

# St. Patrick's Parish

## *Served By:*

Rev. Msgr. John T. Ferry, Pastor  
Rev. Joseph K. Domfeh, Parochial Vicar

## *Schedule of Masses:*

Sunday: 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12 noon  
Monday to Friday: 9:00 am  
Saturday: 9 am, 5:30 pm (Vigil Mass of Sunday)

Holy Days of Obligation: 5:30 pm (Vigil), 9:00 am, 7:00 pm

## *Sacrament of Reconciliation:*

Saturdays 4:30 to 5:00 pm  
Anytime in the Rectory by appointment.



## *Parish Office at the Cenacle:*

Office Hours: Monday 9:00am-4:00pm  
Tuesday through Friday 9:30am-2:30pm  
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## *Rectory:*

7 Pound Ridge Road, Bedford, NY 10506  
914-234-3668

## *St. Patrick's Religious Education:*

Karen Schmidt, Coordinator Grades 1-4  
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## *Parish Registration:*

Our parish family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. Please register as a parishioner. If you have a change of address, please notify the Parish Office.

## *Baptisms:*

First and third Saturday of the month by appointment. Prior Baptismal Catechesis is required when baptizing the first child. Call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

## *Communion to the Homebound:*

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements. A Eucharistic Minister will bring Communion to the ill or infirm who cannot attend mass.

## *Chapel of Eucharistic Adoration:*

The Chapel is located in the Cenacle Building (at 485 Old Post Road, Bedford). Hours are 10 am to 2:30pm, Monday through Friday. Signup times are available.

## *Anointing of the Sick:*

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements. If the Parish Office is closed, please call the Rectory.

## *Sacrament of Marriage:*

Please contact the Office at least 6 months in advance of your intended Wedding date. Attendance at a Marriage Preparation course is required.

## *First Sunday of Lent - March 6, 2022*

### *Mass Intentions*

#### **Saturday, March 5**

9:00 am Sonia Aguilar req. by The Carpano Family  
5:30 pm Raymond Errickson req. by Maureen & Lisa Errickson

#### **Sunday, March 6**

9:00 am Joseph Paul req. by Andrew & Jessie Paul and Family  
10:30 am Lenore Jiminez req. by Lydia Cornelio  
12:00 pm Vincent J. & Vincent D. Luccarelli req. by Family

#### **Monday, March 7**

9:00 am Thomas Keller req. by MaryAnne & Bill Riley

#### **Tuesday, March 8**

9:00 am Saverio Procaro req. by The Calao Family

#### **Wednesday, March 9**

9:00 am Nora Walsh req. by Teresa Flynn

#### **Thursday, March 10**

9:00 am Edward Fuhrman, Sr. req. by Family

#### **Friday, March 11**

9:00 am Heather Petre req. by Vincent, Elizabeth & Christopher Buchan  
7:30 pm *Stations of the Cross*

#### **Saturday, March 12**

9:00 am Joyce Raymor Talley req. by The Ingraldi Family  
5:30 pm Biagio Cantisani req. by Roseanne Cantisani

#### **Sunday, March 13**

9:00 am The living & deceased members of St. Patrick's parish  
10:30 am Joseph Vitelli req. by Marianne Vitelli  
12:00 pm Lana Lenar req. by Andrea & Joe Colao

### *Stations of the Cross*

**Please join us every Friday evening during Lent at 7:30pm for the Stations of the Cross.**

### *Pray for the Sick*

Jean Gallagher, Spyros, Mia Trehan,

*We need your help in order to keep our Prayer List up to date! Please remember to let the Parish Office know when you'd like to add or remove a name. Thank you!*

### *Service Personnel Prayer List*

*The names listed below are service personnel serving in our nation's armed forces who are relatives of our parishioners. Please keep them in your prayers.*

Darren Adler/Marines  
Charlie Carr/Air Force  
Ralph J. DeMartino/Marines  
Richard Hughes/Marines  
John Lund/Navy  
Jacqueline M. Penichet/Navy  
Luis F Penichet/Marines  
Steven Scully/Marines  
Thomas M. Stevenson/Army



### **Daylight Savings Time Begins**

**Next Sunday, March 13, 2022**

**Please remember to "Spring Forward" on Saturday evening!**

## *From the Pastor's Desk:*

Dear Parishioners,

On this First Sunday of Lent, we hear the Gospel where Jesus is tempted by the devil. In His divinity, Jesus was able to resist the temptations so as to remain faithful to the will of the Father. In our humanity we are not immune to temptations of many kinds. Temptation is one of the effects of Original Sin and we are all well aware it is part of the human condition. We are often tempted to choose our will over what we know is God's will for us. We can be tempted in many different ways to misuse our God-given gifts. We seek power, money, influence and many other things that we know in the end are all temporary. We will always be tempted, but by cooperating with God's grace we too can resist and overcome the temptations that we encounter in life. The forty days of Lent are offered to God in imitation of Jesus, who "was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, where he was tempted by the devil." Jesus chose to rely on the care of his Father, to surrender himself as servant to the will and plan of his Father, and to follow God's will, even if that meant suffering and death on the cross. The season of Lent gives us the opportunity to free ourselves from the things that keep us from following the example of Jesus in being true to what God's will is for us. May it be a time of grace for each of us.

While the tragic situation in the Ukraine unfolds, may we make it part of our Lenten observance to pray for the Ukrainian people and for peace to prevail.

Lenten Blessings,

Msgr. John T. Ferry, Pastor

**Our monthly food drive is underway!  
March 5th & 6th with delivery on the  
8th. (We need volunteer drivers.)**

While you're shopping for your family, pick up nutritious foods to share with our Neighbors in need, or make a monetary donation to the Community Center.

Thank you for opening your hearts to our neighbors-in-need!

## LENTEN GUIDELINES

During the season of Lent, the Church urges the faithful to reflect a spirit of penance in their daily lives through performing as of fast and abstinence. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 2 and ends on Holy Thursday, April 14.

- 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.

## Life Spirituality Book Group

The Life Spirituality Group is an informal, small group of parishioners who meet usually once a month to discuss the spiritual book we are currently reading. Our next meeting is **Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**, in the Church Meeting Room after 9 am mass. We are just starting a new book, "Understanding Divine Mercy" by Fr. Chris Alar, and we will be going over pages 3 to 60. This is an easy read as well as a timely topic as the Feast of Divine Mercy will be on April 24<sup>th</sup>. We would love to welcome some new members! All you need to do is buy a copy of the book, read to page 60 and send an email to [Kathy@tomcherniavsky.com](mailto:Kathy@tomcherniavsky.com) to let us know you will be coming. We have notes to help jog our memories and those will be emailed to you in advance of the meeting. Please consider joining us!

## *First Sunday of Lent - March 6, 2022*

### **CURRENT COVID GUIDELINES**

- **Mask requirements in church are lifted for everyone; those who wish to continue to wear a mask may do so at their discretion;**
- **Priests will invite the faithful to exchange the sign of peace avoiding any physical contact;**
- **The Precious Blood will not be offered to the faithful;**
- **Communicants are encouraged to receive in the open hand rather than on the tongue;**
- **Holy water fonts and baptismal font will remain empty for now.**

### **ALTAR SERVER TRAINING SESSIONS**

**All those interested in these training sessions should contact Thomas Kennedy via email at: [tom.kennedy@kennedycc.com](mailto:tom.kennedy@kennedycc.com) or by phone at: 914-309-5220.**

**Sessions are running Thursday evenings from 6:45pm to 7:30pm in the Church.**

### **FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE**

This life-saving prayer campaign will take place again throughout the archdiocese from March 2 through April 10. It consists of forty days of prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil at abortion facilities. It is proven to work. When prolife people show up outside clinics, the 'no-show' rate goes up to almost 75%. Many abortion-minded women have left facilities and chosen life during Forty Days for Life thanks to parishioners witnessing outside the clinics and services provided by The Sisters of Life and our pregnancy centers. For more information, visit: [www.40daysforlife.com/en/spring](http://www.40daysforlife.com/en/spring)

### **PARISH COUNCIL**

**Anyone interested in joining the Parish Council, please contact Gary Vessecchia at 917-655-6020.**

### **EMERGENCY SHELTER PARTNERSHIP**

Saint Patrick's Parish is one of the member community organizations of the Emergency Shelter Partnership (ESP). The mission of this powerful partnership is to provide overnight shelter and food to homeless people in our Northern Westchester community.

Saint Patrick's officially joined ESP in 2019 and we have been overwhelmed by the outpouring of support from our parish family over the past several years. Plans have been underway for our ministry to continue this year the week of Monday, March 28th through Sunday, April 3rd. Saint Francis of Assisi Church will be the primary host, housing the guests, and we will provide the food and other supplies.

All food and other items must be individually packaged and delivered by one volunteer to Saint Francis. We have established Team Captains for each night, but have many other needs and are excited to provide this meaningful volunteer opportunity for you and your family to get involved.

We invite you to participate in one of the following ways:

- Volunteer to deliver the food to Saint Francis of Assisi Church in Mount Kisco at 8:15 PM and stay for approximately 15 minutes to assist with the guest check-in. Strict protocols have been established and PPE will be provided. This volunteer will coordinate with the Team Captain.
- Provide food listed in the slots below. The Team Captain for the slot you signed up for will contact you to confirm location and drop-off time.
- Provide supplies in the slots listed below. You may purchase supplies and drop them off in a box in the back of Saint Patrick's Church starting on or before Saturday, March 19th. A box will be there for the entire week.

Sign up to make a meal, supply breakfast or other items we need to support our guests. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050f48aaad2fa7f85-volunteer1>

Over the years our Parish has been so very generous and we hope you will consider being a part of this ministry of fellowship and hope.

With peace and blessings,

The Saint Patrick's Emergency Shelter Planning Committee