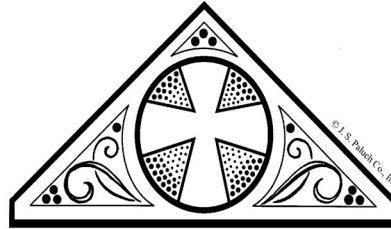


Parish of St. Sylvester

First Sunday of Lent
March 1, 2020



“The Lord, your God,
shall you worship
and him alone shall you serve.”

—Matthew 4:10

Liturgies and Intentions for the Week

Saturday, Feb. 29 - Vigil Mass—First Sunday of Lent

4:00 p.m. = Joseph Bertolini

Sunday, March 1 – First Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. = Joseph Hughes

10:00 a.m. = Mary Rapp

12:00 noon = _____

Monday, March 2 – Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. = Andrew Le family

Tuesday, March 3 – Lenten Weekday

[Saint Katharine Drexel, Virgin]

8:30 a.m. = Mario De Simio

Wednesday, March 4 – Lenten Weekday; [Saint Casimir]

8:30 a.m. = Mario De Simio

7-8:00 p.m. = Hour of Eucharistic Worship, Prayer, Music



Thursday, March 5 – Lenten Weekday

8:30 a.m. = for good health and wellbeing of
Gemma Hernandez

**Friday, March 6 – Lenten Weekday; FIRST FRIDAY;
WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

8:30 a.m. = Nina Tornabene

12:00 noon = STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 p.m. = STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Abstinence

Saturday, March 7 - Lenten Weekday; FIRST SATURDAY

[Saints Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs]

9:00 a.m. = Vincent Iacona and Joseph Vitolo

Saturday, March 7 - Vigil Mass—2nd Sunday of Lent

4:00 p.m. = Larry Andrea

Sunday, March 8 – 2nd Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. = for our parish family

10:00 a.m. = _____

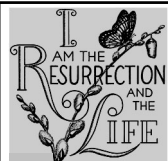
12:00 noon = Joseph Decorato

This week the **Sanctuary Lamp** burns before the
Tabernacle with prayers in memory of

Dr. Gail Hepner De Respino—11th ann.

requested by

Patricia Mulligan De Respino



“...they shall be greatly blessed,
because God tried them
and found them worthy of Himself.”

Patsy Santoro

has returned to the Lord's embrace.

Weekly Collections Our Parish Family's Support:

Feb. 16, 2020: 6th Sunday-Ord. Time - \$3,650.00
Reserve Fund - \$ 745.00

2019: Feb. 17 - \$3,428.00
Reserve Fund - \$ 608.00

Feb. 23, 2020: 7th Sunday-Ord. Time - \$3,232.00
Fuel Collection - \$ 1,046.00

2019: Feb. 24 - \$3,133.00
Fuel Collection - \$ 985.00

PLEASE PRAY ... for those anticipating a hospital stay, recuperating, and the homebound in our parish and in our families. Keep this list near the place where you pray each day so that you remember them throughout the week.

Daniela Agucia, Robert Ballard, Sr., Nancy J. Bushman, Antonia Carlino, Lucille Chatznoff, Frances Cirincione, Conley family, Stephen Cucci, Maureen De Meo, Maria Erlinger, Robert Forlenza, Thomas Galvin, Rosemarie Garlisi, Robert Golden, John Andrew Hunton, Debra S. Iammateo, Bridget Kehley, Frank Labano, Dr. Nicolas C. Lansigan, Jr., Louis Matos, Travis Mayhew, John Miles, George Moresca, Delia Murguia, William Murphy, Amy O'Donnell, Sr. Carrie Portu, Lee Poyntz, Sharon Poyntz, Irene Reilly, Eulah Ryan, Paul Sabella, Alice Santamays, John Savarese, Annette Scardigno, Robert Shepherd, Louise Stanley, Tom Varisi, John Vincenzo, Joan Walter, Robert Williams

Please let us know if anyone for whom we are praying has recovered from illness/surgery so that we may rejoice with you

Lord, hold our troops safe in your loving hands



Staff Sgt. Victor L. Andrea, Jr. - U. S. Air Force

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

Ryan Foley - U.S. M.C.

Alvin S. Joseph II - U. S. Navy

Lt. Col. Jay Le Pore - U. S. Air Force in Japan

Prescod Montgomery - U. S. Army in Iraq

Ens. II Steven Passignajen-Trimble - U.S. Navy/Persian Gulf

Samuel Rios - U. S. Air Force

Joseph Somma - U. S. Marine Corps

Lt. Col. Michael Volpe - U. S. Army-South Korea

Has someone here been promoted, transferred, demobilized, discharged, retired? Please let us know.



Pastor's Corner

My Dear Parishioners,

Although we now journey through these 40 days of Lent with prayer, repentance, penance, almsgiving, and denial of ego in preparation for Easter, good memories of last weekend's Mardi Gras Lunch do linger pleasantly.

For past Mardi Gras celebrations the men of our Holy Name Society have offered us Pancake Breakfasts and Mardi Gras Brunches. This year, thanks to the generosity of Richmond Pharmacy, about 100 guests enjoyed a splendid Lunch. The reservation flyer stating the menu didn't do the meal justice. We were pleasantly surprised with yellow rice, salad with Greek grape leaf-stuffed dolmadakia, and 3 choices of wine as well. The fine variety of desserts was courtesy of Shoprite and Jacob Samuel who picked them up at 4 a.m.! Jacob also does this before each Hospitality Sunday, too—freshness guaranteed. □

Many thanks and a sincere round of applause for our Youth Group volunteer staff, as well. Handsomely attired in their new blue shirts they handled set-up, service and clean-up smoothly, with smiles and skill.

And, of course, there were drawings for prizes—thanks to the generosity and talent of Judy Kempf we had 2 sumptuously filled baskets to be raffled off. Winners are Nora Holipas and Diane McCahill. Maria Tesorerio and son, were tireless in their rounds of the tables as they offered chances for the 50/50 sweepstakes. Congratulations to Shirley Granada, the winner of \$215. And, although we tend to forget it, "congrats" also to us since the other 50% benefits our parish needs.

I'd be remiss if I didn't also mention the efficiency and extra hours devoted to the planning and arrangements for our Mardi Gras Lunch by our Parish Business Manager—thank you, Janet!

Keep smiling,

Fr. Jacob



Join us after the 10 a.m. Mass this weekend for **Hospitality Sunday** in the Parish Hall



JANUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

- Grade 1 – Gerard Valino
- Grade 2 – Kellan Perera
- Grade 3 – Ken Danielsen
- Grade 4 – Therese DelaPena
- Grade 5 – Ava Danielsen
- Grade 6 – William Fraser
- Grade 7 – Salvatore Intoci



News from the Religious Ed. Program: **The Annual Family Day Carnival** will be held on March 21 — 12 noon to 3:30. The Event will be held 'under the tent' created, as usual, by Mr. Bob Campbell, and will include games, races, face painting, animal balloons, food (of course!) raffles and more! This event sponsored by the Religious Ed. Program, is **free and open to all Parishioners** but **reservations are required**. Full details to follow, but please save the date.

The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network

APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER

UNITED STATES



MARCH

CHINA

We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.



St. Sylvester Youth Group

The Annual Spring Bash, sponsored by the Youth Group and open to all (*from toddlers to octogenarians*) will be on **Friday, March 20** at 6 PM—Details to come — **but please save the date.**

Help save our planet.

Use recyclable bags.



TEMPTATION

Every conquered temptation represents a new fund of moral energy. Every trial endured and weathered in the right spirit makes a soul nobler and stronger than it was before.

—William Butler Yeats