

FEBRUARY 24, 2013  
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

THOUGHTS FROM OUR PASTOR



Dear Parishioners: Lent is a season for conversion and penance. Jesus' own experience in the desert fortified Him to embrace the work of our redemption in the face of the devil's temptation.

Jesus was hungry. Bread would have strengthened him. His work might have been more efficient if he had accepted all the kingdoms of the world. And Jesus knew already that His father's angels were at the ready to minister to Him. So the devil this time went away empty handed.

In the face of temptation we pray that neither bread nor power will distract us from God and His glory. We need to enter the desert of Lent so we can strip away all that is not needed, save for the strength of grace and the power of faith. Lent is a time to decide about our lives and our eternal lives.

For the whole church Lent is a season of conversion and turning back to our Father. The devil would love nothing more than an open door into our life as Christ's body.

To help us to grow during Lent and resist the power of evil we have the opportunity for the sacrament of penance. Every Wednesday during Lent all can take advantage of confession in accordance with the Archbishop's directive for the Archdiocese, from 7:30pm-8:30pm as well as Saturday at 12:30pm. The chance to be forgiven and made strong is ours. Every person and family please take advantage of the opportunity.

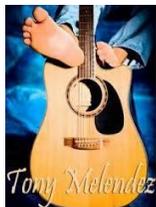
The enclosed examination of conscience will be helpful in preparing for the sacrament of penance.

With every good thought and prayer,

*Jr. Harahan*

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATE  
Parish Lenten Mission  
Tony Melendez and Band



Monday & Tuesday evenings, February 25 & 26  
7:30—9:00 PM in Church

Daytime Option - Tuesday, February 26th - 1 PM in Church  
Complete the Mission with the Parish Penance Service  
Wednesday, February 27th, 7:30 PM

Holy Hour for Life,  
Marriages & Religious Liberty  
Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at 3pm.

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Next Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm-7:00pm

The Parish of St. Elizabeth provides the opportunity for everyone to share Eucharistic Adoration on Monday's from 5:30-7:00 pm. We invite all to pray in silence for 15 or 30 minutes or longer with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament exposed on the altar. Even if just for a few minutes, make sure that you take the time to stop in Church and give thanks to Him from whom every good comes.

OVERNIGHT EXTENDED ADORATION

1<sup>st</sup> Monday, of each Month

Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm - 6:45am

**NEW!!!** For the Year of Faith, St. Elizabeth's will have extended Eucharistic Adoration every 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month. Join us on Monday, Mar. 4<sup>th</sup>. It will begin at the normal time of 5:30 pm, but will extend overnight concluding with Benediction at 6:45 am before the 7:00am Mass on Tuesday. We are looking for parishioners to commit to a once a month time slot for a Holy Hour. You can commit for the same time slot each month or simply for a month at a time. Commit with a friend, a spouse, or a child to come and pray. Prayer groups, parish ministries and families are encouraged to commit some time to this invitation. Please call Pat Khanjian at 201-891-3262 ext. 227 or email [jcamilo@saintelizabeths.org](mailto:jcamilo@saintelizabeths.org) to sign up for a time slot.

Please consider some quiet time in prayer.

2013 LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. The days of both Fast & Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.  
On a day of **Fast**, only one (1) full meal is permitted. Those between the ages of 18-59 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 & Abstinence "substantially" or as 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, February 17, 2013 to the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, May 26, 2013.

\*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.



### Year of Faith Prayer

We will say the *Prayer for the Year of Faith* before each liturgy. The prayer can be found inside the Missal cover. May we all grow in faith together.

**“The Light is on for you”**

**During the Year of Faith**

On all of the Wednesdays of Lent from 7:30pm-8:30pm, our parish along with all of the parishes and chapels of the Archdiocese of Newark will be open for individual confession. The Archdiocese has set up a website,

[www.YearofFaithArchNewark.org/reconciliation.htm](http://www.YearofFaithArchNewark.org/reconciliation.htm) to help you prepare. It has a video on the Sacrament of Reconciliation, sheets on how to make a good confession, answers to frequently asked questions and more. Please make plans to come on Lenten Wednesdays and spread the word of this special outreach of mercy to those you know.

### Daily Mass Schedule During Lent

**7:00 a.m. Monday – Friday**

**9:00 a.m. Monday – Saturday**

**7:00 p.m. Wednesdays & Fridays (during Lent)**

**Please note there will be no evening Mass Holy Week.**

### Confessions

**Saturdays, at 12:30 p.m.**

**Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.**

**March 6,13,20,27**

**Penance Service on February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.**

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Join us in Church every Friday evening, during Lent at 7:30pm, as we pray the Stations of the Cross. The practice of “walking the Passion with Jesus” is quite ancient. Traditionally, pilgrims to Jerusalem would follow the route of Jesus’ Passion. Those traveling to the Holy Land were able to experience the devotional Way of the Cross and its spiritual benefits. Today this practice allows us to also walk that route with Christ, to meditate on his Passion and to share it in a particularly intimate way with one another.

### MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION



This month you donated 271 bags of groceries that were distributed to Star of Hope Ministries, Oasis all in Paterson. Thank you for your continued generosity helping those in need.

### LENT 2012

**The light is on for You during the Year of Faith  
Check out these helpful videos for celebrating the  
Sacrament of Reconciliation.**

**How to go to Confession**

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TdNwS-2qYDk&feature=youtu.be>

**How to Say the Act of Contrition**

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v49ocF9Y3P0&feature=youtu.be>

**“To everything there is a  
Season and a time for every  
Purpose under heaven.”**

**Ecclesiastes 3:11**

**“A time to be healed...”**

**Prayers for those ill:** will be included in the weekly bulletin with a name listing. Please call the Parish Center by Monday of each week to be included. All names will remain on this list for 3 weeks unless we are notified.

**Please pray for:** Nick Sanfilippo,

Peter Bogulaski & Gloria Crone

**“A time for joy...”**

**Recently baptized:** Jude Campell, James Jones,

Olivia Mammolitti, Colin Tarzian

**“A time for war and a time for peace...”**

**For national and world leaders and for those in the**

**Armed Services:** Jessica DeRosa, Major Christopher Crotty, Miguel Tully, John Paul Phillips, Jennifer Smolinski, Michael Zahorniak, LT. Brendan McGovern, Captain Colin McNulty, Captain Luke Walsh, Major Raymond G. Tierney, Capt. Brian Donlon, USMC, Major Brian Ferguson, US Marines P.F.C. Martin E. Koerner Jr. Major Mark Wimmer, 1<sup>st</sup> LT. Nolan Dunn, Taylor Mosera, 2<sup>nd</sup> LT, Conner Gillen Specialist 2<sup>nd</sup> Class, Sgt. Peter Gentry USMC, Amen.

### PROJECT LIFE AND LIBERTY

**February 23/24**

As Catholics, we believe that life is a gift from God that must be cherished and protected. Our faith obliges us to work both privately and publicly to defend life. As Americans, we believe that the freedom of religious expression, and the rights of conscience, are protected by the US Constitution and are equally in need of defense.

At its November meeting, the Catholic Bishops of the United States agreed to launch a new postcard campaign-**Project Life and Liberty** – to keep before the public and our elected representatives the Church’s critical issues of religious freedom and pro-life concerns. Through **Project Life and Liberty**, we call on Congress to prevent federal funding and promotion of abortion, and to protect the rights of conscience in health care.

**Project Life and Liberty**, will be launched in February in partnership with the National Committee for Human Life Amendment (NCHLA), which will coordinate the logistics of this postcard campaign.

The Bishops of New Jersey are urging all Catholic people to join in informing our elected representatives in Washington to retain pro-life laws and policies, and protect the our Freedom of Religious Express and rights of conscience. The postcards are located at the end of each pew on the weekend of 23/24. Please complete them and return them in the collection box. The parish will arrange to mail them to Washington this week.

Today, we have the opportunity to make not only the strongest possible statement about the Sanctity of life, but also to demonstrate our strength as people of faith and faithful citizens. Help us make this campaign to secure true progress in building a Culture of Life in our nation a success.

**OPERATION RICE BOWL**

Getting Healthy in East Timor

CRS Rice Bowl invites us to learn about the East Timor this week, where tuberculosis is a major health crisis. CRS works in communities where access to medical care is limited. This week, we pray for families in East Timor and give to CRS Rice Bowl to help people who are struggling with illness.

**A "SPECIAL" LENTEN EVENT  
THE LAST SUPPER (THE SEDER MEAL)**

Discovering how the Passover meal becomes the Paschal Mystery in Christ Saturday, March 16th at 6:00PM (after the 5 PM mass) Tickets are \$20 per adult or \$60 per family of three or more. Please contact the parish office for tickets no later than March 8<sup>th</sup>.

**RESUME REVIEW WORKSHOP FOR  
COLLEGE AGE STUDENTS**

College students who want to improve or strengthen their resume for summer internships and first "real" jobs are invited to a workshop on Wednesday, March 13, from 7:00-8:00 pm in the Youth Ministry Room. Michele Meussner, founder of Red Cup Career Services LLC., will share her expertise as a former HR Director who managed corporate college recruiting programs. Michele will provide insight into what businesses look for when choosing resumes and how they are selected. Students are asked to bring their resumes for review. Please call Jonathan Camiolo at 201-891-3262 for more information or register by email directly at [Michele@redcupcareers.com](mailto:Michele@redcupcareers.com) by March 11.

**ST. ELIZABETH SCHOOL'S  
ANNUAL BLUE RIBBON DINNER**

St. Elizabeth School will host its Annual Blue Ribbon Dinner on Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, at the Sheraton Mahwah. Proceeds from the dinner support the operating budget to keep tuition affordable, fund initiatives such as math, science and other technological advances, and provide professional development opportunities. Dinner tickets are \$65 per person and may be purchased at the School Office. The Blue Ribbon Dinner Committee would greatly appreciate your support of its 50 / 50 Raffle. For a gift of \$100 you have the chance to win up to \$28,750! Only 575 tickets will be sold. Complete the flyer or visit the Parish Center or school office for tickets. Tickets will also be sold after all Masses on March 2-3, March 9-10 and March 16-17. Thank you for your generosity!

**Chrism Mass**



You are invited for the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Sacred Heart in Newark, on Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, at 8pm. During the Mass Archbishop John J. Myers will bless the holy oils used for the sacramental life of the local Church of

Newark. Consider attending especially when you or your loved ones will be celebrating baptism, confirmation, ordination to the priesthood or anointing of the sick this year, since oils blessed during the mass will be distributed and used by every church in the Archdiocese of Newark. If you would like to attend and have transportation provided from/to St. Elizabeth's, please contact the parish office at 201-891-1122.

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU  
From Sacred Heart School**

Dear Monsignor,

Warmest greetings from Sacred Heart School. I hope that the New Year finds you and everyone in the St. Elizabeth Parish community healthy, happy, and touched by God's amazing grace. You are all very close to our hearts and always in our prayers.

My most sincere thanks to everyone involved in the Angel Fund for the additional donation to our school. It was a wonderful, most welcome surprise (not to mention an absolute godsend!) Sandy was certainly a major blow, affecting our physical plan as well as the homes and jobs of a number of families. The first few months of this school year were very difficult indeed. But how blessed we are that the good people of St. Elizabeth have long display both understanding toward and compassion for our children. You have our back and for that I cannot thank you enough! God Bless you now and always.  
Sr. Frances

**MEN'S CATHOLIC CONFERENCE  
We Walk by Faith!**

On Saturday, March 2, at Seton Hall University in South Orange. Prayerful, spirit-filled, life changing! The day begins at 8am and ending 4pm. Mass will be celebrated by Most Reverend Archbishop John J. Myers along with our local Bishops and Priests concelebrating. For registration please visit our website at [www.rcanmenscommission.org](http://www.rcanmenscommission.org) or call 973-497-4545.

**WOMEN'S DAY OF REFLECTION  
Rediscover the Joy of Believing**

On Saturday, March 9, at Seton Hall University in South Orange. The day begins at 8:30am and ends 5:15pm. For registration please visit our website at [www.rcanmenscommission.org](http://www.rcanmenscommission.org) or call 973-497-4545.

**CELEBRATING IRISH CULTURE  
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Celebrating Irish Culture, free Irish Concert/Dance**

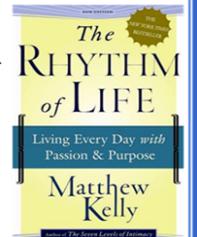
Wednesday, Feb. 27, 7-9pm.  
Through music, dance and theater  
Rockland Community College, 145 College Rd, Suffern, NY  
Free Soda Bread & Refreshments for more information  
Call 845-574-4796.

**Faithful Readers  
Saint Elizabeth's Book Club**

Fantastic book to encourage your faith this Lent!

**The RHYTHM of LIFE**  
By Matthew Kelly

Wednesday, March 13  
9:30-11:30AM—St. Francis Rm.  
Books at Parish Office—\$10



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*While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. - Lk 9:29-31*

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1/Lk 9:28b-36  
 Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38  
 Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12  
 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28  
 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31  
 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46  
 Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32  
 Next Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

**OTHER PRAYER EXPERIENCES**

**Miraculous Medal Novena** – Thurs. after 9 am Mass  
**Novena to the Divine Mercy** – Fri. after 9 am Mass  
**Men’s Sharing** – Elizabeth Rm. Sat. 7 am  
**Morning Prayer** – Mon.-Sat. 8:40 am  
**Rosary** - Each day after 7:00 & 9:00 am Mass

**SUPPORT FOR OUR PASTORAL ACTIVITIES**



*“I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession. Genesis 15:7*

Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses, and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home.

Whether our home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do we show our gratitude to God for the home He has given us? Do we make a sacrifice of any kind? Do we return any of our finances to God, investing equally in our eternal home just as we invest in our current abode?

The gift of treasure for last week was \$22,912 (of which \$3,260 was from online giving). Year to date collections amounted to \$764,739 vs. our year to date budget of \$823,990.

**SAVE THE DATE  
DON BOSCO PREP**

**SPRING MUSICAL “GODSPELL”**

**Featuring St. E’s parishioners and former graduates  
March 15, 16, 17 & 22, 23. More details to follow.**



**Second Sunday of Lent**

Sat.	Feb. 23	5:00 PM	Guy Accettura & Janet Accettura Synder
Sun.	Feb. 24	7:30 AM	Robert Urlich
		9:00 AM	Catherine M. Fox, 36 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.
		10:30 AM	People of the Parish
		12:00 PM	Ana Picinic

**Mon. Feb. 25**

7:00 AM	Philip McGarrity. Elizabeth Onderdonk
9:00 AM	Margaret Rice
5:30 PM	<b>Holy Hour</b>

**Tue. Feb. 26**

7:00 AM	Elizabeth Onderdonk
9:00 AM	Mary Patricia Lee

**Wed. Feb. 27**

7:00 AM	Lena DiBella
9:00 AM	Elizabeth Welsh
7:00 PM	Linda Menhinick

**Thu. Feb. 28**

7:00 AM	Tom Hand
9:00 AM	Mary Ouellepte, Elizabeth Welsh

**Fri. Mar. 1**

7:00 AM	John Van Slyke
9:00 AM	Daniel Giletta
7:00 PM	Rosemary Duggan, 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv.

**Sat. Mar. 2**

9:00 AM	Memorial Mass
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**Third Sunday of Lent**

	5:00 PM	Vito Picinic	
Sun.	Mar. 3	7:30 AM	Frank Jackson
	9:00 AM	Frank & Teresa Anello	
	10:30 AM	Julianne Leskauskas	
	12:00 PM	People of the Parish	



**Altar Bread & Wine:** In Memory George Mahoney 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.,  
Given By: Chris & Ed Imperiosi.

**Sanctuary Lights:** In Memory of Deacon William Toth,  
Given by: Rami & Arthur Nalven.

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