

# Parish of St. Sylvester

## First Sunday of Lent March 5, 2017



*"The Lord, your God,  
shall you worship  
and him alone shall you serve."  
-- Matthew 4:10*



### Liturgies and Intentions for the Week

**Saturday, March 4 - Vigil Mass - 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**  
4:00 p.m. = Giuseppe Impeduglia (*happy ann. in heaven*)

**Sunday, March 5 - 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**  
7:30 a.m. = Carol Pttari  
10:00 a.m. = Ismael & Marciana Holipas  
12 noon = Joseph Gilhooly

**Monday, March 6 - Lenten Weekday**  
8:30 a.m. = \_\_\_\_\_  
12 noon = Patricia Graulich

**Tuesday, March 7 - (Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs)**  
8:30 a.m. = Luciano Dumaguing  
12 noon = Arturo Lee Moultrie, Sr. and Jr.

**Wednesday, March 8 - (St. John of God, Religious)**  
8:30 a.m. = Loretta Connors  
12 noon = Nina Tornabene

**Thursday, March 9 - (St. Frances of Rome, Religious)**  
8:30 a.m. = Robert Koeth  
12 noon = Lillian Grappone

**Friday, March 10 - Lenten Weekday, Day of Abstinence**  
8:30 a.m. = Dominic Battista  
12 noon = Joseph Caruso

**Saturday, March 11 - Lenten Weekday**  
9:00 a.m. = Marie Gagliardi

**Saturday, March 11 - Vigil Mass - 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**  
4:00 p.m. = Dr. Joseph Trentacosta

**Sunday, March 12 - 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**  
7:30 a.m. = Rita Montelione  
10:00 a.m. = Marion and Angelo Martorano  
12 noon = Phyllis Rayfield



### Weekly Collections Our Parish Family's Support . . .

**February 26, 2017**

1st collection - \$4,669.00

Fuel Support - \$1,434.00



**PLEASE PRAY . . . for those anticipating a hospital stay, recuperating, the homebound in our**

*parish, and in our families. Please keep this list near the place where you pray each day so that you remember them throughout the week.*

**Victor Andrea, Cecilia Brennan, Antonia Carlino,  
Lucille Chatznoff, Frances Cirincione,  
Dr. Nicolas C. Lansigan, Jr., Stephen Cucci,  
Jean De Santis, Robert Forlenza, Thomas Galvin,  
Connie Garbarino, Connie Gorrasi, Richard Hassel,  
Bridget Kehley, Frank Labano, Rose Marchese,  
Louis Matos, Delia Murguia, Amy O'Donnell,  
Joseph Palumbo, Lee Poyntz, Carmela Rogan,  
Annette Scardigno, Louise Stanley**



*Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands, especially those from our parish family and community . . .*

**Seaman Daniel Brennan - U.S. Navy  
SR Francis S. Cummings - U.S. Navy  
SR Michael J. Cummings - U.S. Navy  
Col. Jeffrey N. Davila, MD - U.S. Air Force  
Francesca DiSimone-Biggins - U.S. Army  
Lucia DiSimone-Biggins - U.S. Corps  
Ryan Foley - U.S. Marine Corps  
Lt. Col. Jay Le Pore - U.S. Air Force in Japan  
Col. Patrick J. Mahaney, Jr. - U.S. Army  
Prescod Montgomery - U.S. Army in Iraq  
Ens. Il Steven Passignajen-Trimble - U.S. Navy/Persian Gulf  
Samuel Rios - U.S. Air Force  
Darrin Sack  
Joseph Somma - U.S. Marine Corps  
Major Michael Volpe - U.S. Army**



*"...they shall be greatly blessed,  
because God tried them  
and found them worth of Himself."*

**Joseph Caruso  
Rose Mary Marchese**

*have returned to the Lord's embrace*



## Pastor's Corner

My Dear Parishioners,

Last Sunday's Mardi Gras Brunch began with the noon Mass celebrated by Rev. Msgr. Nicolas Soares. Although retired from the pastorship of St. Clement and St. Michael, Msgr. Nick hasn't pensioned off his gifts of a good homily and pleasure in making new friends. He was very warmly welcomed after Mass and at the Brunch. It is hoped he will be able to fulfill the wish of many in our parish family and come often to help out with our Mass schedule during Lent.

As usual, the men of our Holy Name Society served up a fine meal for our Annual Mardi Gras Brunch. I looked at the table(s) laden with pastries, cakes and other assorted treats which came *after* the traditional pancakes, and could only think, "THIS is truly worthy of the originally named 'feast before the fast' for 'Fat Tuesday'!

I was happy to see our *parish family* families all together for a Sunday treat—taking advantage of the v-e-r-y reasonable cost for an afternoon out together. I know the children were enjoying themselves. One was heard to say (between toots on his party horn), "This is great! We never get to run around like this in our gym at school!"

I'm sorry to say, I lost track of who won what at Anne, Judy and Pat's Raffle Table, as well as who the 50/50 winner was (looks like I wouldn't make a very good reporter). However, I know Jeanne Ballard was heard to say Bob would be quite happy with the "humongous" bag of pop corn which was her door prize winning ☺.

And now—Lent is here! May you find in it the means to draw you closer to our loving God and Savior.

Keep smiling,

*Fr. Jacob*

The **Bread and Wine** offered this week are presented in memory of

**Noelia Molinary**

requested by

**Patricia Mulligan De Respino**



the **Sanctuary Lamp** burning before the Tabernacle this week honors the memory of

**Dr. Gail Hepner De Respino**

requested by

**Patricia Mulligan De Respino**



### St. Sylvester Youth Group

All high school students on Staten Island are invited to attend **Youth Fest 2017** on Saturday, March 11th from 10 AM to 5 PM at Moore Catholic High School.

This is a day of fun, faith, friends, food, and free cash raffles. The day ends with a 4 PM Vigil Mass with Bishop O'Hara.

### St. Sylvester Youth Group

continues to collect clean, recyclable bottles & cans for the **OK Clean Water Project**. Bring them to **Hospitality Sunday** on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month (*that's today for March!*), in the Parish Hall after the 10 a.m. Mass.

### CATECHIST FORMATION-LEVEL 2-STATEN ISLAND

#### Old Testament

March 8, 15, 22, 29 (Wednesdays) @ St. Sylvester Parish, 854 Targee St., 7 to 9 PM w/Teresa Simmonds

#### Christology

May 2, 9, 16, 23 (Tuesdays) @ St. Joseph-St. Thomas School, 50 Maguire Ave., 7 to 9 PM w/Elizabeth Brim

**REGISTRATION REQUIRED: CALL 347-286-0508**



Congratulations to our February 50/50 Winner of \$180.

**Sonia Pascual**

### ST. JOSEPH RETREAT CENTER

850 Hylan Blvd. [SJRETREATCENTER.ORG](http://SJRETREATCENTER.ORG)

*Meditation Monday*

March 13<sup>th</sup> 7:30-9:00 PM Fee-\$20

*Facilitated by Grace Conte*

An invitation for you to be refreshed, renewed and restored. The evening consists of faith sharing, reflection and prayer; it wouldn't be complete without coffee and dessert!

Come journey with others and experience a deeper, exciting personal relationship with God.



### Fr. Jacob's Hospitality Sunday **wishlist**

**Supplies needed:** non-sugar sweeteners, hot-coffee cups (*no Styrofoam*), paper plates - small and large, paper napkins, clear juice cups

You may bring donations to the Parish House Office, or to the next Hospitality Sunday in the Parish Hall (3/05).