

St. Peter the Fisherman Parish

March 3rd: 8th Sunday — Ordinary Time

“Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch.” — Luke 5:4

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Holy Name—Machias



St. Timothy—Campobello Isle, NB



St. Michael—Cherryfield



Sacred Heart—Lubec

Dear Parishioners,

Today with enthusiasm and joy we sing for the last time the *Gloria* and the *Alleluia* in Mass as we prepare for the hibernation of these two hymns for the 40 days of Lent. The season of Lent (and Advent) is what's called a “penitential season.” This means that it is a season during which we engage in acts of penance for our sins. It is a time when we as Catholics trade our joyful participation at Mass for a penitential *mea culpa* as I consider, Lord, that I have sinned “through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault.” The *Gloria* and the *Alleluia* are joyful acclamations of praise that we set aside as we take the time to contemplate why our Lord and Savior Jesus had to come to us in the first place. As we gain a deeper understanding of our sinfulness through the 40 days of Lent, we not only prepare our hearts for the Kingdom that is to come, but we also prepare our hearts to be thankful for the gift of our salvation that happened with the Resurrection of Jesus. For it is on that day just over 40 days from now that we will again sing with joyful praise, “Alleluia!, Glory to God in the highest”, our Lord has set us free. Until then, however, let us remain humbly and quietly at the foot of the Cross being sorry for our sins and anticipating that joyful day of Resurrection.

With prayers for your holiness and God's abundant blessings,
Fr. Philip Clement, Pastor

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you!

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Mass Intentions for the 8th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sat	Mar. 2, 2019	4:00 pm (ATL)	ST	8TH SUNDAY — People of SPF Parish
Sat	Mar. 2, 2019	4:30 pm (EDT)	SH	8TH SUNDAY — Msgr. Paul Gleason
Sun	Mar. 3, 2019	8:30 am	HN	8TH SUNDAY — Estelle Ross
Sun	Mar. 3, 2019	10:30 am	SM	8TH SUNDAY — Mary Ann Weileman
Wed	Mar. 6, 2019	8:30 am	HN	ASH WEDNESDAY — Msgr. Paul Gleason
Wed	Mar. 6, 2019	9:00 am	SM	ASH WEDNESDAY — Ed Gallagher
Wed	Mar. 6, 2019	12:10 pm	HN	ASH WEDNESDAY — Eric McDonald
Wed	Mar. 6, 2019	6:00 pm	SH	ASH WEDNESDAY — Barbara Fantone
Thurs	Mar. 7, 2019	8:30 am	SH	Week 8 — Msgr. Paul Gleason
Fri	Mar. 8, 2019	8:30 am	SM	Week 8 — Catholic Exchange Intentions

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Baptisms, Weddings, Holy Communion to the homebound, Sacrament of the Sick, Funerals, or any other sacramental or pastoral needs.

Confessions: Sat. 3:00-4:00 ATL @ St. Timothy; Sat. 5:30-6:00 @ Sacred Heart; Sun. 7:30-8:20 @ Holy Name; Sun. 11:30-12:30 @ St. Michael's

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Do you know ...

What is the difference between Lenten “fasting” and Lenten “abstinence”?

The difference between Lenten “fasting” and Lenten “abstinence” is that Lenten “abstinence” refers to abstaining from eating meat, and Lenten “fasting” refers to limiting all food on a particular day. Catholics between the ages of 15 and 59 are required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, where one full meal is allowed and a second meal that does not equal the size of a full meal. If you are younger than 15 or older than 59, you are not required to fast, although you may do some sort of fasting if you so choose. All Catholics regardless of age are required to abstain from eating meat on all Fridays of Lent. No one is to fast on Sundays because every Sunday is a small celebration of the Resurrection we celebrate on Easter, and that is a day of joy not of penance.

All Catholics should make some sort of Lenten sacrifice. Have you decided yet what yours will be???

LENTEN MISSION

This year for Lent (March 6 — April 20), we will have a parish mission on each Friday evening of the Lenten season. Each session will begin with the Stations of the Cross, and then we will delve into a discussion of the Holy Mass. The discussions will be guided by the book: *A Devotional Journey Into the Mass—How Mass Can Become A Time of Grace, Nourishment, and Devotion*, by Christopher Carstens. Get a copy from Amazon.com or contact Fr. Philip to help you obtain a copy. You do not need to read the book to attend the sessions. More information to follow.



ASH
WEDNESDAY

Mass & Distribution of Ashes

If you would like to receive ashes on Ash Wednesday, we will have Masses at the following times and churches.

8:30am — Holy Name

9:00am — St. Michael

12:10pm — Holy Name

6:00pm — Sacred Heart



REGISTER ONLINE OR UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION

Please go to our website www.stpeterthefisherman.me and register as a parishioner or update your registered contact information online now. Click the “About” tab and then “Register Online”. Please help us update our records.



Our Catholic community in the United States does something amazing each Lent. We come together to practice prayer, fasting and almsgiving—and by doing so we help lift families and communities out of poverty and put them on a path toward resilience, prosperity and stability. That’s the CRS Rice Bowl effect. Through this tradition, we have helped families around the world and in our own backyard by raising our voices and our prayers, and by making sacrificial gifts. **Take your Rice Bowl home today...please, one per family. THANK YOU!**

Winter operating budget ...

As mentioned last week, please support our “Winter Operating Budget” second collections. Please also consider adding one or two dollars to your regular weekly contributions to assist us in being able to meet our operating costs from now through May. **THANK YOU**



2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

Annual Black & Indian Mission Collection

Thank you for responding to the call



Shrove Tuesday Potluck

The word “Shrove” comes from the Old English word “Shriven” which means having gone to confession. Shrove Tuesday is the day before Ash Wednesday, when many prepare for Lent by going to confession. We will celebrate this Shrove Tuesday (also Mardi Gras) with a potluck dinner at SACRED HEART HALL in LUBEC. The gathering will begin at 4:30 and last until 7pm. Please come and bring a favorite dish as we feast before the fast. Fr. Philip promises a scrumptious Jambalaya!

OFFICE HOURS



Fr. Philip’s day off is Monday. Office hours are Wednesdays from 10am — 4pm by appointment only. If you need to see Fr. Philip for any reason, please call the office, or email Fr. Philip directly to make an appointment. Appointments are held at Holy Name Church in Machias.