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# 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

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While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." - Lk 9:34-35

# SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm, 1:30pm(Spanish)

Monday - Friday: 12:00pm in the church Saturday: 9:00am in the church,

5:00pm in church (Anticipated Mass of Sunday)

Holy Days & Holidays: As announced in Bulletin

# SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00pm - 4:45pm

Daily: Upon request following the 12:00pm Mass

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents should contact the parish office to schedule an interview and register for the required baptismal preparation session.

Preparation: in the church at 7:00pm

Sacrament: in the church at at 3:00pm Apr. 19 (8:30pm), May 18, Jun. 1

# SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The Common Policy for Marriage in all Catholic parishes of New Jersey requires couples to begin preparation at least one year prior to the planned wedding date. It is advisable to contact the parish office before any other arrangements are made.

# SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Anointing of the Sick is available for all seriously ill members of our parish family. Please call the parish office.

# R.C.I.A.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the Church's process to prepare to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more, please call the parish office.

# Parish Registration / Office Hours

We invite all new members of our parish family to register at the Parish Office during regular office hours: 9:00am to 5:00pm Monday - Friday; Saturdays and Sundays Closed.

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Something in our human nature leads us to think of "signs" in terms of the miraculous and the extraordinary. The Gospels point to what we should be looking for - the presence of God in our lives and in our world. At the heart of the Gospel is the conviction that our God is not absent, is not idle, but active. Through Jesus, God is working to establish a kingdom, a kingdom of justice, of peace and of love. We believe that this kingdom is being established through God's power and through our cooperation. And we are always on the look-out to see signs of that kingdom, signs of God's presence in our world.

But the grace of God is everywhere. In today's Gospel Jesus takes Peter, John, and James up onto a mountain. There they see his glory. On the mountain everything is good. Jesus is bathed in light, he speaks to Moses an Elijah, and a voice from heaven proclaims him as God's Son. It must have been quite an experience! Talk about extradordinary signs! It is no wonder that Peter wants to set up tents and stay there. But the disciples soon learn that they cannot stay on the mountain. They must come down and return to their normal lives.

Jesus invites people to have faith in Him as Son of God and Savior. His mission is always the same - to reveal the Father's love to the world. His message is always the same - to feed the hungry, help those in need, love those who hate you. His method is always the same - to give us clear and convincing signs leading us to believe in Him and His message.

And what are those signs? He preached and lived by the simple law of the love of God and the love of neighbor. He taught us how to pray. He showed us the kingdom of God in wine and wheat, in the vineyard and the fisherman's net. He reached out to the sick, the sinner, the widow and the orphan, treating ordinary people with exquisite compassion. Jesus did all of this in ordinary ways.

The truth is that every aspect of our lives has a larger meaning, a mystery, a transcendence. We need to claim it. As often as we can we need to place ourselves with Jesus on the mountain because it is there that we come closest to seeing who he really is and who we really are. We are called to be people who know the transcendent dimension of our lives because it is in that dimension that we come to understand more clearly what it means to be alive.

Lent is a very good time for us to stop concentrating on our own measly efforts and allow the power of the Spirit of Jesus to leap into the forefront. This calls for quiet and contemplative prayer time, not prayers filled with routine words, or meditations on our own sinfulness. This is a time to take a serious look at our own commitment to the Gospel message of peace, compassion and justice. This is a time to revel in the bountiful beauty of God's love for us. This is a time when we are called to deeper faith. It is time to see the extradinordinary in the ordinary.

Good things are happening all around us. God is active in all of them. Most of these signs we do not see. In order to see them we need to come down from the mountain. So this Lent, let us look closer and let us look beyond. Let us gaze again at the image of Christ crucified, finding in that image the only sign we need which will transfigure us into a newer intimacy with Him and with our brothers and sisters.

# A BIG THANK YOU!!!

The following local businesses very generously donated gift cards, food items, flowers or raffle tickets to our St. Patrick's fundraiser celebration. Please remember to patronize them and thank them when you do!

Angelo's
BCB Bank
Blarney Station
Curly Locks Haircut
Claudia's Nail & Spa
Flowers by Chuck
Gusto's
Hair Factory
Lyndhurst Florist
Michael's Riverside
Nazare Memorial Home
Shannon Rose
Stellato Funeral Homes
Thistle Fish & Chips

Flo's Hair Salon
Gelone's
Haley Chiropractic
Lasoni
Lyndhurst Pastry Shop
Michael's Salumeria
Sadowski's Auto Car
Shop Rite
Teri's
Villa Italia

Also thanks to the members of our parish family who volunteered their time, or gave gifts, or gave desserts or salad, or provided entertainment. Special thanks to Mike & Joan Coyne and Fred & Angela Giordano for providing the <u>BEST Corned Beef & Cabbage this side of Dublin!!!</u>

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# Mark Your Calendar Catholic Cemeteries Meet & Greet March 22nd & 23rd

Join us for an enlightening Meet & Greet with a memorial plannning advisor from Catholic Cemeteries after the Masses on March 22 and 23. The Meet and Greet is a chance to gain insights, ask questions, and understand the spiritual journey of a Catholic funeral. While there is no obligation whatsoever, the recommendations will be invaluable. For those who may miss it, and for more information, please visit www.rcancem.org





# PASSPORT OUTREACH SERVICES IN LYNDHURST, THURSDAY MAY 1ST

Mayor Robert Giangeruso and Bergen County Clerk John Hogan is extending Passport services to Lyndhurst residents on Thursday, May 1 from 10am to 2pm in the Caucus Room of the Lyndhurst Town Hall, 367 Valley Brook Ave. Accepting Passport Applications (Photos On-Site). Bring checks for payments. Fore more information email gdesantis@bergencountynj.gov or call 201-336-7057.

# PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

SICK: Baby Ryan Joseph Lomuscio, Sal Russo, Charles Klimkowsky, Nancy Namoviez, Giovanna Muscara, Al & Joan Viscuso, Lea Pappas, Anita Barcia, Denise Swanteck, Maureen F. Coughlin, John Smith, Julius Single, Dave Tzrepla, Frank Buco, Sr., Christopher N. Coughlin, Vladimir Pudoff, Isabella Lugo, Tess, Franceso Giacchi, Mario Alongi, Sr., John Scivetti, Ken Stone, Timothy Yushak, Jaxson Rivera, Marilyn Loughran, Luca Ataide, Donald Tetreault, Norma Altreche, Linda Vasquez, Joelle Montillo, Vincent Russo, Nenita A. Jacildone, Anthony Scorre, Fely Czeslowski, Ely Ongoco, Perpetua Aspile, Anne Montillo, Margot O'Hara, Andrea Globis, Laura MacDonald, Ava Romano, Fr. Anthony Di Stefano, Ruben Arevalo Jacildone, Helen Dowling, Dr. Leticia Luna, Jeanette Knowlton, Michele Gilmore, Milena Giacchi, Freddy Berrios, Maryann Sheridan, Naham, Rudy Rivas, Tania, Jaime Diaz, Romile Diaz, Robert Schaefer, Marion Dietz, Jamie Brown, John Santelli, Julius Single, Jr., Tina Gentile, John Llewellyn, Patricia Anne Coughlin, Cathy Horoieski

**DECEASED:** Eugene T. Wallac, Nicholas Fata

### CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE

**MONDAY, MARCH 17TH** 

In Honor of: Joseph & Evelyn Famnularo

Donated by: Robert & Mary Hero

# **MEMORIAL DONATIONS**

During the week of March 16th, the following items used for worship in our sanctuary were donated in the memory of a relative or friend or a special intention.

# **SANCTUARY LAMP:**



In Honor of: James M. Cavalcante

Donated by: Isabel & Jim Cavalcante

# **BREAD & WINE:**



In Honor of: James M. Cavalcante

Donated by: Isabel & Jim Cavalcante

## MASS CANDLES:



In Honor of: James M. Cavalcante

Donated by: Isabel & Jim Cavalcante

# BECAUSE BY YOUR HOLY CROSS YOU HAVE REDEEMED THE WORLD

Join us as we reflect on the passion and death of the Lord as a community during the Fridays of Lent. The Stations of the Cross will

follow the 12:00 Mass on Friday: 21, 28. Apr. 4, 11

\*\*PLEASE NOTE THAT THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS REPLACES EUCHARISTIC ADORATION DURING THE FRI-DAYS OF LENT\*\*

# MARCH 16, 2025



# SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

# **Anticipated Sunday Mass**

5:00pm Ann Chiaro

### **SUNDAY - SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Howard Wartel 10:30 am William Feeney 12:00pm James M. Cavalcante

1:30 pm Maria Lucia Urgiles

# MONDAY - Lenten Weekday/St. Patrick

12:00pm Mike, Rose, Vinnie & Mickey Carini

### TUESDAY - Lenten Weekday/St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

12:00pm Eusebio Mangaliman, Sr.

#### WEDNESDAY - ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

12:00pm Lucy J. Liberti & Family

# THURSDAY - Lenten Weekday

12:00pm Anthony Silver

FRIDAY - Lenten Weekday

12:00pm Beatrice Albanece

## SATURDAY - Lenten Weekday

9:00am Patricia Harty

# **Anticipated Sunday Mass**

5:00pm Eugene Wallace

# **SUNDAY - SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart 9:00am Fina Alvarez & Olga Amador

10:30 am William Feeney 12:00pm Lucas Silva

1:30 pm Raul Lozada

# **STEWARDSHIP**

Sunday Collection - \$7,513 Central & Eastern Europe - \$1,921 Add'l Assessment - \$467

Reminder: We need \$7,900 in the Sunday Collection to cover our budgeted expenses. Thank you

# ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK - ANNUAL APPEAL 2025

The Archdiocese's 2024 Annual Appeal is currently underway. You may have already received at home a letter from Cardinal Tobin explaining the important role the Annual Appeal plays for our Archdicoese. Gifts to the Annual Appeal play a critical role in the delivery of programs and ministries provided by the Archdiocese that are at the heart of the mission of our local Church.

Your gift will assist passing on the faith, ministries that proclaim the Gospel, care for the Poor and Vulnerable, forming future priests and supporting retired clergy.

To Date, 57 families from our parish family have generously supported the Appeal: Our Parish's Goal - \$40,551 -- Paid To Date - \$8,962 (22.10% of Goal)

\*\*Reminder, we must collect our Parish's Goal in paid gifts by June 30th. If we don't accomplish this, the shortfall will be added as an expense to our budget and must be paid to the Archdiocese.

If you haven't already done so, please prayerfully consider your gift to the 2024 Annual Appeal. Envelopes for the Appeal are available in the pews. You can put your gift in them and drop them in the basket at collection time. You can also make your gift online at www.rcan.org/sharing. Please be sure to select Sacred Heart Church, Lyndhurst so the parish receives credit.

We will have a **special collection the weekend of March 22 & 23** to help us close the gap on our goal.



# JOIN US! WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A KNIGHT

We are Catholic men who LEAD, SERVE PROTECT AND DEFEND

We share a desire to be better
HUSBANDS, FATHERS, SONS
NEIGHBORS AND ROLE MODELS
And to put charity and community first

Knights of Columbus Lyndhurst Council #2396

Link Below For More Info
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Sacred Heart Church
Mount Carmel Church
Saint Michael Church

# ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK 2025 LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If posible, the fast on
Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy
Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering
and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to
share more fully and to celebrate more readily His
Resurrection.

The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted and two (2) smaller meals, which added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast. **On a day of Abstinence**, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

- 2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.
- 3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.
- 4. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent**, <u>March 9</u>, <u>2025</u> to the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, <u>June 15</u>, <u>2025</u>.

\*Canon 920, §1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.