ANNOUNCED MASSES

Saturday, February 24

8.30AM No Mass

4.00PM Fr. Roderick Petrie, OFM by Kathleen & Ben Johnson

Sunday, February 25, Second Sunday of Lent

9.00AM Maria Meyer by Pat Newman 11.15AM Elaine Blaut by Blaut Family

Monday, February 26

8.30AM J.J. Hanson by Margie Granese

Tuesday, February 27

8.30AM Joseph & Maria Meyer by Anna & Ron Meyer

Wednesday, February 28

8.30AM No Mass (Cheryll Sinder (L) by John Fedash)

Thursday, March 1

7.00PM Ruth Meyer by Anna & Ron Meyer

Friday, March 2

8.30AM St. Anthony's Rosary Society (L & D) by St. Anthony's Rosary Society

Saturday, March 3, St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin

8.30AM Joanne Sparling by Mr &Mrs George Jerome 4.00PM J.J. Hanson by Kathleen & Ben Johnson

Sunday, March 4, Third Sunday of Lent

9.00AM Elaine Blaut by Blaut Family 11.15AM J.J. Hanson by Oronado Valic

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Collection

\$ 1326.00

Fuel Collection

\$ 683.00

Thank you for your continued support and generosity

LUCKY SQUARE WINNERS

Lucky Square winners of squares sold at St. Anthony's church and parish hall are:

Jon Todd, Barbara Donnelly, Jim & Nancy Rizzi, Jim Mangano, Sonia Friberg, Bob Bailey, Jenny Weyant, Fr. Joselin, Kathleen K.J. Johnson, Knights of Columbus, Dave P. & Laurie Terry

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please Pray for Don Tedesco, Marilyn Pizzonia, Michael Dean, Kyle Graham, Michele Griesbaum, Lisa Donohue, James Valenti, , Kathleen Quinn, Vincent Russo, Aliya Rachlin, Tara Byrne, Anthony Giordano, Bob Einterz, Andrea Fedoruk, Nicky Castagna, Jane Schneider, Michael and Matthew Mclean, and Samantha. For Our Military Personnel: Michael Donnelly, Vaughn Schlott, Ana Lucia Teran-Stasilli, Arianar Severf, Larry Weiss, Martin Kamen, Gale Kaufman, Peggy Connolly, Mary Ann, Kimberly Chatfield, Isabella Marchese, Ira Glickler, Rose Infantino, Cathy Gerrard, Lorraine Wells and Linda Bozza

NOTIFY US OF CHANGES AND ADDITIONS

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

God ordered Abraham to take his beloved only son to Moriah and offer him as a sacrifice. Abraham built an altar and took out a knife to sacrifice his son Isaac. But God called out to him and told him of blessings that would be bestowed on him and his descendants because he had been willing to do what God had asked.

Second Reading: Romans 8:31b-34

Paul reminds the people that God did not spare his only Son, but gave him up for the sake of all people. This proves God views us all as his children, and that no person can harm or condemn us because God will protect us.

Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

Jesus led Peter, James and John up a high mountain, where he conversed with Elijah and Moses. A voice proclaimed 'This is my Son, my beloved. Listen to him." Then Jesus was alone and warned them not to tell anyone what they had seen until he had risen from the dead.

LECTOR SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

4.00 PM Kathleen Johnson

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

9.00 AM Ed Kennedy

11:15 AM Nancy & Jim Rizzi

SATURDAY, MARCH 3

4.00 PM Marsha Sereno / Rose Paolini

SUNDAY, MARCH 4

9.00 AM Nancy & Jim Rizzi

11:15 AM Joann Girardi

My dear Parishioners,

One of the common question we all have during this Season of Lent:

What should I give up for Lent? Meat? Sweets? Chocolate? Ice Cream? Beverages?

Many of us try to be more disciplined for Lent and give up something that we really like. That's great. Fasting has always been an important tradition of Lent. This year however, let us also consider other things that we can give up.

Give up Complaining- Focus on Gratitude:

Philippians 2: 14-15- Do everything without complaining or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure...1 Thessalonians 5:18- Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Jesus Christ.

Give up Bitterness – Turn to Forgiveness:

Ephesians 4:31 - Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice.

Ephesians 4:32 – Be kind and compassionate to one another forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Give up Worry - Trust in God:

Matthew 6:25 – Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life...who by worrying can add a single hour to this life?

Matthew 6: 33 – But seek first His Kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Give up Discouragement – Be full of Hope

Deuteronomy 31: 8 – The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you: he will never leave you or forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discourages.

Isaiah 40: 31 – But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles, they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

Give up Hatred – Return good for evil

1 John 2: 9 – Anyone who claims to be in the light but hates his brother is still in the darkness.

Luke 6: 27 - But I tell you who hear me; love your enemies, do good to those who hate you.

Give up Anger- Be more patient

Matthew 5: 22 - But I tell you that anyone who is angry with his bother will be subject to judgment. Proverbs 15: 18 - A hot tempered man stirs up dissension but a patient man calms a quarrel.

Give up Gossiping – Control your tongue

Psalm 34: 13 – Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking lies.

Proverbs 21: 23 – He who guards his mouth and his tongue keeps himself from calamity.

LENT 2018

In order to make the season of Lent a more fruitful one we invite our parish family to come to events we have scheduled below:

TUESDAYS IN LENT: 8:15am Morning Prayer before Mass

FRIDAYS IN LENT: Stations of the Cross- 7:00pm in our Church

PRAYER BASKET: Bring your prayer intention on a paper and drop it in the basket in front of the altar for the whole Church to pray.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Everyday before the Morning Mass and on Fridays from 9 AM to 10 AM

RECONCILIATION MONDAY: Monday of the Holy Week - March 26th, 2018 from 3.00 PM to 9.00 PM

REGULAR CONFESSION SCHEDULE: Saturday 3:00pm to 3:45pm

LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As a way of reminding everyone about the guidelines for the Lenten Fast and Abstinence, I offer the following explanation:

Lenten Fast and Abstinence: During the Season of Lent, the Church urges all the faithful to reflect a spirit of penance in their daily life through performing acts of fast and abstinence.

FASTING: Fasting requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but these two meals together should not equal a full meal in quantity. Fasting obliges all those who have reached the age of 18 and continues to oblige until age 59. Those not specifically obliged to fast are encouraged to join in the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able.

ABSTINENCE: Abstinence prohibits individuals from eating meat on a particular day. Abstinence obliges all those who have reached the age of 14 and continues to oblige throughout their entire life. Those not specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are encouraged to join in this discipline to the extent that they are able.

ASH WEDNESDAY and **GOOD FRIDAY** are days of Fast and Abstinence. **FRIDAYS** in Lent are days of Abstinence.

FOOD PANTRY

The food pantry is always in need of food stuffs and/or monetary donations! Please be generous. Thank you for your increased giving to the food pantry.

CONGRATULATIONS

Our "200 Club" Winner for February 18

"STEVE MERINGER"