



Saturday February 13
 5:30 pm Kenneth Davis
Sunday February 14 *First Sunday in Lent*
 7:30 am Our Parishioners
 9:00 am Intention of Robert and Marian Orsetti and Family
 10:30 am Josephine Banda
 12:00 pm Cooper Daniel Kravatz and Bill Walsh
Monday February 15 (Note time change)
 8:00 am James Bergen
Tuesday February 16
 6:45 am Helen Brogan
 12:00 pm Theresa Kenworthy
Wednesday February 17
 6:45 am James Russo
 12:00 pm Dr. Rodolfo Narag
Thursday February 18
 6:45 am Msgr. David Mahon
 12:00 pm Anthony Palmieri
Friday February 19
 6:45 am Michael Duffy
 12:00 pm Marguerite Fulda
Saturday February 20
 8:00 am Susan Angelo and Eugene Gaetano
 5:30 pm Paul McEntyre and Robert Halm
Sunday February 21 *Second Sunday in Lent*
 7:30 am Our Parishioners
 9:00 am J. Victor and Sophronia Lynch
 10:30 am Tricia Coniglio
 12:00 pm Dr. Rodolfo Narag

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, especially Kristin Petrsek, Connie Ingrassia, Christopher Fraclose, Kevin Cunniff, Arline Forte, Nancy Huber, Gene Caulfield, Jeanine Niehoff, Saskia Kane, Joy Skubic, Edward Sotelo, Sr. Bernadette Weller, Joan Kellenberger, Marie Cardone, Robert Walsh, Fran Wolf, Jack Boyland, Christa Fairclough, Bob Noonan, and Shannon Halm.

STEWARDSHIP

Collection for February 8, 2015	\$ 5,469.
MASS ATTENDANCE 626	
February 7, 2016 Sunday Collection	
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 8,319
ParishPay	1.205
Total	\$ 9,524
MASS ATTENDANCE 851	
Collection for Diocesan Assessment	\$ 2,273.
God bless you for your generosity.	

**Scripture Readings
 February 21, 2016
 Second Sunday of Lent**

First Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

God told Abram that he would give him the land of Egypt and his descendants would become a great people. Abram then made sacrifices to God, cutting them in half. A torch passed between the pieces, as a visible sign to Abram of God's promise.

Second Reading: Philippians 3:17—4:1

Paul urges the Philippians to avoid becoming too interested in material possessions. He reminds them that their most important wealth is their faith in Jesus, which will lead them to eternal life.

Gospel: Luke 9:28b-36

Jesus took Peter, John and James to a mountain to pray. When his clothes grew incredibly white, Moses and Elijah appeared. They spoke of the scripture he was to fulfill. Then a cloud came down and a voice said, "This is my Son, my Chosen One. Listen to him." The disciples who had seen Jesus' glory did not disclose this experience to anyone until much later.

There will be a second collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe next weekend.

Food Collection for the Fr. English Food Pantry is next weekend, February 20/21.

FEB 20/21 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

5:30 pm	Fr. Edward Seton Fittin
7:30 am	Fr. Jim Termyna
9:00 am	Fr. Jim Termyna
10:30 am	Fr. Edward Seton Fittin
12:00 pm	Fr. Edward Seton Fittin

Tax statements will be sent upon request. Please note records are kept only for those who use envelopes.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

*Winter recess: No Religious Education classes this week
 No Moms and Tots*

Monday, February 15 (President's Day)

Office closed
 Welcome Home Reconciliation 7:00 to 8:30pm

Wednesday, February 17

Prayer Group 1:00 to 2:00pm

Thursday, February 18

Choir Practice 7:00 to 9:00pm

Friday, February 19

Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm

Saturday, February 20

Reconciliation 4:00 to 5:00 pm

From the Desk of Fr. Jared

Pope Francis' Lenten Message cont'd

2. God's covenant with humanity: a history of mercy

The mystery of divine mercy is revealed in the history of the covenant between God and his people Israel. God shows himself ever rich in mercy, ever ready to treat his people with deep tenderness and compassion, especially at those tragic moments when infidelity ruptures the bond of the covenant, which then needs to be ratified more firmly in justice and truth. Here is a true love story, in which God plays the role of the betrayed father and husband, while Israel plays the unfaithful child and bride. These domestic images – as in the case of Hosea (cf. Hos 1-2) – show to what extent God wishes to bind himself to his people.

This love story culminates in the incarnation of God's Son. In Christ, the Father pours forth his boundless mercy even to making him "mercy incarnate" (*Misericordiae Vultus*, 8). As a man, Jesus of Nazareth is a true son of Israel; he embodies that perfect hearing required of every Jew by the Shema, which today too is the heart of God's covenant with Israel: "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might" (Dt 6:4-5). As the Son of God, he is the Bridegroom who does everything to win over the love of his bride, to whom he is bound by an unconditional love which becomes visible in the eternal wedding feast.

This is the very heart of the apostolic kerygma, in which divine mercy holds a central and fundamental place. It is "the beauty of the saving love of God made manifest in Jesus Christ who died and rose from the dead" (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 36), that first proclamation which "we must hear again and again in different ways, the one which we must announce one way or another throughout the process of catechesis, at every level and moment" (ibid., 164). Mercy "expresses God's way of reaching out to the sinner, offering him a new chance to look at himself, convert, and believe" (*Misericordiae Vultus*, 21), thus restoring his relationship with him. In Jesus crucified, God shows his desire to draw near to sinners, however far they may have strayed from him. In this way he hopes to soften the hardened heart of his Bride.

Peace,
Fr. Jared

WORDS OF MERCY AND HOPE BY POPE FRANCIS

The heart of the Pope expands to include everyone. To testify to the immensity of God's love is the heart of the mission entrusted to the Successor of Peter, the Vicar of the One who on the cross embraced the whole of mankind. May no member of Christ's Body or the American people feel excluded from the Pope's embrace. Wherever the name of Jesus is spoken, may the Pope's voice also be heard to affirm that: "*He is the Savior.*" (*Meeting with Bishops of the US*)



Lent 2016

St. Catherine of Siena Church

Daily Eucharist:

6:45 am & 12 pm (Monday-Friday)
8:00 am (Saturday)

Sunday Eucharist:

5:30 pm (Saturday)
7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 pm

Lenten Parish Mission

Fr. Michael Sullivan, OSA
February 28th – March 2nd at 7:30 pm

Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 7:00 pm

February 19th 7th grade
February 26th Fr. Jared
March 4th 8th & 9th grade
March 11th Religious Education
March 18th Fr. Jared

Lenten Soup Dinner

February 26th at 5:45 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Mondays: 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm (February 15 – March 14)

Adult Formation

Presentation on Pope Francis'
The Name of God is Mercy
Tuesday, March 8, 15, & 22 at 7:30 pm with Fr. Jared

"Lent & Easter: A Historical Perspective"

Wednesdays at 11:00 am with Sr. Bernadette Weller
February 24; March 9, 16, 23, 30; April 6



NEWS FROM
THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
OFFICE

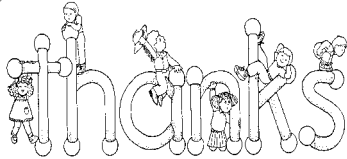
The Religious Education office is looking for someone to catechize / teach three young girls who are in 2nd and 4th grades on Wednesdays from 4:00 – 5:15. Please call the religious education office at (973) 334-5257 for more information.

No classes this week February 15– 18

(have a great week off)

Classes resume on February 22 - 25

Thanks and God bless,
Lisa Gervasio



**Information about the
2nd graders preparing for
First Holy Communion**

Thanksgiving

This week the Children preparing for First Holy Communion reflected on their gifts, which are blessing from God. At the Eucharist (a word meaning “to give thanks”) we thank God for all his gifts and blessing. How do we as a parish help others develop such a grateful heart?



St. Catherine’s will be holding a **Way of the Cross for Children and Families** on **Friday, March 11 at 7:00 pm**, with a practice on March 3 at 7:00 pm. We are looking for families to participate. The families will do a scripture reading and a reflection. We

have beautiful poster that reflect the Stations of the Cross and music will be played. What a beautiful way to learn about Jesus’ with your family. Come renew and deepen your relationship with God and the whole Church.

For more information or to sign up to participate, call the Religious Education office at (973) 334-5257, or email at DRE@stcatherine-ml.org



**Following Jesus
the Light of the World**

Make your summer ROCK! Come dig deeper with us at Vacation Bible School at St. Catherine’s.

SAVE THE DATE: June 27 – July 1, 9:00 am-12:00 pm
Registration opens March 5th.

We welcome our recently baptized new member in the church and our parish community.

Reed Cirasa
son of Simon and Kristen

ST. CATHERINE’S LENTEN MISSION

A Parish Retreat... A Time of Grace
Fr. Michael P. Sullivan, OSA
Sunday, February 28 – Wednesday, March 2

Ordained in 1967, Fr. Sullivan spent eight years in parish ministry in New York. He has been a member of the executive board of the Worldwide Marriage Encounter, and in 1980 was appointed to full time retreat work and parish renewal preaching. In March 2006, Father received the 2006 St. Thomas of Villanova Alumni Medal, the highest award granted by the Alumni Association, in recognition of his support of the Villanova mission.

PARISH LENTEN MISSION SCHEDULE

- **Sunday, February 28, 7:30 pm***
To Be Born Again
- **Monday, February 29, 7:30 pm**
The Healing Love of Jesus
There will be opportunity for individual confessions following the presentation.
- **Tuesday, March 1, 7:30 pm**
The Call to be Church
- **Wednesday, March 2, 7:30 pm**
Our Response to the Call
***Babysitting will be provided**

SOUP AND STATIONS

On Friday, February 26, St. Catherine’s will hold a Lenten Soup Supper in the gym at 5:45 pm followed by the Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm. It is a great opportunity to share a simple Lenten meal and pray with the family. There will be a sign-up sheet in the church for those who are interested in coming to the supper.

ST. CATHERINE’S WOMEN’S ANNUAL RETREAT

Annual women’s retreat will be held at Villa Pauline Retreat House in Mendham **March 11, 12, & 13**, led by Fr. Rocco Danzi, SJ, Director of Campus Ministry at St. Peter’s University in Jersey City. Cost is \$175 and includes sleeping accommodations, six meals, five conferences, two Masses, stations of the cross, recitation of the rosary, confession, meditation and socializing. Can’t make the whole weekend? Come Saturday from 9:30 am to 7:30 pm for \$80, which includes meals. To make your reservation, please call Cretia Rotella @ 201-919-1060 or Cheryl Clark @ 973-885-0908.

COMMUNITY SOUP KITCHEN

Thank you to those who helped to shop for and serve 190 meals on Feb. 8 at the Community Soup Kitchen in Morristown: *Al & Esther Falivene, Michele Gregorek, Frank & Pat Kelleher, Brendan & Pat Kelly, Carol Kennedy, Dom & Pat Miliano, Denise & Jessica Petonak, Antoinette Shanker, Virginia Thomas, Lillian Wagner and Lisa Ward.* Thank you also to *Rose Ann Cotreau* and her friends for all the delicious baked goods. To volunteer, please contact Denise Ramirez at 973-299-1554.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

Next weekend we and other parishes will take up a special collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Many living in this part of the world are still suffering the effects of life under communist rule. Grants funded by this collection are a source of hope to restore the Church and build the future in these areas. Funds support seminaries, youth ministries, social service programs, pastoral centers and church construction. Please be as generous as possible.

LUNCH WITH A LEPRECHAUN

Saturday, March 5 Our Lady of the Lakes Knights of Columbus Council #3359 will host **Lunch with a Leprechaun** from noon to 2:00 pm in the parish center. Enjoy corned beef, hot dogs, soda, coffee, tea, scones and cupcakes while being entertained with Irish dancers and musicians, plus a visit from our honored guest, the leprechaun. Children age 3 to 12, \$8. Adults \$12. Tickets will be sold at the door. All proceeds benefit our troops.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

40 DAYS FOR LIFE is prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil, and community outreach. Join Morris County Right To Life at Planned Parenthood, 196 Speedwell Avenue, Morristown, **8:00 am to 8:00 pm seven days a week now through Palm Sunday, March 20.** Bring signs to hold (except graphic type) or they will be supplied as needed. Register at <https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/morristown/>, call 973-933-2800, or email info@morriscountyrighttolife.org.

ST. ANN PARISH MISSION

St. Ann Church, 781 Smith Road, Parsippany invites you to their Lenten Mission, *"The Year of Mercy"*, that will take place on **Tuesdays at 7:00 pm.** On **February 16**, Fr. Joseph Garbarino will speak on *"Compassion on the Journey."* Fr. John Andrew Connell will present *"Journey to Mercy"* on **February 23.** The mission concludes on **March 1** with Fr. Paul Manning presenting, *"His Mercy Endures Forever."* For information call 973-884-1986.

PIZZA NIGHT WITH BISHOP

If you are a young man in high school or college, or even older, come join Bishop Serratelli and priests from the Diocese of Paterson for adoration, reflection, fellowship...and of course, pizza. Evenings will be held:

Tuesday, March 1: Morris Catholic High School
200 Morris Ave, Denville

Thurs, March 17: Pope John XXIII High School
28 Andover Rd, Sparta

Each night begins at 7 pm. Please see Fr. Jared for more information.

ST. PAUL INSIDE THE WALLS

Programs are held at St. Paul Inside the Walls,
205 Madison Ave., Madison

Please visit www.insidethewalls.org for more information

Reasons to Believe: Why the Catholic Faith Makes Sense

Come hear *what* Catholics believe, *why* Catholics believe it, the *personal* difference it makes, and *how* it makes sense in today's world. Fr. Derek Anderson, presenter. **Saturday, February 20 from 10:00 am-noon**

Catholicism from Scratch: Ashes, Palms, Lilies, and Mangers (Celebrations and Sacramentals)

A course in basic Catholicism for those who need a brush-up, those who missed it the first time around, or those who never heard it before. Fr. Paul Manning, presenter. **Saturday, February 27 from 10:00 am-noon**

Women's Health and Fertility Awareness

Learn an effective, healthy, moral and inexpensive system that integrates health with moral family planning for couples who are trying to achieve pregnancy, who have infertility concerns, or who need to regulate pregnancy. Materials are included.

Saturday, March 5 from 10:00 am-noon.

HOLY DOOR PILGRIMAGE

Pope Francis encourages each of us to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Door in our diocese some time during this Jubilee of Mercy. Being committed to the journey of pilgrimage helps us focus our attention on our spiritual journey and walk closer with God.

The Holy Door in our diocese is at St. Margaret of Scotland Church, Morristown. Each Tuesday during this year is known as "Mercy Tuesday" which allows pilgrims to go to St. Margaret and celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation, pray before the Blessed Sacrament, and celebrate Mass. The schedule of events for "Mercy Tuesdays" is as follows: Mass is celebrated at 8 am in English and 7 pm in Spanish. There is Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 3:45 pm-6:45 pm. Confessions will be heard from 4 pm-6:45 pm. A Mass for the Sick will be held each first Saturday at 10 am.

