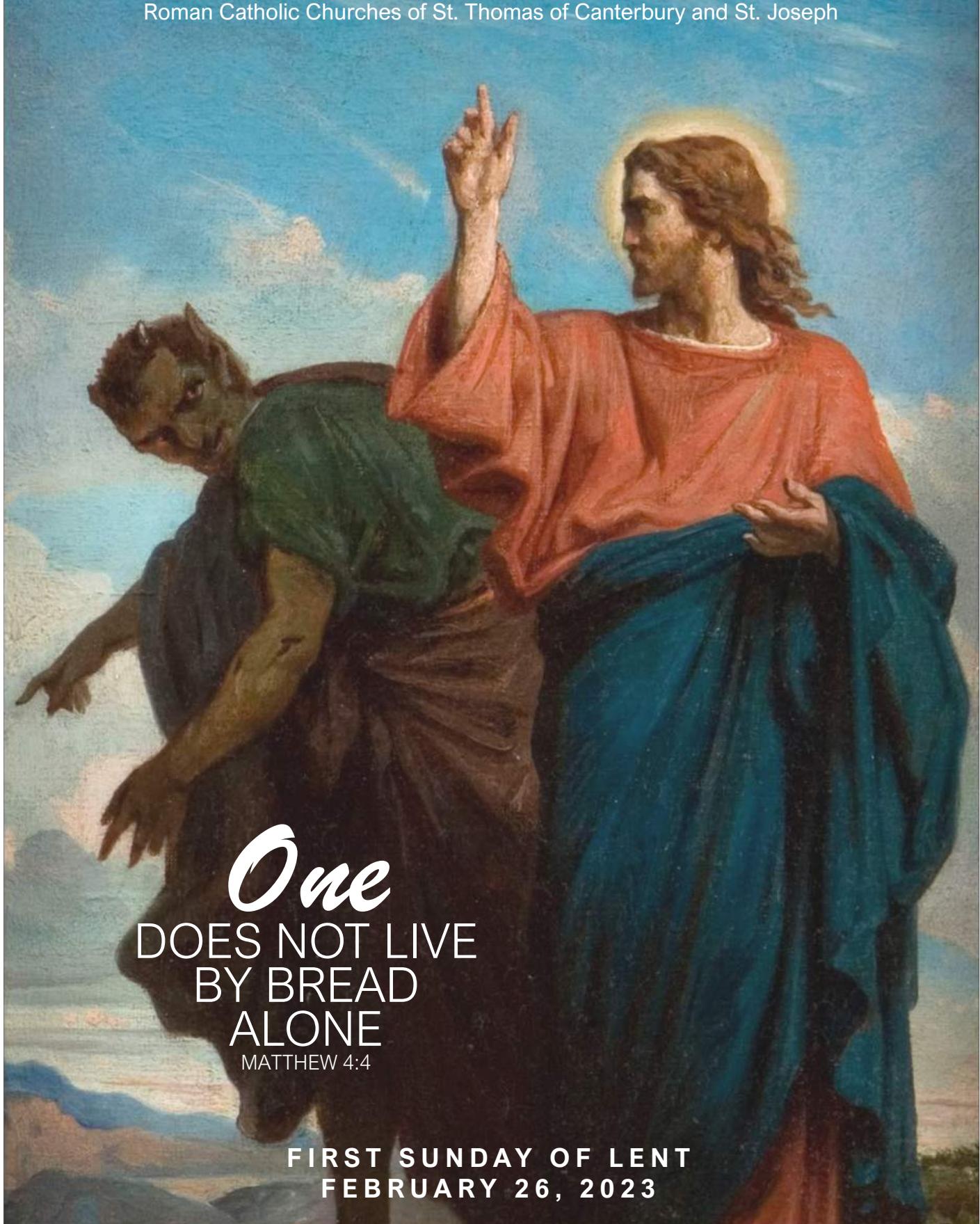


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Sunday: 8 am, 10 am, noon

Daily Mass:
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LENT

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Lent is a 40-day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

Stations of the Cross: Fridays at 7 pm at St. Thomas Church.

Standards for Fast and Abstinence:

Every person 14 years of age or older must abstain from meat (and items made with meat) on all Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. Every person age 18-59 must fast on Good Friday. To fast means only one complete meatless meal can be taken. Other smaller meals, if taken at all, cannot equal in quantity to the one meal.

Knights of Columbus 7460 is hosting their **Lenten Fish Fry**, 5-7 pm, February 24th-April 7th, in the school gym. Price for a flounder, shrimp, or red clams dinner is \$10; combo dinner (flounder and shrimp) is \$15; clam chowder is \$5. Dinners include coleslaw, potato salad, dinner roll, and sauces. Take out only.

The parish offers Mass every first Saturday of the month at 8:30 am for the deceased who are remembered in our **Perpetual Mass**

Enrollment. These Holy Souls will be included in the prayers of the liturgy for a period of one year. The offering is \$30 and includes a leatherette memorial Mass folder. Next Mass is March 4th.

The St. Marianne Cope Outreach Program and the Knights of Columbus will hold a **Food Drive** on Saturday, March 11th, 9-11 am, at the St. Thomas old school building. See the parish website for needed items. Questions? Email outreach@stmariannecope.com.

The **Prayer Shawl Ministry** will meet on Monday, March 6th at 10 am in the St. Thomas old school building.

Reserve now! Pilgrimage through New York and Canada to visit famous Catholic shrines of the North American Martyrs, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, St. Marianne Cope, St. Marguerite Bourgeoys, St. Joseph Oratory and St. Anne de Beaupre in luxury motor coach from June 19-23. Tour Director, guided tour of Quebec City, dinner for four nights, sightseeing and admissions included. See the link on the parish website to view the itinerary, hotels, costs and travel needs or pick up a flyer in the back of the church. Questions? Contact maryellentiernan@icloud.com or call 845.661.8586.



CALLAN CHRISTOPHER MOREAU

was baptized on
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The **Saint Therese Classical Academy and Chesterton Academy** in Campbell Hall offer PreK-12 students a classical education in the Catholic tradition. Next Open House is March 5th, 1-3 pm. For more information, visit STCAcademy.org or call 845.610.5288.

40 Days for Life is February 22nd-April 2nd. **Newburgh Planned Parenthood**, Wendy Wood, 845.820.4366, [Newburgh40DaysforLife@gmail.com](mailto>Newburgh40DaysforLife@gmail.com). **Goshen Planned Parenthood**, Mary Vecchio, mary.goshen40@gmail.com, 917.817.9174.

THE PASTOR'S CORNER

ARMING FOR THE BATTLE

The Angelus Address given by Pope Francis at Saint Peter's Square for the First Sunday of Lent, 5 March 2017.

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS, Good morning! In this First Sunday of Lent, the Gospel introduces us to the journey toward Easter, revealing Jesus as he remains in the desert for 40 days, subjected to the temptations of the devil (cf. Mt 4:1-11). This episode takes place at a precise moment in Jesus' life: immediately after his Baptism in the River Jordan and prior to his public ministry. He has just received the solemn investiture: the Spirit of God has descended upon him, the heavenly Father has declared him "my beloved Son" (Mt 3:17). Jesus is now ready to begin his mission; and as this mission has a declared enemy, namely, Satan, He confronts him straight away, "up close". The devil plays precisely on the title "Son of God" in order to deter Jesus from the fulfillment of his mission: "If you are the Son of God" (4:3, 6); and proposes that He perform miraculous acts — to be a "magician" — such as transforming stones into bread so as to satiate his hunger, and throwing himself down from the temple wall so as to be saved by the angels. These two temptations are followed by the third: to worship him, the devil, so as to have dominion over the world (cf. v. 9).

Through this three-fold temptation, Satan wants to divert Jesus from the way of obedience and humiliation — because he knows that in this way, on this path, evil will be conquered — and to lead Him down the false shortcut to success and glory. But the devil's poisonous arrows are "blocked" by Jesus with the shield of God's Word (vv. 4, 10), which expresses the will of the Father. Jesus does not speak a word of his own: He responds only with the Word of God. Thus the Son, filled with the power

of the Holy Spirit, comes out of the desert victorious.

During the 40 days of Lent, as Christians we are invited to follow in Jesus' footsteps and face the spiritual battle with the Evil One with the strength of the Word of God. Not with our words: they are worthless. The Word of God: this has the strength to defeat Satan. For this reason, it is important to be familiar with the Bible: read it often, meditate on it, assimilate it. The Bible contains the Word of God, which is always timely and effective. Someone has asked: what would happen were we to treat the Bible as we treat our mobile phone?; were we to always carry it with us, or at least a small, pocket-sized Gospel, what would happen?; were we to turn back when we forget it: you forget your mobile phone — 'oh! I don't have it, I'm going back to look for it'; were we to open it several times a day; were we to read God's messages contained in the Bible as we read telephone messages, what would happen? Clearly the comparison is paradoxical, but it calls for reflection. Indeed, if we had God's Word always in our heart, no temptation could separate us from God, and no obstacle could divert us from the path of good; we would know how to defeat the daily temptations of the evil that is within us and outside us; we would be more capable of living a life renewed according to the Spirit, welcoming and loving our brothers and sisters, especially the weakest and neediest, and also our enemies.

May the Virgin Mary, perfect icon of obedience to God and of unconditional trust in his will, sustain us on the Lenten journey, that we may set ourselves to listen docilely to the Word of God in order to achieve a true conversion of heart.



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St. Marianne Cope Parish's Goal is: \$70,500.00.

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READINGS FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Reading I – Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7

The first man is created "out of the clay of the ground." So our human story begins. Soon after, the woman (her origin not mentioned in this account) eats the forbidden fruit and gives some to her mate. "Their eyes were opened" and so the human struggle with slavery to sin begins as well.

Reading II – Romans 5:12-19

St. Paul alludes to Genesis here, but he focuses on the theological truth that sin and death entered into the human story and brought on the terrible enslavement of sin.

The Gospel – Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus' desert experience closely parallels that of Israel, but where Israel fell into sin and alienation from Yahweh at times, the "New Moses," Jesus Our Lord, triumphs over Satan's temptations. In doing so, Jesus quotes from Deuteronomy and declares His own obedience to God's First Commandment.



Scan the QR code to visit the **Worship Aid** page for the readings, antiphons, and music for the Sunday Mass at stmariannecope.com.

To watch a live streamed Mass from St. Patrick Cathedral via the Catholic Faith Network, visit catholicfaithnetwork.org/masses.

Sign up for flocknotes at stmariannecope.com with a cell number or email and stay involved by staying informed.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, Feb 27: *St Gregory of Narek*

8:30 +Denise Hoskins by Deacon John and Margaret Pelella

Tues, Feb 28

8:30 +Joe Gill by Gill family

Wed, Mar 1

8:30 Liv/Dec Mbrs of CDA by CDA

Thurs, Mar 2

8:30 +Siner family by Linda Siner

Fri, Mar 3: *St Katharine Drexel*

8:30 +Robert Salito by family

Sat, Mar 4: *St Casimir*

8:30 +Perpetual Mass Enrollments by the Parish

4:30 +Mamawal family by Linda Siner;

+Olivia Bellini by Mary Ellen Modico

Sun, Mar 5: *Second Sunday of Lent*

8:00 +Jack Hickey by Hickey family

10:00 +Robert Privinski by Margaret McDaniel

12:00 The People of the Parish

Two intentions will be accepted at the Saturday, 4:30 Vigil Mass. The Sunday Mass at noon will ALWAYS be offered only for the People of the Parish. The offering for an unannounced Mass is \$10; for an announced Mass—\$15. Contact the parish office.

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