

**PALM SUNDAY of the
PASSION of the LORD
APRIL 14th, 2019**



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

SATURDAY APRIL 13th :
8:00 am Carol Daponte
5:00 pm Matthew, Stephen & Michele Serrapica

SUNDAY APRIL 14th:
7:30 am Jennie & Pasquale Costagliola
9:00 am Suzanne Atwell
10:30 am George Manassa
NOON Francesco & Angela Colella

MONDAY APRIL 15th:
8:30 am Joseph & Giovanna Colombo

TUESDAY APRIL 16th:
8:30 am Catherine & James Torrey

WEDNESDAY APRIL 17th:
8:30 am Health of Walter & Teresa Wroblewski

THURSDAY APRIL 18th:
7:00 pm **MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

FRIDAY April 19th:
3:00 pm **LITURGY OF THE LORDS PASSION**
7:00 pm **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

SATURDAY APRIL 20th : EASTER VIGIL
7:00 pm Gloria Creazzo

SUNDAY APRIL 21st: EASTER
9:00 am Natalie A. Criscuolo
10:30 am Rachel & Richard DiBarry
68th Wedding Anniversary
NOON Arthur Tomasuolo and Virginia Zimmermann



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



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

SATURDAY APRIL 13th:
5:00 pm Ann Marie Roccombli-Birthday in Heaven
Requested by Prezybszewski family

SUNDAY APRIL 14th:
8:00 am Florance Hagan
Requested by Sue and Paul Wicinski
11:00 am Wicenski and Wolenski Families
Requested by the family

MONDAY APRIL 15th:
7:30 am Sollecitto Family
Requested by the family

WEDNESDAY APRIL 17th:
7:30 am Salvator, Antoinette & Joanne Madaio
Requested by the family

THURSDAY APRIL 18th:
7:00 pm **MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**
Church will remain open until 11 pm

FRIDAY APRIL 19th:
3:00 pm **LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION**
Requested by
7:00 pm **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

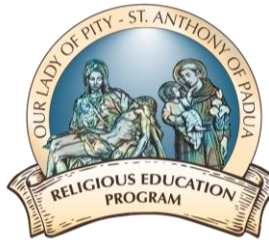
SATURDAY APRIL 20th: EASTER VIGIL
8:00 pm Joseph and Lillian Sottile
Requested by the family

SUNDAY April 21st: EASTER
8:00 am Frank Ottomanelli
Requested by Susan Cole
11:00 am Loraine Haner
Requested by the family



**PEACE THAT ONLY CHRIST CAN GIVE
EUCCHARISTIC 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.



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.

MEMORIALS FOR WEEK OF APRIL 14th:



OUR LADY OF PITY

THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE

are being offered in memory of

SUZANNE ATWELL

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

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.



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.**

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.

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 **APRIL** "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.

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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. The 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 @ n718-494-0308 by January 20th to give us enough time to order materials. For more information please contact Vincent Violetta @ 917-836-5920.

OUR LADY OF PITY-ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA ORGANIZATIONS

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



BLESSING OF FOOD

Anyone wishing to have their food blessed for Easter, the blessing will take place on Holy Saturday, April 20th. You may bring your food baskets to St. Anthony's Parish Hall at 11:00 am and 2:00 pm.

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.

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.

**OUR LADY OF PITY CHURCH:
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY
COMMUNION MASS SCHEDULE**

SATURDAY APRIL 20th:
7:00 pm Easter Vigil
SUNDAY April 21st:
9:00 am R. Collela
10:30 am S. LaRosa-I. LaRosa
NOON R. Geronimo-V. Geronimo

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY: APRIL 20th:
7:00 pm Easter Vigil
SUNDAY APRIL 21st:
9:00 am L. Buttacavoli
10:30 am R. Rose
NOON C. Daniels

ALTAR BOY MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY APRIL 20th:
7:00 pm Easter Vigil
SUNDAY APRIL 21st:
9:00 am J. Inigo-M. Maguire-I. Maguire
10:30 am D. Boniface-A. Boniface-C. Noby
NOON J. Tangco-M. Santa-C. Santa

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).

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Luke 22:14-23:56

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. .

**HIS WORD TODAY
PALM SUNDAY OF THE
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“Go into the village opposite you, and as you enter it you will find a colt tethered on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it here. And if anyone should ask you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you will answer, ‘The Master has need of it.’”

The events of Holy Week are so well known to us. Beginning today they unfold before us again. We solemnly bring the prayers, sacrifices and good works of Lent to their conclusion. The days before us, the triduum, reliving the paschal mystery, are more than tradition. The Christ, crucified and rejected is real for us today. Jesus' directive to the two disciples is directed to us.

If anyone asks why you are living this Holy Week, the answer is the same: 'The Master has need of it.' Our loving God is not asking us simply to recall or remember, but challenges us to discover the passion of Christ in our own time. As He was led through the streets to Calvary, many saw and continued business as usual. Others perhaps thought that that criminal was getting what he deserved. This is because they do no know Christ.

For us believers, the tragedy of the Via Dolorosa leads to Calvary, to be followed by the joy of resurrection. This is not a week of failure, but eventual victory. The passion and death of Christ leads to the glorious resurrection. May the words of the gospel express the wish of Jesus for us this week. May it be our mantra: 'the Master has need of us.' May this be a special week of prayer and devotion.

RESPECT LIFE

“Alive from New York” is a Focus on the Family event in Times Square on Saturday, May 4th, 2:30-4:30 pm designed to celebrate the sanctity of human life; marvel at the wonder of human development in the womb; and encourage advocacy for women facing unplanned pregnancies and the preborn. The event will feature live music and inspirational speeches from special guests, as well as abortion survivors. Jeanne Mancini of the National March for Live in Washington D.C. will host the afternoon. The culminating moment of the event will be a live 4D ultrasound broadcast on massive digital screens in Times Square. Register now for free tickets at: www.focusonthefamily.com/pro-life. If you are interested in travelling as a group, call Phyllis Magliocco at 718-698-8054.



VENDOR MARKET

A vendor market is being held on May 5th, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm at the **Gold Star Post** on Cannon Ave. sponsored by the Richmond County American Legion. All are welcome!



SOUTHERN MAINE TRIP

Lobster Bake & Boston

July 14th – July 17th, \$930 per person dbl occup., \$1275 single. 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 and 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

Any donations new or slightly used are greatly appreciated.

To be held in the parking lot of
Mount Loretto Friendship Club

718-984-1625



SANDS CASINO

April 23rd, bus leaves in front of Our Lady of Pity Church at 9:00 am. The cost is \$40 per person with \$25 slot play and \$5 food voucher. Must have 35 people for the bus to go. For information and reservation please call Agnes Davis @ 718-494-5475.

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



GOLF OUTING

Thursday, May 16, 2019, the Knights of Columbus, St. Anthony of Padua Council will be holding its annual golf outing at South Shore golf course for the benefit of St. Jude children's research Hospital. Enjoy 15 holes of golf (including cart), lunch, dinner, wine, beer, and raffles for \$150 per player. Non-golfers can enjoy dinner with us for \$50 at the Grand Oaks. For information contact Angelo Chiapperino at 718-698-6528 or email jjjuice7@msn.com.

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

DATE CHANGE

Wednesday, May 29th – Friday, May 31st, 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 \$889 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.

