to join us** in praying the rosary and discussing this month's topics, including our upcoming Scholarship & Altar Server Awards and the Living Rosary. Please join us!



### PEBBLES IN THE HOLY WATER FONTS?

During the season of Lent pebbles are placed in the fonts and the holy water is removed. This is to remind us that Lent is meant to be a time when we remember that Jesus spent forty days in the desert fasting. Water is a scarce commodity in the desert. The pebbles remind us that for us, too, Lent is meant to be a *desert experience*.

**OPERATION RICE BOWL:** As part of our observance of Lent, we ask all families to participate in **Catholic Relief Services'**

**Operation Rice Bowl, a program of prayer, fasting, learning and giving.** Please be sure to take home a Rice Bowl packet and follow this simple yet powerful Lenten practice. **Visit [orb.crs.org](http://orb.crs.org) for more info & resources.**



**LENTEN MASS PROGRAM**—This **Wednesday, April 10th**, at **7:30pm**. **Fr. Marc Mancini** of St.

Therese Church in Succasunna will be our guest celebrant for the final of our Wednesday evening Lenten Masses. Please join us and bring a friend.



## PARTNERS IN FAITH Coming to an End

In 2013 as we began the season of Lent on February 13<sup>th</sup> my mind was also trying to embrace the "Partners in Faith" diocesan campaign. Star of the Sea was to be among the Phase Two parishes which would begin after Easter. I was able to fully form my Team members by Good Friday of that year.

Our advisor, Matt Metzgar, pushed us to meet our weekly goals. Our Parish Goal was determined at \$295,000 and it certainly seemed to be out of reach at first. We presented our case to the people on April 20, 21<sup>st</sup> and our team members began to solicit pledges. I was surprised to see that we had surpassed the \$100,000 mark in pledges within weeks. The Pledge Commitment Weekend on June 29, and 30<sup>th</sup> pushed us over goal. In fact the final total pledged came to \$377,900. It was a remarkable feat.

The Beacon, our diocesan newspaper, stated that as of December 31, 2013 a total of \$61 million dollars was pledged across the diocese. This was 50% higher than the minimum goal of \$40 Million. Over the past five years the parishes in the Paterson Diocese have received annual disbursements from the campaign based on percentage of over goal amounts received by the Diocese.

Star of the Sea had received checks in 2013 thru 2018 totaling \$71,876.14, and recently received another \$10,167.98, bringing our total to \$82,044.12. An additional check for the balance due us may be issued before the end of this year.

We previously used much of the proceeds received from Partners in Faith to complete the Church Hall's kitchen renovations and replace the Rectory roof. We also used a portion of the monies to supplement the Special collection for repairs to the parking lot, and general pruning and shrubbery removal on the grounds. We have repaired and updated minor things in the Rectory and Food Pantry, removed four more trees, replaced the boiler in the Parish Center, installed LED lights in the gym, completed repairs to the Church roof, painted the gutters, and recently replaced window panes in the Church Hall. Some other minor projects were also completed. Currently, future improvements to the Church & Parish Center are under consideration.

The Gym, Parish Center, and Church Hall remain in constant use- for Religious Education classes, Confirmation, First Communion, Parish Functions, CYO, art classes, rentals for parties, and the weeks the Interfaith Homeless Network-"Family Promise of Morris County"- is in residence. We need to keep all of the parish's property in its best condition and make sure everything is safe.

I am grateful to all who participated in the Partners in Faith campaign. Your generosity helps keep the maintenance of our parish moving forward.

*Sincerely in Christ,*

*Father Chris*



THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IS AVAILABLE IN ALL Paterson diocese parishes on the **Mondays** of Lent from 7pm to 8:30pm.



**GETTING MARRIED IN 2019/2020?** Call the rectory 973-663-0211 to arrange for your wedding at Star of the Sea Church.

### FOOD PANTRY

**TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 11-11:45AM 1:15-3:15PM**  
call 973-663-0211 for appointment. Coordinator is Toni Tarighi- Items needed: **ONLY CANNED**

**FRUITS, water, & fruit juices.**

**Toiletries:** laundry detergent, deodorant.

**Refrigerator: milk, yogurt, OJ, frozen foods- all types.**

NOTE: Shoprite gift card donations also accepted.

**Thank you to everyone for your generous donations.**



### Painting with Claudia Dungan

Paint & Sip "Spring Flowers" **Friday evening, April 26<sup>th</sup>** in the Church Hall, 6-9PM. \$30 includes canvas, and all supplies needed. Sign up and bring a friend. (If you aren't able to make this class, there will be the same class held on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at



OL of the Lake in Mt. Arlington's Parish Center from 2-5pm - sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.)

**Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> - 9:30-11:30AM - Child and adult Painting Party - Fundraiser to benefit Birth Haven.** Fee \$30 includes canvas & supplies, in time for Mothers Day.

Contact Claudia 973-663-4287 to register for these events.

### UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

**"The Journey"—7:30pm Thursday 4/11; & Wednesday afternoon 1PM - 4/10**

**Art class w/ Claudia Dungan (last one) Apr. 7 -Rm 111 2-5pm**

**Class Paint Party Sun. April 14 "Sail On"—2-5 pm Fee \$30.**

**Friday, April 26 - Spring Flowers- 6-9PM Church Hall.**

**Sat. May 11- 9:30-11:30AM- Child & Adult Paint party-Fundraiser.**

**KISS ME KATE- Bus Trip, Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 8PM show.**

Please call 973-663-0211 to reserve your seats. Tickets including bus \$107 each. Join us for this musical comedy with Kelly O'Hara, based on Shakespeare's "Taming of the Shrew", at Studio 54. Bus leaves 4:45pm. Almost sold out!

**PLEASE KEEP this prayer and use FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

### A PALM SUNDAY PRAYER

*On this day of great rejoicing, Christ Jesus, when we welcome You as our King and Savior, we also walk in the shadow of Your cross.*

*Hosanna, we cry.*

*Blessed are You, who comes in God's name to save us. Hosanna!*

*Strengthen our faith on Palm Sunday so that when the time comes to carry the cross we might still call out to You with heartfelt praise.*

*Give us the grace & courage to follow you during Holy Week*

*from death to Resurrection, from darkness to the fullness of light.*

*We need You, O Christ, Our Savior.*

*Hosanna!*

**AMEN.**



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