



THE PARISH OF SAINT RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

MARCH 14, 2021 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Welcome!

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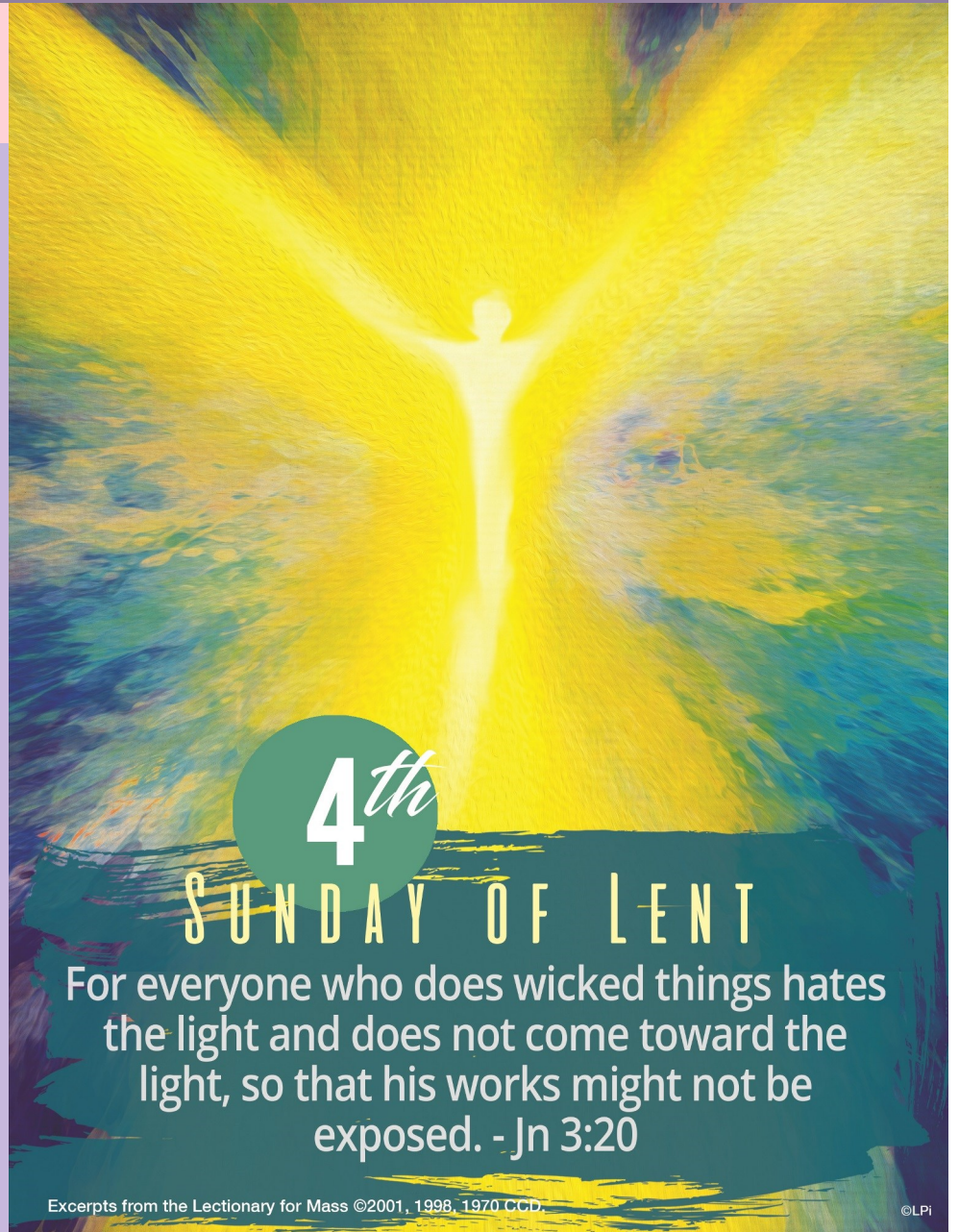
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Fr. James McDonough
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Deacons
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Dcn. Paul Lim
Dcn. Jim Mackin

MASS SCHEDULE

—registration required—

SATURDAY:	4:00 p.m. at SSJ 4:30 p.m. at SEAS
SUNDAY:	7:30 a.m. at SMOS 8:00 a.m. at SEAS 9:00 a.m. at SSJ 10:00 a.m. at SMOS 10:30 a.m. at SEAS 11:30 a.m. at SSJ
MONDAY:	8:30 a.m. at SSJ 12:00 p.m. at SEAS
TUESDAY:	9:00 a.m. at SMOS 12:00 p.m. at SSJ
WEDNESDAY:	8:30 a.m. at SSJ 12:00 p.m. at SEAS
THURSDAY:	8:30 a.m. at SSJ 12:00 p.m. at SEAS
FRIDAY:	9:00 a.m. at SMOS 12:00 p.m. at SSJ



4th

SUNDAY OF LENT

For everyone who does wicked things hates
the light and does not come toward the
light, so that his works might not be
exposed. - Jn 3:20

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SACRAMENTS



BAPTISM:

For arrangements call
412-857-5356



ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Call the parish office for arrangements if in danger of death. If hospitalized or in a skilled nursing facility, please ask the nursing staff to contact the Catholic priest on call for that facility.



MARRIAGE:

Arrangements must be made with one of the priests at least six months before the proposed date of the wedding.



PENANCE:

Saturdays

- ♦ 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
at St. Margaret of Scotland Church
- ♦ Noon to 1:00 p.m.
at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church

Please use masks and adhere to all posted safety protocol.
Restrooms will not be available.

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

MARCH 13/14 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - LAETARE SUNDAY

4:00 p.m.	SSJ	People of the Parish
4:30 p.m.	SEAS	Mildred and Charles Spratt by daughters
7:30 a.m.	SMOS	Amelia J. Zak by Cathy Zak
8:00 a.m.	SEAS	Carl Kleysteuber by Mary and Charles Matlak
9:00 a.m.	SSJ	Kenneth Wood by Mary and Fred Grossett
10:00 a.m.	SMOS	Mary Zbezinski by Ann Zbezinski
10:30 a.m.	SEAS	Rosella and James Geis by Constance Wood
11:30 a.m.	SSJ	Patricia and Julius Sanctis by Sheryl Sanctis and family

MARCH 15 | MONDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

8:30 a.m.	SSJ	Eileen Guiliani by family
12:00 p.m.	SEAS	Carl Kleysteuber by Jeannine and Denny Wilson

MARCH 16 | TUESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

9:00 a.m.	SMOS	Deceased of the Kinzler Families by the Bob Kinzler family
12:00 p.m.	SSJ	Mary Warner by the Ladies of Charity

MARCH 17 | WEDNESDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

8:30 a.m.	SSJ	Sam Licciardello by JoAnn and family
12:00 p.m.	SEAS	Mary Warner by the Ladies of Charity

MARCH 18 | THURSDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

8:30 a.m.	SSJ	Elizabeth Lolli by Maggie and Harve Kennedy
12:00 p.m.	SEAS	Deceased of the Spratt Family

MARCH 19 | SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

9:00 a.m.	SMOS	For peace & justice in Northern Ireland by the Murphy Family
12:00 p.m.	SSJ	Barbara Kinzler by son

MARCH 20/21 | FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

4:00 p.m.	SSJ	Loretta Grecco by Fr. Robert Grecco
4:30 p.m.	SEAS	Irene Brosek by Florence LaSota
7:30 a.m.	SMOS	People of the Parish
8:00 a.m.	SEAS	Jackie Woodburn by Leslie Lundis and Kimberly Bloom
9:00 a.m.	SSJ	Anthony Moschetta by cousin, Mel Leonette
10:00 a.m.	SMOS	Charlotte & Sam DiMartino, Marie & Ed Novak by Ed Novak Jr.
10:30 a.m.	SEAS	Larry Falik by Mamie and family
11:30 a.m.	SSJ	Norma Broderick by L. L. T.

PRAYER & WORSHIP

FROM THE PASTOR

"Prayer offered in holiness from a faithful heart rises like incense from a holy altar. Nothing is more fragrant than the fragrance of the Lord. May all who believe share in this fragrance." —St Augustine

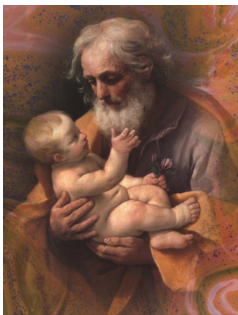
It's that time of the year again! Folks are seeking the pastor's signature for sponsor/godparent forms as well as Catholic school scholarship applications. It's really a difficult time of year, as some of those who are seeking the "required signature" don't always fulfill the criteria set by the Church (and / or the Diocese of Pittsburgh). There are requirements that must be met to be a godparent/ sponsor (full initiation, regular Mass attendance, Church marriage). There are criteria to be met to be considered for the Catholic school scholarships (parish registration, Mass attendance, financial contributions). I find myself regularly communicating with those who don't meet the criteria and, in turn, blame me for that deficiency.

By virtue of our baptism, we are directed in the practice of the Faith by both the Commandments as well as the "Precepts of the Church". We should desire to receive from Christ all that he wants to offer to us! What He offers was won at the price of His Life out of Love for us. The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us:

Attendance at Mass on all Sundays and holy days of obligation is one of the particular ways in which we as Catholics minimally practice our Faith in Christ. Additional precepts include: the "Easter Duty"-to worthily receive the Eucharist at least during the Easter season (from the first Sunday of Lent through to Trinity Sunday-(May 30, 2021); to confess sins in the Sacrament of Reconciliation at least once a year (although if one is aware of mortal sin, this sacrament is required before any reception of the Eucharist); to observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church; to help provide for the needs of the Church according to your ability.

The Sacrament of Penance

Please keep in mind that the COVID circumstances will prohibit coverage of the volume of participants that we have accommodated in the past. We cannot use small rooms or closet-sized booths. Confessions are available every Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at St. Margaret of Scotland Church, and 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church. The sacrament will also be offered on the evenings of March 24 and 25, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., at Ss. Simon and Jude Church; and Wednesday, March 31, from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church. Masks are required and social distancing will be enforced.



The Solemnity of St. Joseph

On March 19th, we celebrate the holiness in the midst of unpredictable fatherhood. We first meet Joseph when he discovers his betrothed is pregnant...and not by him! St. Joseph does not know who the father is (yet), but he knows the punishment for adultery is death. He decides to divorce Mary quietly, and thus save her life. When an angel appears to reveal that Mary is pregnant by the Holy Spirit, St. Joseph trusts his dream and marries her. We know that St. Joseph is faithful, brave, and willing to sacrifice for those he loves. On the Solemnity of St. Joseph, we don't merely celebrate a carpenter. We celebrate a hero!

Learn more about the year of St. Joseph at diopitt.org.

Pray the novena found on our website (straphaelcgs.org) under Quick Links.

Please pray for the souls of the faithful departed.

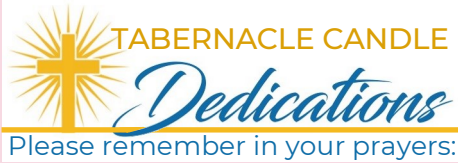
Rex "Sean" Parees



Leo Adamo	Larry LaSota
Anthony Anderson	Joan Loniero
Anne Marie Birchok	Mary Ann Macino
Brian Bishop	Arch MacLennan
Jim Boerio	Laura Martin
Donald Campbell	Sam Martin
Dorothy Campbell	Gina Massengill
Elisa Carsia	Kathy McGann
Helen Cassidy	Sharon McGrath
Kenneth Chase	Marjorie McHugh
John Chraska	Paul McIsaac
Rose Marie Clayton	Evelyn McLaughlin
Jean Conway	Mary Jane Mericli
Rosemarie Cyprowski	Virginia Miller
Katie Denke	Baylee Millet
Patty Drury	Joan Mondine
Kathi Dvorak	Edith Moretti
Jo-Ann Eller	John Mostowy
Patti Eurich	Rocco Muffi
Helen Fallon	Robin Munko
Richard Fallon	Judi Novak
Ron Ferrie	Theodore Novak
Edward M. Flohr	Mario Oliverio
Gabriel Fontana	Charles Perry
Deborah Ford	Diane Perry
May Frye	Elizabeth Pfender
William Gabella	Lou Pofi
Dolores Gigliotti	Robert Prevost
Brandon Gross	Diane Pritchard
Mark Hagelauer	Bucky Recalchini
Margaret Harkins	Dave Redman
Wayne Hayes	Paxton Renk
Eileen Henefeld	Erica Rich
Mary V. Hester	Florinda Rosemeyer
Melanie Hooper	Sally Sabol
Patti Howcroft	Alice Salla
Noreen Joslyn	Andrew Patrick Schade
Joanne Keating	John Schenk
Alice Kernan	Mary Socci
Miriam Kist	Teresa Stacy
Eleanor Kitt	Jaime St. Ledger
Gregory M. Klemmer	John Stokan
Mary Klutch	Judye Suhy
David Kosarich	Bob Super
Don Krally	Rob Super
Gloria Krally	Rose Talmonti
Lori Krally	Allen Turske
Darlene Kura	Stephanie Vail
Helen Kurek	Mary Kay Walsh
David Kushner	James Walther
Jackie Kushner	John Zajicek
Lollie Label	Kathy Zajicek
Mark Laird	

and all who are sick and in need of our prayers.

If you or a loved one are admitted to a hospital or nursing home, please let us know so we can get you the proper spiritual care. Because of the HIPAA law, treatment facilities are not permitted to release your information to us unless you or your family give them permission to do so.



At St. Elizabeth Ann Seton:
Edward LaSota
Larry LaSota
 by Florence LaSota

At St. Margaret of Scotland:
Connie Kocay
 by Cheryl Kocay



STEWARDSHIP

If you would like to contribute to the parish, consider using our online giving tool! You can set up recurrent payments, or make a one-time gift!



Scan the code to learn more and/or get started now.
 OR visit our website:
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Note:
 Churches are listed alphabetically in this bulletin and online.

The regular bulletin deadline is **Monday at Noon.**
 Email: mksmith@straphaelcgs.org
UPCOMING DEADLINES:

- ♦ for the March 28 Bulletin, submit by Thursday, March 18.
- ♦ for the Easter Bulletin, submit by Tuesday, March 23

LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence in the United States.
2. The obligation of abstinence (refraining from eating meat) begins at the age of 14. The law of fasting (limiting oneself to one full meal and two lighter meals) obliges all between the ages of 18-59. No one should consider this obligation lightly.
3. Those individuals who have a medical condition in which fasting may be considered harmful are not obliged to fast, but should perform some other act of penance or charity.
4. Pastors and parents are to see to it that minors, though not bound by the law of fast and abstinence, are educated in the authentic sense of penance and encouraged to do acts of penance suitable to their age.
5. Notable during this Lenten season is that the Solemnity of Saint Joseph falls on a Friday. Because of this, there is not an obligation to abstain from meat on Friday, March 19, 2021, the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, according to the norm of canon 1251.
6. All members of the Christian Faithful are encouraged to do acts of penance and charity during the Lenten season beyond what is prescribed by the law.
7. As a general rule, a request for a dispensation from the obligation of abstinence on Fridays of Lent will not be considered unless some serious reason is present. The attendance at social events, banquets, wedding rehearsals or receptions, or funeral wakes are not considered sufficient reason to request a dispensation.

EASTER FLOWERS

We need your help to decorate our churches with beautiful flowers for the Easter season.

If you receive envelopes, you will notice one for an Easter Flower donation. Those wishing to make a donation on behalf of a loved one, are encouraged to complete the form on page 12 of this bulletin and place it in the envelope with your donation. Please print clearly.

If you regularly give online, or want to make a one-time electronic gift, you will notice the “*Easter Flowers*” choice when you click or tap the “Give a New Gift” link. When giving online, those wishing to make a donation on behalf of a loved one will see a space where you may include your special intention/dedication. Get started by scanning the QR code on the left, or by visiting our website: straphaelcgs.org.

During the Easter Season, we will publish all of the dedications in the bulletin. If you have questions, please contact Melissa at the parish office: Melissa@straphaelcgs.org or 412-857-5356.



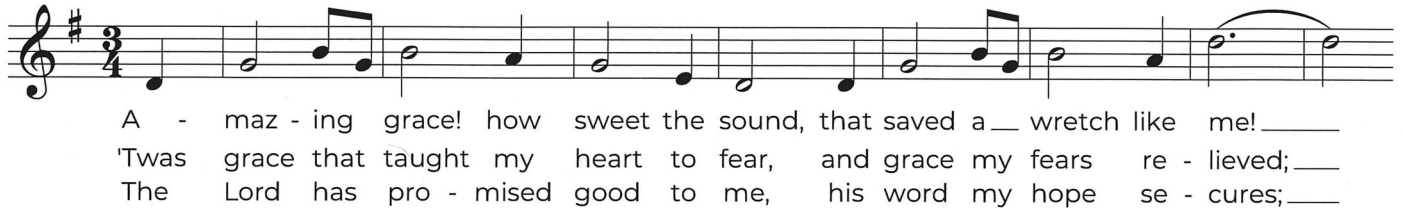
This week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this Collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Please give generously to the collection and **help Jesus in disguise.**

Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.


See our Holy Week Schedule on page 15.

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ENTRANCE HYMN | AMAZING GRACE



A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound, that saved a __ wretch like me! ____
'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears re - lieved; ____
The Lord has pro - mised good to me, his word my hope se - cures; ____



I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see. ____
how pre - cious did that grace ap - pear the hour I __ first be - lieved! ____
he will __ my __ shield and port - ion be as long as life en - dures. ____

Tune: NEW BRITAIN, *Virginia Harmony*, 1831; harm. by Edwin O. Excell, 1851-1921 Text: John Newton, 1725-1807

PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and what I have failed to do,
(all strike their breast as they say)
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

KYRIE



Ky - ri-e e - le - i - son. Lord, have mer-cy. Chri - ste e - le - i - son,



Christ, have mer-cy. Ky - ri-e e - le - i - son, Lord, have mer-cy.

FIRST READING | 2 CHRONICLES 36:14-16, 19-23

In those days, all the princes of Judah, the priests, and the people added infidelity to infidelity, practicing all the abominations of the nations and polluting the LORD's temple which he had consecrated in Jerusalem. Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers, send his messengers to them, for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place. But they mocked the messengers of God, despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets, until the anger of the LORD against his people was so inflamed that there was no remedy. Their enemies burnt the house of God, tore down the walls of Jerusalem, set all its palaces afire, and destroyed all its precious objects.

Those who escaped the sword were carried captive to Babylon, where they became servants of the king of the Chaldeans and his sons until the kingdom of the Persians came to power. All this was to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah: "Until the land has retrieved its lost sabbaths, during all the time it lies waste it shall have rest while seventy years are fulfilled."
In the first year of Cyrus, king of Persia, in order to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah, the LORD inspired King Cyrus of Persia to issue this proclamation throughout his kingdom, both by word of mouth and in writing:

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"Thus says Cyrus, king of Persia:

All the kingdoms of the earth the LORD, the God of heaven, has given to me, and he has also charged me to build him a house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah.

Whoever, therefore, among you belongs to any part of his people, let him go up, and may his God be with him!"

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 137: 1-6



Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

By the rivers of Babylon there we sat and wept, remembering Sion: on the poplars that grew there we hung up our harps.

For it was there that they asked us, our captors, for songs, our oppressors, for joy. "Sing to us," they said, "one of Sion's songs."

O how could we sing the song of the Lord on foreign soil? If I forget you, Jerusalem, let my right hand wither!

O let me tongue cleave to my palate if I remember you not, if I prize not Jerusalem as the first of my joys!

Text: Psalm 137: The Revised Grail Psalms © 2010 GIA Publications, Inc

Tune: Michel Guimont © 1994, GIA Publications, Inc.

SECOND READING | EPHESIANS 2:4-10

Brothers and sisters:

God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ — by grace you have been saved —, raised us up with him, and seated us with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the immeasurable riches of his grace

in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus.

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast. For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | JOHN 3:16



Glo-ry to you, Word of God, Lord — Je - sus Christ. Lord — Je - sus Christ!

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.

GOSPEL | JOHN 3:14-21

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

"Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life." For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world,

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but people preferred darkness to light,
because their works were evil.
For everyone who does wicked things hates the light
and does not come toward the light,
so that his works might not be exposed.

But whoever lives the truth comes to the light,
so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

(all bow at the following bolder words)

**and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.**

For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and
was buried, and rose again on the
third day in accordance with the
Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is
seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father
and the Son, who with the Father and
the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through
the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and
apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the
forgiveness of sins and I look forward
to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN | WHAT WONDROUS LOVE



What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What won-drous love is this, O my
To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; To God and to the Lamb I will



soul! _____ What won-drous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss To bear the dread-ful
sing. _____ To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM, While mil-lions join the



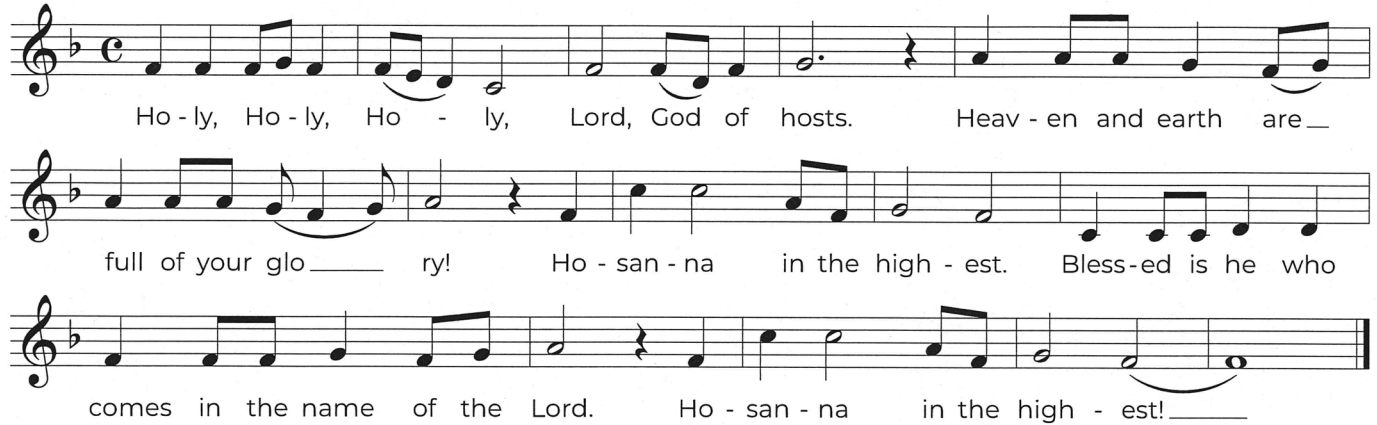
curse for my soul, for my soul; To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul! _____
theme, I will sing, I will sing; While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing. _____

Tune: WONDROUS LOVE, *Southern Harmony*, 1835

Text: Alexander Means, 1801-1883

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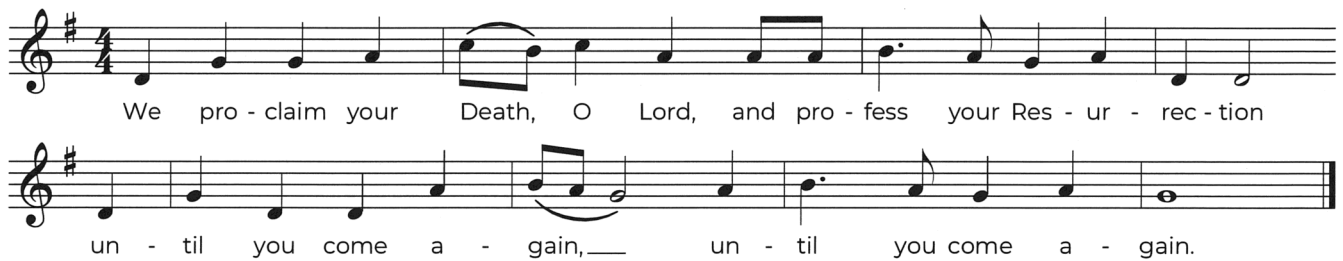
SANCTUS / HOLY



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord, God of hosts. Heav - en and earth are
full of your glo - ry! Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

MYSTERY OF FAITH

Cantor, then all repeat.



We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your Res - ur - rec - tion
un - til you come a - gain, un - til you come a - gain.

GREAT AMEN



A - men.

AGNUS DEI / LAMB OF GOD



A-gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec-ca - ta mun-di: mi - se - re - re no - bis.
mi - se - re - re no - bis.
do - na no - bis pa - cem.

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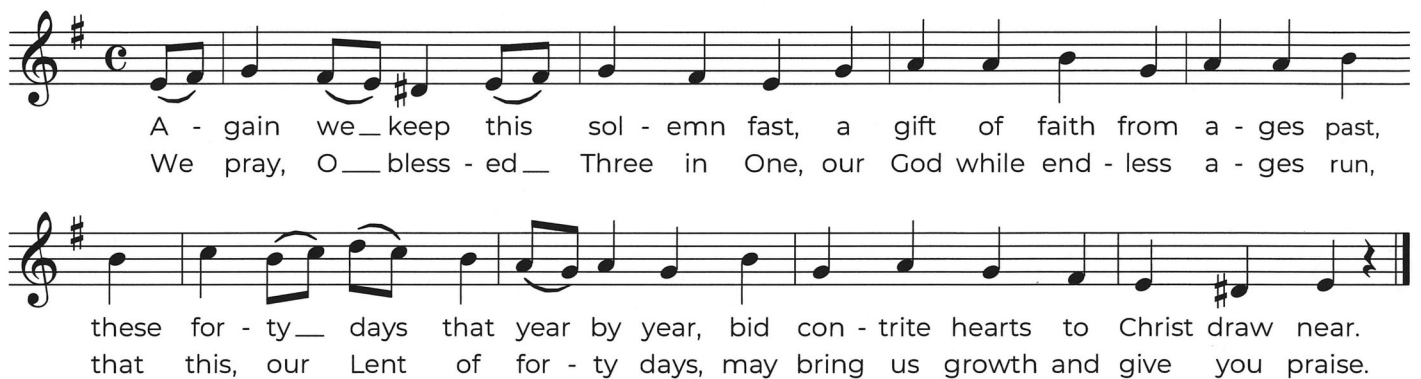
COMMUNION HYMN | RETURN TO GOD



1. Now the time of grace has come, the day of salvation;
come and learn now the way of our God.
2. I will take your heart of stone and place a heart within you,
a heart of compassion and love.
3. If you break the chains of oppression, if you set the prisoner free;
if you share your bread with the hungry, give protection to the lost;
give a shelter to the homeless, clothe the naked in your midst,
then your light shall break forth like the dawn.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN | AGAIN WE KEEP THIS SOLEMN FAST



Tune: ERHALT UNS HERR, Klug's *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543
Text: *Ex more docti mystica*, ascr. to St. Gregory the Great, c.540–604; tr. by Peter J. Scagnelli, b.1949, after John M. Neale, 1818–1866, ©1975, 2011

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LENT

Confession Schedule

- † Saturdays (except Holy Saturday)
11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. SMOS
- † Saturdays (except Holy Saturday)
12:00 to 1:00 p.m. SEAS
- † Wednesday, March 24
6:30 to 8:30 p.m. SSJ
- † Thursday, March 25
6:30 to 8:30 p.m. SSJ
- † Wednesday, March 31
12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. SEAS

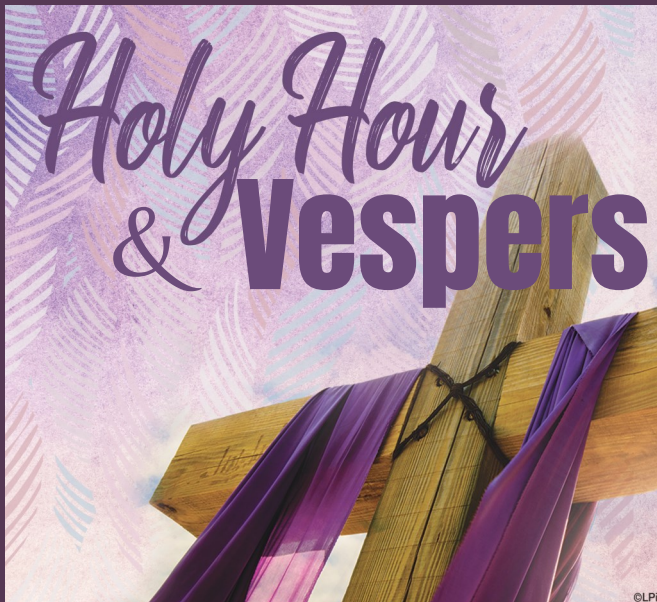
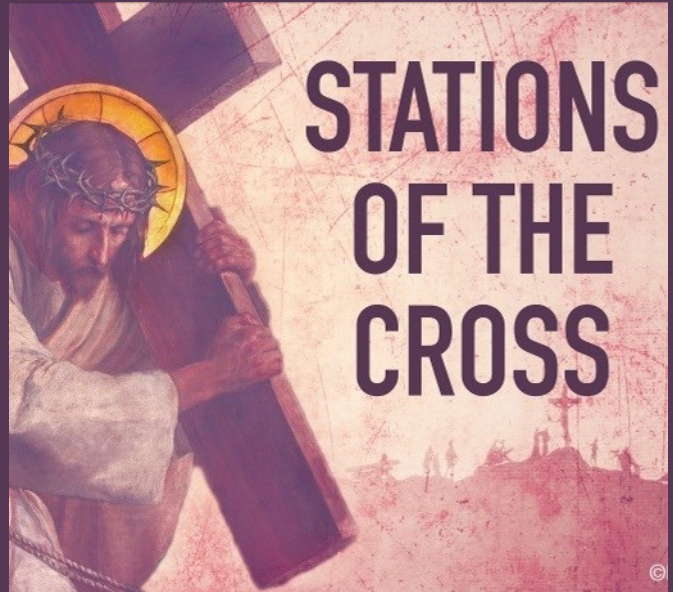
The Sacrament is not scheduled following March 31, except by appointment.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS* ON FRIDAYS DURING LENT.

At St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church
12:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

At Ss. Simon and Jude Church
12:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
*The 12:30 Stations are
Marian Stations of the Cross*

At St. Margaret of Scotland Church
2:30 p.m. School Stations
*Living Stations on March 26
at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.*



HOLY HOUR AND VESPERS* ON SUNDAY AFTERNOONS AT 4:00 P.M.

March 14 Ss. Simon and Jude Church
March 21 St. Margaret of Scotland Church
March 28 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church

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* registration required for Stations & Holy Hour. Click "Register to Attend" on our website, then click the beige tab.



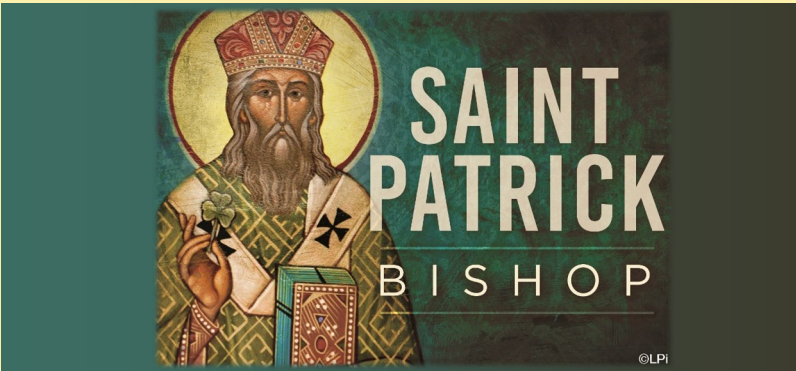
CARING + GIVING + SERVING

But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.

— John 3: 21

On Wednesday, March 17, we observe the Memorial of St. Patrick. Although it falls in the penitential season of Lent, St. Patrick's Day is often observed in secular circles as a raucous day of celebration. Unfortunately, the actual life and contributions of St. Patrick, Bishop of Armagh, are often ignored.

Patrick was born in the late fourth century in the British Isles. He had a wild youth, then became deeply prayerful. While tending sheep, Patrick heard the voice of God in a dream calling him to what would eventually be his ministry to the inhabitants of Ireland. Patrick's first language was Latin; he later learned Gaelic. Patrick's prayers and writings show a deep faith and trust in a loving and merciful God and demonstrate great warmth and humility. Some of the recurrent themes about which Patrick wrote are the evil of slavery, the dignity of women, and conversion by attraction and education as opposed to subjugation. It was a very big deal that St. Patrick introduced Christianity to Ireland. Some historians believe that if it were not for the monks in remote Ireland, the Scriptures and early Church writings would have been lost when mainland Europe was being sacked by barbarians. Patrick followed the voice of God and led many others to the Light of Christ.



I bind to myself today
God's Power to pilot me,
God's Might to uphold me,
God's Wisdom to teach me,
God's Eye to watch over me,
God's Ear to hear me,
God's Word to give me speech,
God's Hand to guide me,
God's Way to lie before me,
God's Shield to shelter me,
God's Host to secure me.

-from the *Lorica, or Breastplate of St. Patrick*

PARISH OFFICE NOTES

SPONSOR FORMS

Please remember that it takes a few weeks to receive a completed Baptism or Confirmation sponsor form. It is also necessary that you are a currently registered and active parishioner. If you have been asked to stand as a sponsor please contact Melissa in the parish office as soon as possible to start the process.

ARCHIVED RECORDS

All sacramental records dated before our parish's official merger (1/4/2021) have been sent to the Diocesan Archives (412-456-3158). Please contact the helpful staff there to verify sacramental dates and/or receive certificates.

Thank you!

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

This spring, the Parish of St. Raphael the Archangel is offering a six week Bereavement Support Group to help those dealing with the loss of a spouse, family member, or friend. Those grieving the loss of a loved one, whether recent or not, are welcome to join us for prayer, support, discussion, and fellowship. Our small group will provide a safe, confidential place to share experiences and move through grief and sorrow toward healing, but is not counseling. The group will meet live from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. on April 15, 22, 29, and May 6, 13, and 20, in the Church Hall at Saints Simon and Jude. Registration will be limited and masking and social distancing will be observed. Depending on the response, we may open a second group on Thursday evenings in the same location. There is no charge. Please contact Laura at 412-857-1142 or laura@straphaelcgs.org to register or for additional information.

ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

EASTER FLOWER DEDICATIONS

Please see page 4 for more information.

In Memory/Honor of...

☐ In Memory of (Deceased)

☐ In Honor of (Living)

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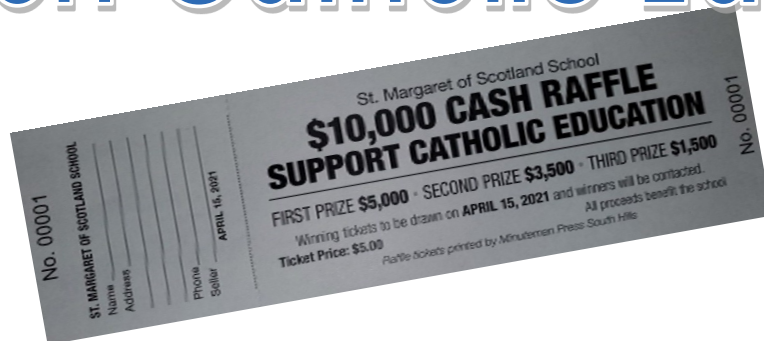
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☐ In Honor of (Living)

Dedication is made on behalf of:

Print your name or your family name here.

Support Catholic Education



St. Margaret of Scotland School is mailing Raffle Tickets to all parishioners.

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

The pandemic eliminated the 2020 Festival (our biggest fundraiser), and most of this school year's fundraising.

The Raffle will consist of three cash prizes.

First drawing - \$5,000

Second drawing - \$3,500

Third drawing - \$1,500

The winning tickets will be pulled on April 15, 2021, and the winners will be notified by telephone that day. Watch your mail for your 5 tickets to buy or sell (at \$5 each) and use the prepaid envelope to mail the stubs and payment back.

CAN WE COUNT ON YOU TO HELP US?

If you need more tickets or have any questions, please contact: Tasha Leslie at 412-889-1713 or tashaleslie2485@gmail.com



February 17 - March 28 40 DAYS FOR LIFE®

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000 volunteers!

Take part on our vigil day:

Join our St. Raphael the Archangel Parish family during Lent at the annual vigil outside Planned Parenthood. Our parish has pledged to pray between 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 24. We witness and pray peacefully for innocent preborn babies to have a chance to live, for women in crisis pregnancies to have the support they need to choose life, and for our government and society to work toward a culture of life in which the most vulnerable members are cherished and loved as our Creator loves them. We need to fill the entire four hour shift, and any amount of time you can give is appreciated. Please contact Laura at 412-857-5356 or laura@straphaelcgs.org to sign up for a time.



The Ladies of Charity of St. Raphael the Archangel have been busy these last three months. We have taken on a new ministry of feeding the hungry through Operation Safety Net, located in downtown Pittsburgh. Over the past three months, well beyond three hundred sandwiches per month have been made and delivered by our Ladies of Charity on the second and third Wednesday of each month. In addition, homemade cookies donated by parishioners and LOC, along with mats and fleece blankets, hats, scarves, gloves, men's underwear, and various toiletries have been donated to this organization. These items and foods are delivered to the site on Fifth Avenue by our ladies and then distributed to the "people living under the bridges and on the streets". Some of the items and foods are given to the men's and women's shelters by the workers at Operation Safety Net. God bless all who have taken part in this ministry to serve the less fortunate.

CONFIRMATION

Bishop Zubik has granted special faculty to the pastors to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation within his parish to ensure this year's candidates are confirmed in a timely manner.

The Rite of Confirmation Outside of Mass with Reverend Robert J. Grecco confirming will take place as follows:

ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH
Monday, May 3, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Ss. SIMON & JUDE: CHURCH
Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Please pray for the 43 young men and women that the Holy Spirit strengthens them to go forth and spread the good news of Jesus Christ.



Join us for our very first
St. Raphael the Archangel Parish
EASTER EGG HUNT
held on

Saturday, April 3, at 12:15 p.m.

All children, babies to age 10 are invited.

The hunt will take place on the field of the Parish Life Center at
Ss. Simon and Jude Church.

In the event of rain, the hunt will be moved to the gym.

We will have prizes, games and maybe a special visitor!

Please bring your own basket for the collection of eggs.

Masks and social distancing required.
Questions? Please contact Tasha Leslie at tashaleslie2485@gmail.com or Karen Maurer at karen@straphaelcgs.org.
RSVP by March 29. This event is FREE!

ALL ARE WELCOME!

You must register to attend.

Tap the "Register to Attend" button on our homepage then click the *Easter Egg Hunt* tab.

SIXTH GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATIONS

On behalf of the Sixth grade classes at St. Margaret of Scotland Elementary School and St. Raphael the Archangel Faith Formation program, we would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the Golden Agers of Carnegie for their most generous gift of a teen bible for each student. The bibles were blessed and distributed to students during two Masses last week. This timely gift is planned for sixth grade since the curriculum for religion during sixth grade focuses on the Old Testament. The presentation of the Word at this time will help the students to open up their own personal bible and grow to understand the Old Testament covenants between God and the Israelites, and how Jesus is the New Covenant between God and all people. Once again, thank you for your beautiful gift!



Fr. Grecco blessing and presenting bibles on March 7.



Fr. Grecco blessing and presenting bibles on March 5.



TENEBRÆ SERVICE OF DARKNESS: PASSION AND VENERATION OF THE CROSS

Good Friday at 8:00 p.m. — St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church

Tenebræ, which means “darkness” in Latin, is a service recalling the suffering and death of Jesus Christ. Our Tenebræ service will include a sung Passion according to Saint John and conclude with the Veneration of the Cross. This solemn liturgy will be presided over by Fr. Alek, and a *schola cantorum* (a choir of cantors) will provide music for the liturgy.

Traditionally, the only light for a Tenebræ service came from the Tenebræ hearse, a large candle holder. This is placed in the sanctuary with fifteen lit candles. One by one, the candles are extinguished throughout the service. As the church draws closer to complete darkness, we recall the death of our Lord — a stark visual reminder of Christ, slowly but surely left alone in the darkness of a world fraught with sin. At the end of the final chorus, the final candle is removed, signifying the burial of our Lord in the tomb. A noise is made, symbolizing the earthquake at the Crucifixion.

While most of the ceremonies of the Catholic Church are joyous and celebratory, Tenebræ is stark and somber. The service ends with a simple prayer and leads into Veneration of the Cross. The *Schola* will sing motets of Christ’s Passion and Glory of the Cross. Tenebræ at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton will be a moving and fitting way to mark Good Friday — particularly if you are not otherwise able to attend the afternoon Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion and Veneration of the Cross.





HOLY WEEK MUSICIAN SPONSORSHIP

WE ARE SEEKING SPONSORS FOR HOLY WEEK/ EASTER
BRASS MUSICIANS.

WE ARE IN NEED OF A FEW MUSIC ANGELS TO HELP.

★ PLEASE CONTACT THE MUSIC OFFICE OR FR. GRECCO IF YOU
CAN HELP SPONSOR.
IF YOU WISH, YOU CAN DONATE IN MEMORY OF YOUR LOVED ONE.

★ THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!

bpater@straphaelcgs.org



ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

8TH ANNUAL ROSARY RALLY

Please join us to pray for the family unit in traditional marriage.

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

Ss. Simon & Jude Church Parking Lot
In front of crucifix, facing Greentree Rd.

Noon to 1:00 p.m.

**OUR LADY
OF FATIMA**
Pray For Us

Questions regarding rally please
contact
Donna Azzaretto:
Dazzaretto.hair@gmail.com



GORZKIE ŻALE

(Polish Lamentations)

Join Fr. Miro and Bishop Zubik at
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church,
in Pittsburgh's Polish Hill
neighborhood, at 3:00 p.m. on
Sunday, March 21.

All are welcome to this time of
meditation on the passion of Our
Lord, Jesus Christ.

**GORZKIE
ŻALE**



**JOIN US ON PALM SUNDAY AT SS. SIMON AND JUDE CHURCH HALL TO
CREATE BEAUTIFUL EASTER CROSSES - ONE FOR YOU AND ONE FOR
SOMEONE ELSE.**

Easter Cross Making Workshop: Take One and Leave One! Palm Sunday, **March 28, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.** in the Ss. Simon and Jude Church Hall. Cross is comprised of wood adorned with palm and a silk lily, measuring approximately 16 inches by 11 inches, suitable for hanging. **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!** Sign up on Sign Up Genius by March 23; look for the "Palm Cross" tab under the Register to Attend button on our homepage, or call Karen: 412-857-5356. Make one for you and one for a shut-in which will be delivered by a volunteer or Care Minister.

A fee of \$5 per person will be charged for materials, payable at the workshop. Participants must bring their own scissors, stapler, and extra staples. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.



THE TRIDUUM SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 1

7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper
Ss. SIMON AND JUDE CHURCH

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 2

1:30 p.m. Passion, Adoration of the
Cross, & Holy Communion
ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH

8:00 p.m. Tenebræ with the Passion
& Adoration of the Cross
ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH

EASTER VIGIL, APRIL 3

8:30 p.m. The Great Vigil of Easter
ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 4

7:30 a.m.
ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

8:00 a.m.
ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH

9:00 a.m.
Ss. SIMON AND JUDE CHURCH

10:00 a.m.
ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

10:30 a.m.
ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH

11:30 a.m.
Ss. SIMON AND JUDE CHURCH

We are still observing Covid-19 restrictions. Registration is required. Use the button on our homepage: straphaelcs.org, or call the parish office to register.

CLASSROOM CHRONICLES

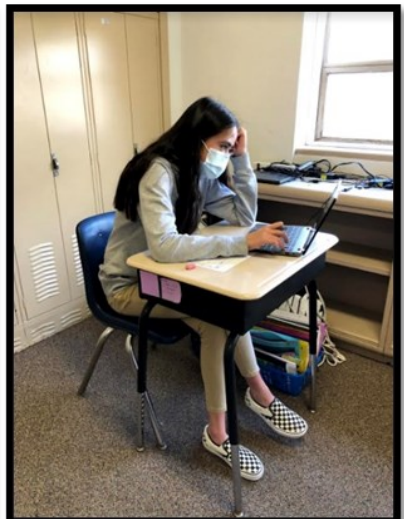
Each week we will highlight the amazing things that are going on in our classrooms here at St. Margaret of Scotland School.

FROM THE DESK OF MRS. IACCHETTI:

Middle School Students have already been very busy during this month of March. Grade eight students are currently working on a Family Shield and Catholic photo I.D. Card to be displayed outside their classroom during the months of March, April, and May. Grades seven and eight are also preparing for a Living Stations presentation on March 26, at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.. Grade five has been selected as the choir for the Living Stations. They are currently working on the music for this event.

My grade eight Physical Science class is now studying the atom and the Periodic Table of Elements. Grade seven in Life Science is learning about the Protist Kingdom. In Earth Science grade six is studying Weathering and Erosional Features of the Earth. My fourth grade Science class is currently learning all about the various Ecosystems on the Earth and the ways that humans can impact these ecosystems in a positive way.

Finally, in all my Music Appreciation classes (grades 5-8) students are learning about the History of Jazz and the top jazz musicians of our time. My students and I are very engaged in learning and we are enjoying this time that God has given us to learn together.



ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

It was a fun, wacky, and wonderful week celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday at SSJ Preschool. The boys and girls made slime, green eggs, homemade butter, and lots of great art projects. They drew under tables and made hats that looked a lot like a certain Cat!! They visited the Library which was all mixed up, just like the story Wacky Wednesday. They got lots of exercise in the gym running our crazy obstacle course. We read many great stories throughout the week and our teachers were completely exhausted by Friday:) *Enlarge these photos in our online bulletin.*



Fish Fry at Ss. Simon and Jude

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1607 Greentree Road,
Pittsburgh, PA 15220

4:30PM – 7:30PM

All Fridays During Lent

Except Good Friday



DINNERS

(No Substitutions)

Fried or Baked Fish

Crab Cakes (3) **\$9.50 each**

Shrimp (5)

**Dinners include Fries OR baked potato
& Coleslaw OR Applesauce*

KIDS MENU



Fried or Baked Fish

Fish Shrimp (2) **\$4.50 each**

Crab Cakes (1)

**Dinners include Fries, Cole Slaw OR
Applesauce, & juice box*

DRINKS: \$1.00

Water, Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite, Brisk

A LA CARTE

Just Fish (fried or baked)	\$7.50
Fried Fish Sandwich	\$8.00
Baked Fish Sandwich	\$8.00
Fish Taco (1)	\$5.00
Fish Taco (2)	\$8.00
Crab Cakes (3)	\$8.00
Shrimp (5)	\$8.00
French Fries	\$2.50
French Fries with Cheese	\$3.00
Baked Potato	\$2.50
Fried Provolone Sticks	\$3.50
Cabbage & Noodles	\$3.50
Macaroni & Cheese	\$3.50
Pierogies (3)	\$3.00
Pierogies (6)	\$6.00
Pierogies (12)	\$11.00
Lobster Bisque	\$4.50
Coleslaw	\$1.50
Applesauce	\$1.50

WE ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS!

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TAKE OUT: 412-563-1353

PARISH LIFE CENTER GYMNASIUM

Proceeds benefit the Parish of St. Raphael the Archangel

We encourage you to order on our website (www.ssjsfishfry.com) but we NO longer be provide curb side service. Please park your car and come into the gym and pick up your food. For those who wish to either call in your order, or if you need to place your order in person, you can do that as well. We are excited about getting back to the way we are used to doing business with you. Hope to see you all this week. — God Bless. SSJ Fish Fry Team

Fish Fry at SEAS

DINNERS

FISH TRIO DINNER **\$13**
(FRIED FISH, SHRIMP, & A CRAB
CAKE —NO SUBSTITUTIONS)
WITH FRIES, COLESLAW,
& DINNER ROLL W/BUTTER

BAKED FISH ON A **\$10**
DISH DINNER
WITH FRIES, COLESLAW,
& DINNER ROLL W/BUTTER

FRIED FISH ON A **\$10**
DISH DINNER
WITH FRIES, COLESLAW,
& DINNER ROLL W/BUTTER

CRAB CAKE DINNER **\$10**
WITH FRIES, COLESLAW,
& DINNER ROLL W/BUTTER

JUMBO SHRIMP **\$10**
DINNER
WITH FRIES, COLESLAW,
& DINNER ROLL W/BUTTER

PIEROGI DINNER (6) **\$6**
WITH COLESLAW
& DINNER ROLL W/BUTTER

A LA CARTE

BAKED FISH SANDWICH **\$7**

FRIED FISH SANDWICH **\$7**

CRAB CAKES (3) **\$7**

PIEROGI (EACH) **\$1**

PIEROGI (1/2 DOZEN) **\$5**

SIDES

FRENCH FRIES **\$3**

HALUSKI **\$3**

MAC & CHEESE SIDE **\$3**

STEWED TOMATOES **\$3**

APPLESAUCE **\$1**

COLESLAW **\$2**

SOUP

CLAM CHOWDER **\$3**
OR POTATO

EXTRA

SANDWICH BUN **\$1**

*HOMEMADE TARTAR SAUCE &
COCKTAIL SAUCE AVAILABLE UPON
REQUEST. HOT SAUCE, KETCHUP, AND
UTENSILS ALSO AVAILABLE. WE WILL
PACK IT FOR YOU, JUST LET OUR
VOLUNTEERS KNOW YOUR REQUEST
WHEN ORDERING.*

You may call-in your orders or
place them in person. If entering
the building, please wear a mask
and practice social-distancing.
Follow the signs and remain in
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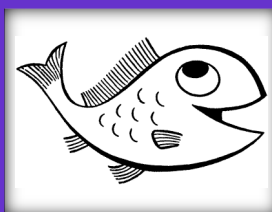
Cash transactions— indoors only.

CARSIDE PICKUP is available
in the 4th Street Lot. **Pre-paid
orders only.** Our car delivery
volunteers will not have cash
with them.

Look for the colorful banners,
and follow the posted directions.

Help us to create a St. Joseph Table!
If you're coming to the SEAS Fish Fry on March 19,
consider taking a food item with you to be donated
to our Food Bank! Happy St. Joseph Day!

412-857-5318



ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH

ST. LUKE HALL | EVERY FRIDAY IN LENT

11:30 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M. (GOOD FRIDAY 3:00 TO 7:00 P.M.)

— TAKE OUT ONLY — TAKE OUT ONLY — TAKE OUT ONLY —

PHONE ORDER RECEIVED FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M. 412-857-5318

— All proceeds from this fundraiser go directly to debt reduction. —

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Serving the Catholic Community in Carnegie, Green Tree, and Scott

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STRAPHAELCGS.ORG

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Carnegie, PA 15106

St. Margaret of Scotland Church

310 Mansfield Ave.
Pittsburgh, PA 15220

Ss. Simon and Jude Church

1607 Greentree Rd.
Pittsburgh, PA 15220

THE MASS SCHEDULE IS ON THE FRONT COVER

Please register online to secure your place at Mass. You may also call Melissa or Mary Kay at 412-857-5356.

MASSES AT SSJ STREAMED LIVE

Please join us at StRaphaelCGS.org and click the "Livestream" button

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SACRAMENTS

Baptisms

For arrangements please call Dcn. Jim Mackin.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made with one of the priests *at least six months before* the proposed date of the wedding.

Penance

Saturdays: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
at St. Margaret of Scotland Church, and Noon to 1:00 p.m.
at St. Elizabeth Ann Church

Anointing

Call the parish office for arrangements if in danger of death.
If hospitalized or in a skilled nursing facility, please ask the nursing staff to contact the Catholic priest on call.

Note:

You must be a registered and active parishioner for at least **six months** before requesting sacramental sponsor forms. Please allow **three weeks** for completion.

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Mondays by Noon
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