

# Our Lady of the Holy Angels

## Roman Catholic Church

**The Angelus**  
**February 26, 2023**  
First Sunday of Lent



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### Welcome Home to Healing

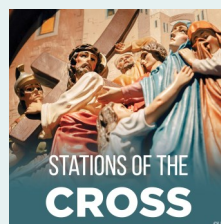
**Reconciliation throughout Lent**  
**Monday Evenings from 7:00-8:30 PM**

**February 27th,**  
**March 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th**

**All will take place in the Church.**

### Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament

**Friday Evenings during Lent**  
**at 7:00 in the Church**



## Mass Schedule

**Monday-Friday:** 7:00 AM, 11:45 AM  
All weekday Masses celebrated in the Chapel.

**Saturday:** 5:00 PM

**Sunday:** 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM, 5:00 PM  
All weekend Masses celebrated in the Church.

## Rite of Reconciliation

**(Confessions)**

**Saturday:** 3:45 PM

Confessions take place in the Church.

## Office Hours

**Monday-Thursday:** 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

**Sunday:** 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Closed Friday and Saturday

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then click on our church name.

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, February 25th

5:00 PM - Joseph Garcia, Edward Mateer (58th Anniv.),  
Marcella Sosin

### Sunday, February 26th

7:30 AM - Anna Di Benedetto

9:30 AM - Minchin Family

11:30 AM - Raffaella Porporino, Michael Moretti (7th Anniv.),  
Marcella Sosin

5:00 PM - People of the Parish

### Monday, February 27th

7:00 AM - Antonio Gencarelli

11:45 AM - Anna Natale

7:30 PM - Welcome Home to Healing

### Tuesday, February 28th

7:00 AM - Anthony Di Torie, Nicholina Filiaci

11:45 AM - Frank Mastrandrea

### Wednesday, March 1st

7:00 AM - Gloria Coppola

11:45 AM - Agnes Arena

### Thursday, March 2nd

7:00 AM - Casiano Grande, Jr. (Liv.-Birth.)

11:45 AM - Daniel Scutaro

### Friday, March 3rd

7:00 AM - Piero Di Benedetto

11:45 AM - Eugene Swain

### Saturday, March 4th

5:00 PM - Terry McLoughlin, John Dietz, Susan Veteri

### Sunday, March 5th

7:30 AM - People of the Parish

9:30 AM - Alex Macaluso

11:30 AM - Terry McLoughlin, Michael Gentile,  
Altagracia Granato

5:00 PM - Loved Ones in the Mass of Remembrance Book



## Tabernacle Candles

The Pacella Family  
Michael Moretti

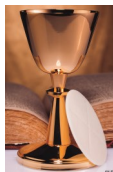


## Bread

The Pacella Family

## Wine

Michael Moretti



## Please Pray for Our Sick

Mary Acquire	Joanne Evans	Lou Morrero
Patricia Alger	Betty Gallagher	Jennifer Munson
Lottie Cappetta	John Giordano	David Murray
Thomas Cappitelli	Bernie Giuliano	Michael N.
James Carrig	Micheline Giuliano	Laura Nicoll
Barbara Choma	Rosamaria Giuliano	Danny O'Donnell
Anthony Ciccone	Cristian Gonzalez	Ricky Orefice
Dominick Cifarelli	Jane Grossi	Mary Orsulak
Diane Conti	Monica Haluszka	Rob Ortiz
Rachael Cornetta	Paulette Handago	Rosemary Pannone
Denise Costello	Robert Keller	Gloria Papciak
Michaela Cottone	Joanne Kettmann	Michael Pares
Rose Crantiello	Kaitlyn Kettmann	Josh Powers
Grace Cubellis	Anthony Levinsky	Lucilo Ramos
Sr. Lois Curry	Gerard Lex	Jerri Rettig
Josephine D'Alessio	Sal Lombardi	Millie Restuccia
Barbara D'Allegro	Jack Lowack	Matthew Scholtz
Juan D'Orville	Robbie Lyon	Connie Smith
Bob DeFilippis	Tatyana Lyon	Robert Sturm
Anthony De Pasquale III	Kim Huong Magia	Patrick Sullivan
Linda DeVito	Donna Maino	Patricia Swaney
The Dellers	Elaine McGough	Denise Swanteck
Richard DiChiaro	Rose Mary McGraw	John Tomasi
Phyllis Di Lorenzo	Cheryl McNamara	Charles Van Winkle
Steven Domalewski	Marie Mead	Ray White, Jr.
Marlene Dominianni	David Minchin	Stanley Witczak, Jr.
Mary Dominianni	Debra Moore	
Susan Elsey-Boeck	Carlos Moroan	

## In Memoriam, Over the Past 20 Years

February 25, 2002 to March 3, 2022

Louise La Marita 02 25 2008	Joseph A. Giannasio 03 01 2008
Helen Lanaras 02 25 2017	Theresa Marie Bulwin 03 01 2018
Dorothy Hale 02 26 2007	Elisa Corsetti 03 01 2019
Raffaele Luciano 02 26 2014	Vincenzo Manzi 03 01 2022
Maria Garcia 02 26 2016	Evelyn Simone 03 02 2004
Loretta V. Tiritilli 02 27 2004	Helen C. Gilburn 03 02 2004
Cassie Kolakowski 02 27 2011	Maria Rodriguez 03 02 2007
Shelby Paulhus 02 27 2012	Elizabeth A. Sloane 03 02 2010
Bernard P. Reilly 02 27 2015	Mary Theresa
Rose Sokalski 02 28 2009	O'Donnell, MSN, RN 03 02 2010
Anne Cody 02 28 2012	Agnes R. Arena 03 02 2022
Tuan Hoang Phan 02 28 2019	Jo Ann Lauritano 03 03 2008
Marie E. Pezzuti 02 29 2007	Rachel E. Gaita 03 03 2008
Thomas K. Lawrence, Sr. 02 29 2007	Carmine Capalbo 03 03 2011
Anna Kweder 03 01 2002	

## Weekly Readings

visit: [www.usccb.org/bible/index.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/bible/index.cfm)

### Sunday, February 26th

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)/  
Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

### Monday, February 27th

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

### Tuesday, February 28th

Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

### Wednesday, March 1st

Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

### Thursday, March 2nd

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

### Friday, March 3rd

Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 507a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

### Saturday, March 4th

Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

### Sunday, March 5th

Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)/2 Tm 1:8b-10/  
Mt 17:1-9

## Calendar Raffle Winners!

Thank you to all who participated in our Calendar Raffle! It was a complete success!

Congratulations to the following winners!!

Date	Ticket #	Winner	Prize
Feb. 12	1206	Dorothy Lanik	\$100
Feb. 13	359	Kyle Larson	\$50
Feb. 14	1157	Gina & Mike Forbes	\$50
Feb. 15	1359	Pat & Mike Vaclavicek	\$50
Feb. 16	1066	Michael Filiaci	\$50
Feb. 17	1274	Jessica Costa	\$50
Feb. 18	999	Phillip Sgobba	\$50



## Food Pantry Is Open!!

Those in need of food may come to the Parish Ministry Center Monday-Thursday from 10:00-11:00 AM for a bag of food. All visitors **MUST WEAR A MASK**. The food pantry is low on the following items: canned vegetables, cans of tuna, canned soup, canned fruit, packages of instant potatoes, cans of spaghetti and meatballs or ravioli and macaroni and cheese.

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

### **“THE LORD, YOUR GOD, SHALL YOU WORSHIP AND HIM ALONE SHALL YOU SERVE”**

With Ash Wednesday we entered the holy season of Lent. We are now at the very beginning of our forty day journey from Ash Wednesday to the great Easter Vigil. Lent is an invitation to conversion of heart. Every season of the liturgical year is filled with grace but Lent forces us to take a long hard look at our relationship with God, his Church, and all of our relationships in general.

Lent is an introspective season; Lent demands that we ask ourselves demanding questions about what our ultimate goals and values are. What is it that we prize above all else? If we don't place our relationship with God above all else then we have work to do this Lent. And that is why we have Lent every year. So that we are able to focus our attention on being open to the power of God's grace for conversion and so that we accept the power of his love as a means of encouragement and hope. The starkness of the season – with its violet colored vestments at Mass – and lack of decoration in church – calls us to examine first things and to strip away everything that does not serve our relationship with God.

Lent challenges us to internalize an essential truth of our faith: we are not given life to simply enjoy its pleasures. We are given life in order that we might live in friendship with God and to serve one another. Our first reading from the Book of Genesis shows forth the mighty power of God: Almighty God creates from nothing, he brings us into existence through his power: “The LORD God formed man out of the clay of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life, and so man became a living being” (Genesis 2:7). God infuses the breath of his own life in us and we are made to take every breath that we breathe for the glory of his name. But, of course, we are distracted from our God given purpose. It is nothing new; humanity has been led astray from its relationship with God from the very beginning. Selfishness and hubris remain the destructive elements to harm our openness to the love of God.

The serpent in the Book of Genesis can be a stand-in for all of those wrong decisions, those evil intentions, those lost opportunities to live in communion with God that have taken place all through human history. When women and men are tempted to believe that they can take on the status to have full dominion and sovereignty over their own lives it is never a good thing and always has an unhappy conclusion. When all is well, life is fulfilling, and we feel that we know a lasting and permanent peace. It is tempting to think that we have accomplished this all on our own. That is the mentality that the serpent in the Garden of Eden was counting on: “No, God knows well that the moment you eat of it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods who know what is good and what is evil” (3:5). He was not disappointed, after partaking of the fruit of the tree of good and evil, Adam and Eve realized the folly of their decision: “Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked” (3:7). Their nakedness is indicative of the lack of protection and help that they needed to live. Adam and Eve had decided to throw aside the mantle of God's love and they were naked, not only physically but spiritually, without it. Now death would exercise its dominion over them. But all was not lost. There would be another opportunity to live in paradise.

All through history, God seeks us, calls us to himself, and asks us to respond to the gift of his love even when we are stubborn and would do otherwise. The LORD sends the gift of his Son, Jesus Christ, into the world through the power of the Holy Spirit in order to redeem us and to set his creation back into proper harmony with him. Though the Son of God, Jesus is also human, he too knows the temptation to power and he knows the inclination to trust in his own power alone. But the Son of God responds perfectly to the will of his Father. As we move through Lent and we hear the readings of the season proclaimed at Mass, we come to understand that God is not only present to us in all of the joys of life but is also present – and sometimes more so – in the burdens we all must carry in one way or another along the Way of the Cross.

It is not coincidental that the gospel that we hear proclaimed today is of the temptation of Jesus in the desert. In the desert, the place of physical and spiritual desolation, Jesus is stripped of all of the trappings of the world; he is alone and in need of God's protection. In the desert he could have easily given into the temptation to believe that a simple affirmative answer to the devil's temptations could have brought him the comfort, even worldly power that could have delivered him from the barren desert. But Jesus, living in perfect communion with his Father does not give into such illusions. Jesus is the model for all of us who seek to put God first in our lives.

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## Pastor's Message (...continued from Page 3)

Anything or anyone that we let take the first place that God deserves in our life is always going to lead us toward an unhappy conclusion. The final answer of Jesus to the temptations of the devil in this week's reading in Saint Matthew's Gospel is the perfect reflection for us throughout the days and weeks of Lent: "The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve" (Matthew 4:10). During these grace filled days of Lent, let us pray to put God first in our lives so that everything else in life finds its proper place.

### DAILY MASS FOR LENT

So very often, people ask, "What can I give up for Lent?" It is helpful to give up some food during Lent to remind us to purify from our lives all those things that do not serve our friendship with God. However, one of the best things that anyone can do for Lent is to attend daily Mass. Those who take part in the celebration of the Eucharist daily will tell you that it grounds their day and helps them to find strength and peace that they never knew was possible. If you cannot take part in daily Mass, at least think about taking part in Mass on one extra day each week; I guarantee if you do that you will experience Lent and celebrate Easter in a way that you never have before.

### WELCOME HOME TO HEALING MONDAY EVENING CONFESSIONS DURING LENT

Bishop Sweeney has asked all parishes of the Diocese of Paterson to emphasize the special gift of the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the Lenten Season. Because confession is such an important way to prepare for Easter, the Bishop has asked every parish of the Diocese of Paterson to have a confessor available on the Monday evenings of Lent between 7:00-8:30 in the evening. I encourage you to take this opportunity to receive the Lord's healing mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. People often say, "I have been away from confession too long, there is no way I can go." Not true. The Lord is always waiting for us to welcome us home to his healing love. Taking advantage of the grace of sacramental confession will change your heart and renew your relationship with the Lord and his Church. For more information, please visit [www.welcomehometohealing.org](http://www.welcomehometohealing.org). The first Monday evening that the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available in the church is February 27, 2023. Please take this opportunity to experience God's mercy and love through sacramental confession. Once you have celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent your celebration of the Resurrection of Christ from the dead at Easter will bring you special peace and joy.

### BENEDICTION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAY EVENINGS OF LENT

"WE ADORE YOU O CHRIST AND WE PRAISE YOU BECAUSE BY YOUR HOLY CROSS YOU HAVE REDEEMED THE WORLD." Those familiar words from the Stations of the Cross remind us that the Lord's redemption of sinners through the pouring forth of his blood on the cross continues for us. The Lord's redemption of us and his drawing of us into friendship with him is experienced in a deep way when we walk with him along the Way of the Cross. STATIONS OF THE CROSS WITH BENEDICTION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE FRIDAY EVENINGS OF LENT AT 7:00 IN THE CHURCH. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration before the Stations of the Cross. The period of Eucharistic adoration will conclude with Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Please take some time to make a visit to church for adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Please join us for Stations of the Cross, a devotion that helps us to unite ourselves more closely with the Lord on the way to Calvary and to appreciate that the Lord Jesus walks with us as we carry burdens that are, at times, very heavy and who assures us that the crosses that we carry are never the end for us but an opening to eternal life that we will share with the Lord who opened for us the gates of paradise. The Stations of the Cross help to assure us that in our difficulties the Lord walks with us and strengthens us.

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## A BEEFSTEAK-TRICKY TRAY THANK YOU

Thank you to all who made our February 17, 2023 Beefsteak-Trick Tray such a success; a special word of thanks to Beverly Cuccinelli, Sue Ann Jones, MaryRose Scarpa, Annette Kostroski, and Donna Bradley. Many hours were spent in preparing for this one evening and the dedication and efforts of this team shone through. Thank you! And thank you to all who participated in the evening.

Sincerely in Christ,



Monsignor T. Mark Condon  
Pastor



### Stations of the Cross & Adoration with Benediction

Each Friday evening of Lent we will have Stations of the Cross followed by Eucharistic adoration with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 7:00 in the church. Please take some time to make a visit to church for this most blessed occasion.

### Sanctuary Candles, Altar Bread & Wine



If you are looking for a new way to remember a loved one, you can do so for one week by making a donation to the Sanctuary Candle, Altar Bread or Altar Wine. If interested, please call the Parish Ministry Center at 973-256-5200 for available weeks.



Knights of Columbus Council 3835

### Fish & Chips Dinner

By Tastefully British

Friday, March 3, 2023 at 5:00 PM

Holy Angels Church, Little Falls

Tickets \$19

Eat in or take out, Walk-ins Welcome!

Includes Cole Slaw, Beverage, Dessert, Coffee/Tea

For tickets, call

Dave 973-809-8944/Mike 973-907-3229



### Grief Group

If you are struggling with the death of a loved one, feeling their loss and the extreme loneliness experienced in grief, perhaps a Grief Support Group would help. Group meetings are confidential and an excellent way to better understand your grief and to deal with a loss. St. Joseph's Parish, Lincoln Park has started a Grief Group. For more information or to sign-up, please call Sr. Ellen at 973-696-4411 x-12.



### The 2023 Mass Book Is Now Open!



The 2023 Mass Book is now open. There will be no mass intentions for Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day, All Souls, Thanksgiving and Christmas Masses. These masses will be for the "People of the Parish."

### Rosary for the Sick

Rosary will be said for the sick of our world on the first and third Mondays of the month. This will take place in Church following the 11:45 AM Mass. Please join us as everyone's prayers are needed.



### Online Giving Will Help Sustain Our Church



Meeting your giving goal will help support our church's many ministries dedicated to strengthening our church's community and community at large.

Online Giving allows you to make donations, payments and pledges via your smart device or computer to our church. Search the App Stores for Online Giving or go to <https://osvhub.com/holyangelsrc/funds> and create an account.

Set up your gift today or consider an additional gift via our website on your smart device. Visit [www.holyangelsrc.org](http://www.holyangelsrc.org) and click on the "Donate" tab to make a one-time or recurring donation.

For parishioners who want to avoid credit card and bank transaction fees, we strongly encourage the free bank bill-payment services that many local banks offer. For example, both Bank of America and Chase offer Bill Pay services that allow the account owner to set up a weekly automatic payment via check in a set amount to the parish. This paper check is then mailed by the bank to the parish on the date the account holder sets. This works very well and is easy for most parishioners to set up and use.



## Become a Soldier of Christ

The Knights of Columbus is interested in members of the parish to join us. If you found our Grand Knight's talk interesting and have some questions, please contact Mike Vaclavicek at 973-907-3229 or [mikevacl@aol.com](mailto:mikevacl@aol.com). Let's talk!

## Parking on Route 23

Recently Route 23 was repaved and lined creating two lanes on the northbound side which means you may no longer park in front of the church. You will receive a traffic ticket if you do so. You may park on the southbound side (across the street) but please pay close attention to the street signs. Of course you may always park in the church parking lot.

### JPIC Committee

## Father English Pans Are Back!!!

Thank you for the wonderful response to the return of Fr. English pans! Your support of this ministry has been generous. We are very grateful, as are our brothers and sisters who benefit from your generosity. Please return the pan to the Parish Ministry Center Monday-Thursday from 10:00 AM-2:00 PM or Sunday from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM. They will be kept in the freezer and driven down to Fr. English as soon as possible.

## Our Lady of the Holy Angels Church Votive Light Memorial Opportunity

**Deceased/Intention:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Location:**

\_\_\_\_ Sacred Heart of Jesus

\_\_\_\_ Saint Anthony of Padua, Saint Jude Thaddeus, and Saint Thérèse of Lisieux (The Little Flower)

I would like to remember my loved one with a Memorial Candle.

**My choice is:**

\_\_\_\_ One-time cost of \$500.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
(check enclosed)

\_\_\_\_ One-time cost of \$500.00 - five monthly installments

\_\_\_\_ Bill yearly at \$75.00

**Your name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to:** Our Lady of the Holy Angels  
Attn: Beverly Cuccinelli  
465 Main Street, Little Falls, NJ 07424

## Reusable Bags Needed!!

If you use a shop from home food service and don't know what to do with the reusable bags, please donate them at the church or office so we can use them at our food pantry. Thank you for your generosity throughout the year. God Bless!

## Father English Food Pantry Needs Volunteers

The Father English Food Pantry of Catholic Charities, Catholic Family & Community Services, 435 Main Street, Paterson, NJ 07501 is in dire need of volunteers to sort food donations and pack bags of food to be handed out to clients at the door. We have gone from providing food to 5,000+ in February to 21,000 in December. We are blessed with donations of food, but we don't have enough workers to get the food organized and packaged to be distributed to clients and two low income senior projects in Paterson.

Volunteers are needed Monday-Friday between 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM and Saturdays between 8:00 AM and noon. You can come for an hour or more on any day. We practice COVID protocols. Each volunteer has a temp taken and completes a questionnaire. We all wear masks, use hand sanitizer, and practice social distancing. The building is sanitized on a regular basis.

Volunteers unpack donations, sort them and then package bags of food to hand out at the door. Volunteers do not come in direct contact with clients.

For further information, please contact Sister Maureen Sullivan, SC, Director of Volunteers for CFCS, [msullivan@catholiccharities.org](mailto:msullivan@catholiccharities.org), 973-572-5283.

## Eyeglass Donation Discontinued

Unfortunately, the Knights of Columbus will no longer be collecting eyeglasses at the doors of the church. Thank you for the years of generosity.

## Financial Outlook

Ending 2/12/23

### Collection Goals

2021-2022 Yearly Collection Goal	\$433,500
2021-2022 Weekly Goal	\$8,500

**Due to Presidents' Day, the collection information for February 12th was not available at the time of printing. This information will be updated in next weekend's bulletin.**

Thank you

### Envelope Usage

Registered Households	1,269
Households Receiving Envelopes	398
Households Using Envelopes	327