This Week

Monday

7:00PM Bible Study

7:30PM Miraculous Medal Novena

Tuesday

7:00PM Bible Study

Wednesday

7:00PM Bible Study

Thursday

7:00PM Legion of Mary Meeting

Friday

7:00PM Mass, Stations of the Cross

COMMENTATOR SCHEDULE SUNDAY, March 8, 2020

Saturday

4:00PM Ellen Zanfini

7:00PM Mike Milillo

Sunday

7:30AM Graceann Morawek

9:30AM Yvonne Sheehan

11:30AM Theresa Gargano

1:15PM Dan Clifford

10:00AM OLL Roe Rizzi

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST SUNDAY, March 8, 2020

Saturday

4:00PM Cathy & Richard McGill, Nancy Kinzler

7:00PM Francesca LaSpina

Sunday

7:30AM Maureen Rosko

9:30AM Kelly Illuzzi, Charles Platt

11:30AM Cathy Lavelle, Tina Bove

1:15PM Theresa Maleady

10:00AM OLL Tim Marshall

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY CARE COMMITTEE On-duty the week of Mar. 8 to Mar. 14 – Carol

1st Sunday of Lent

March 1, 2020

Lent is a season of renewal, the springtime of spiritual growth. These forty penitential days invite us to strive for our true calling. If you would like to be a priest or have questions about the priest-hood, please contact the Vocation Office at (914) 968-1340 or www.NYPRIEST.COM "The World Needs Heroes"

Repent, and believe in the Gospel. (Mk 1:15)

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7

This passage from Genesis narrates the creation of man, the temptation by the serpent, and the fall of Adam and Eve.

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19

Paul tells the Romans that Adam's disobedience brought sin and death to the world, but Christ's dying on the cross for us will bring us salvation and life.

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

In preparation for His ministry, Jesus goes into the desert to fast and pray for 40 days. There He is tempted by the devil to give evidence of His miraculous powers, but Jesus resists the devil saying, "Away with you Satan! You shall do homage to the Lord your God; Him alone shall you adore."

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Our Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp, which is next to our Tabernacle, is a sign of the Real Presence of Jesus, the Light of the World, in our Parish Church. In accordance with tradition, this candle may be dedicated in honor or in memory of a particular person or persons, or for a special intention. The customary offering for this weekly dedication is \$20. Anyone who would like to plan for dedicating the Sanctuary Lamp should contact the Parish Office.

The Sanctuary Light for this week is donated in loving memory of Marie and Carmine Taverna requested by Robert Taverna.

BREAD AND WINE

We are accepting offerings for the Bread and Wine for the week in memory of your loved ones. The customary offering for this weekly dedication is \$20. Any questions, please call the Parish office 718-351-1093.

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<u>2020 Cardinal's Appeal</u>

The 2020 Annual Cardinal's Appeal is up and running. All our Parishioners are sent Cardinal's Appeal request envelopes from the Archdiocese. Please prayerfully consider your gift. Please make checks payable to The Cardinal's Appeal and remember to include the Parish #307.

Our Goal: \$101,500.00, Pledge to date: \$23,720.00 Paid to date: \$19,790.00, # of Families: 93

From the Pastor's Desk ...

How do we prepare for Lent!

Anything worth doing is worth preparing for. It doesn't take a lot of time to prepare for the beginning of Lent. It just takes desire and focus. God can do so much with that. We can give God more of a space to touch our hearts if we begin to establish some simple patterns. When we wake up each morning, for a half a minute to a minute, just ask the Lord for the grace to let this day be one in which we long for the beginning of Lent. Perhaps we need to ask for specific help or graces to get ready to begin Lent. Whatever we try to say, our Lord can understand the Spirit trying to speak through our simple words. And each night, in the days ahead, we can practice giving thanks to God before we go to bed. This simple pattern, in the morning and evening can stir our spirits to look forward to and prepare for Lent, as a season of grace. Let this season of Lent be gracefilled days, as we meditate more on the passion and suffering of Jesus. Special devotions will be offered during this season, communal penance services at local parishes. All activities will be listed in the bulletin.

The primary purpose of Lent is spiritual preparation for the celebration of Jesus' death and Resurrection. The Church tries to achieve this goal, leading her children to metanoia or "repentance" by the reordering of their priorities and the changing of their values, ideals and ambitions, through fasting, prayer and self-control. Since by Baptism we share the death and Resurrection of Jesus, today's readings refer to Baptism directly or indirectly.

Let us make Lent a time of renewal of life by penance and prayer: Lent should be a time for personal reflection on where we stand as Christians accepting the Gospel challenges in thought, word and deed. It is also a time to assess our relationships with our family, friends, working colleagues and the other people we come in contact with, especially in our parish.

Let us convert Lent into a time for spiritual growth and Christian maturity by:

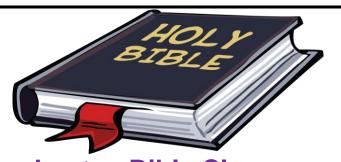
a) participating in the Mass each day or at least a few days in the week; b) setting aside some part of our day for personal prayer; c) reading some Scripture, alone or, better still, with others. d) setting aside some money we might spend on ourselves for meals, entertainment or clothes and giving it to an organization which takes care of the less fortunate in our society; e) abstaining from smoking, alcohol and other evil addictions; f) receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation in Lent and participating in the

"Stations of the Cross"; g) visiting the sick and those in nursing homes and doing some acts of charity, kindness and mercy every day in the Lent. h) Let us use Lent to fight daily against the evil within us and around us by practicing self-control relying on the power of prayer and Scripture.

Please take a few moments to tour our newly renovated convent first floor after Mass this weekend. Restrooms are available for use. As a courtesy, please refrain from using the restroom located near the altar during the Mass and other spiritual services. Kindly utilize the lower level. Thank you.

As we continue in the year of Grace, let us be God's blessings and grace to each other. Remember to pray each day for our parish family.

Fr. Dominic.



Lenten Bible Classes

Monday, Tuesdays and Wednesdays during Lent, 7:00pm to 8:00pm here at Our Lady Queen of Peace in the Chapel with Dr. Paul Kunjanayil mcbs who has PhD in Sacred Scripture from Studium Biblicun Franciscanum. All are invited and bring a friend.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

We are grateful to all who contribute so generously each week. We do recommend that you use parish envelopes or

Weshare: https://olqpchurch.churchgiving.com. Any questions please call the rectory.

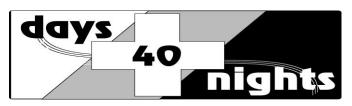
 Sunday Collection (Feb. 23rd)
 \$7,695.00

 Heat
 \$1,227.00

 Shrine Candles
 \$63.00

 Poor Box
 \$90.00

Thank you for your support and generosity



ANNOUNCED MASSES

Monday, March 2

7:00AM Anthony Maniscalco

Tuesday, March 3 – Saint Katharine Drexel, Virgin 7:00AM Sylvia Poidomani

Wednesday, March 4 – Saint Casimir 7:00AM Cathy McGill - Healing

Thursday, March 5 7:00AM Annemarie Caggliano

Friday, March 6 - World Day of Prayer 7:00AM George W. McAuliffe, Sr. 7:00PM Dolores Laieta

Saturday, March 7 – Saints Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs

8:30AM Gregory Harrison - Healing

4:00PM Deceased Members of the Hanley-Dillon Family

7:00PM Nicholas Savino

Sunday, March 8 – 2nd Sunday of Lent

7:30AM Bill and Mary Scheuermann

9:30AM Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society/Father's Club and People of the Parish

11:30AM Sarah and John Fraschilla and Deceased Family members.

1:15PM Philip Diteodoro

10:00AM OLL Annabelle and John Clacher

PLEASE NOTE

If a Mass is being said for a member of your family on Saturday evening or Sunday, it would be most fitting if someone from the family would bring up the gifts at the Offertory. Please let one of the ushers know **before Mass**.



Rest In Peace

Eternal rest grant unto their souls, O Lord, And let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

Bertrand Lindsey



VISITS TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please contact the rectory if you know of anyone who is sick at home or in the hospital and or homebound who would like a visit from one of the priests, deacons or Sr. Madeleine at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church. Please call 718-351-1093 or email olgpchurch@verizon.net



PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Matilda Costanza, Jodiann Altamura, Rose Mattera, Pauline LaFonte, Angela Ricca, Sophia Madeline Sanzone, Jeanne Sterm, Lillian Bilotti, Marie Diloia. Suzzane Astuo, Pauline Cipriano, Katherine Nikatas, Kriss Murphy, Michael Cianci, Jr., Andre Bocchiaro, Amy Altuna, Craig Inducci, Concetta Friscia, Marlene Olivieri, Jenna Esposito, Steve Sgarlato, Katherine McHugh, Thomas Keenan, Alanna Shea, Thomas Gaither, Baby Cameron Helmuth, Josephine Dedicos, William Cianci, Rita Scalzo, Janet Logon, Victor Raimondi, Nicholas Ilijic, Yolanda Mazza, Kathleen Fusco, Andrew Biancomano, Muriel McKeon, Salvatore Turturici, Antonia Pistone, Robert Arnold, J.R., Robert Antonucci, Baby Juliette Tighe, Alfonso De'lia, Vicky Sgarlato, Meg, John Rizzo, Cathy Sartzetaks, Maria Guzman, Peter Petosa, Carol Iacobelli, Philip Defonte, Marie Pernice, Clifford Fusco, Susan Piscopo, Michael Bochetti, Fr. Ronald Lee Green, Michael Hansen, Marie Presto, Ralph Romano, Enrique Soto, Karen M., Geri Wahren, Catherine Davis, Walter Drake, Victoria Saraceno, Steven Daquieno, Gabriella Acosta, Marie Natoli, Daniell Cavaluzzi, Michael Riganti, Palma Milano, Ashley Gagliotto, Keran Billmann, James Martinez, Jr. Annemare Smith, Daniella Briann Woodard, Carol LaBroca, Deacon Ralph Rios, Tara LaBarca, Anthony Alfano, Nancy Wetmore, Xavier Castelli, Richard Buonato, Jane Miller, Christopher Nash, Baby Sofia Trombetta, G. Fraschilla, Robert Provenzano, Roseanne Simonelli, Donnie Manzo, Denise Bianchi, Ashley Gagliotto, Michael Spatola, Thomas Dembinski, James Mathieu, Philip Achi, Jen Magrone, Dr. David Pierfy, Raja Rajaswari, Laura Marais, Anna DiSerafino, Alyse Levy, James Remias, Michael Shea Annette Cattino.

Members of our Legion of Mary are willing to visit the sick at home, in the nursing home or hospital. For more information please contact Edwin Hall-Clarke at 347-538-5680 or the rectory.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

SUNDAY March 1, 2020

Saturday

4:00PM G. Montanti, A. Rentas

7:00PM R. Sheehan, A. Santora

Sunday

7:30AM C. Boyle, N. Boyle

9:30AM J. Cerda, N. Eralte

11:30AM J. Bello, J. Bello, A. Halilovic

1:15PM K. Petri, E. Petrik

10:00AM OLL N. Eger, B. Edling

SUNDAY March 8, 2020

Saturday

4:00PM O. King, B. Ramon

7:00PM C. Smith, P. Travieso

Sunday

7:30AM M. Cinelli, N. Eralte

9:30AM K. Giarrusso, A. Gumb, O. Gumb

11:30AM G. LaGrua, L. Moskowitz

1:15PM J. Maldonado, A. Maldonado, N. Pimpinella

10:00AM OLL A. Tephusdin, R. Eger

OLQP SCHOOL NEWS

OLQP FAMILY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER DANCE Saturday, March 7, 2020 8:00pm – 12:00am

School Gym - \$45. Per person (Adults only)

Dinner, Beer & Wine Catered by

The Kettle Black

Invite family and friends for a night of good food, good fun and good cheer – music, basket auction & 50/50's

For more information contact Chris and Eve King at stpatsdayolqp@gmail.com

or Chris 718-490-2867, Eve 917-592-9730



3. Crystal Byrnes & Nicholas DeGaeta



We Welcomed the Newly Baptized to our parish

Benjamin Luca Urso

Troop 24 Alumni

Troop 24 is looking for all former Scouts and Leaders of the Troop for an Alumni get together on March 28th, 2020. Please contact Bill Muller for details. Cell/text: 917-848-1311 or email: bmuller@si.rr.com

FATHER GANNON SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This Fund helps students who attend OLQP School to remain in school when their family suffers a long term set back. Please make checks payable to: OLQP/ Father Gannon Scholarship Fund.

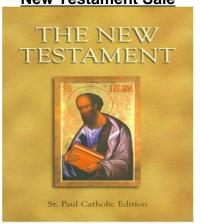
Soul-nourishing Practices for Lent

Fast from busyness. Take a slow walk around a neighborhood park or other natural place. Listen to the sounds around you-of nature, of people, of silence-and let your soul find rest in the moment.



RELIGIOUS ED. NEWS

Parish Religious Education Program New Testament Sale



Please consider purchasing a copy of the St. Paul Catholic Edition of the New Testament.

This I a beautiful edition of the New Testament. The print size is easy to read and there are many photographs of Holy Land sites and ancient artifacts. The price is \$15. The money will help pay for enrichment materials used in the Parish Religious Education Program.

Contact Mrs. Barbara Orleman at 718-979-0989 if you wish to make a purchase.

Spiritual Training Camp for Lent:

Jesus prepared himself for his ministry by a period of fasting, praying, and strengthening himself against temptation. How will we use the time of Lent for our spiritual training camp? Lent can be a spiritual training camp for us today. It is a time to practice the use of God's word as our defensive weapon against temptation. What spiritual training plans will we put into practice during Lent? Prayer, fasting and almsgiving are traditional. Let us spend a few minutes each day in reading Scripture. Are we trying to live by "bread alone?" We might write a plan for each week of Lent. Here are some suggestions to get us started:

First Week I will . . . spend some time reading the gospels or the psalms.

Second Week I will . . . fast from foods, unhealthy for body and soul.

Third Week I will . . . volunteer at a soup kitchen, thrift shop, or day care center.

Fourth Week I will . . . learn a few lines of Scripture by heart.

Fifth Week I will . . .give clothes, money, or possessions to the poor.

Sixth Week I will . . . participate in Holy Week liturgies.



In order to make the season of Lent a more fruitful one we invite our parish family to come to events we have scheduled below:

<u>MONDAYS IN LENT</u>: Miraculous Medal Novena-7:30pm

MONDAYS, TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS IN

<u>LENT</u>: Bible Study – 7pm to 8pm with Fr. Paul, MCBS – Chapel.

<u>WEDNESDAYS IN LENT:</u> 8:15am Morning Prayer – Chapel.

THURSDAYS IN LENT: Fallen Away Catholics 7pm

FRIDAYS IN LENT: Mass 7pm followed by Stations of the Cross- 7:30pm – Chapel

PRAYER BASKET: Bring your prayer intention on a paper and drop it in the basket in front of the altar for the whole Church to pray.

FIRST FRIDAY: Eucharistic Adoration – March 6th and April 3rd – 9:00am to 6:00pm, 6pm – Confessions and Common Holy Hour, Healing Mass at 7pm, Stations of the Cross.

REGULAR CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

OLQP – Saturday 3:00pm to 3:45pm OLL – Before the 10am Sunday Mass

THE 2021 MASS BOOK IS OPEN

Mass offering is to be made when the Mass is arranged in the Rectory during office hours. Weekend Masses and Holy Days of Obligation Masses are still \$25 and Monday through Saturday morning Masses are \$15.

50/50 Monthly Drawing

The 50/50 drawing will be held on the last week of every month. Yellow 50/50 envelopes are provided in your envelope package and in the back of the Church. The cost is \$5.00. To be eligible to win, please be sure to get your entry in soon! Good Luck to all.

Congratulations to our February 50/50 Winner! Mrs. Rosemarie Abid- \$397.00

Our Lenten Retreat

Lent lies at the very heart of our Catholic faith. Each year, on Ash Wednesday, we begin our Lenten retreat. We are blessed with ashes, reminding us that we are dust, and to dust we will return. For the next 40 days we are led into the desert of our own hearts to look within, face our sins, and ask for God's mercy.

While Lent was originally intended as a time of preparation for those being baptized at Easter, it gradually became a time when all of us get ready to renew our own baptismal promises. It is the season in which we prepare both individually and as a church for the Second Coming of our Lord and Savior. It is the season when we reflect on the dying and rising of Christ that has made our salvation possible. Even more than that, it is the season when we enter into Christ's dying and rising as we seek to purify, cleanse, and nourish our bodies, minds, and souls.

Lent is like a long 'retreat' during which we can turn back into ourselves and listen to the voice of God, in order to defeat the temptations of the Evil One. It is a period of spiritual 'combat' which we must experience alongside Jesus, not with pride and presumption, but using the arms of faith: prayer, listening to the word of God, and penance. In this way we will be able to celebrate Easter in truth, ready to renew the promises of our baptism."

-- Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Lenten Fast and Abstinence – During the season of Lent, the Church urges the faithful to reflect a Spirit of penance in their daily lives through performing acts of faith and abstinence.

FASTING requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but these two meals together should not equal a full meal in quantity. Nor is there eating between meals. Fasting obliges all those who have reached the age of 18 and continues to oblige through age 59. 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 prohibits individuals from eating meat on a particular day. Abstinence obliges all those who have reached the age of 14 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.