



Saturday February 24
 5:30 pm Paul and Joan McEntyre and Jessica Dessault

Sunday February 25 *2nd Sunday of Lent*
 7:30 am Rosemary Haas and Our Parishioners
 9:30 am Kevin Cunniff, Belle Norris, and Sergio and Noemi Wong
 11:30 am Jerry and Alyce Falduto, Kevin Cunniff and Robert Dircks

Monday February 26
 6:45 am Alison Walters
 12:00 pm Msgr. Edward Hajduk

Tuesday February 27
 6:45 am Deceased Parishioners
 12:00 pm Mary Paolercio

Wednesday February 28
 6:45 am Edward Galvin
 12:00 pm Larry Rea and Edith Porzio

Thursday March 1
 6:45 am Mary Sekel and Jude Selvaratnam
 12:00 pm Barry Rankin

Friday March 2
 6:45 am Special Intention
 12:00 pm Anthony Affatati

Saturday March 3
 8:00 am Valerie and Daniel Peters
 5:30 pm Robert Halm, Mary Coogan and Pershottam Mathur

Sunday March 4 *3rd Sunday of Lent*
 7:30 am Our Parishioners
 9:30 am Larry Rea, Tom Johnson and Joseph McLaughlin
 11:30 am Edna O'Donnell, Diane Girona and James Connors

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, especially Arline and Francis Forte, Sr. Bernadette Weller, Karen Lang, Mary Ann Armstrong, Michele Buck, Christa Fairclough, Pat Flannery, Pat and John Pongracz, Gus Mitchell, Jennie Iwasiuk, Ann Gerhardt, Sr. Joan Phillips, Andrew Andrusko, Christopher Stitt and Philip Clark.

STEWARDSHIP

February 19, 2017 collection & PP	\$ 7,664
MASS ATTENDANCE	692
February 18, 2018 (snow)	
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 5,200
ParishPay	1,614
Total	\$ 6,814
MASS ATTENDANCE	463
Ash Wednesday	\$ 3,823
Weekly operating expense	\$ 12,885

Scripture Readings

March 4, 2018

Third Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17

Through Moses, God passed on the commandments he wished all people to follow. He tells us not to worship idols or take the name of the Lord in vain. All the laws God gave to us, if followed, would ensure that we could live in peace and harmony with one another as he had planned.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Paul tells the Corinthians that Christ is the power and the wisdom of God. Although they claimed to possess wisdom, "God's folly is wiser than men, and his weakness is more powerful than men."

Gospel: John 2:13-25

Jesus went to the temple of Jerusalem to find merchants there selling sheep and doves. He knocked over their tables and drove the animals away. The merchants asked him for a sign that he was authorized to do this. He told them to "destroy this temple (referring to his body) and in three days I will raise it up." The merchants misunderstood, and did not believe he could rebuild in three days what had taken nearly 50 years to build. Still many believed in him, after seeing the miracles he had performed.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of Jerry and Alyce Falduto

MARCH 3/4 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

5:30 pm	Fr. Edward Seton Fittin, OSB
7:30 am	Fr. Jared Brogan
9:30 am	Fr. Jared Brogan
11:30 am	Fr. Jared Brogan

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, February 26

Scripture Study	1:00 – 2:30 pm
Adoration	12:30 – 8:30 pm
Parish Mission	7:00 pm

Tuesday, February 27

Moms and Tots	9:30 – 11:00 am
Parish Mission	7:00 pm

Wednesday, February 28

Parish Mission	7:00 pm
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March 1

Adult Enrichment Class with Sr. Bernadette	10:00 am
Choir Practice	7:00 - 9:00 pm
Haiti Committee meeting	7:00 pm

Friday, March 2

Prayer group stations of the cross	12:30 pm
Family Stations of the Cross	7:00 pm

Saturday, March 3

Lunch with a Leprechaun	12:00 – 2:00 pm
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Sunday, March 4

9 th grade class Mass	11:30 am
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From the Desk of Fr. Jared

As part of this journey we pray as a parish for peace (PACEM) in our hearts, our families, our community, and our world. PACEM has five components: Prayer, Abundance, Contrition, Encouragement, and Mission. Last week I wrote about prayer. This week I write about being aware of God's *abundance*. When we think of abundance, we think of how much "stuff" we have acquired. Even if we focus on abundance in a spiritual sense, we may take stock of how much God has blessed us with. We think of family, employment, health, financial security, etc. Certainly, all those things are part of God's abundant blessings. However, God's abundance goes beyond that.

Pope Francis, in his homily this past Ash Wednesday, suggests ways in which we can experience God's abundance in new ways. *"Look at faces alive with God's tenderness and goodness working in our midst."* If we look at the faces of individuals who struggle to survive yet demonstrate joy and peace and faith; that is God's abundance. When we look at the faces of the sick, the poor, and all those who may be marginalized, they *"remind us that the value of each person can never be reduced to a question of calculation or utility."*

"See the remorseful faces of so many who try to repair their errors and mistakes, and who from their misfortune and suffering, fight to transform their situations and move forward," Francis said.

Pope Francis continued, *"See and contemplate the real face of Christ crucified out of love for everyone, without exception. For everyone? Yes, for everyone. To see his face is an invitation filled with hope for this Lenten time, in order to defeat the demons of distrust, apathy and resignation."*

We experience the abundance of God in the lives of others. True peace (PACEM) is experienced in recognizing the abundance of God in every person and every situation.

Peace,
Fr. Jared

2017 contribution statements are available upon request.
Please email parishoffice@stcatherine-ml.org to request a copy.

LENTEN MISSION: FEBRUARY 25-28

Our Lenten Mission is this week, February 25-28. Father Ken Beale, our mission presenter, will be presenting a concert entitled, *"Go Into the World: Faith on Fire Missions Concert"*, on Sunday, February 25 at 7:00 pm. Three days of scripture woven with story and song will follow on that Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday at 7:00 pm each evening in the church. A social will follow each presentation. All are invited to attend.



2018

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, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

Stations of the Cross

Wednesdays following noon Mass
March 7 and March 28

Fridays at 7:00 pm

March 2 Family Stations of the Cross
March 16 4th grade Living Stations
March 23 Youth Night

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Mondays: 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm (through March 19)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Mondays: 12:30 pm - 8:30 pm (through March 19)

Lenten Parish Mission

Faith on Fire Missions
February 25 - February 28 at 7:00 pm

Adult Faith Enrichment

Discussion of Jerome K. Williams'
True Reformers: Saints of the Catholic Reformation

Tuesdays, March 6, 13, 20, 27 at 7:30 pm with Fr. Jared
OR
Thursdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22 at 10:00 am
with Sr. Bernadette Weller



NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

UPCOMING DATES:

- February 26** – 8th grade classes resume
- February 28**– 9th grade classes resume
- March 1** – Practice for the Way of the Cross for Families, 7:00pm
- March 2** – The Way of the Cross for Families, 7:00pm
- March 4** – 9th grade Rite of Enrollment at 11:30am Mass
- March 8** – Confirmation Practice, 7:30pm
- March 10** – Confirmation, 11:00 am
- March 16** – 4th grade “Living Stations,” 7:00pm
- March 18** – 6th grade class Mass 11:30am
- March 26 -April 8** – No Religious Education classes
- April 9** – Religious Education classes resume



Listening

This week our children who are preparing for First Holy Communion reflected on listening to the word of God. God’s presence with us is manifested in the gift of the Scriptures, God’s own word to us. How do we as a parish listen attentively to the word of God and allow the Spirit of love to transform our hearts and our minds – our very lives?

St. Catherine’s will be holding **Way of the Cross for Families** on **Friday, March 2 at 7:00 pm**, with a practice on March 1 at 7:00 pm. We are looking for families to participate by doing a scripture reading and a reflection. We have beautiful posters and music that reflect the Stations of the Cross. 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 participate, call the Religious Education office at (973) 334-5257, or email at DRE@stcatherine-ml.org



The Religious Education classes will be making **Easter Bags** for the **Father English Community Center**.

- If you would like to contribute, suggested items are:
- Fruit snacks, candy individually wrapped (no loose items – i.e., jelly beans)
 - Small stuffed animals and toys, small crafts items, small bags of snacks (chips, pretzels, cookies)

Please drop off items in the Religious Education office before **March 12**. Thank you!

LUNCH WITH A LEPRECHAUN

Saturday, March 3 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, a bagpiper and other musicians, plus a visit from our honored guest, the leprechaun. Children age 3 to 12, \$10. Adults \$15. Tickets will be sold at the door.

ST. CATHERINE’S WOMEN’S ANNUAL RETREAT Friday, March 9 - Sunday, March 11

Please join us at Villa Pauline Retreat House in Mendham on March 9, 10, & 11. The weekend includes sleeping accommodations for 2 nights, 5 meals, & 5 conferences led by Fr. James Platania. Fr. Platania is a priest of the Diocese of Paterson who is a professor of Biblical Studies at Immaculate Conception Seminary at Seton Hall University. This year we have slightly changed the structure of the weekend to include break-out sessions and additional prayer and meditation time. As always, Confession, Masses, social time and free time are also a part of the weekend. Cost for the 2 night weekend is **\$175**. A one night only option is **\$125** and attendance from 8 am-9 pm on Saturday only is **\$75**.

For more information or to reserve a spot, contact:
Cretia Rotella @ 201-919-1060, cresinger@aol.com or
Cheryl Clark @ 973-885-0908, clclark@optonline.net

THE WAY OF THE CROSS – A FRANCISCAN MYSTERY PLAY

Sunday, March 4 at 7:15 pm, the Franciscan Mystery Players will present their moving version of “The Way of the Cross” at St. Mary’s Church, 15 Myers Ave, Denville. 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 14 teens and 8 adult advisors from several parishes in the Paterson Diocese. Adults and teens are encouraged to attend this special Lenten Experience. We suggest that you arrive 10 minutes early.



<https://www.facebook.com/franciscanMysteryPlayersMorrisCounty>

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents, will be meeting on **Thursday, March 8th** at 7:30 pm at St. Christopher Church, 1050 Littleton Rd. (Rt. 202), Parsippany in room 101. Program is *“I’m Only Happy When I’m Sad”*. For more information, call Lily Capriglione at 973-568-4164.

OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL SCHOOL INFORMATION NIGHT

At Our Lady of Mount Carmel, school is not a chore but a delight. Whether it's our Montessori pre-primary or our classical curriculum in grades one through eight, we provide a rigorous yet nurturing atmosphere in which students joyfully encounter the extraordinary every day. Sound like something you'd want for your child? Stop by our first Information Night on **Monday, March 5th from 6:00 until 8:00 pm** at 205 Oak Street, Boonton.

For more information, visit www.olmc.academy or call 973-334-2777.

FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE

Throughout Lent (February 14-March 24) there is a "40 Days for Life" daily prayer vigil around the world outside various venues where women can procure abortions.

Consider joining the Morris County Right to Life at Planned Parenthood of Morristown, 196 Speedwell Avenue, to give peaceful witness and prayer. Groups will be gathering Tuesdays and Thursdays between 12pm and 7pm and Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 8am to 4pm. To sign up, contact the local coordinator, Frances Spillman, at 973-627-1654 or visit <https://40daysforlife.com/browse-campaigns>. All are welcome!

MORRISTOWN PRO-LIFE 5K

You are invited to join the Pro-Life 5K hosted by St. Cecilia's LIFE Runners on **Sunday, March 4** at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, 91 Maple Ave, Morristown. All age groups are welcome to run, walk or jog for the protection and sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death. Sign in at 1:30 for 2:30 start. 5K is a fundraiser for the Rockaway Catholic Right to Life Ministry. Please pre-register and order your LIFE runners jersey at www.liferunners.org or contact jaidanbyrne@optonline.net; 973-664-9460. Walk-in registrations also accepted.

MORRIS CATHOLIC ST. PATRICK'S 5K RUN

Morris Catholic High School will hold its 7th Annual Crusader Challenge 5k Run on **Saturday, March 17** at 9:00 am at its Denville campus. Registration opens at 7:30. Proceeds benefit the Morris Catholic scholarship and athletic programs and the Denville Public Assistance Fund. \$25 registration fee up to March 9; \$30 after. For more information, visit:

runsignup.com/Race/NJ/Denville/CrusaderChallenge5K
or contact MC5KRace@gmail.com

Assumption College for Sisters 17th Annual Caring Basket Gala

Thurs, March 22 at 6:30 pm at the Hanover Marriott. Features a 50/50 cash raffle, basket raffle and a silent and live auction. Please consider attending the gala or placing a message in the journal. Your support will make a difference in the lives of many. Contact 973-957-0188 xt101 or gala@acs350.org or visit www.acs350.org/events

DACA CALL-IN DAY

Bishop Serratelli, along with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), is asking us to be aware of and act on an issue affecting the young group of immigrants called "Dreamers." The "Dreamers" are the 1.8 million individuals who were brought to the United States by their parents as children. They are woven into the fabric of our country and Church. They live out their daily lives with the hope and determination to flourish in and contribute to society. Through no fault of their own, they live in fear of deportation. The USCCB has organized a call-in day to Congress on **Monday, February 26**. You are invited to call your Senators and Representatives to urge them to support legislation that provides Dreamers a path to legal citizenship before the March 5 deadline. Please call the Capitol switchboard at 855-589-5698 and **press 1 to connect to your Senators and 2 to connect to your Representatives**.

For more information visit <http://www.justiceforimmigrants.org>

ST PETER THE APOSTLE CHURCH PARISH LENTEN MISSION

You are invited to a Lenten Mission at St. Peter the Apostle Church, 179 Baldwin Rd, Parsippany. Fr. Dennis Berry, ST, Director, Shrine of St. Joseph in Stirling will present, "*The Inexhaustible Love of the Father*" on Monday, March 5 @ 7:30 (mission talk); Tuesday, March 6 @ 7:30 (Reconciliation service); and Wednesday, March 7 @ 7:00 (mission talk with Mass).

Villa Walsh Summer Sports Camp. June 25-29 and July 9-13. For details visit www.villawalsh.org under Athletics tab or email summercamp@villawalsh.org

SAVE THE DATE:

A MUSICAL AFTERNOON WITH OUR SISTERS

Join us for a very special, "*Our Sisters in Concert*", on **Sunday, April 8 at 3:00 pm** at **Saint John the Baptist Cathedral in Paterson**. Several religious communities will be represented as they perform hymns and songs. This is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy the talents and gifts of our Sisters who have dedicated their lives to the mission of the Diocese of Paterson. Free garage parking is available!

AROUND TOWN

The Kiwanis Club of Denville presents:

****An Evening of Illusions***, as seen on Fox TV's, "*Masters of Illusion*" and Penn & Teller's, "*Fool Us*", **Wednesday, March 7 @ 7:00 pm**, at Lakeview School, 44 Cooper Rd, Denville. Tickets \$10. Call 973-625-4892.

Fish and Chips dinner catered by Thistle's Fish & Chips of Kearny, **Friday, March 16, 5-7:00 pm at Community Methodist Church, 190 Diamond Spring Rd, Denville. \$16 adults; \$15 seniors, \$8 children. Eat in or take out.