

# Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 23, 2020

## MASSES FOR the WEEK

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD

8:30 A.M. Joanne Pearson  
10:30A.M. People of the Parish  
12:00P.M. Rita Nadilo

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH

8:00 A.M. Thomas M. Rush

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

8:00 A.M. Al Snolis, Jr.

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH – ASH WEDNESDAY

8:00 A.M. Halina Drzyzga  
5:00 P.M. Prayer Service  
7:30 P.M. Jay Diston

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH

8:00 A.M. Communion Service

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH

8:00 A.M. Thomas Fedo  
7:15 P.M. Stations of the Cross

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29TH

9:00 A.M. Peter Fahy  
5:00 P.M. Nicholas Pazzaglia

### SUNDAY, MARCH 1ST

8:30 A.M. Margaret Scharck  
10:30A.M. People of the Parish  
12:00P.M. Betsy Pesce

## SCRIPTURES

### March 1, 2020– 1st Sunday of Lent

**First Reading:** THIS PASSAGE FROM GENESIS NARRATES THE CREATION OF MAN, THE TEMPTATION BY THE SERPENT, AND THE FALL OF ADAM AND EVE. (GENESIS 2: 7-9. 3:1-7)

**SECOND READING:** 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. (ROMANS 5: 12-19)

**GOSPEL:** 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." (MATTHEW 4: 1-11)

### STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK- February 23, 2020

In today's First Reading, the Israelites are urged to love their neighbors as themselves. In the Gospel, Jesus spells out how we are to do that –to give generously to those who ask of us and not to turn our backs on those who seek to borrow.

### STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK- February 26, 2020-Ash Wed.

Today's Gospel reminds us that all of our giving—whether of alms or of service—must always be done for love of God alone and not for the applause of our brothers and sisters.

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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.



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

**RCIA next meeting** Tues., February 25th 7:15pm 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.



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ☩

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

### NO RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH

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

Sunday, February 23rd -8:45-10:15 AM-classes-(Pre-K-5)

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL -GRADES 6-8

Sun., February 23rd-5:45-7:15PM- Gr.6,7,8 Mardi Gras in Gym

#### HIGH SCHOOL – GRADES 9-10

Sunday, February 23rd -5:45-7:15 PM- (Gr. 9-10) Soup Supper in Church Hall/ Live Stations of the Cross in Church

Today, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> is last day for Gertrude Hawk Orders.

### NO RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES SUNDAY, MARCH 1ST

## ♫ CHOIR PRACTICE: ♫

Adult Choir practices Thursdays at 7:30-

8:30pm. All parishioners 18 & over welcome.

Childrens' Choir practice-Sundays 10:15-10:30am.



### Live STATIONS of the CROSS Sunday, February 23- 6:15pm

following the Soup Supper. We invite all Parishioners to join our 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Graders to reflect this Lent on the Stations of the Cross. Written and performed by our First Year Confirmation Students, led by Ed Craviolo. This is a simple but Powerful presentation of how the STATIONS still Resonate with us today. Please join us.

Sunday, March 23rd -from 5:45- 7pm the 6th,7th & 8th Grade classes will participate in a "Mardi Gras" celebration held in the Gym-All Purpose Room.

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

Fr. John Connolly, Fr. Daniel Kelly, Betty Gardner, Lisa Ann Fisher, Anne Nichols, Ellen Cohen, Geneva Kumar, Vanessa Espinoza, Quinn Gorman, Jack & Elizabeth Flinn, Frances Ferrara, Lillian Colello, Maryanne Drozdick, Joan Elise Butler, Dora Lavin, Matteo Montemarano, Mary Ann Miller, Christine Profaca, & all who are ill at this time. **We pray for the recently deceased:** Thomas Davidson, Fr. Tom Curran, Thomas Rush, Theresa Paruolo, Kevin Conway.



### COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE will be taken on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>.

After two generations of Communism in Russia and Eastern Europe, Churches, monasteries & seminaries had been closed for years and were badly in need of repair. Many priests, religious and lay people spent years in labor camps. It looked as if the Church might be wiped out. Now that Communism has ended the church is being renewed in these countries. Your help on Ash Wednesday can continue this rebuilding process and keep the work of spreading the Good News throughout this region of the world alive and well.

### NEW ALTAR SERVERS FOR 2020 Instructions are being

held Saturday mornings from 10AM to 11AM-

February 29, and March 7, 14, 21, 28. Please fill

out applications & return to Fr. Chris immediately if interested.



This Lent we have the opportunity to spend together five weeks of self-examination and reflection on the Holy Scripture. Our Parish will be holding "The Lenten Companion – A personal encounter with the Power of the Gospel," starting Monday February 24 thru March 30, 2020 at 7:30PM in the Church Hall. There will also be an afternoon session on these dates. Registration forms are located in the back of the Church for those interested. We look forward to sharing this journey with you. Deacon Alberto

### ASH WEDNESDAY IS FEBRUARY 26TH

Mass & Distribution of Ashes 8AM & 7:30PM

PRAYER SERVICE & Distribution of

Ashes -- 5:00PM

Please mark your calendars.



# OPEN OUR HEARTS THIS LENT

We begin the holy Season of Lent on Ash Wednesday, February 26th and we are reminded that this is the time to "get serious" about our Faith Life. Lent calls us to get involved in spiritual renewal, to take some quality time to see where we are with God in our life and how we live out our faith.

Each one of us is called to deepen our relationship with God every day of our lives and Lent helps us to review and recommit ourselves to that relationship and to the good works it calls forth from us.

During Lent we are invited to spend some time reflecting on Scripture. Copies of "The Word Among Us" are available for personal use in Lent to meditate on the readings each day.

The personal challenge for each of us is to make the Word of God a living reality for each day of Lent. It is His grace that will enable us to use this time to grow in our faith and understanding of the Gospel. Joining a small group will be a great way to grow in knowledge of the scriptures and become more involved in our parish. Together we can make a difference.

It is still possible to join one of our small groups and grow in your faith this Lent by taking part in "The Lenten Companion - **A personal encounter with the Power of the Gospel,**" during these 40 days. Sign up sheets are at church entrances.

These groups will meet weekly to: READ-REFLECT- PRAY-SHARE- and SUPPORT each other during our Lenten journey. Please consider joining a group; it will make a huge difference in your faith life. There is still time to sign up. Our "The Lenten Companion - **A personal encounter with the Power of the Gospel,**" program will help us to truly grow in our faith. Please make plans to be part of it.

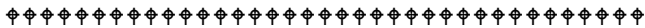
This Lent we will offer confessions once again on Monday evenings from 7:00-8:30pm. We also will have our weekly evening Masses with guest celebrants during the Lenten season on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

Our Annual Healing Mass will take place this Lent on Wednesday, April 1st with Msgr. Joseph Goode as the guest celebrant. Please bring family and friends.

We ask you to take part in as many faith enriching programs as possible this Lent and believe that His Grace Will Lead Us Home.

*Sincerely in Christ,*

*Father Chris*



**"THE ROARING TWENTIES "** Tea and Fashion Show Presented by ST. Jude Rosary Society - **Sunday, February 23, 2020 at 2:00PM** (Doors open 1:30) at St. Jude Parish Center, 40 Maxim Drive, Hopatcong. Fashions by "CHICO" of Denville, "Touchstoe Crystal" jewelry by Swarovski, door prizes, 50/50, basket raffle. **Tickets \$25.** For tickets call Jo 973-398-6047 or MaryAnn 973-398-5027.



**SICK OR SHUT IN-or know someone who is-** unable to get to church to receive Communion? Please call the rectory at 663-0211 to set up a time for a Communion call.



**SOUP KITCHEN:** Our parish is responsible for the noon meal on the 4th Friday every month at Trinity Lutheran Church, E. Blackwell St., Dover. We serve on **Friday, February 28th** and will be serving 100 to 120 meals that day. If you can help serve, cook a meal or donate food please contact Ed Young at 973-270-3512. Good for teen community service as well. Thank you.



**St. Jude Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner-Saturday, March 7th- 6pm -cost \$25, or \$30 at the door.** Dinner, dessert, beer, soda, coffee, tea, Irish Step Dancers, music by "The Rose of Omagh." For tickets call 973-398-6377/Jimmy 973-945-7522.

## FOOD PANTRY

**TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 11-11:45AM**  
**1:30-3:30PM call 973-663-0211 for appointment.**



Coordinator is Toni Tarigh. **As a result of the many food drives & donations our pantry is full. We only need items listed.**

Items needed: **canned meats, Pancake mix & syrup, mayo, ketchup, mustard, salad dressings.**

**Household:** 2-in-1 shampoo, TP.

**Refrigerator:** milk, yogurt; frozen foods.

NOTE: Shoprite gift card donations are also accepted.

**Thank you to Antioch for their donations.**



**SATURDAY, March 28, 2020 6-9pm. OLSOS Rosary Altar Society presents "Saint Joseph Festa Dinner"**

Fundraiser. Includes choice of spaghetti w/

meatballs or Chicken parmigiana, or meat or meatless ziti + dessert table, tea, coffee, soda, water. **BYOB!** Adults \$15, Seniors \$13, children under 12- \$10. 50/50 & Door Prize. Ticket sales March 7-8, 14-15, 21-22, after all masses. No at-door sales. **Live Music**- provided by electric violinist, singer accompanied by pianist & accordion player. Come join the feast and mangia!

### SAVE THE DATE! MONDAY, MARCH 9th, 2020-"DINE & DONATE"

hosted by the Jefferson Twp. Community Chorus. Dine at Gatwyns II, (900 Rte 15 No, Lk Hopatcong), 4 -10pm. 15% of your bill goes to the JTCC. Your support is appreciated.

**BUS TRIP for "TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD" with Ed Harris - WEDNESDAY, MAY 6, 2020, 7pm show is now SOLD OUT!** Call for waiting list. Cost \$122. Payment due by March 25<sup>th</sup>.

The Catholic Schools Office of the Diocese of Paterson is seeking applicants for the 2020-2021 school year for a principal for St. Mary School, Pompton Lakes, NJ. St. Mary School is a PK-8 elementary school. Closing date for applications- March 9, 2020. Job Application can be found at: [www.patdioschools.org/administrative-openings](http://www.patdioschools.org/administrative-openings)

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



## An Ash Wednesday Prayer

Almighty and Merciful God,  
 Ash Wednesday marks the first day of the holy season, Lent.  
 I ask that it be a time for reflection of myself,  
 and a time of renewal for my faith.  
 During these 40 days, let me be aware of  
 the needs of others and of our church.  
 By self-examination, prayer and fasting,  
 allow me to repent for the sins that I have committed,  
 and regret any sign of contempt that I have shown  
 towards those who differ from me.  
 Let these weeks leading up to Good Friday  
 and the glory of Your Resurrection  
 show me how much You suffered for me  
 and how much You love me.  
 Grant that these ashes, remind me of my own mortality,  
 and the realization that only through You can I receive  
 everlasting life. In Your name I pray. AMEN.



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