

**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 24th, 2019**



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK
AT OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH:**

SATURDAY MARCH 23rd :
8:00 am Charles & Carol Faraci
5:00 pm Gloria Esposito

SUNDAY MARCH 24th:
7:30 am Robert Murawski
9:00 am Sam Cirincione
10:30 am Sebastano & Maria Cappello &
Sebastiano & Giovanna Lazzara

NOON Helen Blossfeld

MONDAY MARCH 25th:
8:30 am Anna Todaro

TUESDAY MARCH 26th:
8:30 am Anna Todaro

WEDNESDAY MARCH 27th:
8:30 am Mary & Tim Horgan

THURSDAY MARCH 28th:
8:30 am Joseph Glen Cesaro

FRIDAY MARCH 29th:
8:30 am Andrew & Lucille
7:00 pm **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

SATURDAY MARCH 30th :
8:00 am Jean Buccelato
5:00 pm Adelaide & Philip DeGeorge

SUNDAY MARCH 31st:
7:30 am Christina Maltempi
9:00 am Josephine Masso
10:30 am Maria Sorce
NOON Salvatore & Libera Mazella



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK
AT ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH:**

SATURDAY MARCH 23rd:
5:00 pm Victoria Finn
Requested by Jill & Tom Kwatkoski &
family

SUNDAY MARCH 24th:
8:00 am Helene Recco
Requested by Joseph Conte
11:00 am Helen Wolenski
Requested by the family

MONDAY MARCH 25th:
7:30 am Elizabeth Bonner-Anniv. in Heaaven
Requested by the family

WEDNESDAY MARCH 27th:
7:30 am Jadwiga Bartosiewicz
Requested by Patricia & Charles
Gawarkiewicz

FRIDAY MARCH 29th:
7:30 am Stella Koran
Requested by Sandy Sanchez

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SATURDAY MARCH 30th:
5:00 pm Sally & Henry Fago
Requested by Carol & Lori & families

SUNDAY MARCH 31st:
8:00 am Antoni Mieczkowski
Requested by the family
11:00 am Henry Wesolowski
Requested by Helen & John Keiling



MORNING DEVOTIONS

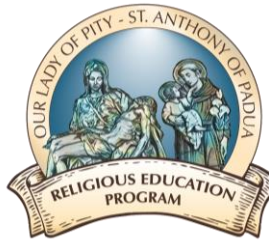
Following weekday 8:30 am Mass at Our Lady of Pity: Recitation of the Rosary. On First Fridays only, there is the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour. On Saturday following the 8 am Mass, novena prayers are said.

At St. Anthony of Padua there is Recitation of the Rosary and Devotions after the weekday 7:30 am Masses



**PEACE THAT ONLY CHRIST CAN GIVE
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Do you desire a more loving relationship with Jesus? Every 1st Friday of the month, you will have the opportunity to spend time with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place at Our Lady of Pity Church from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm Eucharistic Guardians will be needed. For further information call Joseph Magliocco at 718-698-8054.



WEDDING BANNES OF MARRIAGE
are announced for the second time

Adele Wolenski and Joseph Barlow

GOLDEN WEDDING JUBILEE MASS

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2019 are invited to attend the Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at Saint Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, June 2nd at 2:00 pm. Pre-registration is required. Please contact your parish to register. **The closing date to register for the Mass is Monday, May 13, 2019 at 5:00 pm.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM
OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

Raffles were mailed home for our Religious Education fund raiser. The cost of the raffles is \$15 per ticket. Prizes are: \$2,000, \$1,000 and \$500. Upon receipt of your raffles either return them by mail, put them in the Sunday collection or drop them off at one of the rectories. Winner need not be present to win. Please return any unused raffles.

YOUTH GROUP

All students in the 5th grade through High School are welcome to join our parish Youth Group. Please contact our Religious Education Office at 718-494-0308 for further details.

SHUT-INS

If any member of your family is homebound and unable to attend Mass, please notify the rectory and if you wish, a priest or an extraordinary minister will bring them the Eucharist on the first Friday of every month.

MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF MARCH 24th:



OUR LADY OF PITY

THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE

are being offered in memory of

JOSEPHINE MASSO

Requested lovingly by Michael & Jane Pignatelli

Anyone wishing to offer a memorial of Wine, Host or Sanctuary lamp in memory of their loved ones or any intention at either church, please contact the respective rectory Monday – Friday, 10:00am–4:00pm

BEREAVEMENT

“Blessed are those who mourn; for they shall be comforted.”
-Matthew 5:4.

Our Bereavement Minister, Deacon Michael Venditto, is available to assist anyone who has experienced a loss. Call the rectory (718-761-5421) weekdays between 9 am and 5 pm to set up an appointment with Deacon Michael.

RCIA PROGRAM

If you or a friend are interested in becoming Catholic, or perhaps you need to be confirmed, the RCIA Program invites you to meet every Wednesday at 7:30 pm in our Parish Center. No registration necessary.

ST. ANTHONY'S 50/50

The monthly envelopes for the **MARCH** “50/50” drawing are available in the back of the church. The fee is \$5 per envelope and you can enter as many times as you wish. **Cash only**, no checks please.

FORMED CATHOLIC MEDIA

Join Catholics around the country with this fantastic program. Formed is a digital program that can be used on your computer, smart phone or tablet. There is something for everyone, Catholic information Audio talks, eBooks, films, documentaries and video based study programs for both adults and children. There is no cost.

To Register go to Formed.org. The Parish Code is K36ZWZ. It will request your name and email address and the Parish Code. Once registered it will ask for a password. That's all there is to it. If you need help you can call Vincent Violetta @ 917-836-5920.

OUR LADY OF PITY 50/50

The monthly envelopes for the **MARCH** “50/50” drawing are available in the back of the church. The fee is \$5 per envelope and you can enter as many times as you wish. Please place your envelope in the collection basket. **Cash only**, no checks please.



The Sick

Prayer Request for Sick Parishioners

Every worshipping community is called to pray for the sick or elderly in their parish. It is a privilege to ask Our Lord to heal and strengthen the sick. *The Prayer List for the Sick* is our way of reaching out to our parishioners, young and elderly, who have received a critical diagnosis and are unable to go about the routines of life: **Michael Ragonese, Frank Marchese,**

Dayanara Georzette Acevedo, Lawrence Ambrosino, Neil Amodio, Rusty Amodio, MaryAnn Azzarello, Edward Bach, Jeff Beauzil, Isabella Borzumato, Brook Balacco, Barbara Bilardi, Mary Ellen Bednar, Joan Lee Cammy, Jennifer Campione, Gianna Cerullo, Jared Choset, Josephine Cordaro, Joseph Crescenzi Sr., Elsie Cuevas, Marc Dantoni, Dom Dealto, Donna DeFazio, Maureen Dragula, Ida Foresta, Danny Fortunato, Larry Hanley, Rose Infuso, Vincent Infuso, Charles Knecht Sr.,

Victoria Larson, Fannie Marro, Jack Masso, Lillian Miner, Ann and Angela Recker, Cheri Rosen, Margaret Ryan Galeto, Annette McGoff, Angie Mendez, Charles Messina, Richie Pahopin, Frank Alexis Ragusa, Philip Ragusa,

Darlene Remy, Valerie Rose, Peter Ruisi. Gloria Scaglione, Dcn. Michael Venditto, and Phillip Yoo

The listed names above for those asking for prayers has been updated according to months on the list.

Those remaining have been reinstated by parishioners calling after the six month period. If anyone wishes to put a name back or to add a new name of a parishioner who is sick please contact the rectory Mon.-Fri. from 9 am to 5 pm.

THE BIBLE TIMELINE: THE STORY OF SALVATION

The Bible Timeline is a twenty-four-week program that takes participants on a journey through the entire Bible. They will go deep into each period of salvation history and discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. Using a unique color-coded system, they will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and see how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith.

The program will be given in two 12-week sessions, first 12 weeks will be from February 11th through April 29th, 2019, we will break for spring and summer and start the second 12 weeks in September 2019. Cost for materials is \$40. Please register by calling the rectory and speaking with Joanne or Frank @ 718-494-0308 by January 20th to give us enough time to order materials. For more information please contact Vincent Violetta @ 917-836-5920.

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

Place nonperishable food items in a bag and place them in the back of St. Anthony's Church. Thank you and God Bless.

ORGANIZATIONS AT OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

We cordially invite all parishioners to join any of the groups in our parish. The following are the group titles and days they meet:

Golden Age Tues. 12-3 pm Parish Center

Legion of Mary Thurs. 7:00 pm St Jude Chapel

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary has a pilgrimage statue of Our Lady of Fatima. Anyone wishing to have the statue in their home, please call Ruth at 718-761-7717.

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES

Rosary Altar Society: Mass First Sunday of every month at 9:00 am and that Monday is their meeting at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center.

Ladies Auxiliary: Meet on the first **Wednesday** of the month at 7:00 pm in the Church basement. New members are always welcome. The next meeting will be in March.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our Lady of Pity: Second Sunday of the month Mass at 12:00 pm; that Monday is their meeting at 8:00 pm in the Parish Center.

St. Anthony of Padua: Second Sunday of every month at 8:00 am Mass, meeting follows Mass

PALM CROSS SALE

The Youth Group will be selling 24-inch Palm Crosses. Please use the order form in the back of the church. The price of the palm crosses is 1 for \$15.00 or 2 for \$25. After you purchase two then each additional cross will cost \$10. Please return the form to the rectory, Religious Education Office or in the Sunday collection at both churches by March 17th. The crosses will be ready for pick up during all Masses at both worship sites the weekend of April 6th, 2019. Please make sure to indicate which church location you would like to pick up your crosses on the order form. Payment is due when you submit your order form. Supply is limited so please make sure you get your form in. Checks are to be made payable to Our lady of Pity-Sat. Anthony of Padua. Please be supportive!

SPONSOR CERTIFICATES

Anyone desiring a certificate to serve as a sponsor for a Sacrament must be a Roman Catholic who has received the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. Certificates are distributed only after weekend Masses in the sacristy, not in the rectory.

OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH:

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY	MARCH 30th:
5:00 pm	Mar. Pastena-Mike Pastena
SUNDAY	MARCH 31st:
7:30 am	J. Porto-J. Salcedo
9:00 am	M. Langone-K. Carpenito
10:30 am	S. LaRosa-I. LaRosa
NOON	J. Almero-M. Mendez

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY:	MARCH 30th:
5:00 pm	R. Rose
SUNDAY	MARCH 31st:
7:30 am	M. Salcedo
9:00 am	L. Buttacavoli
10:30 am	M. Pontarella
NOON	N. Tricorico

ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY	MARCH 30th:
5:00 pm	J. Flood-M. Maningas
SUNDAY	MARCH 31st:
7:30 am	D. Pangilinan-J. Inigo
9:00 am	M. Santa-C. Santa
10:30 am	N. Lopez-M. Tubay-F. Aum-J. Tangco
NOON	K. Romero-M. Maguire-I. Maguire

LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE

During the season of Lent, the Church urges the faithful to reflect a spirit of penance in their daily lives through performing acts of fast and abstinence.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, and ends on Holy Thursday, April 18th.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. This is a serious matter within Church law. Fasting means only one full meal a day may be taken. 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. Those who are not specifically obliged to fast are encouraged to join in the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able.

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. Those who are not specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are encouraged to join in the discipline of abstaining to the extent that they are able.

Remember all Fridays of the year are designated as days of penance during which we are encouraged to practice self-denial out of gratitude for the suffering and death Jesus accepted for us.

The time for fulfilling your Easter Duty extends from the First Sunday of Lent to Holy Trinity Sunday (June 16).

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



Luke 13:1-9

Jesus says that an individual's misfortune does not mean that their sins were greater than someone else's. He warns that without repenting, all sinners will meet the same end. He tells of a barren fig tree whose owner planned to cut it down. But a servant offered to give it special care for one year, and destroy it should it remain barren. This symbolizes God's patience toward us.

HIS WORD TODAY

THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

"There an angel of the Lord appeared to Moses in fire flaming out of a bush. As he looked upon it he was surprised to see that the bush, though burning, was not consumed. So Moses decided, 'I must go over to see this remarkable sight, and see why the bush was not burned.' God called out to him from the bush, 'Moses, Moses'. He answered, 'Here I am'. God said, 'Come no nearer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground.'"

The unexpected meeting of Moses with the Lord in the burning bush, reveals how God comes to us in a variety of forms, at different times, and in different places. Wondering who was present to record the 'conversation', we too are having our names called out in our Lenten journey. We too, like Moses, respond with a 'here I am.'

God had a plan to use Moses. He also has a plan for us. Our lent becomes a special moment to discern and discover God's plan for me in 2019. He calls and wishes to use us. How? That's His plan.

You don't have to remove your sandals for where you are standing now is holy ground. Unlike Moses, the Lord is calling us to come nearer on our journey with Jesus to Calvary.

CONGRATULATIONS

The Annual Religious Education Award given by our Holy Name Society to two Moore Catholic High School students from Our Lady of Pity-St. Anthony of Padua have been awarded to **Alexis Percia and Jeffrey Inigo**. Both students have shown outstanding work in religion and scholastics. Congratulations to a lovely young woman and a fine young man.

OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY SPRING FLING BASKET AUCTION

Join us for a delicious brunch including breakfast items, carving stations, salads & desserts. All you can drink mimosas, soda, coffee & tea. Basket Auction to be held at E.J. Michaels, 137 Bernard Ave. , S.I., NY on Sunday March 31st, 2019 from 11:30 am – 3:30 pm. Cost is \$55.00 per person includes brunch, DJ & some raffle tickets. If you are reserving a table of 10 please send ONE check for \$550.00 Payment is due by March 8th, 2019. Payable by check ONLY to Our Lady of Pity-St. Anthony of Padua.

OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA COMMUNION BREAKFAST

On Sunday, March 24th, the Holy Name Society will hold it's Annual Communion Breakfast after the 9:00 am Mass. The guest speaker will be Kyle McAlarney, Head Basketball Coach and Associate Director at Moore Catholic High School. The price is \$20.00 per adult & children ages 7 – 12 are \$5.00. First Communion children with a paid adult are free. Tickets are on sale in the back of the church after all the Masses.



EASTER DINNER CHRIS' RESTAURANT

Richmond Road, S.I., NY

April 23, 2019 from 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm

The cost is \$58.00 per person, menu includes kielbasa & sauerkraut, stuffed cabbage, ham, chicken, pierogis, hard boiled eggs, 2 salads, butter lamb, rye bread, babka & chrusciki (cash bar). For information and reservation please contact Deacon Joe Rentkowski @ 718-727-4567.



SOUTHERN MAINE TRIP

Lobster Bake & Boston

July 14th – July 17th, \$850 per person dbl occup. Includes 3 nights hotel with breakfast, 3 dinners including a lobster bake, Kennebunkport & Dock Square, York Harbor & The Nubble Lighthouse, Kittery Point, Old Sturbridge Village, Tour of Boston and Quincy Market, tour manager & deluxe motorcoach, gratuities included. For information and reservation please contact Dcn. Joe Rentkowski @ 718-727-4567.

CALLING ALL VENDORS

Franciscan Handmaids of Mary, Inc.
St. Edward Food Pantry Flea Market at
Mount Loretta, May 18, 2019

10:00 am – 5:00 pm

To be held in the parking lot of
Mount Loretto Friendship Club
718-984-1625

ELECTRONIC GIVING (WE SHARE PROGRAM)

This is an alternate means of supporting your parish instead of using the envelope system. This program will collect monthly contributions from your checking, savings or credit card accounts. There is **NO COST** to you, the parishioner, to participate in this program. Log on to churchofourladyofpity.churchgiving.com or call 1-866-727-4741 Ext. 1



TRAVIS 4TH OF JULY FUNDRAISER

Sunday, April 7th from 1 – 3 pm

Showplace Bowling, 141 East Service Rd.

Cost: \$20, includes 2 games of bowling, shoe rental, 1 slice of pizza and 1 soda. Anyone and EVERYONE is invited to participate. There will be a 50/50 drawing. You can pay at the door!

BUS TRIP

The Saint Anthony of Padua Knights of Columbus bus trip to Atlantic City will take place on Thursday, **April 11, 2019**. We will be going to the TROPICANA CASINO. The bus is \$40 per person and each person will receive a \$25 casino credit. All are invited to join us for a day of fun. The bus will be leaving from Our Lady of Pity on Richmond Avenue at 9:00 am. Coffee and Danish will be available at 8:30 am in the parking lot. The bus will leave Atlantic City at 5:00 pm and we should be back by 7:00 pm.

Checks can be made out to the Knight of Columbus, Council 16134 at PO Box 131509, Staten Island, NY 10313. Please contact Robert Liberto, cell 917-886-7210. email ral09@aol.com or Angelo Chiapperino, at 718-698-6528, email aijuice@msn.com, if you need any additional information.

WELCOME SPRING LANCASTER, PA

Wednesday, April 24th – Friday, April 26th, 2 night stay at the Fulton Steamboat Hotel;

Day 1 – Dinner & show at the Dutch Apple

Day 2 – Dinner & show at the Rainbow Comedy Play House
Breakfast each morning at the hotel, visit to Kitchen Kettle and a farmers market

Day 3 – Visit to Harrah's Chester Casino

Double Occupancy per person \$500

Triple Occupancy per person \$470

Single Occupancy per person \$570

For information & reservation contact Lena @ 718-761-8216

BRANSON SHOW EXTRAVAGANZA

May 25 – June 2

Motorcoach transportation, 8 nights lodging including 4 consecutive nights in the Branson area, 14 meals: 8 breakfasts and 6 dinners, admission to 7 fabulous shows, including The Presley's Country Jubilee, Amazing Acrobats of Shanghai, The Million Dollar Quartet, 1 dinner show: Showboat Branson Belle and more. Visit a casino and Historic Downtown Branson and more. The cost is \$919 per person, double occupancy for 9 days and 8 nights departing from Our Lady of Pity Church. For additional information and reservation please contact Agnes Davis @ 718-494-5475.

