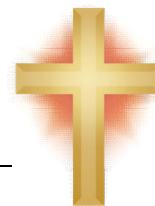




Third Sunday of Lent

March 4, 2018



MASS INTENTIONS

Mar. 3 – Mar. 11

SAT 7:30 pm Deceased members of the Charles Branon Family *–by their estate*

SUN 9:00 am Billy Howrigan
–by Teresa and John Manahan

11:00 am For the Parishioners

Daily Mass:

MON 8:30 am Victor and Marie Giroux

TUES 8:30 am Cyril Flynn

WED 8:30 am Special Intention
–by Louise and John Covi

WED *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*
9:00 am – 6:00 pm

THUR 8:30 am Amanda and Henry Furkey
–by their estate

FRI No Mass

Next Weekend:

SAT 7:30 pm Grady Howrigan
–by the family

SUN 9:00 am Anne Howrigan
–by Andrew and Sue Rainville

11:00 am For the Parishioners

Please pray for those who are ill: particularly: Mary Ann Hranek, Gabriella Laubisch, Jerry Yates, Alex Rocheleau, Don Connor, Paul Baker, Kathy Alarie, Victoria Thompson, Susan Garrow, Alice Baker, Cecile Garrett, and Pauline Lawyer.

St. Mary's Breakfast: Breakfast at St. Mary's will be on Sunday, March 4th from 8–11:00 am at the Parish Center on Fairfield Street. Menu includes ham, eggs, fried potatoes, pancakes, fruit, juice and coffee. The cost is \$7.00 per person, or \$25.00 per family.

Inside Front Cover: If you haven't noticed, you will find inside the front cover of your missal, a copy of the Penitential Act (Confiteor...I confess to almighty God), the Gloria, and the Nicene Creed. During Lent and Easter time we will be using the Apostles' Creed found on page 85.

Next Week's Ministers:

Lectors	Greeters	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat., Mar. 10		
7:30 pm Susan Magnan	Rose Peno	Jeanne Persons Frank Persons
Altar Servers: Liam, Nolan, Gabe Howrigan		
Sun., Mar. 11		
9:00 am Al Capone	Gino Farinaccio Family	Mary Schreindorfer Henry Magnan
Altar Servers: Anthony Andrews, Jade Garceau		
Gift Bearers: Kelly, Eddie, Maeve, and Patrick Sargent		
11:00 am Jane Brigham		
Joy Kane		Linda Watson
Altar Servers: Samantha Churchill		
Gift Bearers: Don and Helen Bushey		

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Collection last weekend –Feb. 24 - Feb. 25

	St. Patrick	St. Anthony –St. George
Offertory:	\$ 871.00	\$301.00
Monthly On Line	\$ 670.00	\$360.00
35 Week average:	\$1,258.00	\$387.00
Weekly Goal:	\$1,275.00	\$385.00

Second Collections:

Mar. 10 – 11: Catholic Relief Services

Mar. 17 – 18: Easter Flowers

Mar. 17-18: Projects and Food Shelf

Thank you for your continuing generosity!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

Sunday, Mar. 4 - **Grades 2, 6, 7, 9, and 10**
NO CLASSES

Tuesday, Mar. 4 – **Grade 4**
NO CLASS

Wednesday, Mar. 7 - **Grades 1 and 8**

Fairfield Center School, 3:20-4:20 pm

Wednesday, Mar. 7 - **Grades 3 and 5**

St. Patrick Church, 3:20-4:20 pm

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 8:30am - 12:30pm.



Guidelines for Lent

- The time of Lent is to be observed by Catholics as a special season of prayer, penance and works of charity.
- Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, in particular, are the most important penitential days of the liturgical year. They are days of both fast and abstinence. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence.
- The rule of **fasting** states that only one full meal a day can be taken. Two small meals, “sufficient to maintain strength”, are allowed, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals breaks the fast, but drinking liquids does not. The rule of fasting obliges all Catholics from 18 – 59.
- **Abstinence** refers to the eating of meat. The common estimation of the community is used to determine what falls under the category of meat. The rule of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years or older.
- The **substantial** observance of the laws of fast and abstinence is a serious obligation.

Reconciliation During Lent: Confessions will be heard during Lent every Saturday before the evening Mass from 6:55 – 7:15, every Sunday morning before the 9:00 Mass from 8:25 – 8:45, and following the 11:00 Sunday Mass when requested. Lent is a proper time to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Stations of the Cross:

Sunday, March 11th at 6:00 pm., we will be praying the “Franciscan Way of the Cross,” a version of the Stations which incorporates the Passion of Christ as well as the Peace Prayer of St. Francis. The students from the Sunday night religion classes will participate by reading the reflections at the various stations. All are invited and encouraged to attend, but we are especially asking parents and other family members of the students to join us for this special celebration of the Stations of the Cross.



Daylight Savings Time: Don’t forget to set your clocks ahead one hour next Saturday night. Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, March 11.

Best Lent Ever: Sign up for Dynamic Catholic’s Best Lent Ever, a free email program featuring internationally acclaimed speaker and New York Times bestselling author Matthew Kelly. From Ash Wednesday to Easter, you’ll get short, inspirational videos from Matthew Kelly and personal reflections from Dynamic Catholic team members that will help you identify what stands between you and happiness...and what to do about it. Are you ready for your best Lent ever? To sign up, visit www.bestlentever.com. You will be happy you did!

St. Patrick’s Day Dinner and Concert: Sunday, March 18 at 12:15 pm at St. Patrick’s Parish Hall. Please come and bring your family to celebrate the patron saint of the parish. This year we will remember **Anne Rowley Howrigan** for her many years of dedication to this event.

We will be serving a baked ham and corned beef dinner. Cost is \$8.00 per adult; ages 6 – 10 are \$5; children 5 and under are free.



Help is desperately needed! If you are able to help set up, clean up, cook, furnish food, or be a part of the program, please contact Cecile Callan at 827-3281, Patti Reynolds at 524-3811, or Mary Schreindorfer at 827-6684.

Sign up sheets for food and money donations, will be at the Church entrance.

The concert will follow the dinner. Come and share your talent, whether it is singing, playing a musical instrument, reciting poetry, telling a few jokes or dancing an Irish jig! Don’t worry. This is strictly non-professional talent! New participants are always welcomed. Please contact John Schreindorfer at 827- 6684 for more information.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Sunday: Amanda Hill
Monday: Mark St. Pierre, Emmett Archambault, Susan Magnan
Tuesday: Robin Yates, Elise Towle
Wednesday: Jade Garceau, Morgan Hale, Morgan Mangan, Elizabeth Menard
Thursday: Leo Capone
Friday: Stephanie Branon, Joseph Morin
Saturday: John Dasaro, Donald Lawyer, Rachel Malone.

