

## MARCH: MONTH OF SAINT JOSEPH

### SATURDAY 25 MARCH: SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Ted King & Margaret Scalzo, r.i.p., by Mary King*

4:00PM (Saint Joseph: Sunday Vigil): *The Siner Family by Linda Siner*

5:30PM (Saint Thomas: Sunday Vigil): *pro populo*

### SUNDAY 26 MARCH: LENT IV

7:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Jane Mahler, r.i.p., by the Fuger Family*

9:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Robert Mike Walits by the Family*

11:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Kathleen Carron Sherry by the Maddalena Family*

12:30PM (Saint Joseph): *Special Intention by Eric Lundgren*

### MONDAY 27 MARCH: LENTEN FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Joanne Dziadzio, r.i.p., by Henry & Vickie Malanowski*

6:30PM (Saint Joseph): *Florence D'Anna by Thomas Bordonaro*

### TUESDAY 28 MARCH: LENTEN FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Anne McGuire by Hank*

### WEDNESDAY 29 MARCH: LENTEN FERIA

8:30AM (Mass, Saint Thomas): *Rose Mitchell, r.i.p., by Sue Tomko*

### THURSDAY 30 MARCH: LENTEN FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Lillian Pelella, r.i.p., by Joe & Judy Valentine*

### FRIDAY 31 MARCH: LENTEN FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Lillian Pelella, r.i.p., by Kathy Kissel*

### SATURDAY 1 APRIL: LENTEN FERIA

8:30AM (Saint Thomas): *Lillian Pelella, r.i.p., by Jack & Lucy DuBois*

4:00PM (Saint Joseph: Sunday Vigil): *Mario Puricelli by Maureen Seymour*

5:30PM (Saint Thomas: Sunday Vigil): *Kevin Jurgens by Betty & Chick*

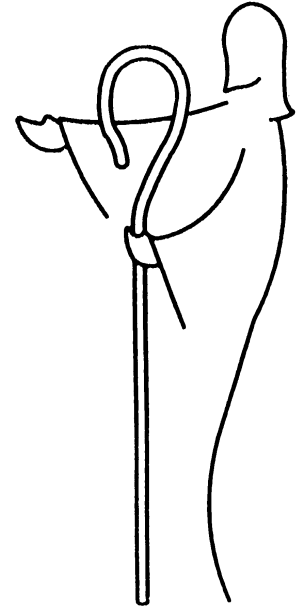
### NEXT SUNDAY 2 APRIL: LENT V

7:30AM (Saint Thomas): *pro populo*

9:00AM (Saint Thomas): *The Kenny & Serraino Families*

11:00AM (Saint Thomas): *Stephen & Margaret Rogan, r.i.p., by John & Margaret Pelella*

12:30PM (Saint Joseph): *Deceased Members of the Gallo Family by Mr. & Mrs. Sal Gallo*



The Lord  
IS MY Shepherd  
Psalms 23

*r.i.p.* (requiescat in pace: rest in peace), *a.i.d.* (ad intentionem donoris: for the intention of the donor)  
*pro sal.* (pro salutem: for health), *pro populo* (for the people)

MSRP: \$325.00

### **LAST WEEK'S OFFERING:**

*Sunday Regular: \$10,480.10*

*Easter Flowers: \$2476.44*

*Pantry: \$64.00*

### **THIS WEEK'S SECOND COLLECTION**

*Catholic Relief Services*

### **NEXT WEEK'S SECOND COLLECTION**

*Capital Projects Fund*

### **12 MONTHS OF CHRISTMAS**

#### **DRAWING**

*March's Winner: Betty Carlino*

*April's Prize: For your April Flowers!*

*Waterford 10" olive green vase*



### **HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR FLOCKNOTE YET?**

Flocknote is a powerful email/texting media tool that helps us keep parishioners informed about important events in the parish. You can choose to receive updates from the parish and parish groups; you may unsubscribe anytime; and there is no spam!

Help us stay in touch with you by signing up today at Mass or after.

Text STC to 84576 on your cell phone, or visit [flocknote.com/STCanterbury](http://flocknote.com/STCanterbury).



**2017 CARDINAL'S APPEAL: As of**  
**3/10**

Parish Goal: \$116,500.00  
Pledged to Date: \$31,600.00  
Donors: 104

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### **PARISH TRIP**

Please join us to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday at the Divine Mercy Center in Newark, NJ. The day will include: Mass, Healing Service with Br. Paul Miller, OFS, Confessions, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Date: Sunday, April 23, 2017

Time: Departing at 7:30 a.m. from St. Joseph's SCHOOL, 148 Windsor Hwy, New Windsor, NY. We will leave Newark approx. 4:30 p.m.  
Cost: \$25.00 for transportation/West Point Tour Bus  
Please pack a lunch. For more information and to reserve a seat on the bus please call Mary at (845) 534-3904.



### **ATTENTION MEN!**

The Archdiocese of New York Men's Conference is a day for Catholic men to gather for fellowship, spiritual enrichment, and practical insights on how to live their faith.

**Saturday, April 1, 2017**

11:00AM – 5:30PM

St. Joseph's Seminary  
201 Seminary Avenue  
Yonkers, NY 10704

### **RESPECT LIFE**

The 40 Days for Life Spring Campaign began on Ash Wednesday and will conclude on Palm Sunday.

The peaceful vigil site is on the public sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood, 136 Lake Street, Newburgh. For more information about how you can take part, please call Wendy Wood at 845-820-4366 or visit [ocrighetto@lifelife.com](mailto:ocrighetto@lifelife.com).



### **PRAYER CHAIN**

To place someone on the prayer chain please contact Carolyn Mundy at 845-534-9277.

### **CDA COURT RITA # 264**

### **ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Open to graduating high school seniors of the parish.

Please contact:

Mrs. Rose Hufford	or	Ms. Mary Jane Reed
Education Chairman		129 Main St. Apt. 1B
30 Hazen St.		Cornwall, NY 12518
Cornwall, NY 12518		845-458-5543
845-534-9245		

**Applications must be returned no later than April 21.**

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LENTEN FISH DINNERS**

5pm-7pm every Friday during Lent in the Saint Thomas school kitchen.

Takeout or dine-in.

**\$10 each Flounder or Shrimp Dinner**

**\$15 for a combo of both (Fish & Shrimp).**

Dinners include choice of fish, coleslaw, potato salad, dinner roll and accompanying sauces.

Tasty desserts and chances for a beautiful Easter Raffle Basket will also be available for purchase.

Proceeds directly support the St. Thomas - St Joseph Parish and the Knights of Columbus.

For more information or if you are interested in becoming a Knight please email Grand Knight Tom DiSalvo at [KofC7460@gmail.com](mailto:KofC7460@gmail.com).



### **"STAR" YOUTH GROUP**

### **(SAINT THOMAS – SAINT JOSEPH ACTIVE RELIGIOUS)**

Fun, Friends, and Faith!

Did you know that we have an active youth group at our parish? Would you like to join us?

The youth group typically meets every other Sunday (meeting today, 3/26) at 12:30PM. If you are interested in joining our group, please contact Louise Pisano at (845) 534-9393.

### **Babysitting Event**

Sponsored by the parish youth group.

April 8<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 – 9:00PM at Saint Thomas school. Plan a fun night out or a quiet evening in!

*All ages – but must be potty trained!*

### **Raffle**

One-week vacation in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina!

\$5/ticket or \$20/5. Proceeds to benefit the Youth Group's Camp Veritas Scholarship Fund. Tickets available in the Religious Education office.

### **Orange County Youth Groups Holy Hour**

Saint Thomas of Canterbury Church

April 21<sup>st</sup> from 7:00PM-9:00PM

Holy Hour in the church followed by refreshments in the school gym.

### **DAREDEVILS**

by Father Doughty

I confess I am afraid of heights. On occasion, I have been able to muster the courage to climb a mountain or two, but for the most part I am happier at sea level. Of late, I have become fascinated by those extreme athletes who jump off cliffs in specially fashioned "flying" suits that allow them to glide almost all the way down to the bottom before a parachute gently lowers them to the ground. I find this vicarious experience both frightening and thrilling.

These modern thrill seekers are apostles for daredevilry. They claim that intensity of life increases with every moment that they flirt with death. Despite the danger, and the memories of friends who lost their lives doing the same, nothing else seems to make for a fuller life.

There may be wisdom in their madness. Anthropologist Ernest Becker believed that the modern western psyche, conditioned by a culture of health and all the medical advances that have extended average life expectancy, cannot accept the reality of death. By evading any thought of it, men and women, he reasoned, would never take the kind of risks that are necessary to venture a meaningful life. To enjoy life truly, fully, one needed to face death and accept its inevitability. Becker was not a Christian and so could not say whether belief in the Resurrection gave humanity a new perspective and a reason to say that life is good and meaningful simply because God invested it with eternal value. Yet flirting with death is something Christians do each Lent, and that dalliance enables us to live more fully, more happily.

Lent and its disciplines really are about flirting with death by making a commitment to die to oneself. In fasting and penance and almsgiving, we become acutely aware that man cannot worship both God and mammon (Luke 16:13), that whoever loses his life for Jesus' sake will find it (Matthew 10:35), that it profits a man nothing to gain the world but lose his life (Matthew 16:26). If for a moment we think this kind of dying is crazy, we might think of how readily we would give our lives for those who are dear to us,

and how readily God demonstrated his love for us in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us (Romans 5:8). Dying to oneself is the precondition for a life with God in Eternity; taking up the cross and following Jesus brings us to the Resurrection. But it also enhances our life here and now. True men and women of faith are not unlike those daredevils jumping off mountains in their flying suits.

They face death everyday and in particular in Lent by dying to themselves – and their lives are full and meaningful because of it.

### **RECONCILIATION MONDAY**

April 10, 2017

3:00PM - 9:00PM

Cardinal Dolan designated April 10, 2017 as Reconciliation Monday for Lent. All parishes in the Archdiocese will have priests available to hear confessions from 3:00PM-9:00 PM. Confessions will be at Saint Thomas.

### **WE NEED YOU ... TO BE A LECTOR**

The role of the Minister of the Word, also known as the lector, is to minister/serve both God and his people by proclaiming the scriptural reflections of the Church each Sunday. The candidate should be a baptized member of the parish who has received the sacrament of Confirmation and attends Mass regularly. She or he must take time to prepare and reflect on the readings in advance of the Sunday celebration of the liturgy so that the word of God will be proclaimed with familiarity, reverence, and love. Some bit of awe in having a role in the sacred mysteries is helpful, but will likely be acquired over time!



Interested? Contact Chris Steiner

at [cmscas18@aol.com](mailto:cmscas18@aol.com) or call **845-534-0598**.

A brief training will be offered in May; with the possibility of serving at two Masses each month.

### **THIS LENT IN THE PARISH**

#### **Adoration**

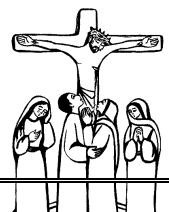
Every Monday at Saint Joseph's at 5:30PM, followed by Mass at 6:30PM (with Confession).

*"Do you realize that Jesus is there in the tabernacle expressly for you – for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart."*

*Saint Therese of Lisieux*

#### **Stations of the Cross**

Every Friday at Saint Joseph's



church at 7:30PM

*"Compassionate your Lord."  
Saint Alphonsus Liguori*

**Confessions**

Every Saturday at Saint Thomas' 4:30 - 5:15PM;  
every Monday at Saint Joseph's 6:00 - 6:30PM























