

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 12

5:15 p.m. Mary Knapinski (Evelyn Whipp)

Sunday, March 13

10:00 a.m. People of the Parish

Monday, March 14

7:00 a.m. Rev. Robert S. Kaszynski (Skibinski Family)

Tuesday, March 15

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass at Good Shepherd

Wednesday, March 16

7:00 a.m. Jason Donovan - 6th Ann. (Wife, Lara)

Thursday, March 17

No Holy Mass celebrated today

Friday, March 18

7:00 a.m. Natalie Fernandez - Birthday Blessings
(Pasternak Family)

Saturday, March 19

5:15 p.m. In memory of Julianna & Michael Niewola
(Butler Family)

Sunday, March 20 - 10:00 a.m.

Living & Deceased of the Cichon & Piszcz Families

Joseph Cichon (Saint Stan's Seniors)

Living & Deceased of the Hadfield & Minahan Families

All Students in the Parishes and School

HOLY ROSARY SODALITY

Prayer Intention: In thanksgiving for the Sacraments of Initiation and for all who received these sacraments in our Parish this past year.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please use the school entrance.

MEMORIAL CANDLES

Sanctuary: Deceased Members of the Mazurek Family (Mary Ann & Sean Portley); **Divine Mercy:** George Pereira; **O.L.C.:** Kathryn Proulx; **St. Pope John Paul II:** In Thanksgiving (John & Mary Lou)

FOR YOUR PLANNING

Holy Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 a.m. on Easter Sunday.

Easter Vespers

Sunday, March 27, at 4:00 p.m.

We will sing the official prayer of the Catholic Church, the Liturgy of the Hours, or the Divine Office.

Come and experience the beauty of singing Evening Prayer with the Universal Church!

From Father Johnson

THE SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY

The first spiritual work of mercy is to instruct the ignorant. Right off, we should clarify that we are not using the word "ignorant" in the way it is sometimes used nowadays, meaning rude or without manners. Nor does it mean stupid. Ignorant here means simply lacking in knowledge of one kind or another. As someone wrote, stupidity has no lasting cure, but ignorance can be quickly and easily cured by knowledge. Therefore, all teachers are exercising this spiritual work of mercy when they instruct their students, of whatever age. All parents do this, too, of course. All catechists, all missionaries, all preachers do the same, and their instruction is the most valuable of all, because knowledge of the Faith will lead us to eternal life, as well as give us lessons on virtue and happiness here on earth. Jesus Christ is the greatest instructor of all time. Throughout his earthly life and in the time between his Rising and Ascension, he was the greatest teacher ever. With divine patience, he taught his disciples (the slowest of slow learners) and brought his light of truth to dispel their ignorance. We need to work hard and humbly to dispel ignorance, especially our own. Instructing the ignorant means first of all instructing ourselves. This spiritual work of mercy begins very much at home!

SAINT OF THE WEEK

15 March ~ Saint Longinus. Sacred tradition tells us that the soldier in the Gospel of John who pierced Jesus' side was the same centurion who professed his faith at the foot of the Cross when he exclaimed, "Truly this was the Son of God!" He is named Longinus, and his main shrine is in Saint Peter's in the Vatican, where we find the famous statue of him by Bernini. He holds his spear, the one that brought forth blood and water from our Lord's side. In the sixth century, Saint Antoninus of Piacenza reports reverencing this spear while he was on pilgrimage in Jerusalem, where it was on display next to Jesus' crown of thorns. Sometime after Pentecost, Longinus went to Cappadocia, present-day Turkey, where he heard the preaching of the apostles and decided to devote himself to a life of prayer. In his old age, Longinus was arrested and dragged before the Roman Governor, who ordered him to bow before some pagan idols. Instead, Longinus grabbed an axe and smashed the statues of the heathen gods. He was immediately beheaded. The Governor afterward repented and was healed of his blindness when he revered the body of the martyr. Because of this, Longinus is invoked against eye infections. He is the patron saint of soldiers. Saint Longinus, pray for us.

THE PARISH RETREAT on the Four Last Things was a great success in every way! We thank Father Tom Kocik and the hundreds that came.

THIS WEEK'S RESPECT LIFE PRAYER INTENTION

For all Catholics; may we follow Jesus's example of humbly serving others at every stage and in every circumstance of life.

Respect Life Ministry

By radiating charity and mercy to all our neighbors, we provide those much-needed islands of mercy. Together, we stand against the wind of the throwaway culture and brave its sea of indifference, sustained by Jesus who is, as Pope Francis has called Him, “the living face of the Father’s mercy.” ~ *“Life Issues Forum: After Marching, Acting as Islands of Mercy,” Caitlin Thomas, USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities*

CARD NIGHT FOR THE TROOPS!

Friday, Mar. 18, 6-8pm

No special artistic talent is necessary. All materials will be provided, and refreshments will be available. Please see the insert.

The 40 Days For Life Prayer Campaign runs through March 20th. Please join your prayers with those who are praying, fasting, and standing vigil at clinics around the country and around the world. Visit www.40daysforlife.com for more information.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, 12:00 p.m.: Good Shepherd
Saturday, 8:45 a.m.: Saint Stanislaus

Please come to one or the other or both. Let us renew our devotion to the life-giving Passion of Christ!

Facebook.com/stanislausfallriver

Twitter and Instagram: Search for @saintstans

WOMEN OF GRACE

Begins this Sunday, March 13, at 3:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd Hall.

CRS RICE BOWL

Hungering to Grow a New Tomorrow: This week’s CRS Rice Bowl country is the island nation of Madagascar, where we’re reminded of the important role farmer’s play in caring for God’s creation. As we prepare our meals throughout the week, let us reflect on where our food comes from – and what role we can play in caring for our environment. Visit crsricebowl.org for more information.

LENTEEN REGULATIONS: Those who are 14 years of age or older are obliged to abstain from meat on the Fridays of Lent.



CCD CLASSES: March 13 & 20.
No class on March 27.

CCD PROGRAM

The Youth Group will present the Living Stations of the Cross for our CCD students next Sunday, March 20, at 8:45 a.m. This is a beautiful way for the children to begin our celebration of Holy Week. *Parents are welcome to join us!*

YOUTH GROUP

Sun., 3/13 10am-3pm: Mass/CCD/Tutoring/Meeting @ GS
3-5pm: Women of Grace @ GS (girls 15+)
Mon., 3/14 5:30-8:30pm: Adoration and meeting @ GS
Fri., 3/18 6-8pm: Card Night @ SS
Sun., 3/20 8:45am: Living Stations @ SS
10am-3pm: Palm Sunday Mass/CCD/Tutoring (includes Living Stations at GS at 11:30am)
3pm: Harlem Globetrotters (\$20.50)
Mon., 3/21 4:45-6:00pm: Soup Kitchen @ St. Bernadette
Thurs., 3/24 7pm: Holy Thursday @ SS
Fri., 3/25 7pm: Good Friday @ GS
Sat., 3/26 7pm: Holy Saturday @ GS
Sun., 3/27 10am: Easter Sunday Mass @ GS

Contact Leanne Nelson: lnelsonyg@gmail.com or 508-989-5868

LENTEEN CONFESSIONS

Saturday

8:30-9:30 a.m. at SS
3:00-3:45 p.m. at GS

Wednesday

March 16 & March 23
6:30-7:30pm at BOTH SS & GS

BIBLE STUDY

Come and be refreshed by the Word! Join us for Bible Study with Father Johnson this Saturday, March 12, at 6:30 p.m. at Good Shepherd Hall to study the Sunday readings. Come and join us! Everyone is welcome. No Bible Study on March 19 or 26.

SAINT STAN’S SENIORS

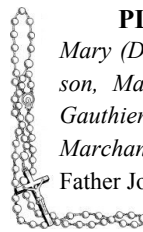
Bus trip to Mohegan Sun Casino. Thursday, April 7. \$16.00 includes bus fare, gratuity for driver, wheel, and \$15.00 food voucher. Open to the public. Bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. from Good Shepherd. Adele (508) 672-0030, Phyllis (508) 676-8378 or Ann at (508) 674-7355.

CELEBRATE HOLY WEEK WITH EWTN

Learn more about your Faith during the holiest time of the year with EWTN’s first-rate movies, documentaries, musicals, children’s programs, and much more! Join in the celebration of Mass at St. Peter’s Basilica in Rome or at the majestic Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Get program details at www.ewtn.com. Visit www.ewtn.com/channelfinder to find the station near you!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Mary (Dube) Seagrave, Priscilla Barton, MaryJane W., Bill Larson, Mary B., Matt & Cindy Greaney, Edward Couto, Alice Gauthier, Crystal Bedal, Debbie Reid, Ricky Nobrega & Steve Marchand. To request prayers for a loved one or friend, contact Father Johnson or Eileen Hadfield at 401-662-7694.



LAST CALL FOR RECIPES!

The Youth Group is putting together a cookbook of favorite recipes. Please share your favorite recipe. Include any photo or story for the dish. Recipes can be emailed to lnelsonyg@gmail.com or sent to the school addressed to Leanne Nelson. Deadline: March 15. Thanks for your help!

OFFICE FOR CHILD PROTECTION

Boundaries: Maintaining safe boundaries when working with children and clients is about more than just physical contact, or the lack thereof. It can be practiced in many ways, including not taking personal phone calls in front of children or not asking clients to do personal favors for you (or vice-versa). For more information, please contact the Office for Child Protection at (508) 997-7337.