



Saturday March 19
 5:30 pm Eric Abrahamsen and John Dolan

Sunday March 20 *Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord*
 7:30 am 1st Lt. Peter Haas, USM
 9:00 am Maire Feldbrugge-Lawlor
 10:30 am Fr. Patrick Rice and Our Parishioners
 12:00 pm Dr. Rodolfo Narag

Monday March 21
 6:45 am James Brogan
 12:00 pm Noemi Wong

Tuesday March 22
 6:45 am Rocky Cerbo
 12:00 pm Blanca Taylor and Roy Cardona

Wednesday March 23
 6:45 am Blanca Taylor
 12:00 pm Ollie Bell Taylor

Thursday March 24 *Holy Thursday*
 7:30 pm People of the Parish

Saturday March 26 *Easter Vigil*
 8:00 pm Fr. Joseph Glynn, Msgr. David Mahon and Fr. Patrick Rice

Sunday March 27 *Easter Sunday*
 7:30 am Marie Arcaro
 9:00 am Our Parishioners
 10:30 am Robert Long, Sr.
 12:00 pm Robert Halm

PRAY FOR THE SICK

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

STEWARDSHIP

Collection for March 15, 2015 \$ 6,387 .
 MASS ATTENDANCE 584

March 13, 2016 Sunday Collection
 Envelopes/Cash \$ 9,571
 ParishPay 575
Total \$10,146

MASS ATTENDANCE 800

God bless you for your generosity.

Scripture Readings

March 27, 2016

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

First Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Peter discusses Jesus' life of preaching and healing. Jesus was crucified, and then he rose up and was seen by his chosen witnesses. Peter also mentions the importance of all the disciples bearing witness to what they saw, so that many people would believe in Jesus, and have their sins forgiven through him.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Paul asserts that we must pay attention to higher realms rather than earthly concerns. Our life is not yet completely known to us, until Christ appears and we are raised to glory in him.

Gospel: John 20:1-9

When Mary Magdalene discovered Jesus' tomb was open, she told Simon Peter and another disciple. They ran to the tomb and Peter went inside. He found the burial wrappings on the ground, with the head covering separate from the rest. The other disciple came in and they believed what they saw, although until then they had not understood the Scripture's message of Jesus' resurrection.

MARCH 26/27 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

Easter Vigil	8:00 pm	Fr. Jared Brogan
Easter Sunday	7:30 am	Fr. Edward Seton Fittin
	9:00 am	Fr. Jim Termyna
	10:30am	Fr. Jared Brogan
	12:00pm	Fr. Jared Brogan

There will be a special collection on Good Friday. Your support helps the Franciscans in their responsibility to care for the Holy Land sites, as well as caring for Christians living in the Holy Land.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

No Religious Education classes this week

Tuesday, March 22

The Name of God is Mercy presentation 7:30pm

Wednesday, March 23

Lent & Easter class with Sr. Bernadette 11:00 to 12:00pm
 Prayer Group 12:45pm

Thursday, March 24

OFFICE CLOSED
 Adoration in gym following Mass 9:00pm-midnight

Friday, March 25

OFFICE CLOSED
 Mystery Players Passion Play 8:00 pm

Saturday, March 26

Blessing of Easter Food 12:00 pm

From the Desk of Fr. Jared

We begin Holy Week calling proclaiming, "Hosanna," and end by screaming, "Crucify Him!" What a contrast! Is this possible? Holy Week is a time for each of us to reflect upon our own roles in the Passion; from his entrance into Jerusalem, to the Garden of Gethsemane, to the Last Supper, to Calvary. Who are the characters in this Passion drama that we relate to? Are we part of the crowd welcoming Jesus to Jerusalem? Are we the person who rented the room to Jesus for Passover? Are we the servers at the Last Supper, witnessing it all from a distance? Are we one of the apostles reclining at the table with Jesus? Are we a specific apostle: Peter, Judas, or John? Are we Simon of Cyrene? Are we a soldier?

The answer to "who are we in this story?" will allow us to enter into this Holy Week prayerfully and reflectively. Where would we have been two thousand years ago? Where are we today in the passion narrative? Make this Holy Week distinct. Enter into the mysteries we celebrate this week. Allow ourselves to experience the love of Jesus. Experience the passion that Jesus has for each of us.

Peace,
Fr. Jared

WORDS OF MERCY AND HOPE BY POPE FRANCIS

We all know the struggles of everyday life. So much seems to stand in the way of this invitation to rejoice. Our daily routine can often lead us to a kind of glum apathy that gradually becomes a habit, with a fatal consequence: our hearts grow numb (*Canonization Mass of Juniper Serra*).

ADULT FORMATION

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

"Lent & Easter: A Historical Perspective"
Wednesdays, March 23, 30; April 6
at 11:00 am with Sr. Bernadette Weller

PASTA DINNER TO BENEFIT HAITI

Please Join Us for a PASTA Dinner
Saturday, April 9 6:30 - 8:30 pm
to benefit our sister parish, Our Lady of the Nativity,
in Dame Marie, Haiti
Tickets are \$15 per person and \$25 per family
Tickets will be on sale after Mass April 2 and 3
or RSVP aimeemourtz@gmail.com or
holmbergk6@gmail.com

HOLY WEEK 2016 LITURGIES

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Daily Masses
6:45 am and 12:00 pm

THE SACRED TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday, March 24

No morning Mass

7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper *Fr. Jared Brogan*

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the gym until
midnight

Good Friday, March 25

No morning Mass

3:00 pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion *Fr. Jim Termyna*
(*Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross,*
Communion)

8:00 pm Stations of the Cross: Franciscan Mystery
Players

Holy Saturday, March 26

12:00 pm Blessing of Easter Food

8:00 pm Solemn Easter Vigil *Fr. Jared Brogan*

Easter Sunday Masses, March 27

7:30 am *Fr. Edward Seton Fittin*

9:00 am *Fr. Jim Termyna*

10:30 am *Fr. Jared Brogan*

12:00 pm *Fr. Jared Brogan*

THE WAY OF THE CROSS – A FRANCISCAN MYSTERY PLAY



Good Friday, March 25, the Franciscan Mystery Players will present their moving version of "The Way of the Cross" in the church here at St. Catherine **beginning at 8:00 pm**. Written by Franciscan Father Francis Pompei, the Mystery Play is not a "play" in the common sense, but is in fact a prayerful experience that uses special lighting, a stirring soundtrack, pantomime actions and an inspirational narration to portray the Stations of the Cross in a manner that invites each viewer to contemplate the meaning of the Passion and how it relates to their life today. The group is comprised of 15 teens and 9 adult advisors from St. Catherine's and neighboring parishes. Adults and teens are encouraged to attend this special Lenten Experience. Not suitable for children under 10. We suggest you arrive 15 minutes early.



NEWS FROM
THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
OFFICE

- No Religious Education classes this week.
- Classes resume on March 28.
- Class assessments will be emailed home on Monday, March 28 to be returned during your child's class the week of April 4.
- Classes end the week of April 4 for 1st-6th grade.
- Classes end the week of April 18 for 8th and 9th grade.

Palm Sunday is the beginning of Holy Week. It is the day which the Church celebrates Jesus' entry into Jerusalem to celebrate the Passover. With reverence and joy we celebrate the most holy time of the Church with Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday; the Holy Triduum. We gather together to remember the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

All Glory and Honor to you, Redeemer, King!
Lisa Gervasio



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

Living – This week the young people of the parish who are preparing for First Holy Communion reflected on the first Pentecost and the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Reborn of the Holy Spirit, all the baptized have been called and empowered to live as true witnesses of Christ and to spread the faith by word and deed. How are we as a parish living as disciples and followers of Jesus?

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
June 27 – July 1, 9:00am – 12pm



Cave Quest –
Following Jesus the Light of the World

Make your summer ROCK! Come dig deeper with us at Vacation Bible School at St. Catherine's. Meet Oliver the beautiful barn owl whooo God lovingly created. Look at my fabulous face- it's got love written all over it! My heart-shaped face can remind kids that Jesus gives us love.

Registration has opened for Vacation Bible School. Forms available at www.stcatherine-ml.org under Religious Education/Vacation Bible School, or can be picked up in the Religious Education office. For more information, contact Lisa Gervasio at 973-334-5257 or DRE@stcatherine-ml.org

SAVE THE DATE

The St. Catherine Family Communion Breakfast will be held Sunday, April 24 following the 9:00 Mass. Details to follow.

WOMEN'S RETREAT – THANK YOU!

Many thanks to Fr. Rocco Danzi for his role as retreat master at last weekend's women's retreat, and to Cheryl Clark and Cretia Rotella for organizing. We have already booked the weekend of March 10-12 for our 2017 weekend. Please share this date with family and friends!

COMMUNITY SOUP KITCHEN

Thank you to those who helped to shop for and serve 178 meals on Feb. 14 at the Community Soup Kitchen in Morristown: *Angela Bloshek, Mary Breitweiser, Katherine DiRicco, Michele Gregorek, Layna Kearns, Frank & Pat Kelleher, Carol Kennedy, Valerie Leahy, Dom & Pat Miliano, and Carmella Wilce.* Thank you also to *Rose Ann Cotreau* and her bakers for the sweet treats for our guests. Thank you to St. Catherine Confirmation student *Jessica Petonak* for shopping for our teams this past year. To volunteer, please contact Denise Ramirez at 973-299-1554.

MORRIS CATHOLIC BEEFSTEAK DINNER

Morris Catholic Boosters invite you to their 1st Annual Beefsteak on **Saturday, April 16**, from 7-10:00 pm in the school's gymnasium. Tickets are \$50 for adults/\$35 for students. Go to MC Homepage for info on how to order tickets or contact Russ Sieb at 973.895.2601. Entertainment provided by: The Sixteen String Band.

ASSUMPTION COLLEGE CARING BASKET GALA

Assumption College for Sisters, Denville, will host their Fifteenth Annual Caring Basket Gala on **April 14** from 6:30-10:00pm at the Hanover Marriott. Events include a 50/50 cash raffle, wine pull, basket raffle and a silent and live auction. Proceeds are used to support the education of the 20 international sisters from developing nations who are attending the college. For more information, visit www.acs350.org/events-2/

VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT

Quo Vadis – Where are you going? Where is the Spirit acting in your life? Where is the Lord encouraging you to go? Quo Vadis Days is a time of recreation, fellowship, and prayer to help you explore the Lord's call in your life. Activities will include prayer, Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Liturgy of the Hours, Rosary, games, sports, talks, great food, and discussions. It is a time to share our faith and meet other young men seeking God's will. Quo Vadis Days will be held June 29-July 1 at the Sacred Heart Retreat Center in Newton. There is no cost. For more information and/or registration, contact Fr. Jared.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY CONFIRMED!

We congratulate not only you, but also your parents for keeping and completing the promise they made at their baptism to raise you in the Roman Catholic faith. We wish the Confirmation Candidates and their families joy and peace at this awesome and exciting milestone. Please know that you are in our prayers.

Fr. Jared and Lisa Gervasio

Jack Adler
Paul (PJ) Argen
Matthew Barkauskas
Elizabeth Borin
Nina Caldarone
Jaclyn Caputo
Joseph Cataliotti
Bridget Clark
Jenna D'Alessio
Erin DeBiase
Cristina DiRezze
Hanna Driscoll
Julia Fekete
Giovanni Ferrari
Isabella Fiacco
Alivia Gallo
Isabella Gengaro
Sophia Gengaro
Alexandra Gregorek
Ryan Hatton
Christopher Headden
Ian Hill
Corey Ippolito
Anthony Kloza
Leanna Loiacono
Sierra Lore
Dylan Lynch
Michael Mancuso

Bryan Maute
Lauren McCartney
Aline Miller
Jonathon Monaco
Scott Mourtzanakis
Abigail Nixon
Emily Nixon
Shane Nolan
Jessica Novak
Frank Patracuolla
Jessica Petonak
Charles Pisciotta
Alec Ratchford
Faith Reilly
Ava Ritchie
Sarah Scelsa
Adam Shmanske
Garrett Smith
Andrew Spoto
Ciaran Stephens
Dominique Stubbs
Nicholas Textores
Haley Tietjen
Jonathan Valerian
Karis Vecchione
Michael Verzaleno
Christopher Willis
Thomas Wyciskala

**Haley Flake, Jennifer Mann, Lindsey Venezia from St. Mary's Parish*