

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2018 - FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
PRAYER "WHEN YOU PRAY" LIVING OUR UNION WITH GOD EVERYDAY

On Ash Wednesday our Gospel reading is from Matthew 6: 1-18, where Jesus calls us to PRAYER, FASTING AND ALMSGIVING, the heart and soul of our Lenten observance, the three pillars of Lent. **PRAYER** is the first and most important pillar of Lent. Jesus tells us, **"When you Pray"** Matthew 6:5. We give our Time to God in all forms of prayer.

Prayer is simply our loving conversation with God. Prayer is a supreme good. It is experiencing and nourishing our personal relationship, our union with God. When our spirit is intent upon God, it is illuminated by His infinite light. We mean prayer from the heart that we do not only at scheduled times but also, spontaneously, often during the day and night when thoughts about God just come into our minds and we stop, even for just several seconds, to talk with and spend time with Him informally and intimately.

We can reach out to God when we are working, caring for our families, doing acts of kindness. Try to long for God and call Him to mind often to season our work and our other efforts with the salt of God's love. Whatever we are doing becomes a conscious, direct offering to God. During our whole lives we enjoy the benefits of praying if we devote as much time as possible to it. Even gradually we become more attuned to the awesome truth that the God we are reaching out for is already living within us all the time. The Holy Spirit is God in us from the moment of our Baptism. Our prayer helps us realize this in our daily experience.

Prayer is the light of the spirit; it is real knowledge of God. Prayer gives joy to our spirits, peace to our hearts even when things are going rough for us. Our prayer becomes a real longing for God, sometimes almost impossible to put into words. We realize slowly that our longing for Him is always His gift of grace and never just our own doing. His love is constantly working inside us before we even realize it.

Sometimes we feel we don't know how to pray very well and we wonder if we're doing it right. Our prayer often seems so inadequate. But don't worry because the Holy Spirit lives within each of us. He transforms our halting sometimes distracted words and thoughts into a beautiful gift that we offer to God. The Apostle, Paul, says: **"The Spirit helps us in our weakness for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit Himself pleads for us with inexpressible longings"**. (Romans 8:26)

Crown your life every day with prayer. In this way, realize that you are a dwelling place for the Lord. Through His grace, you possess God. His image will be enthroned in the temple of your Spirit. You and I are temples of the Holy Spirit.

Please pray especially by participating in daily Mass as often as you can; by offering your Rosary now, especially, especially for world peace. Come here on Friday evenings to the Stations of the Cross. Pray with your family, with your fellow parishioners and your friends. Talk to God at work, at home, in the car. (Turn the car radio off and talk or even sing out loud to God.) Place Him at the center of your life all the time. Everyday offer the Our Father that Jesus Himself teaches us. And please pray the Hail Mary to our Holy Mother Mary every day.

Make this personal effort to enrich your prayer life the first and most important part of your Lenten observance. This is the foundation for everything else. Build your personal relationship with God in Jesus Christ, who loves us so much that He can never take His eyes off us, even for a moment.

*God bless,
Father Herb*

WORDS OF TITHING:

WORDS OF TITHING FROM THE PEWS:

From the Pastor: I thank God so often when I realize the deep faith so many of you have when you generously Tithe to our parish. You are so generous because of your faith in God, and this sign of faith affects me profoundly. Thank you so much. In this Lent, please reflect on your Tithing commitment so that it is always an act of faith in God's care for you.

Words of Tithing from the Pews: "Giving" is such a special word. I hope to set a good example so that my children will learn the meaning of sharing from me.

Monthly Weekend Collection Report	Amount
5 Weekend Collections (Jan. 2018)	\$ 84,286
Monthly Collection Budget	\$ 80,333
Year to Date Weekend Total	\$558,251
6 Months Year-to-Date Weekend Budget	\$562,333
Weekend Surplus/(Shortfall)	(\$ 4,082)

Saint Peter's is sustained by the generosity of you, our parishioners, with gifts of your Time, Talent and Treasure. THANK YOU for everything you do for our parish.

MASS ATTENDANCE

Mass attendance February 10/11: 1728

OUR CATHOLIC CHURCH LENTEN REGULATIONS



Abstinence and Fasting: All Catholics who have reached their 14th birthday are bound to abstain entirely from meat on all the Fridays of Lent. All Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive are bound to observe the Laws of fast and abstinence on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting means limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Two other light meals, which together do not equal a full meal, may be taken during the day.

THE LENTEN JOURNEY

"Welcome Home" is a diocesan initiative to invite all Catholics to experience the grace of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confession is a wonderful opportunity to set aside our sinful ways and to draw closer to our Lord. Confessions will be held every Monday during Lent, from February 19-March 19, from 7:00PM – 8:30PM in every Catholic Church in the Diocese of Paterson. Don't be afraid! Our merciful God is with you! Ask the priest to help you. Experience God's gracious mercy!
www.WelcomeHomeToHealing.org

SCRIPTURE READINGS FEBRUARY 19-25

MONDAY **Leviticus 19: 1-2, 11-18**
 Gospel: **Matthew 25: 31-46**

TUESDAY **Isaiah 55: 10-11**
 Gospel: **Matthew 6: 7-15**

WEDNESDAY **Jonah 3: 1-10**
 Gospel: **Luke 11: 29-32**

THURSDAY **1 Peter 5: 1-4**
 Gospel: **Matthew 16: 13-19**

FRIDAY **Ezekiel 18: 21-28**
 Gospel: **Matthew 5: 20-26**

SATURDAY **Deuteronomy 26: 16-19**
 Gospel: **Matthew 5: 43-48**

SUNDAY **Genesis 22: 1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18**
Romans 8: 31b-34
 Gospel: **Mark 9: 2-10**

SANCTUARY LAMPS & FLOWERS



You may have the Sanctuary Candles in the Church, Chapel or Adoration Chapel burn in memory of a loved one (\$10.00 donation), roses at the Tabernacle (\$10.00 donation), or flowers at the altar (\$50.00 Donation). Please call or stop into the rectory office.

February 18-24

Sanctuary Lamp in the Church is for Rev. Varghese Thettayil
Sanctuary Lamp in Mary's Daily Chapel is for Steven Werthan
Sanctuary Lamps in the Adoration Chapel are for Virginia Smith

RETURN TO ME WITH ALL YOU HEART



“Return to me with all your heart, with fasting, weeping and mourning” Joel 2:12

The season of Lent is here and we want to make every effort to “return to the Lord with all our heart”. Lent is a wonderful time to search for ways to do this. The Prophet Joel encourages us to fast and the Church invites us to spend more time in prayer and be more concerned about others.

The Good Samaritans offer a way to do all three. It has become a tradition to offer a Simple Soup-er Meal for our Lenten Christian Service Project. If you have never participated in this Simple Meal, perhaps it's time. Let's give up at least one Friday-night-pizza in solidarity with those who can never afford pizza. Sometimes we lose sight of the needs of others because we are too focused on our own.

Our Simple Soup-er Meal will be offered on four Fridays in Lent...**February 23rd, March 2nd, 9th and 16th from 5:00-7:00 PM in the Church Hall** and we ask you to kindly make a good-will offering. All donations will benefit our Youth Group's annual trip to Appalachia to help the poorest of the poor and the Diocesan Father English Center in Paterson, which was heavily damaged by fire. The Center feeds and clothes hundreds of people daily.

This year, try to make an earnest effort to “Return to the Lord with ALL our heart”. If we do, we will be transformed into a true reflection of Christ, who Gave His ALL for all of us.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY 19-25

MONDAY, February 19- President's Day
One Morning Mass Only
9:00AM-Thomas Paul, Irene Fallon
7:00PM-Special Intention for the Deacons of our Parish

TUESDAY, February 20
6:45AM-People of the Parish
8:00AM-Thomas Paul, Andrew Gustavson
7:00PM-Vera Roche

WEDNESDAY, February 21-St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor Of the Church
6:45AM-Gregory Loff, Richard Locilento, Charles Hathaway
8:00AM-Carmen Pasquale, Sr., John Borkowski, Andrew Gustavson
7:00PM-Benedicta Funcasta

THURSDAY, February 22-The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle
6:45AM-Special Intention for the Priests of our Parish
8:00AM-Francisco Varrone
7:00PM-Kathleen & Herbert Tillyer, Sr.

FRIDAY, February 23-St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr
6:45AM-Ryan & Kuhn Families
8:00AM-Jose Manzano, Sr.
7:00PM-Deceased Priests of our Parish

SATURDAY, February 24
8:00AM-Deceased Deacons of our Parish, Special Intention for Evan Pernacelli
5:30PM-Rita Romanowski (5th Anniv.), Richard Monahan, Connolly & O'Brien Families, Joe Wilkes, Richard Ferrera
7:00PM-John J. McWatters, Jose Eduardo Sanchez, Maria Margarita Hincaple

SUNDAY, February 25-Second Sunday of Lent
7:30AM-Edward Ryan, Edward Wahler, Joseph Linfante (13th Anniv.)
9:00AM-Mark Petrusek, Marie Lena Notovny
10:30AM-Marie Mascia, Jessie Davanzo, Marie Notovny
12:00PM-Philomena Antinora (4th Anniv.), James Gallagher, Mary Krulik (9th Anniv.)
7:00PM – Special Intention for the Priests & Deacons of the Parish

MARTHA MINISTRY – FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23 – TEAM 2

Mary Ellen Dinsmore, Pat Sherlock, Lucille Sherwood, Marge O'Hara, Jeanette Coyle

OUTREACH CORNER

A parishioner needs a ride to his doctor. Please call the Rectory at 973-334-2090 if you can help.

A RETREAT FOR WIDOWS – APRIL 27-29

Join with other widows as we look at our own stories for courage and wisdom. We hope to discover how sharing our stories we find strength and hope. There will be time for sharing in small groups, Eucharist and other appropriate liturgies. Beach walks, socials and fun are also included! Cost: \$135pp, double occ. Place: Marianist Family Retreat Center, Cape May Point, NJ – 609-884-3829. Visit: www.capemaymarianists.org - to sign up online or call us to register.

SACRED THREAD MINISTRIES – MARCH 19TH

Sacred Thread Ministries, - 908-608-3160 (www.sacredthreadministries.com) is offering a Lenten Retreat on March 19 – A Day of Reflection, “Come Home to the God Within”. The Retreat Team of Fr. Peter Krebs, ST., Sr. Anita Constance, SC and Kathleen Detlet offer presentations and group reflections. It will be held at Loyola Retreat Center, 161 James St., Morristown, 9:15AM – 2:30 PM \$60 with a hot lunch. Please call Pat Hughes at 908-608-3160 to register.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH FEBRUARY 18-24, 2018

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2018

9:00AM-Children's Gospel Program – Church Hall
11:30AM-CYO Basketball – Parish Center
3:00PM-New Altar Server Training – Church
4:00PM-Filipino Community Mass/Fellowship-Church/Church Hall

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2018-Presidents' Day-Rectory

Closed

6:00PM-CYO Basketball
7:00PM-RCIA – Rectory
7:00PM-Reconciliation (Penance) - Church

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018

10:00AM-Peanuts Playgroup – Church Hall
4:00PM-Children's Choir – Church/Church Hall
6:00PM- CYO Basketball – Parish Center
6:40PM-Rosary Society Recitation of the Rosary – Chapel
7:00PM-Rosary Society Mass - Chapel
7:00PM-Bereavement Support Group - Convent
7:30PM-Rosary Society Meeting – Church Hall

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2018

5:00PM-ASA STEM Family Night - School
7:30PM-Ancient Order of Hibernians – Church Hall

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2018

6:00PM-CYO Basketball – Parish Center
7:30PM-Adult Choir Practice – Church/Church Hall
8:30PM-Senior Men's Basketball – Parish Center

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2018

11:00AM-Mass – Care One
5:00PM-Lenten Simple Soup Meal – Church Hall
6:00PM-Girl Scouts – Art Room
6:00PM-CYO Basketball – Parish Center
7:00PM-Stations of the Cross (English) – Church
8:00PM-Stations of the Cross (Spanish) - Church

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2018

8:30AM-Polish School – School
1:30PM-CYO Basketball- Parish Center
4:00-5:00PM-Confessions – Church
Blessing of Expectant Parents after 5:30 & 7:00 PM Masses
5:30PM-Spanish RCIA – Convent
7:00PM-Indian Sports – Parish Center
7:30PM-AA Meeting - Church Hall

Youth News

Please visit www.facebook.com/spayouthministry

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS – MARCH 8

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents will meet on Thursday, March 8th at Saint Christopher's Church, 1050 Littleton Road, Parsippany, at 7:30PM in Room 101. Program: "I'm Only Happy When I'm Sad. For more information, please call Lily Capriglione at 973-568-4164.

ALTAR SERVERS FEBRUARY 24/25, 2018



5:30PM – Colantoni, Marinelli
7:30AM – Torres
9:00AM – Lalo, Lalo, Lalo
10:30AM – Umansky, Slevin
12:00PM – Paraan, Abrenica, Manapurram
7:00PM – Bubay, Bubay, Bubay, Bubay

For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven...

...a time to be born

Molly Virginia Taylor, Madisson Gertrude Rillo-Pabon

...a time to die

Virginia Smith, Claire Herrmann

...a time to heal

Fr. Leo Carey, Noah Lorencovitz

...a time to love

Timothy Walsh & Andrea Galietti

"...and a time of peace." Ecclesiastes 3:11

COME JOIN US: SOCIAL MEDIA OUTREACH MINISTRY

Would you like to become a "Digital Missionary"? You need just a few clicks:

1. "Like" our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/SaintPetertheApostleParsippany
2. Share our posts often and tag a friend in the Comments.
3. Invite a friend from outside the church to one of our events.
4. Ask your family members to do the same.



This is the easiest way to get involved with our newest Parish Ministry. Questions? Contact Nicole C. Green at 973-650-4732 or use Facebook Messenger to send a message. Thank you!

ELECTRONIC GIVING WITH FAITH DIRECT

LET'S SAVE TREES AND POSTAGE

We invite you to join **Faith Direct**, our parish's electronic giving program. **Faith Direct's** eGiving program will give you one less thing to remember each week – no more searching for your envelopes before Mass. **Signing up for Faith Direct is very easy.**

Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our

Church Code: NJ745 to sign up

OR - call 866-507-8757 to sign up.

Thank you for continuing to support our parish ministries with your Prayers and your Presence, with your Time and Talents, and your material Treasure as well!

I thank you for all the generous gifts that you provide to our parish, but I realize you cannot always be with us every Sunday of the year. Please consider joining our secure electronic giving program, **Faith Direct**. This will automatically process any offertory or second collections donation of your choosing. We now have 126 families on **Faith Direct**. Thank you for helping our parish family. God bless you, Father Herb.

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION – FEB. 17/18

We have our Food Pantry Collection this weekend, February 17th and 18th. We need hearty soups, canned fruit, juice, condiments, hot chocolate, cookies, cold cereal (no Cheerios this month), prepared spaghetti sauce, pancake mix and syrup, shampoo and conditioner, cleaning products, laundry detergent and paper products.

Monetary donations are always welcome; please place your donation in an envelope marked "Food Pantry" and drop it in the regular collection basket.

Thank you for your continuing support.



ALL SAINTS ACADEMY CORNER

“National Engineers Week”

At All Saints Academy

“National Engineers Week” will be celebrated across the country from February 18 - 24.

Sponsored by the National Society of Engineers, this effort is dedicated to ensuring a diverse and well-educated future engineering workforce by increasing understanding of and interest in engineering, science, math and technology related careers. As a nationally certified STEM school, All Saints Academy is excited to participate in the spirit and purpose of engineering and STEM education and careers. During the week, professional engineers and scientists will visit ASA classrooms to share information about their studies and careers and to engage students with hands-on engineers lessons based on current coursework. All Saints will host a Family STEM Night on Wednesday, February 21st. Family STEM Night provides an opportunity for families to work in teams to tackle fun and challenge STEM engineering design projects. At All Saints Academy, STEM Education encompasses a comprehensive, multi-curricular, rigorous academic program, centered in values-based school environment.

For information about All Saints Academy, please contact our school principal, Mrs. Judy Berg, at 973-334-4704, to schedule a tour and classroom visit.



www.allsaintspar.org

SAVE THE DATE – MAY 25TH, 2018



We will be celebrating Father Herb's 50th Anniversary of his Ordination as a Priest on Friday, May 25th, 2018, so please save the date.

CAN YOU PLEASE HELP?

A young woman suffering from MS cannot prepare meals. Other churches are assisting her family every day except Wednesdays. She needs someone to cook and deliver (Parsippany area) a meal on Wednesdays for three adults. There are no food restrictions except that food cannot be processed. Suggestions: vegetable casserole or vegetable lasagna. If you can help, please call the Rectory – 973-334-2090. If more than one person volunteers, perhaps you will cook once a month.

GOLDEN AGE – MARCH 5-11:00 AM

Saint Peter's Golden Age will meet at the Community Center on **Monday, March 5, 2018** at 11:00 AM – All welcome! A trip to the Sands in Pennsylvania this Thursday, February 22. Call Joe & Jackie at 973-335-1209 for more information.

SAINT PETER'S BOOK CLUB-MARCH 28



Saint Peter's Book Club will meet on Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at 7:30 PM in the Church Hall. We will discuss the novel *Little Mercies* by Heather Gaudekauf. Coffee and dessert will be served. All are welcome to join us.

OUR PARISH MISSION



You are invited to

SAINT PETER'S 2018 LENTEN PARISH MISSION “THE INEXHAUSTIBLE LOVE OF THE FATHER”

When: March 5th, 6th and 7th

Where: Saint Peter the Apostle Church

Time: Monday – 7:30PM–Mission Talk

Tuesday – 7:30PM–Reconciliation Service

Wednesday – 7:00PM–Mission Talk and Mass

Please join us for a spiritual journey during this Lenten season. Fr. Dennis Berry, S.T., Director at the Shrine of Saint Joseph in Stirling, NJ, Migrant Minister with the Paterson Diocese, will help us discover “The Inexhaustible Love of the Father”. He will guide on a three night journey helping us to believe and understand that the Father loves us as we are and that we are made in His image and likeness. He will also teach us about the Father's mercy and forgiveness and His desire to nourish us through the Body and Blood of His Son, Jesus. Bring a friend and spend some time with Our Father. For transportation, please contact Millie at 973-335-8035

ROSCOMMON SOLSTICE CHOIR

MARCH 18—NOON MASS

The Roscommon Solstice Choir consisting of 60 voices will sing at a 12 Noon Mass on Sunday, March 18, 2018. The choir has performed in venues throughout Ireland and England and was featured on Irish television. The choir was formed 5 years ago and donated its time to a host of charities. The founders and directors are Andrew Reynolds and his sister Eimear, who come from Kilglass, Roscommon which is Msgr. Kevin Flanagan's home parish. They have received numerous awards including the prestigious Epic People's Choice award and earlier this month the Silver Award.

ADORATION CHAPEL



“Come to Me, all of you... Behold, for you I have established a throne of mercy on earth, the tabernacle, and from this throne I desire to enter your heart.” Jesus to St. Faustina
“It is love for souls that keeps Me a prisoner in the Blessed Sacrament.” Jesus to Sister Josefa Menendez
Can you sacrifice one hour each week to visit Jesus, in the Blessed Sacrament? Call Kim at 973-886-6334.

QUELLEN SPIRITUAL CENTER

The Quellen Spiritual Center in Mendham, NJ is offering a Spiritual Direction Training Program beginning in September 2018 for those interested in becoming a Spiritual Director. Information and application forms can be found at their website: www.quellespiritualcenter.org. You can also call Sister Teresa at the Center – 973-543-6528 ext. 217 for more information.

Hablando español en San Pedro Apóstol

domingo, 18 de febrero de 2017

Primer Domingo de Cuaresma

Horario de las Misas:

lunes a viernes: 6:45am y 8:00 am en inglés
sábado: 5:30 pm en inglés y 7:00 pm en español
domingo: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12 m y 7:00 pm en inglés

Confesiones:

sábado: 4:00 a 5:00 pm
lunes: 7:00 a 8:30 pm (durante la Cuaresma)

Mensaje del párroco:

Oración “Cuando usted ora” – viviendo nuestra unión con Dios cada día

Nuestro Evangelio del Miércoles de Ceniza es Mateo 6, 1-18, donde Jesús nos invita a la **ORACIÓN, AYUNO Y LIMOSNAS**; el corazón y alma de lo que respetamos en la Cuaresma, los tres pilares. Comenzamos reflexionando en la ORACION, el primer y más importante pilar de la Cuaresma. “**Cuando usted ora**” Mateo 6,5. Jesús nos dijo. Le damos nuestro Tiempo a Dios al orar en todas las formas.

Orar, es simplemente la amorosa conversación con Dios. Orar, es un bien supremo: es experimentar y nutrir nuestra relación, nuestra unión con Dios. Cuando nuestro espíritu está intencionado hacia Dios, está iluminado por Su infinita luz. Quiere decir la oración que nos sale del corazón la cual hacemos no solo en momentos programados, pero la que surge espontáneamente durante el día o la noche, cuando pensamos en Dios y le hablamos y pasamos un tiempo con El, informal e íntimamente.

Podemos recurrir a Dios cuando trabajamos, atendemos a nuestras familias, o hacemos actos de caridad. Trate de pensar y llamar a Dios frecuentemente, porque ésto sazonará nuestro trabajo y nuestros esfuerzos con la sal del amor de Dios. Cualquier cosa que hagamos se convierte en una ofrenda directa a Dios. Durante toda nuestras vidas disfrutaremos los beneficios que vienen de la oración, si le dedicamos el mayor tiempo posible. Gradualmente, nos sintonizamos mejor a la tremenda verdad, que el Dios que buscamos ya habita en nosotros todo el tiempo. El Espíritu Santo es Dios en nosotros desde el momento de nuestro Bautismo. Nuestra oración nos ayuda a darnos cuenta de eso en nuestra experiencia diaria.

La oración es la luz del espíritu, es el real conocimiento de Dios. Orar da alegría a nuestros espíritus y paz al corazón, aún cuando las cosas no nos van bien. Nuestra oración se convierte en una nostalgia por Dios, casi imposible de poner en palabras. Poco a poco nos damos cuenta que nuestra nostalgia por El es siempre una gracia de Dios y no algo que hacemos. Su amor está trabajando dentro de nosotros, antes de que nos demos cuenta.

Algunas veces no sabemos si estamos orando bien o si lo estamos haciendo bien. Nuestra oración a veces parece tan inadecuada. Pero no se preocupe porque el Espíritu Santo vive en cada uno de nosotros. El transforma nuestras a veces distraídas palabras y pensamientos, en preciosos regalos que le ofrecemos a Dios. El apóstol, Pablo, dice: “**Igualmente, el Espíritu viene en ayuda de nuestra flaqueza, porque no sabemos lo que nos conviene, pero el mismo Espíritu intercede por nosotros con gemidos indecibles.**” (Romanos 8, 26)

Corone su vida cada día con oración. De esta manera, somos un lugar perfecto para que viva el Señor. A través de Su gracia, usted posee a Dios. Su imagen estará entronada en el templo de su espíritu. Usted y yo somos templo del Espíritu Santo.

Por favor, ore especialmente participando de la Misa diaria lo más frecuente posible, ofreciendo su Rosario, especialmente por la paz del mundo. Viniendo los viernes en la noche al Via Crucis. Ore con su familia, los feligreses y sus amigos. Háblele a Dios en su trabajo, en la casa, en el carro. (Apague el radio del carro por un rato y simplemente hable o cantele a Dios en voz alta.) Colóquelo en el centro de su vida todo el tiempo. Rece el Padrenuestro todos los días, lo cual Jesús mismo nos enseñó. También ofrezca por favor, un Avemaría a nuestra Santa Madre María todos los días.

Haga este esfuerzo personal de enriquecer su vida con oración, la primera y más importante práctica en la Cuaresma. Esto es fundamental para todo lo demás. Construya su relación personal con nuestro Dios en Jesucristo, quien nos ama tanto, que no nos puede quitar los ojos de encima, ni tan siquiera un momento.

Dios los bendiga,

Padre Herb



Primer domingo de cuaresma

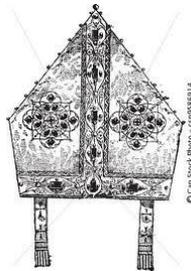
El ayuno de cuarenta días nos invita a ayunar en buenas obras; el silencio del desierto, la oración y el recogimiento para escuchar la palabra de Dios.



NIGHT WITH THE BISHOP

FEBRUARY 27 - POPE JOHN XXIII, SPARTA

7-9 PM



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!

For more information, please contact the Vocation Office at 973-777-8818, ext. 711

**Come and Enjoy Our
“Lenten Simple Meal”**

**Feb. 23rd,
March 2nd, 9th & 16th**

5:00 – 7:00 PM

Church Hall



**Delicious Homemade Soups
Soups Prepared by:
Msgr. Chris, John Cammarata
And the Good Samaritans**

**Donations Benefit:
Youth Trip to Appalachia
Father English Center**

HOW TO PRAY THE ROSARY

Praying the Rosary

1. While holding the crucifix, make the Sign of the Cross and say the Apostles' Creed. (See below)
2. On the first bead and all the single beads, say an Our Father.
3. Pray one Hail Mary on each of the next three beads for an increase in faith, hope, and charity.
4. On the next single bead, pray the Glory Be. (See next column)
5. Before praying the next set of ten beads (called a decade), first meditate on the first mystery.
Announce the mystery, imagine the event, and begin to meditate on it by itself or in association with whatever matter the mystery brings to your heart.
6. Pray an Our Father. (See below)
7. Pray a Hail Mary on the first bead of the decade, and on each following bead. (See below)
8. After praying the decade, pray the Glory Be. You may also want to add the Fatima invocation.
9. Reflect on the second mystery, then pray an Our Father on the next single bead.
10. Pray the Hail Mary on the next ten beads. Repeat the sequence around the rosary.
11. At the end of the last decade, pray the Hail Holy Queen. (See next column)

The Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father,
And of the Son,
And of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer (Our Father)

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
Amen.

Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace.
The Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.
Amen.

The Glory Be (The Doxology)

Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end.
Amen.

Fatima Invocation

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, and lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of thy mercy.

Hail, Holy Queen (Salve Regina)

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy. Hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy toward us and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

The Joyful Mysteries

(Mondays and Saturdays)

1. The Annunciation of the birth of the Lord to Mary by the archangel Gabriel (Lk 1:26-38).
2. The Visitation of Our Lady with St. Elizabeth, the mother of St. John the Baptist (Lk 1:39-56).
3. The Nativity of Our Lord (Mt 1:18-25; Lk 2:1-20).
4. The Presentation of the Christ Child in the Temple (Lk 2:22-32).
5. The Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple (Lk 2:41-52).

The Sorrowful Mysteries

(Tuesdays and Fridays)

1. The Agony in the Garden of Gethsemane (Mk 14:32-42).
2. The Scourging of Jesus (Jn 19:1).
3. The Crowning with Thorns (Mk 15:16-20).
4. The Carrying of the Cross (Jn 19:12-17).
5. The Crucifixion (Mt 27:33-56; Mk 15:22-41; Lk 23:26-49; Jn 19:16-30).

The Luminous Mysteries

(Thursdays)

1. The Baptism of Our Lord in the River Jordan (Mt 3:13-16).
2. The Self-Manifestation of Our Lord at the Wedding at Cana (Jn 2:1-11).
3. The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God (Mk 1:14-15).
4. The Transfiguration of Our Lord (Mt 17:1-8; Lk 9:28-29).
5. The Last Supper, when the Eucharist was Instituted (Mt 26).

The Glorious Mysteries

(Wednesdays and Sundays)

1. The Resurrection (Lk 24:1-12; Jn 20).
2. The Ascension (Lk 24:50-53; Acts 1:1-12).
3. The Descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost (Acts 2:1-4).
4. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Song 2:8-14).
5. The Coronation of the Blessed Mother (Rev 12:1-4).



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