

Parish of St. Sylvester

4th Sunday of Lent
March 11, 2018



God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

-- John 3:17



Liturgies and Intentions for the Week

Saturday, March 10 - Vigil Mass for 4th Sunday of Lent
4:00 p.m. = Giuseppe Impeduglia

Sunday, , March 11 – 4th Sunday of Lent
7:30 a.m. = Carmelina Ruggiero
10:00 a.m. = Emelio and Gerald Alimon
12:00 noon = deceased members of McCoy family
and Mary Bhatia

Monday, March 12 - Lenten Weekday
8:30 a.m. = Marion and Angelo Martorano

Tuesday, March 13 - Lenten Weekday
8:30 a.m. = Carmen McMahon

Wednesday, March 14 - Lenten Weekday
8:30 a.m. = for good health & wellbeing of Edith Gargantiel
7:00 p.m. = HOUR OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday, March 15 – Lenten Weekday
8:30 a.m. = Greene-Hopkins family

Friday, March 16 – Lenten Weekday
8:30 a.m. = Hans Hollenstein
12:00 noon = STATIONS OF THE CROSS
7:00 p.m. = STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Saturday, March 17 - St. Patrick, Bishop
9:00 a.m. = Miriam Quinn
11:00 a.m. = St. S. School of Religion First Penance

Saturday, March 17 - Vigil Mass for 5th Sunday of Lent
4:00 p.m. = F. Barry Mulligan

Sunday, , March 18 – 5th Sunday of Lent
7:30 a.m. = Mary Brescia
10:00 a.m. = Ramon Reinoso (11th ann. in heaven)
12:00 noon = deceased members of McCoy family and
Mary Bhatia



*This week the **Sanctuary Lamp** burning before the tabernacle is offered in memory of **Joseph Murguia** requested by his wife, **Delia***



St Sylvester Parish will celebrate **First Penance** on March 17th and

First Communion on Saturday, May 5, 2018.

Parishioners attending private schools, please call the Parish Office to register.



Weekly Collections

Our Parish Family's Support on . . .

March 4, 2018 - \$4,841.00
Reserve Fund - \$1,009.00

Lord, hold our troops safe in your loving hands—

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
Lucia Di Simone-Biggins - U. S. M.C.
Ryan Foley - U.S. M.C.
Alvin S. Joseph II - U. S. Navy
Lt. Col. Jay Le Pore - U. S. Air Force in Japan
Col. Patrick J. Mahoney, Jr. - U. S. Army
Prescod Montgomery - U. S. Army in Iraq
Ens. II 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

Has someone here been promoted, transferred, demobilized, discharged, retired? Please let us know.



Join us . . . next Sunday- 3/18

Hospitality Sunday - Parish Hall - after 10 AM Mass

PLEASE PRAY . . . for those anticipating a hospital stay, recuperating, and the homebound in our parish and in our families. Keep this list near the place where you pray each day so that you remember them throughout the week.

Victor Andrea, Anthony, Joseph Bertolini,
Nancy J. Bushman, Antonia Carlino,
Karen Chardavoyne, Lucille Chatznoff,
Frances Cirincione, Conley family, Stephen Cucci,
Ellen Delaney, Robert Golden,
Dr. Nicolas C. Lansigan, Jr., Thomas Galvin,
Connie Garbarino, Bridget Kehley, Frank Labano,
Louis Matos, Travis Mayhew, George Moresca,
Delia Murguia, Amy O'Donnell, Lee Poyntz,
Carmela Rogan, Eulah Ryan, Alice Santamays,
Annette Scardigno, Louise Stanley, John Vincenzo,
Robert Williams

Please let us know if anyone for whom we are praying has recovered from illness/surgery so that we may rejoice with you and then make room for others in need of prayer. Thank you.



Pastor's Corner



My Dear Parishioners,

On this coming Saturday, March 17th we celebrate the feast day of St. Patrick, the patron of our New York Archdiocese.

Patrick was born in Scotland, the son of a Roman soldier. At fourteen he was captured by Irish raiders and enslaved for six years, forced to herd and tend sheep. After several attempts he was able to escape and returned to his homeland. Later he was ordained to the priesthood, and at the age of forty-six he returned to Ireland from the north as a bishop and missionary. Using the knowledge of the language and culture that he gained during his captivity, Patrick dedicated himself to evangelizing the leaders of the tribes, starting with the most influential and powerful. Despite threats against his life, he continued to preach the Gospel, founding convents, monasteries, and parishes. He strove to Christianize the pagan rites such as the Druid spring fires, which he transformed into the Easter Vigil's "new fire," openly defying the customs imposed by the priests of the Celtic religion. This almost cost him his life, but his victory was also one for Christianity.

His symbol, of course, is that 3-leaved plant, the shamrock. When a group of Patrick's followers came to him and explained they were having difficulty understanding and believing in the doctrine of the Holy Trinity Patrick bent down and picked one of the many shamrocks growing at his feet. This he used as the example of "Three-in-One" to describe the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit. Patrick's listeners were enlightened by the wisdom and simple beauty of his explanation, and the shamrock has been a sacred symbol ever since.

This patron saint of Ireland also recast a Celtic prayer for protection into the still-popular "Saint Patrick's Breastplate" (*Christ Before Me...*). Let us also put on such prayerful armor since "it is owing to God's favor that salvation is [y]ours through faith."

Keep smiling,

Fr. Jacob

St. Sylvester's
Parish family



welcomes

Vanessa Cassandra Kalas

daughter of

Kerla Tzompa Avendaño and Lucas Kalas

presented to the Lord by her Godparents

Henry Sarmiento and Hanna Kalas

on **Saturday, March 3, 2018**



Boy Scout Cub Pack & Troop 85



are at Pouch Camp this week-end for their 1st 2018 overnight camping trip. Planning began with a "what to pack/how to pack" session at a recent weekly meeting. During this trip the Scouts will be demonstrating and teaching indoor and outdoor camping skills for the Cub Scouts.

DALESSIO POST #1310, AMERICAN LEGION

Meeting on March 15th, at 11 a.m.
in Moore Conference Room (*beneath Parish House*).
come for discussions on benefits & help for veterans.
All veterans of U.S. conflicts are welcome.



FEED THE
HUNGRY

St. Sylvester - St. Teresa Community Food Pantry

needs non-perishable food to assist the needy in our community. Your donated non-perishable items may be placed in the box at the back of our church near the elevator. Also, supermarket gift cards will enable the purchase of *FRESH* produce.

F.Y.I.: Food Pantry Distribution @ St. Teresa Parish
First and Third Week of the Month
Monday - Wednesday - Friday 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM



MEETINGS

A.C.A., A 12-step program for adults who grew up in a dysfunctional home, meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Rosary Hall.

Call Larry at 718-619-5545

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sister Eileen Clifford, O.P. at 212-371-1000, x2949. Sister may also be reached via e-mail at victimassistance@archny.org Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, www.archny.org. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.