

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 17, 2019



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| Monday, 6:45 AM | 3/18 JUSTINE MATALENO-CLERC DAVID & JENETTE |
| Tuesday, 6:45 AM | 3/19 SALVATORE & REGINA CAMPESE FAMILY |
| Wednesday, 6:45 AM | 3/20 EDWARD GRANT NIECE |
| Thursday, 6:45 AM | 3/21 ANGELA PINI LOLLY |
| Friday, 6:45 AM | 3/22 NEVIO A. MARINI, JR. FAMILY |
| Saturday, 6:45 AM 5:30 PM | 3/23 CATHERINE BARKER SON |
| Sunday, 7:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM | 3/24 PARISHIONERS ANNA D'ERAMO ERIC SMOOKLER |



Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading:

Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11

2nd Reading:

1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

Gospel:

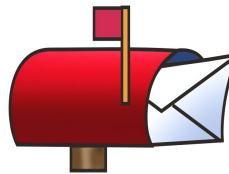
Luke 13:1-9

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 03/10/2019

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| TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION: | \$11,253.72 |
| Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year: | \$11,017.12 |
| Actual vs. Last F/Y: | +\$ 236.60 |
| Percent Difference This Week: | + 2.2% |
| Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date: | -\$32,562.98 |

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This week's gospel recounts for us the Transfiguration, Saint Francis de Sales wrote:

The Apostles saw Moses and Elijah speaking to Our Lord of the excess which he was to undergo in Jerusalem. During the Transfiguration, the Passion is mentioned, for this excess is nothing other than the Passion. Our Divine Master made his excess in many ways different from ours, for we make ours from below to on high. Excess means ecstasy. So, he spoke about his excess. What excess? That God descends from supreme glory. And for what purpose? To take on our humanity and make it subject to men, indeed, even to all human miseries, to the extent that being immortal, he made himself subject to death and to death on a cross.

In our Lenten journey do we fully appreciate the extent to which Jesus went for our own (individual) salvation? Can we mirror some of the example he set?

Father Mark



"Do not look forward to what might happen tomorrow; the same everlasting Father who cares for you today will take care of you tomorrow and every day. Either He will shield you from suffering or He will give you unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace, then, and put aside all anxious thoughts and worries."

St. Francis de Sales



In your charity, please pray for

Alexander M. Brown

Ernestina Funaro

and all the deceased of St. Anthony's.

Sodality

The Sodality's next meeting will be Sunday 3/17. Office prayers will begin at 8:45 AM, followed by the 9:00 AM Mass. The meeting will be held in the Ballad Room immediately following Mass. Light refreshments will be served.

Designer Bag Fundraiser

...sponsored by the Junior Board of St. Francis Hospital. Profits to benefit the St. Francis Foundation. Name brand bags, luggage and small leather goods up to 60 percent off retail prices. "In the Bag" Sale is Friday, March 22, 7:00 AM 4:00 PM in the VIP lobby of St. Francis Hospital, 107 N Clayton St. Wilmington.

Your Prayers and Support Requested

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| Mateo Ahumada | Kenyon Blough | Nancy Brown |
| Marianne Calvarese | Roger Chao | Nancy Ciocca |
| Tori Daniello | Charles Dauphin | Alfred DiBiaso |
| Anita DiSimplico | Naz DiVirgilio | Tommy DiVirgilio |
| Joe Formisano | Christopher Ganey | James Ganey |
| Louis Jung | John Malone | Ronald Marsilii |
| Ivone Marvel | Lorraine McLaughlin | Nick Mercantini |
| Eva Meriggi | Joe Meriggi | Jerry Osborne |
| Kelly Panella | Fr. Francis Pileggi, OSFS | Jack Pipa |
| James Poppiti | Deborah L. Rosenberg | Larry Silvestri |
| Eileen Swindel | Albert Vietri | Robert Walton |

...and all the sick of St. Anthony's Parish.

Catholic Forum

Are you an early riser? If so, listen to Catholic Forum every Sunday morning at 6:05 a.m. on WDEL 101.7 FM, 1150 AM and www.wdel.com. If not, after it airs, listen online anytime at www.cdot.org/CatholicForum, or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts. Next Sunday, March 24th, tune in as Father Rich Jasper's Lenten series continues. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, links and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at www.facebook.com/catholicforum.

Second Collection

Next weekend, March 23rd and 24th, there is no scheduled second collection.

Trustees

As a result of last weekend's lay trustee poll, **Anthony Albence** and **Anthony Frabizzio** were affirmed with over 90% of the valid ballots cast. I thank them for their generosity in serving our parish in this capacity. Along with me, they will serve with the Bishop and the Chancellor representing the corporate legal aspects of the parish.

Father Mark



Via Crucis (Latin for "The Way of The Cross") is a living passion play presented at 7:30 PM, every Friday in Lent, ending with the Good Friday performance on April 19th. Via Crucis is presented free-of-charge, however, good will donations are accepted.

VIA CRUCIS RESERVATIONS

Groups of 10 or more may reserve pews for Via Crucis by calling the rectory at 421-3700 during business hours.

Saint Anthony's Designer Bag Bingo

When: April 7th, 2019

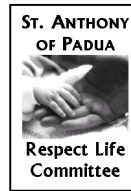
(Doors open at 12:00 / Games begin at 1:00)

Where: Saint Anthony's Ballad Room. Enter through main entrance of grade school

Cost: \$25.00 for a 20 game packet.

How to purchase: Contact Giovanna Ortiz Send email to gto91408@gmail.com, call/text 302-685-0211 or use square link <http://www.sapgs.org>

Respect Life: Fact of Life



The new CEO of Planned Parenthood defends her organization's abortion activities (approximately 320, 000 babies killed annually) by grouping abortion with cancer screening and birth control, terming each activity "standard medical care." Classifying abortion as health care is a perversion of medical's traditional role of healing. LifeNews.com, 12/27/18

ROCK-A-THON

As the Little Sisters of the Poor continue celebrating their 150th anniversary of serving the elderly poor in America, we look forward to sharing our "home" with the community through various events during the remainder of 2019. Please join us on March 30th for our Rock-A-Thon fundraiser from 1:00 to 5:00 pm at Jeanne Jugan Residence, 185 Salem Church Road, Newark, DE 19713. All proceeds will be used to purchase new wheelchairs for our Residents. Individuals, youth groups and other organizations are invited to form teams and collect sponsors for this fun-filled event. Participants and guests will enjoy music, dancing, face painting, karaoke, door prizes and games. Food and refreshments will be available for sale as well as 50/50 raffles. For more information, please visit our website (www.littlesistersofthepoordelaware.org) or contact Mikayla at 302/368-5886 or colsnewark@littlesistersofthepoor.org.

Contribution Statements for Taxes

Donors requiring a statement of contributions to St. Anthony's for 2018 should call Lisa Serio at 421-3707. If you get her voicemail, please indicate if you wish to pick up your statement at the rectory or have it mailed to you. Please allow 3 business days for processing.

Lenten Guidelines

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast, that is, limited to a single full meal. The other Fridays of the season of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The Fridays of the year outside Lent remain days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial or personal penance. All those who are 14 years old and older are bound to the law of abstinence. The law of fast binds all who are 18 years old and not yet 59 years old.

Academic Achievement

As a result of work completed during our first term, the following student(s), from our parish, have merited honors at Padua Academy:

Distinguished Honors:

Kaila Timko, Grade 12, **Katherine Collier**, Grade 10

High Honors:

Haley McKoy, Grade 11, **Margo Nauman**, Grade 11, **Ashley DeFrehn**, Grade 10, **Hannah Fagioli**, Grade 9, **Leah Rizzo**, Grade 9

Honors:

Samantha DiVirgilio, Grade 12, **Caroline Achenbach**, Grade 11, **Mia Casale**, Grade 10, **Noelle DiVirgilio**, Grade 10, **Isabella Ceresini**, Grade 9, **Cara Quinlan**, Grade 9

Parish Calendar

Thursday

7:30 PM, Choir Rehearsal

Friday

7:30 PM, Via Crucis

Sunday

10:00 AM, PREP (Grade School)



Monday, Mar. 18

through

Sunday, Mar. 24

(All events listed in the Parish Calendar are in church unless otherwise noted.)

Grade School Calendar

Monday through Friday

Renaissance Star Testing Week

Tuesday

9:30 AM, Reconciliation for Grades 2, 3 and 4

Wednesday

9:30 AM, First Grade Field Trip

9:30 AM, Reconciliation for Grades 5, 6, 7 and 8

6:30 PM, Home & School General Meeting (Ballad Rm.)

Friday

8:00 AM, School Mass

2:00 PM, Stations of the Cross

4:00 PM, Eighth Grade Lenten Pasta Dinner (Ballad Rm.)

Holy Boldness

The Diocese of Wilmington is presenting a multimedia Lenten series titled, "Holy Boldness: A Journey through Lent with Four American Saints," that will be distributed via digital video, radio broadcasts, and podcasts. Written and hosted by Fr. Rich Jasper, Associate Pastor of Saint Ann Church in Wilmington, the four-part series uses the lives and examples of four holy Americans to help individuals and families get the most out of the Season of Lent and prepare spiritually for the celebration of Christ's resurrection at Easter. Each 15 minute presentations will debut on Saturday afternoons at 5:00 p.m. during the first four weeks of Lent on the diocesan YouTube channel, [YouTube.com/DioceseofWilm](https://www.youtube.com/DioceseofWilm). The next morning, the presentation will be included on Catholic Forum on WDEL and available via podcast at cdow.org/CatholicForum or by searching Catholic Forum on Apple, Spotify or iHeartRadio podcasts. The videos, podcasts, and additional Lenten resources are also available at cdow.org/lent.

St. Ann's Church & School Presents... "The Wizard of Oz"

Tickets now on sale for St. Ann's Church & School's performances of *The Wizard of Oz*. The shows are April 5th at 7pm and Saturday April 6th - matinee at 1pm and a final evening performance at 7pm. You may purchase tickets by calling the rectory at 654-5519 or email jmatyger@thesaintannschool.org. The cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children ages 10 or under. Limited tickets may be for sale at the door. For more info, email or call Jane using the above listed numbers. Hope to see you there!

Lenten Fish Fry at St. John the Beloved

The St. John the Beloved (SJB) Knights of Columbus will be holding Lenten Fish Fry dinners on 3/22/19 and 4/5/19. Dinners will be served from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in SJB Hall, and include fried or baked flounder, a choice of baked potato, french fry or macaroni & cheese, a choice of cole slaw, green beans, or applesauce, and a dinner roll. Dinners are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children. Take-outs are available. The SJB Youth Group will host the 3/22/19 bake sale, and the Little Sisters of the Poor will host the 4/5/19 bake sale. Please come support the SJB Youth Group and Little Sisters of the Poor and their ministry to care for the aged and infirm.

Easter Flowers Memorials



Once again, we are presenting our Easter Flowers program. This effort helps to fund the Easter Flower church decorations. As in years past, we ask \$15.00 per memorial. Send your memorials marked "Easter Flowers" to the rectory no later than **Monday, April**

8th. A booklet listing all the memorials will be available in church in the weeks following Easter.

Parish Pastoral Council Update

· Fr. Zumbum provided an update on the recently launched 5PM Sunday Evening Mass. He reported average attendance of 50-60 people, with the majority of the attendees being new to the parish community. A strong sense of camaraderie is being developed among those involved in this new worship experience for our parish.

· Post-sale cleanup efforts at St. Anthony in the Hills continue on track for a completion date by 4/30/2019. The remaining undeveloped parcel adjacent to the parcel recently sold remains on the market.

· A discussion was held regarding plans for a move to a recorded soundtrack for the Via Crucis. This transition has been challenging on many levels, but the plan is to move forward in this direction so that the Via Crucis may continue in light of the smaller pool of available choir members.

· The parish's Annual Catholic Appeal goal for 2019 has been set at \$39,000. The Appeal's Commitment Weekend will be held April 7-8.