

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 19, 2017

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday – March 18

- 8:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory
5:00 p.m. Thomasina Oppici (LaForgia Family)
George Feller (Elaine Feller)
Catherine A. Jugan (Anna Elekes)
Daniel Bell

Sunday – March 19

- 8:30 a.m. Justin Pease (Borkstrom Family)
10:30 a.m. Elizabeth McGuire (Irene Byrne)
Dolores Seitz (Religious Ed)
Paula Liuzza (Anita Kalyan)

Monday – March 20

- 6:00 p.m. Unborn Children

Tuesday – March 21

- 8:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday – March 22

- 8:30 a.m. **No Liturgy**

Thursday – March 23

- 8:30 a.m. Intention of Pope Francis

Friday – March 24

- 8:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory
8:00 p.m. Mystery Players

Saturday – March 25

- 8:30 a.m. Unborn Children
5:00 p.m. Harriet Pszeniczny (M/M P. Waldek)
Frank Martino (Georgina Martino)
Norman Rodriguez (M/M Olex)
Catherine A. Jugan (Anna Elekes)
Daniel Bell

Sunday – March 26

- 8:30 a.m. Nicholas Nassan (Father Rick)
10:30 a.m. Mame Wolski (M/M P. Waldek)
Paula Liuzza (M/M A. LaForgia)
Protection of Babies in the Womb and
Their Families

MASS SERVERS

March 25 & 26

Saturday

- 5:00 p.m. Kiara Lorenzo
Adam Yeager

Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Aidan Flores
Ivan Gomez
10:30 a.m. Nicolas Bova
Ray Tomaszeski

VOLUNTEER BINGO WORKERS

March 23–Team #3

- CAPTAIN: Annette Rossi
TEAM: Liz Bender, Marcie Bender, Joe
Salmon, Ginny Salmon, Karen
Grieco, Allwyn Pereira

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Monday

Religious Ed Classes Gr 1-8- 4:00-5:15pm (Hall)
Confessions – 7:00pm-8:15pm (Church)

Tuesday

Choir – 7:30pm (Church)
RCIA – 7pm (Meeting Room)

Wednesday

Boy Scouts – 7:30pm-9:00pm (Connery Hall Rm 2/4)

Thursday

Bingo – 7:30 – 11:00pm (Connery Hall)

Friday

Franciscan Mystery Players – 8pm (Church)
Girl Scout Troop 4360 – 6-8pm (Room 2/4)
Girl Scout Troop 306-7:00-8:15pm (Rm 2/4)
Friday Night Positive Group –8:15pm (Rms 2/4)

Saturday

Cub Scouts Blue and Gold Dinner (Connery Hall)
Saturday Night Positive Step Mtg-8:15pm (Rm 2/4)

Sunday

Religious Education Classes Gr 1-8 – 9am-12:45pm
Grade 9 Confirmation Retreat – 10:30am-4:30pm

PARISH FINANCES

The collection for last week was \$ 5,669.00

The collection last year at this time was \$4,191.03

*“Amen, I say to you, there is no one who has given up . . .
for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not receive
100 times more now in this present age . . . and eternal life in
the age to come.”*
Mark 10:29,30

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK & SUFFERING IN YOUR PRAYERS

Especially, *Jose Baez, John Bedell, Kevin Bellini,
Gary Bomely, Barbara Ciaffone, Marion DiVincent,
Eileen Durborow, Frances Ferrara, Charlie Fleming,
Gene Kalyan, Anna Kostyk, Susan Lehner, Eric
Lemke, Albert Lusardi, Beth O'Meara Mckie, Walter
Maguire, Joseph Martino, Daniel Mulhaul, Kelly Nigro,
Kathy Noble, Joe Patruno, Patricia Pirmor, Marie
Ritzer, Mary Shea, Jay Silver, Sarah Theil, Michaela
Winnans, George Zeman.*

7 DAY SANCTUARY LIGHT

The 7 Day Sanctuary Light is donated in loving
memory of **Paula Liuzza** by Sal and Joan
Chiaravalloti.

FR. RICK'S CORNER

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In our Gospel today, Jesus confirms that He is the Messiah, making the only direct affirmation of this identity in John's entire gospel to the woman of Samaria.

As the disciples return to the scene, the woman has allowed herself to truly encounter Jesus and accepts her mission to bring others to Him. At the very least, the woman suggests to the townspeople that He may be the expected Messiah. The disciples for their part return to the mundane and inquire about Jesus' need for physical food. Jesus attempts to refocus the disciples on His true task, "to do the will of the one who sent me."

As Jesus is sent by God the Father, anyone who truly engages with Him is sent to bring others to encounter with Him.

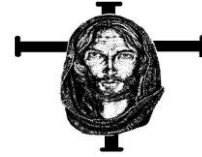
As Catholic Christians, we have been chosen and enlightened by Christ to do the same. As God's children, it is our mission to spread the truth of God's love and the redemption achieved by His son to all we encounter – friends, family and neighbors. We will achieve special favor from God for every person we bring to His son and back to His holy church.

*God Bless,
Father Rick*

Worship in Spirit

and Truth

THE WAY OF THE CROSS A FRANCISCAN MYSTERY PLAY



Friday, March 24, at 8:00 p.m., the Franciscan Mystery Players will present their moving version of "The Way of the Cross" in Church.

Written by Franciscan Father Francis Pompei, the Mystery Play is not a "play" in the common sense, but is in fact a prayerful experience that uses special lighting, a stirring soundtrack, pantomime actions and inspirational narration to portray the Stations of the Cross in a manner that invites each viewer to contemplate the meaning of the Passion, and how it relates to their life today.

The group is comprised of 15 teens and 9 adult advisors from several parishes in the Paterson Diocese. Adults and teens are encouraged to attend this special Lenten experience. We suggest you arrive 15 minutes early. A free will offering will be taken.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Please consider spending some time with Our Lord. **St. Clement has Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9am to 1pm on the First Friday of every month.** Please come spend an hour or just come for a short visit. There is a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Area.

WASHING OF FEET

Father Rick is looking for **volunteers to take part in the Washing of the Feet during the Holy Thursday liturgy.** If you would like to share in this very special part of the Holy Thursday liturgy, there is a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Area or call the Parish Office, 973-366-7095.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Stations of the Cross are being held every Friday night during Lent at 7pm until April 14 except March 24 (Franciscan Mystery Players) and April 7 (Taize Prayer).

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



Holy Thursday - April 13

7:00 p.m. Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Supper
Adoration in Chapel of Reposition
ending with Night Prayer

Good Friday - April 14

3:00 p.m. Solemn Liturgy Passion & Death of
Our Lord

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday - April 15

8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday - April 16

Liturgies: 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

TAIZE PRAYER

Many of us get caught up in our hectic lives. This leaves us longing for inner peace and simplicity. Come and gather in candlelight for an evening of meditative common prayer with singing that will continue in the silence of your heart. **All are invited to attend a peaceful, reflective evening of prayer and song on Friday, April 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Gathering Area.**

The music of Taize, a small ecumenical community in France, has circled the globe and is noted for its simple repetitive words that make a quiet rhythm in the spirit.



"WELCOME HOME"

Confessions are being held Mondays during Lent through April 3 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in every parish in the Diocese of Paterson. This is a wonderful opportunity to come to Confession as a family or to invite a friend who you know has not had the opportunity to go to Confession in some time. Don't be afraid! Information will be provided. Ask the priest to help you. Experience the gracious mercy of God! www.WelcomeHomeToHealing.org.

EASTER DONATIONS FOR FLOWERS

It is a custom here at St. Clement's to enable parishioners the opportunity to remember deceased relatives and loved ones through a contribution towards the flowers that will be used to decorate our Church during Easter.



Envelopes will be provided in the Easter letter from Father Rick. There are also extra envelopes located on the table as you enter Church.

Please return your envelopes by April 7 either by dropping them in the collection basket on the weekend or at the Parish Office.

FOOD COLLECTION - THANK YOU!

Hungry people do not fit any stereotype — they are high school and college graduates, they may live alone or with children, they may be seniors. Many own their own home and have jobs. Some are disabled or homeless, while others just need a little help while they try to make ends meet. Hunger hits every race, religion and education level — anyone can be in need of food.

We would never be able to help our friends in need without the help of many wonderful and generous people of our parish who have made donations and shared their time to make the Caring & Sharing program a success.

Thank you so much for helping those in need in our local community!

Irene Byrne

2017 PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS

Please take a copy of the 2017 Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis which can be found on the table as you enter Church. The pamphlet is produced by the Apostleship of Prayer and contains the monthly intentions of the Pope. Please join with our Holy Father in praying for the needs of the world.

For information on Religious Education, mass times, events, ministry info, pictures and lots more...

Check out our website at
www.stclement-rtwp.org

SWEET PEACE BAKING CONTEST

Women in Unity, based in Rockaway is sponsoring a Sweet Peace Baking Contest on Saturday, April 1 from 1:00 to 3:00pm. Enter your best baked treat for the chance to win cash prizes! Awards will be given to the top bakers in 3 divisions: Junior, Teen and Adult. Don't bake? Don't worry! Come join the community to celebrate peace and taste all the treats for a \$5 entry fee. Proceeds will support The Jersey Battered Women's Service. For more information email sweetpeacebaking@yahoo.com or go to Women in Unity, Rockaway, NJ on Facebook.

GARAGE SALE

The Saint Francis Residential Community, an Independent Senior Living Facility, located in Denville, NJ, is having their next **GARAGE SALE on Friday, April 7, 2017 from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM and on Saturday, April 8, 2017 from 10:00 AM to Noon**, at 18 Pocono Road (new location, near the barn).

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

You are invited to join the 40 Days for Life prayer campaign from March 1st – April 9th, to peacefully pray for the end of abortion - the leading cause of death in the world - outside the Planned Parenthood in Morristown, a facility that performs over 1,000 abortions each year. Just as Jesus reached out to the Samaritan woman, so we are called to reach out to our communities in prayer and fasting for God to heal our land. Please join us, and those in over 340 cities around the world, in transforming our culture by praying for the babies and their mothers and fathers, for those who need post-abortive healing, and for those who work at Planned Parenthood. **Please register for a time slot at 40DaysforLife.com and select the Morristown vigil.**

ENCOUNTER LENT – CRS RICE BOWL

We encounter Fernando in El Salvador where, despite a lack of economic opportunity, youth are pursuing their dreams of building businesses to better the lives of their families. How have you worked to better the lives of others this Lent? Visit www.crsricebowl.org for more.



NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome all visitors to our parish. If you attend Mass on a regular basis and have not registered, please complete the form below and drop it in the collection basket. We will call to set up an appointment for you to meet with Fr. Rick. If you have a change of address or plan on moving, please complete the form as well.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone# (daytime phone #) _____

e-mail _____

Change of Address _____

Moving _____

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS:

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

In seeking a King for the Israelites, Samuel traveled to Jesse of Bethlehem, who had seven sons. Commanded by God to ignore the elder sons, Samuel anointed the youngest, David.

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

Paul exhorts the Ephesians to live as "children of light" in goodness and truth and to avoid evil deeds "done in darkness."

Gospel: John 9:1-41

Jesus performs the miracle of giving sight to the man born blind. Because Jesus performed this miracle on the Sabbath, the Pharisees called him a "sinner," but the blind man said, "He is a prophet." Jesus later reveals to the blind man that He is the Son of Man.