

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF SAINT THOMAS of CANTERBURY – SAINT JOSEPH

Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 11, 2018



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SAINT THOMAS' CHURCH

340 Hudson Street
Cornwall on Hudson, NY 12520

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

Saturday Evening (Sunday Vigil): 5:30PM
Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM

Weekday

Monday – Saturday: 8:30AM

Holy Days of Obligation

As announced

Confession

Saturday: 4:00PM – 5:15PM (or by appointment)

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday after the 8:30AM Mass

Rosary

Monday – Saturday after the 8:30AM Mass

SAINT JOSEPH'S CHURCH

4 Saint Joseph's Place
New Windsor, NY 12553

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

Saturday Evening (Sunday Vigil): 4:00PM
Sunday: 12:30PM

Monday: 6:30PM Mass;

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction 5:30PM

Holy Days of Obligation

As announced

Confession

Monday: 6:00PM

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

Monday: 5:30PM

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MARCH: MONTH OF SAINT JOSEPH

* STC = St. Thomas SJ = St. Joseph

SATURDAY 10 MARCH: LENTEN FERIA

8:30AM (STC): *Hugh Gavin, r.i.p.*, by the Brandts

4:00PM (Sunday Vigil: SJ): *Adaline Puricelli*

by Maureen Seymour

5:30PM (Sunday Vigil: STC): *The Horan & Hogan Families*
by the family

SUNDAY 11 MARCH: LENT IV

7:30AM (STC): *The Sweeney & Horan Families* by the family

9:00AM (STC): *The Coneran Family* by Mary & family

11:00AM (STC): *Tomasa Fonseca* by Josephine Thomas

12:30PM (SJ): *Nicolas Benavente* by Nelly Lopez

MONDAY 12 MARCH: LENTEN FERIA

8:30AM (STC): *Anne Hyde, r.i.p.*, by Mother's Prayer Group

6:30PM (SJC): *Marie Byrne* by Nellie Lopez

TUESDAY 13 MARCH: LENTEN FERIA

8:30AM (STC): *Helen Contarino, r.i.p.*, by Nick & Peggy Visconti

WEDNESDAY 14 MARCH: LENTEN FERIA

8:30AM (STC): *Anne Hyde, r.i.p.* by Tom & Rosemary Relyea

THURSDAY 15 MARCH: LENTEN FERIA

8:30AM (STC): *Filomena Carovillano, r.i.p.*,

Domenico, D'Atria, & Diana Tutini & Family

FRIDAY 16 MARCH: LENTEN FERIA

8:30AM (STC): *David O'Keefe, r.i.p.*, by the Family

SATURDAY 17 MARCH: FEAST OF SAINT PATRICK

Patron of the Archdiocese of New York

8:30AM (STC): *Cornelius Conroy, r.i.p.*, by the Conroy family

4:00PM (Sunday Vigil: SJ): *Patrick Kane* by Kathy Kissel

5:30PM (Sunday Vigil: STC): *Owen Clerkin*

by Frank & Terry Doogan

SUNDAY 18 MARCH: LENT V

7:30AM (STC): *Ann Greehy, r.i.p.*, by John & Helen Hickey

9:00AM (STC): *John & Winnie Horan* by the family

11:00AM (STC): *Wallace Bywater, r.i.p.*, (5th Anniversary)

by the Bywater Family

12:30PM (SJ): *Angelina Tarulli*

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)

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS

Regular: \$10,514.75

Capital Projects: \$3,045.00

Pantry: \$159.00

Bingo: \$795.00

THIS WEEK'S SECOND COLLECTION

Catholic Relief Services

ALMSGIVING

by Father Doughty

This past week, Pope Francis posted on Twitter, "Almsgiving helps us to recognize our neighbor as our brother or sister, and to acknowledge that what we possess is never ours alone." As one of the three pillars of a mature Lenten program, almsgiving helps us to open our hearts to the mystery of God's love for others, and especially those we are least likely to love but for the love of whom, the act of love will bear supernatural fruit. The math is simple: to meditate on the great love God has for every soul, including our enemies, and to show that love in some way, opens our minds to the greatness of God's love for us. If prayer brings us into the presence of God, and fasting strengthens our ability to distinguish the invisible reality from the visible, almsgiving prepares the soul for the necessary task of undermining all self-centeredness. This is what impelled Mother (Saint) Theresa of Calcutta to accomplish the extraordinary works she was known for. Desiring to love God with all her heart, mind, body and soul, she sought Him in the least of his brethren (Matthew 25:40).

There are, sadly, too many opportunities for almsgiving in the world. There is nothing more efficacious for ourselves than giving to the poor. Here in St. Thomas – St. Joseph, we can give in various ways. We have a food cupboard that feeds needy families in the neighborhood. Our poor box at the entrance of St. Thomas allows the kind of giving that only the Lord sees so that "the left hand doesn't know what the right hand is doing" (Matthew 6:3). These monies help the parish in its various works of mercy including helping Catholic Charities and our own food cupboard. This Lent, "mite" boxes (Luke 21:1-4) with your spare change help poor families in Orange and Sullivan Counties. These have been given out to all the families in our Faith Formation program to teach our children about the importance of almsgiving. Our two youth groups are collecting Easter Candy and small toys to make Easter baskets for children in the area whose families can't afford this particular joy.

Important News for the Parish

Though not strictly almsgiving, helping the parish in its work of furthering the Gospel message is an obligation of the Faithful. It is one of those precepts of being part of the Church's mission (do you know what the others are?) that doesn't enjoy the glow of her other works, but is necessary and has a spiritual benefit. (continued...)

Our Parish Finance Council has made a recommendation to switch the company we use for online donations. During the next couple of weeks, those of you currently using the ParishPay-We Share company, will receive an email from our parish consultant, Dennis Corcoran, asking you to cancel your donations with them and instead register with "Connect Now Giving", our new provider. Dennis will provide instructions and guidance on how to make that transition.

There are many advantages that our Finance Council has identified for switching to ConnectNow Giving but the most significant is that it is with the same company that is now providing our census database. This means that we can gain an update of family information to our database while we are encouraging parishioners to register for online contributions because it will be all through the same parent company. (*We need to know more about you!!!*)

We will be asking as well for more of you in the parish to consider making your parish offering monthly through Connect Now Giving rather than the weekly envelope method. Over the next few weeks, you will be hearing why this is so important to the parish, and how it can make your lives simpler.

This all seems to make sense in a digital age in which the future Church has already begun to live. Your understanding and participation is greatly appreciated.

EASTER CANDY COLLECTION!

Our parish STAR Youth Group and Junior Catholic Daughters will be assembling Easter baskets for children of families served by Catholic Charities of Orange and Rockland Counties. They will be collecting candy and treats, small toys and small stuffed animals to add to a child's joy on Easter Sunday. Donations can be made today and next weekend, March 17th & 18th in the bins at the entrances to St. Thomas and St. Joseph Churches. Please, only store-purchased, individually wrapped candies and treats like small packages of "Peeps", small chocolate eggs and bunnies; Easter "grass"; small toys.



Please NO - large bags of jellybeans or candies, no baskets, no used toys.

FORMED.ORG (parish code: FHHFCV)

- * Explore the "hidden" truths of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- * Children will learn how to make a good Confession, and that God always forgives us and gives us grace to be better in this sacrament.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

In Saint Thomas church at 6:30PM

March 14th. Please contact Gene Fenton with questions: genefenton44@gmail.com



COMING THIS LENT

(Save the Dates)

- Every Friday** Stations of the Cross
(7:30PM St. Joseph's Church)
*Except for **March 23rd** when the parish Youth group will present "shadow stations" at 7:00PM
- March 11** Solemn Vespers **CANCELLED**
- March 26** Reconciliation Monday
(3:00-9:00PM St. Thomas' Church)
- March 29-31** The Sacred Paschal Triduum
Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper
(7:30PM St. Thomas' Church)
Good Friday:
Family Stations of the Cross
(11:30AM St. Thomas' Church)
Veneration of the Cross & Communion
(3:00PM St. Thomas' Church)
Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil
(8:00PM St. Thomas' Church)
- April 1** **Easter Sunday:** Mass Schedule
St. Thomas Church
7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM
St. Joseph Church
12:30PM

12 MONTHS OF CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

March's Prize:

Waterford Linsmore Golden Rose Bowl
MSRP: \$250



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY BUS TRIP

Celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday on April 8, 2018 at the New Jersey Center of Divine Mercy in Newark, NJ
8:00AM - 5:30AM

Mass, first class relic of St. Faustina, Healing Service, confessions, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

\$25 for bus (please bring lunch)

Call Mary (845) 591-4801 for information or to sign up.

SAINT JOSEPH'S TABLE

After the 9:00AM Mass at Saint Thomas church on March 18th in the school gym. Come and hear Knight Jeff Hager speak about the life of St. Joseph and why he is important to us today while enjoying a coffee, goodies and a zeppole.



NATIONAL CATHOLIC SISTERS WEEK: 3/8 - 14

Adoration, praise, & worship with the Presentation Sisters

March 16th at 6:30PM

Mount Saint Joseph Chapel

64 Presentation Way, New Windsor

www.sistersofthepresentation.org



The Knights of Columbus Council 7460 are serving their popular Lenten Fish Dinner takeout from 5PM - 7PM every Friday during Lent in the school kitchen.

For more information or if you are interested in joining our team of Knights, please email Grand Knight, Tom DiSalvo at: KofC7460@gmail.com.

STAR YOUTH GROUP LENTEN EVENTS

* **Palm Cross Sale** after all Masses on March 17th and 18th. Crosses will be \$12.00 each. All proceeds assist youth group members to attend Camp Veritas and PTA Retreats.

* **Shadow Stations of the Cross**, Friday, March 23rd at 7:00PM (please note time change) at St. Joseph Church.

GOLDEN WEDDING JUBILEE MASS

Couple celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2018 are invited to attend the Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Dolan at Saint Patrick's Cathedral on Saturday, June 3rd, at 2:15PM. Pre-registration is required. Please contact the parish office to register.

Registration closes May 14th.



MARCH FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

- 3/11** 10:00AM Family Faith Formation
3/12 5:00PM Faith Formation classes
3/13 5:00PM Faith Formation classes
3/14 5:30PM Family Faith Formation make-up class
6:30PM Confirmation Preparation classes (7th & 8th)
3/19 5:00PM Faith Formation classes
3/20 5:00PM Faith Formation classes
3/21 6:00PM F.F.F. Catechist meeting
3/24 10:00AM First Communion Workshop (2nd grade)

NEXT WEEK'S SUNDAY MINISTERS: 3/17 & 3/18

Saint Thomas

5:30PM: (L) C. Steiner

(E.M.'s) R. & V. Hufford, E. Kelly, K. Ward

7:30AM: (L) J. Kline

(E.M.'s) S. Dudman, N. Molloy, J. Sicoli, H. Torres

9:00AM: (L) D. Maxson

(E.M.'s) N. Drislane, B. Flynn, R. Lieby, J. Maxson

11:00AM: (L) R. Lieby

(E.M.'s) B. & J. Fuger, J. Thomas, T. Volpe

Saint Joseph

4:00PM: (L) A. Molloy (EM) C. Mundy, C. Soricelli

12:30PM: (L) S. Ferraiuolo (EM) I. Fringuello, S. Ireifej

