

# Parish of St. Sylvester

*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent*  
*March 12, 2017*



*Christ Jesus . . . destroyed death  
 and brought life and immortality  
 to light through the gospel.*

*-- 2 Timothy 1:10b*



## Liturgies and Intentions for the Week

**Saturday, March 11 - Vigil Mass - 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

4:00 p.m. = Dr. Joseph Trentacosta

**Sunday, March 12 - 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

7:30 a.m. = Rita Montelione

10:00 a.m. = Marion and Angelo Martorano

12 noon = Phyllis Rayfield

**Monday, March 13 - Lenten Weekday**

8:30 a.m. = Luciano Dumaguing

12 noon = \_\_\_\_\_

**Tuesday, March 14 - Lenten Weekday**

8:30 a.m. = good health and wellbeing of

Mrs. Edith Gargantiel

12 noon = \_\_\_\_\_

**Wednesday, March 15 - Lenten Weekday**

8:30 a.m. = Bernabe Victorio

12 noon = \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday, March 16 - Lenten Weekday**

8:30 a.m. = \_\_\_\_\_

12 noon = \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday, March 17 - Lenten Weekday, St. PATRICK, BISHOP**

8:30 a.m. = Gilmartin and Dicks family

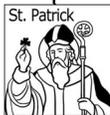
12 noon = intentions of Chris Leavy & family

12:30 p.m. = STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 p.m. = STATIONS OF THE CROSS



DAYLIGHT  
SAVING TIME



St. Patrick

**Saturday, March 18 - Lenten Weekday; (St. Cyril of**

*Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor of the Church)*

9:00 a.m. = Carmen Rios

**Saturday, March 18 - Vigil Mass - 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

4:00 p.m. = John Roberts

**Sunday, March 19 - 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

7:30 a.m. = \_\_\_\_\_

10:00 a.m. = Ralph Zingone

12 noon = John Ferguson

## Weekly Collections

Our Parish Family's Support . . .

**Ash Wednesday:** \$ 475.00

1st collection - \$4,985.00

**March 5, 2017:**

Reserve Fund - \$1,137.00



**PLEASE PRAY . . . for those anticipating a  
 hospital stay, recuperating,  
 the homebound in our**

*parish, and in our families. Please keep this list near  
 the place where you pray each day so that you remem-  
 ber them throughout the week.*

**Victor Andrea, Cecilia Brennan, Antonia Carlino,**

**Lucille Chatznoff, Frances Cirincione,**

**Dr. Nicolas C. Lansigan, Jr., Stephen Cucci,**

**Jean De Santis, Robert Forlenza, Thomas Galvin,**

**Connie Garbarino, Connie Gorrasi, Richard Hassel,**

**Bridget Kehley, Frank Labano, Louis Matos, Delia**

**Murguia, Amy O'Donnell, Joseph Palumbo,**

**Lee Poyntz, Carmela Rogan, Annette Scardigno,**

**Louise Stanley**



*Lord, hold our troops in your loving  
 hands, especially those from our parish  
 family and community . . .*

**Seaman Daniel Brennan - U.S. Navy**

**SR Francis S. Cummings - U.S. Navy**

**SR Michael J. Cummings - U.S. Navy**

**Col. Jeffrey N. Davila, MD - U.S. Air Force**

**Francesca DiSimone-Biggins - U.S. M.C.**

**Lucia DiSimone-Biggins - U.S. M.C.**

**Ryan Foley - U.S. M.C.**

**Lt. Col. Jay Le Pore - U.S. Air Force in Japan**

**Col. Patrick J. Mahaney, Jr. - U.S. Army**

**Prescod Montgomery - U.S. Army in Iraq**

**Ens. Il Steven Passignajen-Trimble - U.S. Navy/Persian Gulf**

**Samuel Rios - U.S. Air Force**

**Darrin Sack**

**Joseph Somma - U.S. Marine Corps**

**Major Michael Volpe - U.S. Army**



Winner of the Valentine Special 50/50

**Carmela Rogan - \$240**



## Pastor's Corner

My Dear Parishioners,

As Saint Paul emphasizes in today's second reading, we are all called to a holy life. God gives us a great gift every year with the season of Lent: an opportunity once again to more closely imitate Jesus, the perfect example of holy living. We may think that Lent is only about fasting from food or abstaining from meat, but it should be so much more. The Church advocates our frequent participation in the Mass, as well as our prayers for peace and for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. We are also encouraged to give personal service to those in need, including the aged and the sick. And last but not least, we are invited to practice some form of voluntary self-denial, which is giving up something we really want, rather than something we'll never miss. The particular practices we choose to adopt during Lent may vary widely according to our age, capabilities, and lifestyle. The only thing we cannot do is avoid Lent altogether. This would separate us from God and the community of faith, and seriously call our discipleship into question. If we have been practicing stewardship all along, the extra efforts we make in Lent are simply a natural extension of what have already been doing. These additional practices and penances deepen our awareness of how much we receive daily from the hands of an all-loving God. By shifting our attention away from our own wants and needs we have more time to offer our abilities and resources to God, to God's church, and to the world in which we live. Lent is truly a time to count our blessings--each and every one--and to ask God to conform our hearts even more to the divine will.

Keep smiling,

*Fr. Jacob*



Saint Patrick's Day

Although the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence, Cardinal Dolan has declared an **exemption** of this regulation for the people of the New York Archdiocese on Friday, March 17th in honor of St. Patrick, the patron of our Archdiocese.



*Do you like to draw, paint or just have a relaxing afternoon?*

**ART WORKSHOP - WATERCOLORS**  
**MONDAYS - 1:00 PM TO 3:00 PM**  
**MOORE CONFERENCE ROOM**

*(beneath the Parish House)*

*You don't need materials. They will be supplied with your first sessions.*



The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network  
APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER UNITED STATES

**Intention for March**

**Support for Persecuted Christians.**

That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.

## Fasting and Feasting

Fast from fear, feast on faith.

Fast from despair, feed on hope.

Fast from depressing news, feed on prayer.

Fast from discontent, feast on gratitude.

Fast from anger and worry, feed on patience.

Fast from negative thinking, feast on positive thinking.

Fast from bitterness, feed on love and forgiveness.

Fast from words that wound, feast on words that heal.

Fast from gravity, feast on joy and humor.



*the Sanctuary Lamp burns before the Tabernacle this week with prayers for the health and wellbeing of*

***Irene Starigina***

*requested by*

*her mother, Natalia*



**BOY SCOUTS**

**ST. SYLVESTER TROOP and Cub Pack 85**

Many thanks to all in our parish family who helped make our Pinewood Derby day such a success!

This weekend the members of "85" will prep, pack and go camping overnight at Pouch Camp.

On Tuesday, March 14th the Scouts (age 14 and up) will participate in a CPR certification class during their #Troop85SavesLives meeting.

*(for St. Sylvester scouting info: anniemagus320@gmail.com)*

Fr. Jacob's Hospitality Sunday **wishlist**

**Supplies needed:** non-sugar sweeteners,  
hot-coffee cups (*no Styrofoam*),  
paper plates - small and large,  
paper napkins, clear juice cups

You may bring donations to the Parish House Office, or to the next Hospitality Sunday in the Parish Hall (3/05).