

CHURCH OF ST ELIZABETH

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
APRIL 6, 2014

THOUGHTS FROM OUR PASTOR

Pope Francis has made a tremendous impact on people. The "Francis effect" will hopefully draw people closer to faith and to the Church. We are gifted to have the presence of Christ's successor, our own Peter, ministering as our Pope.

What is it about him? Humility – captured in his name and style after the holy one of Assisi. A sense of service – looking for ways to reach out and minister to Christ in the poor and neglected. The unexpected - surprising us and the press in a hardened, cynical time.

A few days ago Francis was participating in a Reconciliation Service in Rome. He was expected to hear confessions during the service. At the moment he was to do this he walked to a confessional and knelt down before the priest to make his own confession. Surprised again - Popes can sin, but not many have asked forgiveness in so public a setting.

One more reason to love Francis, not only does he identify with us sinners, he must seek to be reconciled. He kneels and asks to be forgiven. We love Francis for this, and we are inspired.

If it's good enough for the Pope, it's good enough for me. Let's take advantage of reconciliation – before Easter. And as Francis reminds us, in confession we speak to Jesus. And Jesus is better than the priest!

With every good thought and prayer,

Fr. Harahan

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next Weekend for the Catholic Home Missions

The Catholic Home Missions Appeal will take place next weekend. One way that the Appeal works to support mission dioceses here at home is by supporting seminarian formation in poor dioceses. The blessing of seminarians places a financial burden on these dioceses, which educate each seminarian at a cost of \$35,000-\$40,000 per year. Your support is needed for these young men, so that they can return to serve their parishes. Please strengthen the Church at home by making a generous gift to next weekend's Appeal.

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.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAYS, 7:30PM

Join us in Church every Friday evening during Lent at 7:30pm, as we pray the Stations of the Cross.

OVERNIGHT EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Friday's during Lent 8:00pm until 9:00am Sat.

CHRISM MASS

You are invited for the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Sacred Heart in Newark, on Monday, April 14, at 8pm. If you would like to attend please contact the parish office.

CANONIZATIONS OF POPE JOHN XXIII & POPE JOHN PAUL II

As you know, the Church, and all men and women of goodwill throughout the World, will celebrate the Canonizations of Pope John XXIII and Pope John Paul II on *Sunday, April 27, 2014*, when our Holy Father, Pope Francis, presides at the Sacred Liturgies in Rome. His Grace, Archbishop Myers, will be joining in those celebrations in Rome.

On that same Day, our Coadjutor Archbishop, The Most Reverend Bernard A. Hebda, will lead our Archdiocesan celebration, as he presides at a Holy Hour with the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Sung Evening Prayer, in our Cathedral Basilica in Newark beginning at 3pm.

Please consider participating in this prayerful opportunity to join in this blessed and magnificent event in the life of our Church and the World.

ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

Thursday, April 10th, 10am, Youth Room



The Rosary Society will meet this Thursday, April 10th at 10am in the **YOUTH ROOM**. Our Speaker will be Fr. Maciej. All Parishioners are invited to join us to hear Father's spiritual and uplifting message. Refreshments will be served.

LENTEN JOURNEY IN REFLECTIONS

"I Need You Now", Wednesday, April 9, 7:30pm

Please join Deacon Anthony as he leads us on a spiritual Lenten journey in reflections and songs. Deacon Anthony will weave together personal stories, his testimony and heartfelt songs focusing on the love and sacrifice of our Lord and Savior Jesus Wed. April 9, 7:30pm in the church.

THE LAST SUPPER (THE SEDER MEAL)

Discover how the Passover meal becomes the Paschal Mystery in Christ Saturday, April 12th at 6:00pm (after the 5 pm Mass). Tickets are \$20 per adult or \$60 for a family of three or more. Please contact the parish office for more information.

Tickets

Name & Telephone: _____

Address: _____

Make checks payable to St. Elizabeth's Church. Checks maybe dropped off at the Parish Center or mailed to "Seder Meal" C/O Parish Office St. Elizabeth's Church, 700 Wyckoff Ave., Wyckoff, NJ 07481.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. The days of both Fast & Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, 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, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.**

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, March 9, 2014 to the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, June 15, 2014.

**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.*



EASTER ALTAR FLOWERS

As the Lenten Season begins to unfold, much of our thoughts are of others. Let us remember those who have touched our lives in some way. Parishioners and guests at St. Elizabeth will have the opportunity to honor family or friends by making a donation toward the purchase of the beautiful Easter flowers/decorations that adorn the altar. If you would like to make a donation in memory/honor of a loved one, flower envelopes are in your monthly packet or are located in the narthex of the church. Please complete the information on the envelope and place it in the collection basket along with your donation. **PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!** A list of loved ones names will be published in the bulletin shortly after the Easter Season.

COMEDY NIGHT, SATURDAY, APRIL 26

The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Comedy Night, featuring "Uncle Floyd," on Saturday, April 26 at 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall. Beer, wine, and snacks will be served. Advanced tickets at \$30/person can be purchased from Gene Gallagher 201-264-2256. Reserved tables are available - grab some friends for an evening of guaranteed laughter.

SENIORS

The Seniors will be meeting this Monday, April 7, at 12 noon in the Elizabeth Room. All Senior Parishioners are invited!

"To everything there is a Season and a Time for every Purpose under heaven."

Ecclesiastes 3:11

"A time to be healed..."

Please pray for: Lauretta Verga

"A time to mourn..."

Recently Deceased: Francis Rogalski,
Patricia Burns Malloy

"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, 2nd LT. Nolan Dunn. **Amen.**



**St. Elizabeth's
Easter Egg Hunt**

Sunday, April 13, 2:00 pm
on the Soccer field

The hunt will be once again be split for children 6 and under and those 7 and older

"Sponsored by Past and Present Cornerstone Teams"



MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION

Bags are being distributed this weekend for our monthly food collection. Please take a bag and return it next weekend with groceries for our hungry neighbors in need.

ST. MARTIN'S SOUP KITCHEN



On Saturday, April 26, we will be serving meatloaf, red rosemary potatoes, mixed vegetables and dessert. If you can donate food contact, Dolores Cacace 201-445-8175. It would be very helpful for planning if you could call by Tuesday, April 22.

**SAVE THE DATE
VACATION BIBLE CAMP
June 23rd-June 27th, registration forms are available at the Parish Center.**

MUSIC MINISTRY NOTES

Fifth Sunday of Lent A few weeks ago, I was speaking with a dedicated parishioner who was recently searching for some family history through ancestry.com. I signed up for a trial and started to search through various historical documents to try to discover where my ancestors came from and where they went. During Lent, we have taken up our own liturgical version of ancestry.com by exploring some chants of our Catholic tradition.

Two weeks ago, in the bulletin, I highlighted the Kyrie Eleison and this week our attention moves to the other chanted text, Lamb of God, or in Latin, Agnus Dei. This chant takes place in the Mass right after the sign of peace and right before the priest raises the Precious Body above the chalice and echoes the words of St. John the Baptist, "Behold the Lamb of God..." The chant can be found in our hymnal at #858 and the text is below:

Agnus Dei qui tollis pecata mundi misere nobis (2x) - Dona Nobis Pacem (final time)

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world. Have mercy on us. (2x) - Grant us peace. (Final time)

Vatican II said that, "The musical tradition of the universal Church is a treasure of inestimable value, greater even than that of any other art (SC 112)" and that "The treasure of sacred music is to be preserved and fostered with great care (SC 114)." These statements of Vatican II coupled with my ancestry.com experience led me to think that placed within the human heart is a desire to value and know where we come from. This desire could explain why the 1994 album "Chant", recorded by the Benedictine Monks of Santo Domingo de Silos reached No. 3 on the Billboard 200 and sold six million copies worldwide. It's possible this desire is at the root of the popular trend in professional sports that has teams wearing their "throwbacks" or "retro-jerseys" in events titled "Winter, Heritage and Stadium Classic". Maybe this desire is why "The Tonight Show starring Jimmy Fallon" is capturing positive reviews and strong ratings among the 18-34 demographic with nostalgic content from the 80's and 90's.

Ultimately, perhaps we are each, as individuals and as a community, both, at the same time, a bit "modern and medieval". Reconciling these poles is quite unifying! My continued prayers during this final week of the Lenten Season.

In Peace,

Carl



Daily Masses During Lent

Monday- Friday 7:00 a.m. & 9:00 a.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m.

Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00 p.m. (No evening Mass Holy Week)

Overnight Holy Hour

Every Friday 8:00 p.m. till 9:00 a.m. (Except Holy Week)

Confession Schedule

Saturdays 12:30 p.m. (Except Holy Week)

Stations of the Cross

Fridays 7:30 p.m. (Except Holy Week)

Chrism Mass Monday – April 14th

8:00 p.m. Chrism Mass (Cathedral Basilica)

Mass with Archbishop Myers blessing the sacred oils for the coming year.
For transportation contact the Parish Center at 201-891-1122.

Holy Thursday – April 17th

9:00 a.m. - Morning Prayer

7:30 p.m. - Mass of the Lord's Supper
(Procession & Adoration 9:30 – 11:00 p.m.)

Good Friday – April 18th

9 a.m. Morning Prayer

12 Noon Way of the Cross
(For the children and families)

3 p.m. Lord's Passion

7:30 p.m. Tenebrae

Holy Saturday April 19th

9 a.m. Morning Prayer

Followed by the Blessing of the Food
(No 5p.m. Mass)

7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday April 20th

7:30 a.m. Mass Church

9:00 a.m. Mass Church

10:30 a.m. Mass (Church & Gym)

12 Noon Mass (Church & Gym)



EASTER

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

Come to discuss with Fr. Maciek!

***The Privilege of
Being a Woman***

By Alice von Hildebrand

Monday, April 28
10:00 AM—St. Francis Room
Books at Parish Office—\$20

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Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world." - Jn 11:25-27



Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sat.	Apr. 5	5:00 PM	Patrick Greaney
Sun.	Apr. 6	7:30 AM	Ann Law
		9:00 AM	Josephine Palladino
		10:30 AM	Naricsco Morson
		12:00 PM	People of the Parish

Mon. Apr. 7 St. John Baptist de la Salle

7:00 AM	Mildred Barbera
	Rev. Giles Bello, OFM
9:00 AM	Wilfredo Plaza

Tue. Apr. 8	7:00 AM	Mario Russo
	9:00 AM	Giovanna Gilsenan

Wed. Apr. 9	7:00 AM	Daniel Ciarmella
	9:00 AM	Matthew Barbieri
	7:00 PM	Living & Deceased Members Of the Madigan Family

Thu. Apr. 10	7:00 AM	Robert Gammel
	9:00 AM	Anthony Mirkovic, Happy B-day
	7:00 PM	Margaret & Harold Bell & Bonnie Bell Gerli

Fri. Apr. 11	St. Stanislaus	
	7:00 AM	Eric Patton
	9:00 AM	Conrad W. Hurtz
	7:00 PM	Rose Fernandez

Sat. Apr. 12 9:00 AM Memorial Mass

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

	5:00 PM	People of the Parish
Sun. Apr. 13	7:30 AM	Thanda Thanjan
	9:00 AM	Calandra & Capalbo Families
	10:30 AM	Anthony Godino
	12:00 PM	Lori Oldenhage, 12 th Anniv.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday:	Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45
Monday:	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday:	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42
Thursday:	Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59
Friday:	Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42
Saturday:	Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56
Next Sunday:	Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14-- 27:66 or 27:11-54

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



"Jesus said to her, Did I not tell you that if you believe you would see the glory of God?" John 11:40

Many of us say that we believe in God. We go to church on Sunday. We volunteer for events at our parish. But when life gets hard, the pressure is on, things aren't going our way, do we really believe, do we really put our trust in the Lord? When we live a life of gratitude, being thankful for the gifts we have been given, we really do see that God is providing all that we need.

The gift of treasure for last week was \$21,773 (of which \$3,075 was from online giving.) Year to date collections amounted to \$878,238 vs. our year to date budget of \$942,185.



The Scholarship Fund for Inner-City Children 30th Annual Dinner

The dinner will be held on Tuesday, May 20, at The Park Savoy in Florham Park. This year's honorees are Christopher Martin, President and CEO of Provident Bank and Joseph J. Oakes, III, President of Acorn Financial. Proceeds from the dinner will provide partial-tuition scholarships to low income students, in grades K-12, attending Catholic Schools in Bergen, Essex, Hudson and Union Counties. For more information about the dinner, to order tickets or place a journal ad, please visit www.sficnj.org or call SFIC at 973-497-4278.

MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 6, 2014

*Altar Bread & Wine,
Sanctuary Lights & Candles on the Altar:
In Memory of Mary Ann Mills,
Given by: The Folco Family.*

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