

St. Peter the Fisherman Parish

March 10th: 1st Lent — Ordinary Time

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

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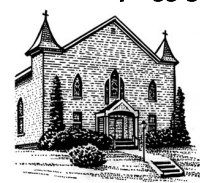
Holy Name—Machias



St. Timothy—Campobello Isle, NB



St. Michael—Cherryfield



Sacred Heart—Lubec

Dear Parishioners,

We are now underway on our journey to the Cross as we enter a new season of Lent. Lent is a time of reflection, introspection, repentance, and conversion. It is a time for us to decrease and for Jesus to increase in our lives. It is a time for us to consider our mortal frailty and how sin affects our relationship with Him. Becoming more aware of this should move us to a deeper desire to turn away from sin and follow the Gospel. In the Gospels Jesus tells us that the two greatest commandments is to love God above all things, and to love our neighbor as ourselves. These two commandments are reflected in the three tenets of Lent: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Prayer helps us to put God first in all things. The Mass is a wonderful way to participate in communal prayer, but we should also develop an intimate prayer life just between ourselves and the Lord. Fasting teaches us self-denial and helps us learn to say "no" to ourselves in order to put others first. Finally, almsgiving not only helps us put others first, but it teaches us how to give of ourselves to others by contributing to another's lack or need. If we build our Lenten experience on these three principles, we are sure to have a very fruitful journey to the Cross as we travel the path to conversion. Later in the season of Lent we will have an opportunity to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation as a parish. If you haven't yet been to confession this year, or if it's been a long time since you've made a good confession, please consider making this year a year of change and renewal and come to the throne of God's mercy, confess your sins, and receive His absolution.

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



OFFERTORY COLLECTION
March 3rd & 4th

Thank you for your generosity.

Mass Intentions for the 1st Sunday of Lent

Sat	Mar. 9, 2019	4:00 pm (ATL)	ST	1ST SUNDAY — Msgr. Paul Gleason
Sat	Mar. 9, 2019	4:30 pm (EDT)	SH	1ST SUNDAY — People of SPF Parish
Sun	Mar. 10, 2019	8:30 am	HN	1ST SUNDAY — William K. O'Brien
Sun	Mar. 10, 2019	10:30 am	SM	1ST SUNDAY — Msgr. Paul Gleason
Wed	Mar. 13, 2019	8:30 am	HN	WEEK 1 — Bernard Champy
Wed	Mar. 13, 2019	9:00 am	SM	WEEK 1 — Meredith Checker
Thurs	Mar. 14, 2019	8:30 am	SH	WEEK 1 — Catholic Exchange Intentions
Fri	Mar. 15, 2019	8:30 am	SM	WEEK 1 — 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

www.stpeterthefisherman.me

Do you know ...

St. Peter the Fisherman Parish still has an online subscription to the Augustine Institute's Catholic faith website called FORMED.org. The subscription is free for registered parishioners. All you have to do is go to the link below and follow the instructions. This link was published incorrectly in previous bulletins. This is the corrected link:

www.stpeterthefisherman.formed.org

If you have any problems, please contact Fr. Philip.

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 **AT 6:30PM**, 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.



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.

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

Winter Operations Budget

Thank you for responding to the call



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!**



Downeast Table of Plenty Sunday, March 24th

St. Michael Church will sponsor the **DETOP** community supper on March 24th. If you would like to donate, please notify Sunshine and Brian Strout at 207-546-1230. Please see them after Mass to sign up.



Lent is a wonderful time to make an extra effort to support our local food pantries. In the back of each church are collection baskets in which you can put your donated non-perishable food items. Any donation is a step toward providing a meal for someone unable to provide it for themselves. This act of kindness falls under the tenet of "Almsgiving."

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.