Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



Dear Parishioners,

This week we observe the First Sunday of Lent. We have entered a great season of prayer and self-denial. Sometimes we forget what is asked of us. Because of this, I would like to remind everybody of the norms governing Lenten days of fast and abstinence.

All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. On these days, Catholics 14 years of age or older are obliged to abstain from eating meat. Good Friday is also a day of fast. On these days, Catholics from the ages of 18-59 are obliged to fast. The law of fasting allows only one full meal and two small meals. The combined amount of the small meals should not equal the quantity consumed at the full meal.

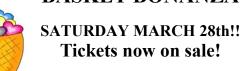
We will be praying the Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent following the 12:15 PM Mass at OLP/SP and Stations of the Cross at SJ/HT at 7:00 PM. The Stations of the Cross are a traditional way of focusing on the road to Calvary that Christ walked for us. We, as His disciples in the world today, are invited to journey on that same road. Please consider joining the community as we offer these prayers asking the Lord to strengthen us as we carry our own crosses.

You will notice many of the objects that usually adorn the sanctuary have been removed to reflect the austerity of Lent. We are called to simplify our lives. Please note that the acclamation before the Gospel has changed. "Alleluia," that wonderful word of rejoicing, will not be sung again until Easter. All these changes should help us to remember how we are called to live during this season. Let us turn away from the distractions of this world, let us embrace the cross of Christ, let us repent of our sinfulness, and let us die to self that we may truly share in the glory of the Resurrection at Easter.

You all remain in my prayers during these holy days of Lent. Please continue to pray for me and for all who minister at OLP/SP and SJ/HT.

In Christ's Peace, Fr. Caruso

BASKET BONANZA



We hope you will mark your calendars for the always wonderful, always fun Basket Bonanza being held in the school cafeteria on **Saturday, March 28**th **At 5:00 pm!!!!**Basket and silent auction items are already coming in. If you have one you would like to donate just let us know... we would be so appreciative!!! We always have incredible baskets and silent auction items...you won't be disappointed!!!

If you attended the Basket Bonanza in the past we know you will want to come again this year. If you haven't been before we hope you will join us and see what it's all about!!! Get a table together or come and join others, either way you will have a great time!! It will be another fantastic Bonanza with great opportunities to win incredible items.

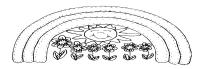
The cost is only \$10.00 which includes your admission, chance to win door prizes and 2 free raffle tickets to use towards your chances to win whatever baskets you choose to take a chance on. It also includes incredible food and of course, as always, lots of fun and comradery!!! We hope you will be part of it!!

Visit us after all Masses or call or visit the Parish or school offices for tickets, questions, more information or if you are interested in donating!! 315-422-7163. Thanks so much!!!!



Prayer For The Day

So far today, God,
I've done all right,
I haven't gossiped,
I haven't lost my temper,
Haven't been grumpy, nasty or selfish,
But in a few minutes,
I'm going to get out of bed;
And from then on,
I'm going to need
a lot of your help!!!



This Week We Remember...

March 2 Monday:

9:00 am Communion Service at the Convent

Tuesday: March 3

St. Katharine Drexel

9:00 am Mass at the Convent Theresa Wede/Joseph Castaldo

Don Rizzo/Mike and Ro Colagiovanni

Wednesday: March 4

St. Casimir

9:00 am Mass at the Convent Shirley Lanzafame/Joe Nicoletti

Thursday: March 5 9:00 am Mass at the Convent

Barbara Stagnitta/Esther and Henry Pagano

March 6 Friday:

First Friday

World Day of Prayer

9:00 am Mass in Church

Tex Simone/Wendy, Steve and Children

Mass in Church 12:15 pm

Followed by Stations of the Cross

Alfred Viggiano/Linda and Steve Saland 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross at

St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Saturday: March 7

4:00 pm

Rose Spuches, 20th Yr.Ann/Connie and Carlo Libby Scalzo/Maryann and Frank DeMichele

Wally Ammon/Joanne Licistra

Benny and Terry Cimino/Son. Joseph

Joanne Merluzzi/Anthony Merluzzi & Debra Wade Nicholas J. Silvaggio (B)/Tony, Nick and Joe

Christine Chiodo/The Fennelly & Chiodo Families

Lucy Marco/Antoinette and Frankie Pallotta

Robert Fletcher/Pete and Ro Scalzo

Patsy Monachino/Ralph Torrillo

Sunday: March 8

Second Sunday of Lent

7:30 am

Tex Simone, Ann./Wife, Joanne

8:45 am Mass in Vietnamese

11:00 am

Anne Corcoran (B)/Sister, Carm Bowen Vito Toia, 1 Yr. Ann/Henry and Esther Pagano Ernestina Renna, Ann/Luke, Carole and Luke IV Giuseppe Grimaldi/Wife and Daughters

Weekend Masses at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity: 5:30 pm Vigil Mass on Saturday as well as 9:00 am Mass on Sunday.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Income shown is for the weeks of February 16th and February 23rd

Please contact Fr. Dan if you have any questions about our parish finances.

OLP/St. Peter Collection

February 16, 2020

Regular \$5,279.00 Loose 378.00

\$5,557.00 Total

February 23, 2020

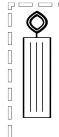
Regular \$4,559.00 Loose 266.00

Total \$4,825.00

If for any reason you missed attending Mass. please try to make up your donation. Thank you.

Collection for the Church in **Central and Eastern Europe**

Thank you for your generous contributions to the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe! As a parish, your donation helps restore the Church and build the future in over 20 countries. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give. You can visit: www.usccb.org/ccee.



Padre Pio

Devotional Candle Burning for Joanne Merluzzi Requested By Anthony Merluzzi and Debra Wade

The Catholic Sun

Thank you to those who have already supported the Catholic Sun's subscription campaign. Your help is so appreciated! Just a reminder to those who have not subscribed as of yet, you can pick up an envelope from the side aisle tables in Church. Please prayerfully consider doing so this weekend.

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THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES IN OUR PARISH:

Thursday: March 5
6:30 pm Choir
Friday: March 6

9:00 am First Friday Mass in Church 12:15pm Mass in Church followed by

Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross at

St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity

Saturday: March 7

1:00 pm Vietnamese Language 3-3:30 PM Reconciliation at

Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter

Sunday: March 8

9:50 am Day of the Son

FFI, FFII

11:00 am Vietnamese Youth

Do You Want To Fast For Lent?

In the words of Pope Francis:

Fast from hurting words & say kind words
Fast from sadness & be filled with gratitude
Fast from anger & be filled with patience
Fast from pessimism & be filled with hope
Fast from worries & have trust in God
Fast from complaints & contemplate simplicity
Fast from pressures & be prayerful
Fast from bitterness & fill your hearts with joy
Fast from selfishness & be compassionate to others
Fast from grudges & be reconciled
Fast from words & be silent so you can listen.

Water Color Classes

Water Color Classes for young adults to energetic seniors. Introductory Water Color Class dates: Tuesdays, April 21,28, May 5, & 12, from 9:30-11:30 am OR 1:30-3:30 pm at Franciscan Art Studio, Alverna Heights, 7770 Green Lakes Rd., Fayetteville. Register on or before March 23. For more information you can contact teaching artist, Sr. M. Joselle Orlando, 315-634-6991. No art skills required. Fee: \$30 per two hour class.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS Weekend of March 7-8

Lectors:

4:00 pm R. & P. Scalzo 7:30 am J. Nicoletti 11:00 am J. & M. Merola

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 pm M. Cariota, D. Berthoff,

M. Cutrone

7:30 am M. Etheredge, N. & B. Brown 11:00 am F. Grimaldi, G. Lostumbo,

M. Scarfino

Servers:

4:00 pm J. Fabrizi 7:30 am Jean Ruthundo

11:00 am A. Mathewson, S. Pham

May God Bless You on Your Birthday

Happy Birthday wishes go out to Giovanni Cappuccilli, who turned 70 years old recently. Best wishes!!

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

In today's Gospel Jesus cautions it is not enough to provide food for our children; "one does not live on bread alone." Let Lent 2020 be a time when you are "led by the Spirit" to explore new ways to be a moral guide to your children.



THANK YOU...THANK YOU... COLUMBUS FOUNDATION!!!

Many thanks go out to the Columbus Foundation for their continued support of our parish school! We received a kind and generous donation from them this week and are certainly very grateful. Please remember the organization and its members in your prayers of gratitude. Thank You!

Did you get your ticket(s) for the Annual Holy Name Raffle?

Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Holy Name Society sponsors the "300 Raffle". Only 300 raffle tickets will be sold! Tickets are \$50 each. Prizes: 1st place: \$5,000.00; 2nd place:1,000.00; 3rd, 4th & 5th place: \$500.00 each. The drawing will be held on **Wednesday**, **May 13, 2020**.

You may purchase a ticket(s) from any Holy Name Member, by calling Joey Cimino at 315-430-0338, by calling Larry Cimino at 315-430-5645, or by calling the Parish Offices at 315-422-7163. If you would like a special/lucky numbered ticket please call Joey Cimino. This yearly event is our big fundraiser, so won't you help by purchasing a ticket or two? The committee thanks everyone in advance for their support.

REMINDER: Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter's Golf League will begin on **Tuesday, May 6th**. If you are interested in playing, please contact Jamie Lanza at 315-256-4540 after 2:00 pm.

March 21st The Progresso Lodge #1047,

Order Sons & Daughter of Italy in America will celebrate its Annual St. Joseph/St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance at Bella Domani on E. Taft Rd., N. Syracuse. The evening's festivities will begin at 6:00 pm with cocktails followed by a full course Italian style buffet dinner and homemade sweets; music: Joey Nigro and John Nilsen Duo. All persons named Joseph, Josephine, Patrick or Patricia will be honored. The dinner is open to the public and everyone is welcome. Cost: \$40 per person, which includes gratuity. For reservations or more information call Carmine at 315-457-5010 or 315-657-1062 or email: cfederic@twcny.rr.com.

Bishop Grimes Theatre Presents GREASE!

Friday and Saturday, March 6 and 7. General admission is \$12. Tickets will be available at the door or online at bishopgrimestheatre.ludus.com. Bishop Grimes, 6653 Kirkville Rd., E. Syracuse.

Gift Bearers at Mass

If you have an intention for a loved one and would like to bring up the gifts at that Mass, please let an Usher know.

Our Annual St. Joseph's Day Celebration

Come join us in celebrating St. Joseph's Day on **Saturday, March 21st** at 4:00 pm Mass. The celebration will continue at 5:00 pm in the CAP cafeteria with our St. Joseph's "Poor Man's Supper." This is a Free Will Offering.

Don't forget to bring your non-perishable food items for the St. Joseph's Table which will be set up at the front Altar. The donated food items will help support our local food pantries.

Annual Friends Day of Recollection

Wednesday, April 1st, this event is sponsored by Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter at Christ the King Retreat House, 500 Brookford Rd. from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. Homilist: Rev. Daniel Caruso. Donation: \$28 (this includes lunch). For reservations (due by March 20th) or for more information call JoAnne Merola, 315-425-9673 or Corrine Intaglietta, 315-457-8059.

Remember this event is for all of our friends, men and women!

Fish Dinner

Our neighbors at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity will have Baked Fish Dinners every Friday during Lent (except Good Friday) in the Parish Center from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. Every Friday there is also a 50/50 raffle. The dinner includes: baked fish with roll, dessert and 2 sides (choice of French fries, coleslaw, macaroni and cheese, baked beans) \$1.50 for an additional side. Cost: \$9; children 5-12 \$5; baked fish sandwich with 1 side \$5; toasted cheese sandwich \$2; New England clam chowder \$1.50; soda \$1. Take out is also available.

Syracuse Right to Life Oratory Contest for 11th & 12th graders, also 9th & 10th graders on Sunday March 29th from Noon-3 pm at the Holiday Inn, Electronics Pkwy. 5-7 minute speeches, no cost for entries. Sponsored by Syracuse Right to Life Assoc. For rules/information, call 315-546-2229.