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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT March 16, 2025

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Monday through Thursday 9:00am to 5:00pm CLOSED Friday, Saturday, Sunday, & Holidays

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Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday

5:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday

8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am 6:00pm (Spanish Mass)

Daily Mass

9:00am Monday through Thursday (January-March) 12:00pm Friday

The Rosary is recited immediately after daily Mass

Holy Days

Vigil @ 7:00pm (Spanish Mass) Day @ 8:00am, 12:00pm, & 7:00pm

First Saturday Mass

Due to an issue with scheduling availability, we are no longer able to offer the First Saturday Mass each month.

Eucharistic Adoration

The FIRST FRIDAYS (Novena & silent adoration to Sacred Heart) of each month at 12:30pm and the LAST MONDAYS of each month at 7:00pm in the Church.

Confessions

Every Saturday 4:00pm to 4:45pm

PARISH TRUSTEES

Beth Hard & Linda O'Brien

PARISH COUNCIL

Michael Berdinka, Tom Day, Lori Francescani, Lisa Guzman, Tara Hudson, Verna Merkel, & Amabilia Estrada Ruiz

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

Kevin Dwyer, Beth Hard, Daily Hill, Christine Lennon, Linda O'Brien, Scott O'Brien, Joe Sala, & Michael Strebel

MARRIAGES: Arrangements should be made at least 1 year in advance. Marriage dates may be made only with the priest after he interviews the couple. Please call the Parish Office to set up an appointment. Pre- Cana classes are required.

BAPTISMS: Parents are required to attend one evening class before Baptism; and are encouraged to attend class during pregnancy. Baptismal class is held on the 1st Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November. To register for Baptism, please contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING THE SICK:

Emergency calls for the Sacraments for the seriously ill may be made any time of the day or night, every day of the year. The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will also be celebrated every second Friday of the month at the 12:00pm Mass. All those who are seriously ill, including those preparing for surgery or a hospital stay, are invited to receive the Sacrament.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19 **Tuesday:** Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31 **Friday:** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21;

Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;

Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading: The Lord made a covenant with his faithful servant, Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land" (Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18).

Psalm: The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).

Second Reading: We await the Lord Jesus, who will change us to conform with his glorified body (Philippians 3:17-4:1 [3:20-4:1]).

Gospel: Peter, James, and John witness the transfiguration of Jesus on the mountain (Luke 9:28b-36).

eGIVING OPPORTUNITIES

eGiving makes it easy to give, anytime, anywhere. To continue lifesaving ministries and outreach in our parish community, we depend on generous online donations from our church family. We prayerfully invite you to use eGiving from your computer, smartphone, or tablet to set up a recognize donation or make a continue of the set up a recognize donation or make a continue of the set up a recognize donation or make a continue of the set up a recognized donation or make a continue of the set up a recognized donation or make a continue of the set up a recognized donation or make a continue of the set up a recognized donation or make a continue of the set up a recognized donation or make a continue of the set up a recognized donation of the set up



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https://membership.faithdirect.net/NY66 Thank you for your continued support!

MASS ATTENDANCE							
DATE	5pm	8am	9:30am	11am	6рт	TOTAL	
02/16/25	130	123	79	165	100	597	
02/23/25	118	112	108	135	100	573	
03/02/25	110	156	184	188	215	853	
03/09/25	102	121	98	148	205	674	

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS					
DATE	COLLECTION	AMOUNT			
03/09/2025	Weekly Collection	\$7,547.00			
03/10/2024	Weekly Collection	\$6,832.00			
Thank you for your continuous support!					

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday
5:00pm
Sunday

March 15
Jolly Five One Crew (Fr. Peter)
March 16

8:00am Connie DeVito (Msgr. Mirro) 9:30am Roland Palmedo (Fr. Ken)

11:00am Patrick Fenton (Birthday in Heaven)

(Fr. Ken)

6:00pm The People of the Parish (Fr. Jose)

MondayMarch 179:00amRonald BurnsTuesdayMarch 189:00amNick CesareWednesdayMarch 19

9:00am (Guild Mass) Intentions of Mary Shea;

Salvatore Golfo; Linda & Eric Nastri

Thursday March 20

9:00am Poor Souls in Purgatory

Friday March 21

12:00pm Alice Roggenkamp

Saturday March 22 4:00pm Confessions

5:00pm Poor Souls in Purgatory (Fr. Ken)

Sunday March 23

8:00am The People of the Parish (Msgr. Mirro)

9:30am Stella Kotalik (Fr. Peter) 11:00am Henry Arnold (Fr. Ken)

6:00pm Poor Souls in Purgatory (Fr. Jose)

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Richard Hill

There are quite a few Mass Intentions available now and in the coming months. Intentions are \$20 for a single Mass and \$10 for a Guild (multi) Mass. Stop by the Parish Office and set-up a Mass for a loved one, living or deceased.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

The 2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal

The 2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal is happening in our parish and in parishes across the Diocese. Please give prayerful consideration to help fund the essential ministries and services supported by this appeal.

 Goal
 \$ 62,100.00

 Total Pledged
 \$ 12,755.00

 Payments Received
 \$ 9,321.00

Donors: 32 % of Goal: 20.54%

The parish will receive 20% of the goal once all pledged payments are received. The parish will receive an additional 80% of monies pledged & received over goal.

LENTEN ACTIVITES

LENTEN REGULATIONS FAST AND ABSTINENCE

There is a limit of one full meal on Good Friday for all between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive. All who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain totally from meat on that day and ALL Fridays in Lent.

EASTER DUTY OBLIGATION

After they have received their First Holy Communion, Catholics are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season. Catholics are also bound to confess serious (mortal) sins at least once a year, but this is not limited to the Lenton/Easter Season.





STATIONS of the CROSS

ENGLISH:

Every Friday at 11:45am during Lent **SPANISH:**

Every Friday at 7:30pm during Lent

Merciful Father, send your gracious Spirit to inspire me to be merciful and generous in giving of myself as I receive the gift of growing closer to you this Lent.

LENTEN SUGGESTED PENANCE

Sunday: Pray and offer some sacrifice for the Pope. **Monday:** Listen to someone you would otherwise pass by.

Tuesday: Do some extraordinary kindness to

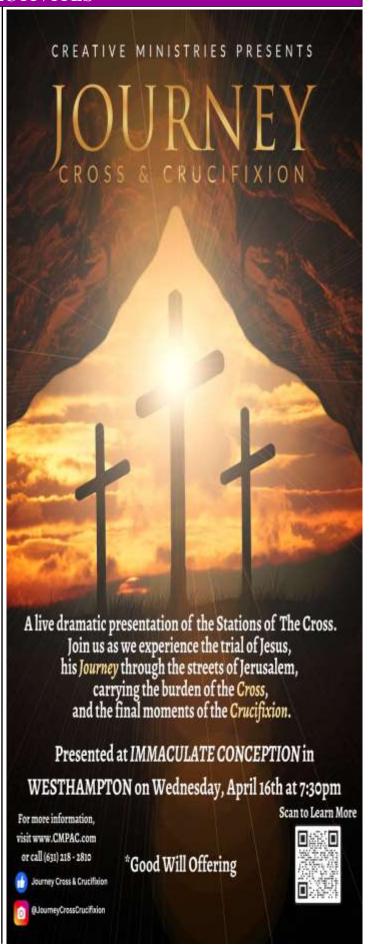
someone who would never expect it.

Wednesday: Pray or offer sacrifice for the strengthening of marriages and family life. Thursday: Give alms to a needy person or a

charitable cause.

Friday: Spend 10 minutes in prayer, meditating with

gratitude on God's goodness. **Saturday:** Go to confession.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Office Hours are:

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday 9am to 5pm 631-288-4188

MARCH DATES TO REMEMBER:

March 17th-19th

Penance during class time for Levels 3-10

March 22nd

First Reconciliation in the Church

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent

Monday: St. Patrick

Tuesday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem

Wednesday: St. Joseph Friday: Abstinence

OUESTION OF THE WEEK

Looking at my Lenten journey as an exodus from sin and worldly values,

what specifically is holding me captive and preventing a truly new life in the risen Lord?

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Aurora Antunes, Deacon Joseph Byrne, Kevin Chisholm, Alexa Dalton, Brian Dalton, Lisa Falcone, Blythe Fickenwirth, Catherine Heffernan, Richard Hewes, Young Katie Kennedy, Morgan Leary, Rosanna, & Daniel Standing.

Please call the Parish Office (631-288-1423) to add/delete a name to the sick list. This list will be cleared occasionally.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Ethan Bentley (Navy) Julia Blake (Navy) Joseph Ferraro III (Air Force) Thomas Hellman (USSF) Lt. Col. William Robesch RJ Ruggiero (Navy) Lt. Cameron Worden

Lt. Matthew Worden (Navy) Please contact the Rectory @631-288-1423 to add a loved one to the military list

MEDITATION with Deacon Joe

Tuesdays at 2pm in the Parish Center Try this spiritual practice, it will surprise you!

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Toiletries (shampoo & soap), Juice Boxes, Cereal, Pasta, Tuna, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Hearty Soup, & Condiments.

The Pantry is in NEED of:

Peanut Butter, Jelly, Juice, & Vegetables (all varieties), Rice, & Beans.

REFLECTIONS

Living Stewardship

"The Lord is my light and my salvation." Have faith in our God, and trust in Him. Let Him work miracles in your life.



Bulletin Reflection

The Gospel reading for today is featured as the 4th Luminous Mystery of the Rosary. Perhaps, this Lenten season you may take up the discipline of praying the Rosary?



SACRAMENTALS

The SANCTUARY LAMP, **BREAD & WINE, ALTAR FLOWERS**

To arrange a sacramental in loving memory of or for the intentions of your loved one, please visit the Parish Office.

Available Dates:

Sanctuary Lamp: March 24, 31, April 7, 14, 21, 28 **Bread & Wine:** March 24, 31, April 7, 14, 21, 28 Altar Flowers: May 11, 18, 25

Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

TEDDY'S CORNER



Teddy spent some fun time with new friends Duke (9) & Maisy (3). Thank you to Robert, Marisa, & Ava Michalowski for hosting this play date!

INTRODUCTION TO THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

We give thanks for our baptismal covenant, for the promise that, when our exodus is complete, we will also be transfigured in the pattern of the glorified body of Christ.

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY

Like Advent, Lent is a season of preparation—in this case, for Jesus' ultimate sacrifice and the glory of his resurrection. We prepare our souls through repentance and our bodies through fasting. We prepare our relationship with God through prayer and our relationship with others through almsgiving. In today's reading, in the midst of all our preparation, we are given a preview of Christ's risen glory when he appears transfigured to Peter, John, and James. May the promise of a life transfigured encourage us as we continue to prepare for Easter glory.

LITURGICAL MINISTER TRAINING

here at Immaculate Conception Church Saturday, March 29th 9:00am to 4:00pm

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Training Part A (Basic) & B (Homebound) and Lector Training. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to attend the training here. A written request from the Pastor to the Bishop is required in order to attend.



SPRING BEGINS Thursday, March 20th

PRAYER REQUESTS

There is a great power in prayer. It is our lifeline to God. Through it we communicate with God, and people are strengthened, helped, and made whole.

Do you know of some concern, or of some person with a special need for whom we ought to pray? We have 29 prayer warriors praying, please call Charles Schmidt at 631-288-4243 and leave a message with your prayer request.



at Immaculate Conception Church
Thursday mornings at Our Lady's Hall
@ 9:30am
All are Welcome!

Share your Faith and Fellowship with other Ladies from the Parish while we learn more about

"THE BIBLE and the VIRGIN MARY"

BIBLE Study Guides are available at the meeting

NOTE: To Register and Reserve a copy of the Bible Study Book, please email: mtpilo.esq@gmail.com; frankiernan@gmail.com; or Kris0330@optonline.net

HELP WANTED

Coordinator of Parish Social Ministry

The Basilica Parish of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary in Southampton is seeking a bilingual Parish Social Ministry Coordinator The coordinator will report directly to the pastor and be responsible for assessing the needs of the parish community, discerning ways to address those needs and engaging the parish in the process. The coordinator will recruit, train and supervise volunteers, while working with community resources, serving the clients who seek parish assistance and other support services. Knowledge of Catholic teaching, experience in parish ministry or related fields is preferred. This is a full-time, salaried, exempt position with flexible hours. Salary commensurate with experience. Please email cover letter and resume to: jobs@shjmbasilica.org



COFFEE With JESUS

Lenten Reflections on the Meaning of Season in Christian Life



Join Bishop Andrzej

All Fridays of Lent
March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11 at 3 pm
for Webinar Lenten Reflections

Registration Required
Call Suzanne at 516.744.6850
or email - westernvicariate@drvc.org
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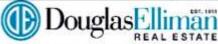
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