

# Parish of St. Sylvester

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent  
March 26, 2017



*The LORD is my shepherd;  
I shall not want.*

—Psalm 23:1



## Liturgies and Intentions for the Week

**Saturday, March 25 - Vigil Mass - 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**  
4:00 p.m. = Israel Santiago, Sr. (*happy 8<sup>th</sup> ann. in heaven*)

**Sunday, March 26 - 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

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

10:00 a.m. = Richard Huczko

12:00 noon = John Ippolito

**Monday, March 27 - Lenten Weekday**

8:30 a.m. = Officer Samuel Patterson

12:00 noon = \_\_\_\_\_

**Tuesday, March 28 - Lenten Weekday**

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

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

**Wednesday, March 29 - Lenten Weekday**

8:30 a.m. = James Granato

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

**Thursday, March 30 - Lenten Weekday**

8:30 a.m. = Wilma Cintula

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

**Friday, March 31 - Lenten Weekday**

8:30 a.m. = *good health for Maria Christina and  
Erlinda Luna*

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

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

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

**Saturday, April 1 - Lenten Weekday**

9:00 a.m. = Joan Wolfe (*happy ann. in heaven*)

**Saturday, April 1 - Vigil Mass - 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

4:00 p.m. = Kathleen O'Connor (*3<sup>rd</sup> ann. in heaven*)

**Sunday, April 2 - 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

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

10:00 a.m. = Eduardo Holipas and  
Bartolomeo Magallon

12:00 noon = Gerard Langilotti

## Weekly Collections

Our Parish Family's Support . . .

**March 19, 2017:** 1st collection - \$3,725.00  
Reserve Fund - \$1,011.00

**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 remember them throughout the week.*

Victor Andrea, Cecilia Brennan, Antonia Carlino,  
Lucille Chatznoff, Frances Cirincione,  
Dr. Nicolas C. Lansigan, Jr., Stephen Cucci,  
Jean De Santis, 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

*The Bread and Wine offered  
this week are presented in memory of*

**Roseanne Grannis**

*requested by*

**Patricia Mulligan De Respino**



*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



*the Sanctuary Lamp burns before the  
Tabernacle this week with prayers for*

**Israel Santiago, Sr.**

*requested by  
daughter, Janet Samuel*



**Pastor's  
Corner**

My Dear Parishioners,

Last week, in reviewing the 3 Lenten religious practices, I offered some thoughts on the practices of almsgiving. Today let's look at fasting and abstaining—what are they? And, when do we make these 'sacrifices'?

**Fasting** is making do with less food. The result of not eating so much and getting hungry is that we have a heightened sense of awareness. When we eat too much we have a sluggish feeling. When we fast we are more alert and open to the activities of God in our lives. Fasting cleanses our bodies and prepares us to pray more deeply. For the Lenten fast each diocese has local regulations. In our New York Archdiocese the fast days of Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are required to fast. This means that on these days we eat only one full meal, with no food between meals. It is understood that if one eats 3 meals a day the 2 other meals should not *total* one more full meal. Of course, everyone is free to fast at any other time as an aid for prayer and reflection. Fasting—as opposed to dieting—enhances our hunger for God and is one of the most ancient practices of Lent.

To **abstain** is to refrain from eating meat as an act of penance and sacrifice. Since innumerable people in the world cannot afford to eat meat, our abstaining can put us in solidarity with the hungry and poor of the world.

In general, Catholics in the U.S. and Canada abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent. This does not include abstaining from eggs and dairy products. Catholics ages 14 and older are bound by the law of abstinence.

Keep smiling, (*an unwritten "rule" when fasting and abstaining —no complaining!*)

*Fr. Jacob*

*St. Sylvester Parish family welcomes . . .*



**Nathan Gage Humpherys**  
**Baptized on March 19, 2017**

*son of*

Richard and Kelly Quinn Humphreys  
*presented to the Lord by his godparents*  
Matthew Vitale and Kristin Vitale



**FEBRUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**

Grade 1	Francisco DiGangi
Grade 2	Augustin Calli
	Olivia loDuca
Grade 3	Vincent Wiseman
Grade 4	Pamela Manzanillo
Grade 5	Vienna Wiseman
	Maya Hilton
Grade 6	Danielle Lipari
Grade 7	Catherine Hoo



**CONGRATULATIONS!**

*save the dates. . .*



**Msgr. Farrell High School Summer Camps**  
**Sports Camps**

Basketball Camp (*boys only/grades 5-10*)  
Session 1: 7/10-14; Session 2: 7/17-21

- Football Camp (*boys only/non-contact/grades 5-9*) 7-10-14
- Soccer Camp (*boys and girls, grades 5-10*) July 10-17
- Lacrosse Camp (*boys only/non-contact/grades 5-10*) July 17-21
- Wrestling Camp (*boys only, grades 1-12*) July 10-14
- Track & Field Camp (*boys only, grades 4-12*) July 17-21

**Academic Camps**

- Robotics Camps (*boys & girls/grades 50-10*) July 10-14
- Computer Animation (*boys & girls/grades 50-10*) July 17-21

• Register at [www.msgrfarrellhs.org](http://www.msgrfarrellhs.org)

**CATECHETICAL OFFICE—ARCHDIOCESE OF N. Y.**

This year on Sunday, May 14, 2017, Cardinal Timothy Michael Dolan will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to a group of young persons with disabilities at St. Patrick's Cathedral during the 10:15 a.m. Liturgy. Although it is usually recommended that persons with disabilities be integrated into their parish ceremonies, this is a very special opportunity for the Archdiocese to recognize in a particular way young people with special needs. If you know of any possible candidate(s) please contact Fr. Jacob or our School of Religion Director, Mrs. Campbell.

*"...they shall be greatly blessed,  
because God tried them  
and found them worth of Himself."*

**Jane Bozzo**

**Roseanne Grannis**

*have returned to the Lord's embrace*



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

**Supplies needed:** 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 (4/02).