

**PARISH STAFF**

School Principal	
Nan Gollogly	962-2211
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Kathey Lewis, Director	962-5050
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Youth Ministry	
Joanne Niece	243-9562
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Parish Secretary	
C. Steve Black	962-5050

**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**

4<sup>th</sup> 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

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**COLLECTION FOR March 5, 2006**

Tithing Last Year	\$29,579.00
Tithing This Year	\$30,933.00
Children's Last Year	\$392.00
Children's This Year	\$537.00



**Mass Intentions  
for the Week**

**Monday – March 13**

6:55 Beniamino Cozza  
9:00 Eleanor Laughlin  
12:00 Claudia & Thomas Hudson

**Tuesday – March 14**

6:55 Msgr. John McEvoy  
9:00 George Ryder  
12:00 Bill Kelleher

**Wednesday – March 15**

6:55 Attilio & Rosaria Del Grasso  
9:00 Crispin Gastardo  
12:00 Eleanor Laughlin

**Thursday – March 15**

6:55 Ben & Nora Clarke and Gene Braddock  
9:00 Henry Hazel Graham  
12:00 John Patrick McMamara

**Friday – March 16**

6:55 Desmond Lawe, Jr.  
9:00 James Patrick Powers  
12:00 Shaun Friary

**Saturday – March 17**

9:00 Sr. Dos Victores Maran  
5:15 Jack Murphy

**Sunday – March 18**

7:45 The People of St. Patrick's  
9:00 Joey Uebbing  
9:15 Elizabeth & William Coughlin  
10:30 Dina Puiatti and Joseph Bernardino  
11:00 Beniamino Cozza  
12:30 Ralph Gargiulo  
5:00 Josephine Manno

**CELEBRANTS**

**Saturday – March 17**

Fr. Herb

**Sunday – March 18**

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

**Confessions – Saturday March 17**

Fr. Bisignano

**WEEKLY READINGS**

**Monday:** Dn 9: 4b-10/Lk 6: 36-38  
**Tuesday:** Is 1: 10, 16-20/Mt 23: 1-12  
**Wednesday:** Jer 18: 18-20/Mt 20: 17-28  
**Thursday:** Jer: 17: 5-10/Lk 16: 19-31  
**Friday:** Gn 37: 3-4,12-13a,17b-28a/Mt 21: 33-43,45-46  
**Saturday:** Mi 7: 14-15,18-20/Lk 15: 1-3, 11-32  
**Sunday:** Ex 20: 1-77 or 20: 1-3,7-8,12-17/1 Cor 1: 22-25/Jn 2: 13-25 or for Cycle A, Ex 17: 3-7/Jn 4: 5-42 or 4: 5-15,19b-26,39a,40-42

**ST PATRICK'S CCD Program** is participating this Lenten Season in Operation Rice Bowl, Catholic Relief Service's Lenten Solidarity Program. 75% of the contributions collected will support food, water and sanitation development projects around the world and 25% will remain in our diocese to fund local poverty and hunger alleviation efforts. Please pray for all our brothers and sisters in need of food and clean water around the world. Special Lenten contribution boxes are available in the CCD office. For more info, please call 962-5586.

**Interested in being a Weekday Lector?** If you would like to apply for being a lector at either the 6:55 AM or 9:00 AM Mass, **we need you!** Choices of Mon-Sat, bi-weekly assignments. Contact Paul Turnley at (914) 245-7483. or [pturnley@aol.com](mailto:pturnley@aol.com) for more info and training.

**Blood Drive NEXT SUNDAY!** sponsored by Yorktown Volunteer Ambulance Corps will be held next Sunday, March 18 from 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM in the Parish Center. Donors must present photo ID and know their Social Security number. Please give the "Gift of Life".

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

**Saint Patrick's Trinity Gift Shop** Winner of the 1<sup>st</sup> year Anniversary raffle was Eileen McGinty. She won a beautiful 30in. outdoor statue of Saint Anne and Mary. Thanks to all who joined us for this celebration.

**The Saint Patrick's Trinity Gift Shop** located downstairs next to the Parish Center has all your personal and gift needs for all of the Sacraments and holidays. If we don't have it we can special order it. 14kt gold, sterling silver and gold-filled jewelry. Over 450 Saint medals. Engraving available. If you need any help or have any questions please contact us at 914-962-9176 or at the office 914-243-9562.

**Attention all Married Couples:** the Teams of Our Lady Information Night that was "snowed out" has been rescheduled for next Sunday, March 19, immediately following the 5:00 PM Mass. Please join us to find out about a wonderful way to enrich your marriage by growing closer to God with other like-minded couples in our parish. If you cannot attend, but are interested, please call Barbara and Jim Turro at 914-245-7410.

The Altar Bread and Wine used in the New Church this week was donated by The Cerabona Family in memory of:  
**Beniamino Cozza**

The Altar Bread and Wine used in the Stone Church this week was donated by Camille Luongo & Laurie Foley in memory of:  
**Tina DeCristofaro**

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the New Church this week was donated by Teams of our Lady Team VII in memory of:  
**Mary Zimel**

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Stone Church this week was donated by Dorothy & John F. Fanning in memory of:  
**John Fanning**

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the New Church Chapel this week was donated by Susan Wallace in memory of:  
**Jerry Brennan**

**UNANNOUNCED MASSES: Deceased:** John Windus, Jack McQuillan, Donald Drohan, Charlotte Perry, Ellen Gilcher, Carmela S. Antonio Fichera, Luigi & Giovanna Cavasotto, Penny Richman, Paul Willett, Theresa Vitiello(2), Mary Deliso, Manuel Caraballo (4), Vincent Shroba, Thomas Marsella, Josephine Moretti, Frank Keaney, Mary Donnellan. **Special Intention** Giovanna Cavasotto, Dawn Granchelli, Barbara & Bob Stofko, Sister Marie Patrice



**The Cardinal's Annual Appeal:** Next weekend is Commitment Weekend. At all Masses, you will have an opportunity to make your commitment to the Appeal. The Appeal is a vital source of funding for the programs and ministries that sustain the parishes across our Archdiocese. Please consider a sacrificial pledge to the 2006 Appeal. To date, **St. Patrick's Church has received 40 pledges amounting to \$39,900** towards our parish goal of \$159,500.

**Food Store Gift Cards** are available for purchase in the vestibule of the Church before and after all Masses. 5% of the value of your purchase is returned to St. Patrick's. Please use this easy way of supporting our parish.

**Yorktown Community HELP Food Collection:** The following foods will be collected this week: Canned Fruits, Vegetables, Peanut Butter, Jelly. Please leave your donation in the vestibule of the New Church. Your continuing generosity is appreciated.

**Couples celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary** anytime during 2006 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Egan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick on Sunday, April 23 at 2:00PM. Pre-registration is required. Please call the Rectory before Friday, April 7 to register.

**A Healing Mass** will be celebrated here at St. Patrick's by Msgr. Dermot Brennan this Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. Songs of praise will begin at 7:30 PM, following the Mass at 8:00 PM. Individual prayer for healing will follow the Mass. Bring your physical, emotional and spiritual needs to the Lord for his healing touch. This Mass is sponsored by St. Patrick's Prayer Group. For more info call (914) 737-4286.

**St. Patrick's Library** will show the inspiring conclusion of Saint Anthony, the Miracle Worker of Padua. The movie will be shown on Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup>, after the 9 AM Mass and Rosary.

**Lenten Sunday Scripture Reflections:** All parishioners are invited to gather for personal study, reflection, and prayer, with the Sunday morning Scripture Readings for Lent. March 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5 at 9:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. in the Family Education Center, Room 109. Please bring your Bible or a Missalette.

**Parents, prepare for Holy Week** with your children in a new joyful way with a meaningful profound experience. Come to a Family Lenten Weekend Retreat: March 31-April 2 (Friday evening to noontime Sunday) at St. Edmund's Retreat Center, Mystic, CT. Contact Deacon John and Peggy Scarfi at 845-621-7000.

**A Spaghetti Dinner** will be sponsored by the Parish Council on Saturday, April 1, 2006 at 6:30 PM after the 5:15 Mass) in the Parish Center. Cost is \$7.50 per person, max. \$30.00 per family. More information to follow.

**An Art Auction** sponsored by St. Patrick's Home School Association will be held on April 8. Tickets will be sold after Masses on March 25 & 26.

**St. Joseph's Day Mass** will be celebrated in Italian by Fr. Jim on Monday, March 20 at 7:30 PM in the New Church. After Mass, gather in the Parish Center for St. Joseph's bread and pastries from Arthur Avenue. Bring your favorite dessert for the sharing table. Call Maria Litrenta at 962-1815 for reservations (so we know how much bread we will need).

**SDRC...**A support group for all **separated** and **divorced** people meets on the second and fourth Monday of each month in the Family Education Center from 7-8:30 p.m. Please join us on March 27 and experience a sense of belonging. You are not alone! Call Terry at 962-4303 or Pat at 245-8257 for more information.

**Our Lady of Victory Academy,** Dobbs Ferry will be hosting their 4<sup>th</sup> annual Card Party on Friday, March 31 at 7:00PM in the auditorium at Our Lady of Victory Academy. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Sandwiches and light refreshments will be served. RSVP to Maggie Kolman-Mandle at 762-4488.

**Voice of the Faithful** will be meeting on Wednesday, March 22, 2006 at 7:30PM, at St. Ann's Church, 25 Eastern Avenue, Ossining, NY 10562. The speaker for the evening will be Frank Maurovich, whose topic is: "Reform and Renewal: Remedy from the Top. All are welcome. If you have any questions contact: Eileen Sammon 941-6286 or Sue Gallagher, 941-4686.

**Our Lady of Fatima Pilgrim Virgin Statue** will be in the home of Dr. Diane Vitalis, 2710 Crompond Road on Saturday, March 17 at 2:00PM. This full-size statue of our Blessed Mother is an image whose message is stirring. Please call 245-2771 for more information.

**DDA Boys' Retreat Weekend** will be March 23 to 26 at Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries in Garrison. The weekend is open to all boys in grades 9 – 12. For information and application, call Joanne, St. Patrick's Youth Minister at 243-9562 or Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries at 845-424-3609.

**Teachings of the Catholic Church  
with Fr. Francis Corry**

Two-Part Series is Being Offered:

*During Lent:*

Wednesday Evenings 7:00 — 8:00 P.M.

- Mar 22 Christian Prayer
- Mar 29 Celebrating the Church's Liturgy

*During Easter Season:*

Thursday Evenings 7:30 — 8:30 P.M.

The Seven Sacraments of the Church

- Apr 27 Sacraments of Healing
- May 04 Sacraments of Holy Orders & Marriage
- May 11 Sacramentals & Christian Funerals

Family Education Center Rooms 107/108

Please Register by contacting Rectory at 962-5050  
or email Deacon Michael

@ [deaconmichael@optonline.net](mailto:deaconmichael@optonline.net)

*Jesus asks:*

***“Could you not spend one hour with me?...”***

Take some time during Lent to be and pray  
with our Lord in the Eucharist.

During this Lenten Season we will be offering

**Lenten Thursday Holy Hours**

Each Thursday of Lent – 7:30 P.M. – Stone Church  
(3/16, 3/23, 3/30, 4/6)

Each Holy Hour will begin with Exposition of  
the Blessed Sacrament, followed by Evening  
Prayer, a Reflection, then end with Benediction.

In addition, our Lord Jesus is always present to us

**in The Blessed Sacrament exposed  
in the New Church Chapel**

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

***Letter from the Pastor***

I would like to further explain the request that I made at each of the Masses on the weekend of February 25<sup>th</sup> for an increase in your weekly tithing. In my attempt to be very brief and to the point, I may have not been clear on several points. The most important is that in addition to having lower attendance on several Sundays due to inclement weather, we lost two Sunday collections because Christmas and New Year's Day fell on Sundays this year. Also of note is that on average our weekly collection has been less than last year's by about \$500 each week.

This is also a good time to inform you of the nature of the improvements to the Rectory. In my attempt to obtain a replacement for Fr. Smith, the only option available at the time was to employ a priest that required housing. Until construction, we did not have a room that would be suitable to house someone on a long-term basis. As I am finding out, the Spirit of St. Patrick's is indeed very strong: we have been able to obtain a weekend priest, Fr. Luke Sweeney, just this past month. The improvements to the Rectory will be very much appreciated by the Bishop when he comes for Confirmation, by Fr. Luke when he needs to stay with us over the weekend, and by any other priests who come to help our parish throughout the year. It is important to note here that the funds for the renovation came from the Centennial Fund, not from the General Fund. The funds from the Centennial Fund are “restricted funds” that are to be used specifically on the physical plant, repairs, or renovations rather than to pay monthly bills.

It is through the generosity of some of our fellow parishioners that the new vestments that are being used at Masses were donated in memory of loved ones. In addition, the gold-plated chalices that were used first at my Installation and that have been used regularly in the New Church since Christmas were my gift to the parish in memory of my parents.

I am grateful for all of your prayers and for your continuing support of St. Patrick's parish. May God bless you and your families during this Lenten Season.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Rev. Joseph F. Bisignano