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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday through Friday
7:30 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. - New Church Chapel

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Monday - 7:30 P.M. - Stone Church

NOCTURNAL ADORATION

Third Monday of the Month
8:00 to 10:00 P.M. - New Church Chapel

PRAYER GROUP

Thursday - 8:00 P.M. - Parish Center Meeting Room

EARLY BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Tuesday - 6:00 P.M. - Parish Center Library

PARISH COUNCIL

4th Monday of the Month - 8:15 P.M. - Parish Center

ST. PATRICK'S LIBRARY

Parish Center
Sunday 10:15 to 12:30
Tuesday 9:30 to 11:00 A.M.

THE TRINITY GIFT SHOP

Parish Center
Weekdays - 9:30 to 12:00 noon
Saturdays - 9:30 to noon
Sundays 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

GABRIEL PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER

1500 Front St. - Suite D - Yorktown - 962-8337

COLLECTION FOR FEBRUARY 19, 2006

Tithing Last Year	10,757.00
Tithing This Year	27,478.00
Children's This Year	417.00

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**Mass Intentions
for the Week**

Monday – February 27

6:55 Julia Brown
9:00 James Drake, Jr.

Tuesday – February 28

6:55 Eleanor Laughlin
9:00 Catherine Duane

Wednesday – March 1 – Ash Wednesday

6:55 Giuseppe Chiazzese
9:00 Desmond C. Lawe
12:00 Patrick Collins
7:30 Pietro Randazzo

Thursday – March 2

6:55 Giuseppe Chiazzese
9:00 Joseph Donohue
12:00 Palma Ferri

Friday – March 3

6:55 Deceased Members of Laudadio family
9:00 Bobby Hunt
12:00 Amelia Gasparino

Saturday – March 4

9:00 Arthur Maddock, Jr.
5:15 Harold Kindle

Sunday – March 5

7:45 Margaret Kerston
9:00 The People of St. Patrick's
9:15 Antonio Giannico
10:30 George Fleming
11:00 Marian North
12:30 Jason Foley
5:00 John Courtney, Sr.

CELEBRANTS

Saturday – March 4

Fr. Herb

Sunday – March 5

7:45 Fr. Herb 11:00 Fr. Jim
9:00 Fr. Bisignano 12:30 Fr. Jim
9:15 Fr. Herb 5:00 Fr. Bisignano
10:30 Fr. Bisignano

Confessions – Saturday March 4

Fr. Bisignano

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: 1 Pt 1: 3-9/Mk 10: 17-27
Tuesday: 1 Pt 1: 10-16/Mk 10: 28-31
Wednesday: Jl 2: 12-18/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6,16-18
Thursday: Dt 30: 15-20/Lk 9: 22-25
Friday: Is 58: 1-9a/Mt 9: 14-15
Saturday: Is 58: 9b-14/Lk 5: 27-32
Sunday: Gen 9: 8-15/1 Pt 3: 18-22/Mk 1: 12-15



Baptisms
February 19, 2006

David Anthony Bourgeois III

Son of David Anthony Jr. and Karen Bourgeois

Aidan Anthony Boyle

Son of Anthony and Eileen Boyle

Charles Bernard DeGennaro

Son of Joseph and Jill DeGennaro

Sophia Bouvier DiFrancia

Daughter of James Jr. and Laurie DiFrancia

Aaron Michael Egel

Son of Michael L. and Elizabeth Egel

Andrew Fabio Gentile

Son of Giuseppe and Erica Gentile

Grace Ning Qiao Mucilli

Daughter of Nicola D. and Susan Mucilli

Susan Vittoria Signorile

Daughter of Lorenzo C. and Stacey Ann Signorile

Brayden Randolph Wys

Son of Ralph and Kelly Wys

ST PATRICK'S CCD CONGRATULATES the following students who have been selected student of the month for February, 2006: WEEKDAYS: Gr. 1: Rocco D'Ascanio; Gr. 2: Katie Irish, Ryan Curran, Casey Duff; Gr.3: Morgan Cole, Daniel Lucey; Gr. 5.: Rita Graham, Colin Sickles, Megan McEnaney; Gr. 6: Thomas Menton, Christian Gjelaj; Gr. 7: Thomas Campbell, Cassie Pettinati. SATURDAYS: Gr. 1: Franco Conti; Gr.2: Jennifer DeIulio, Thomas Brown; Gr. 3: Karolina Seweryn, John Boday; Gr. 4: Kim Theall, Stefanie Frolo, Joseph Arena, Nicole DiPaolo; Gr. 5: Wendy French, Claire Ferguson, Michael Carfagno; Gr. 6: Rachel Calautti, Catherine Sharp, Brianna Zappi; Gr. 7: Anthony Marcella, Alexandra Iasiello. Congratulations for your example and dedication to Religious Studies.

St. Patrick's Library will be showing the video Rose Hawthorne Lathrop, the story of the founder of Rosary Hill in Hawthorne. This is part of a series called They Could Be Saints in which Father Benedict Groeschel introduces us to outstanding people who may easily be declared saints in the near future. Join us on Tues. Feb. 28th after 9am Mass.

Young Adult Lenten Retreat at Blair Lodge in Putnam Valley from 10:00 Saturday, March 11 – Sunday, March 12 after lunch. For young adults ages 20 – 40. Cost: \$55. Register by March 1. For information, call Sr. Deanna Sabetta at 212-371-1000 x2803.

The Altar Bread and Wine used in the New Church this week was donated by The Friends of Robert Brennan in memory of:

Robert Brennan

The Altar Bread and Wine used in the Stone Church this week was donated by Mary Jane & John Duffy in memory of:

Carolina Pascent

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the New Church this week was donated by Tom & Dorothy Rolfes in memory of:

James J. Kerrigan

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Stone Church this week was donated by Renie De Giovanni in memory of:

Remo De Giovanni

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the New Church Chapel this week was donated by The CCD Staff in memory of:

Anna De Liva

UNANNOUNCED MASS.....Deceased: Madeline N. Hayes (2), Catherine Gigi, Frank Ahearn, Lenna Benedusi, Mary Martucci, Margaret Martucci, Elaine Smith (2), Lynne Smith, Cathryn Miller, Francis Ahearn, Eileen Sweeney, Marie Donadio, George Rosado, Hunter Dreier, Diane Robinson. **Special Intention...**Tony Morrissey, Christine Venditti, Celeste Blinston.

The Irish American Social Club of Northern Westchester and Putnam Counties will hold their annual Gaelic Mass and installation of officers on Sunday March 5 2006, at 3PM, and refreshments will be served afterwards in Parish Center. The celebrant for this Mass will be Fr. Mathew Grier.



\$1,500,000 of the funds raised through the 2006 Cardinal's Appeal will be dedicated to the charitable works across the Archdiocese of New York. Each year the Archdiocese, Catholic Charities and its other charitable organizations, provide hope and support to those in needs throughout our community. Your gift to the 2006 Appeal will ensure the continuation of vital programs that reach out to so many in need.

Monsignor Brennan's Magic Show presented by St. Patrick's CCD on Friday, March 10, 2006 at 7:30PM at the School's Auditorium/Gym. The price will be \$7.00 in advance and \$10.00 at the door. (Same price for adults or children). Children under 2 free. Snacks will be available for purchase. Tickets can be purchased at the CCD office Monday – Thursday 9:30 to 5:30, Saturday 9:30 to 11:30. For more information call 962-5586.

Volunteers are needed in CCD! Our CCD Program serves over 2,300 children in our parish and we have many volunteer opportunities available for those who want to help pass on the faith to our young people. In addition to your prayer, we need adults to work with our children in many different capacities, particularly as aides, for our learning disabled children. We also need adults and high school students to help us provide extra activities for our children and their families. We have opportunities available six days a week. Please contact Susan Wallace at 962-5586 for more information. Thank you and God bless.

5% of the value of your purchases is returned to St. Patrick's when you use the food store gift cards that are available for purchase in the vestibule of the Church before and after all Masses. Please use this easy way of supporting our parish.

A more profound way to experience the liturgies of Lent and Holy Week: Consider becoming part of St. Patrick's Music Ministry. Singers, pianists, instrumentalists welcome. For more information, please call Kathey Lewis, Director of Music Ministries at 962-5050.

Yorktown Community HELP, INC. will be collecting food during Lent. The following foods will be collected this week: Pasta, Tomato/Spaghetti Sauce, Macaroni & Cheese, Packaged Macaroni, Canned Hash, Stews or other one meal items. Please leave your donation in the vestibule of the New Church-your generosity is appreciated. Thank You.

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Lent: A Sense of the Season

The word *Lent* means *springtime*. This word comes from the same root as *lengthen*. Daytime lengthens during Lent. The northern hemisphere turns toward the sun, the source of life, and winter turns into spring. In Hebrew, the word for *repentance* is the same as the word that means *to turn*, like the turning of the earth to the sun, like the turning of the soil before planting.

“Even now, says the Lord, turn to me.” (Joel 2:12) The word *sin* means separation. We are called to turn from our separate selves, from our sin, to come together in community. Self-denial is the way we express our repentance. In the lengthening brightness from Ash Wednesday until Holy Thursday afternoon, our holy Lent, we turn to God as our source of life.

Self-denial is threefold, advises Matthew's gospel. We pray: “Go to your room, close your door, and pray to your Father in private.” We fast: “No one must see you are fasting but your Father.” We give alms: “Keep your deeds of mercy secret, and your Father who sees in secret will repay you.” Through the Lenten exercise of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, we spring-clean our lives, sharpen our senses, put tomorrow in its place and treasure the day at hand.

Why are there forty days in Lent? It took forty days for sinfulness to drown in the flood before a new creation could inherit the earth. It took forty years for the generation of slaves to die before the freeborn could enter the Promised Land. For forty days Moses and Elijah and Jesus fasted and prayed to prepare themselves for a life's work.

At the beginning of Lent the bishop calls out the names of the catechumens who seek to be baptized at Easter. Their names are written in the book of the elect, the chosen. God has chosen them, and they have chosen to turn to God. Lent is the forty days before the baptism of the catechumens. The already baptized can share the excitement and the struggles of the elect and rediscover the meaning of baptism in their own lives. During the forty days, both catechumens and the faithful journey together to the holy font.

We keep Lent together. We put aside our business-as-usual to support each other in prayer, fasting and almsgiving. We turn to God to enlighten us and purify us throughout the lengthening brightness of our holy season of Lent.

“For now is the acceptable time! Now is the day of salvation!”

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LENTEN SCHEDULE



Ash Wednesday – March 1, 2006

6:30 A.M., 9:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon Masses

4:30 P.M. Service of the Word

7:30 P.M. Mass

Ashes will be distributed during these celebrations.

Lenten Daily Masses

Monday through Friday

6:55, 9:00 A.M. 12:00 Noon

Saturday – 9:00 A.M.

Morning Prayer

Will be prayed Monday – Saturday at 8:45 A.M.

preceding the 9:00 A.M. Mass

Lenten Thursday Holy Hours

Each Thursday of Lent – 7:30 P.M. – Stone Church

(3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30, 4/6)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
Evening Prayer, Homily, Benediction

Stations of the Cross

Fridays, 7:30 P.M. – New Church

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturdays

after 9:00 A.M. Mass

and 4:00 – 5:00 P.M.

At other times, please call the Rectory

Parish Penance Service

(including individual confessions)

Monday, April 3, 7:30 P.M.

Reflections on the Lenten Sunday Scriptures

Wednesday mornings 9:45 – 11:15 A.M.

(Ash Wed. 10:00 – 11:15)

Family Education Center Room 109

Bring your Bible or a Missalette

Adult Faith Enrichment

Wednesdays, 7:00 – 8:00 P.M.

Family Education Center Room 107

March 22: Christian Prayer

March 29: Celebrating the Church's Liturgy

Fr. Frank Corry, presenter

The Movie: The Passion of the Christ

will be shown Sunday, April 2 at 7:00 P.M.

Family Education Center Room 107

Opportunity for discussion will follow

Novena to St. Patrick

Nine days' prayer to St. Patrick

from March 8 through March 16

at the conclusion of each Mass.

Charismatic Prayer Group

Thursdays 8:00 P.M. – Parish Center Meeting Room

The Rosary is Prayed

Daily in the New Church following the 9:00 A.M. Mass

Fridays at 7:00 P.M. in the New Church Chapel

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed in the New Church Chapel

Monday through Friday from 7:30 A.M. to 10:00 P.M.

"...Could you not spend one hour with me?..."

Take some time during Lent to pray before our Lord in
the Eucharist.



THIS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, IS ASH WEDNESDAY. Ash Wednesday is an important day in the Christian calendar but it is not a holyday of obligation. (We could consider it a holyday of opportunity.) Christians observe Ash Wednesday by attending Mass and receiving the ashes upon our foreheads, but most important, by observing the disciplines of fasting and abstinence.

THE LENTEN REGULATIONS FOR THIS YEAR ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. **Abstinence** from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years and older on Ash Wednesday and on all of the Fridays of Lent.
2. **Fasting** is to be observed on Ash Wednesday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 60. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to each one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

There is a serious obligation to observe these penitential practices in a substantial way. Those whose work or health would be impaired are excused from fast and abstinence. Individual conscience should decide proper cause for excuse. A more serious reason is required to excuse oneself from Ash Wednesday fast and abstinence – or from the fast and abstinence of Good Friday.

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