



## SCRIPTURE READINGS

**FIRST READING:** Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

According to the law of Moses, people with leprosy had to live alone, outside the camp. Aaron or another priest declared them unclean as long as they had disease.

**SECOND READING:** 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1

Paul wrote to the Corinthians, "Do everything for the glory of God. Avoid giving offense, whether to the Jews or Greeks or the church of God...Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ."

**GOSPEL READING:** Mark 1:40-45

A leper said to Jesus, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, Jesus touched him: "I do will it. Be made clean." The leprosy left him, and he was healed.

**THE COLLECTION** for Sunday February 8 was \$1,373 and Peter Pence was \$ 312.. Thank you for your generosity.It is that time of year when inclement weather is upon us. Please remember we need your constant support during the winter months.

## MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF FEB. 15<sup>TH</sup> TO 22<sup>ND</sup>

SAT. FEB. 14	5PM	EMMA MAYONE REQ DAUGHTER
SUN. FEB. 15	8AM	PRO POPULO
	9:30AM	PETER FONDINO REQ ROSETTA BOCCHIMUZZO
	11:00AM	JULIA/MARTIN HULL REQ CATHERINE DUVALL
MON. FEB. 16	8AM	
TUE. FEB. 17	8AM	FOR THE HEALTH OF ROSE SASSO REQ SISTER, MARIETTA CARPINO
WED. FEB. 18	8AM	MASS AND ASHES DISTRIBUTION
	12PM	MASS AND ASHES DISTRIBUTION
	6PM	FRANK FABIANO REQ JOE LATONE
THU. FEB. 19		
FRI. FEB. 20		11:45 AM STATIONS AND MASS
SAT. FEB. 21	8AM	DONALD SECRETO REQ MARIE CHRISTIANA
	5PM	JOHN SASSO REQ MARIETTA CARPINO
SUN. FEB. 22	8AM	PRO POPULO
	9:30AM	5 <sup>TH</sup> ANNIV. LOUISE WALZ REQ SISTER, MARIE
	11:00AM	MICHAEL SASSO SR. REQ LUCY STAGICH

## THE SEASON OF LENT - A TIME OF PRAYER, PENANCE, AND CHARITY

This Wednesday we begin the season of Lent, a time when we return to a right relationship with God and neighbor. It is a time to take stock in our lives and a time to renew our practice of faith. We begin by coming together on Ash Wednesday to sign ourselves with the cross of ashes.

**Ashes will be given at Masses on Wednesday the 18<sup>th</sup> at 8 am ,12pm and 6pm.**

This day is also marked by fast and abstinence.

We can increase our prayer life during these next forty days by daily reading of scripture, daily Mass, and activities like adoration and Stations of the Cross.

**Stations of the Cross** take place on Fridays at 11:45am followed by Mass . We invite you to the parish center for soup and salad after mass and discussion.

**Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence.** "Abstinence" prohibits individuals from eating meat. Abstinence obliges all those who have reached the age of 14 and continues to oblige throughout their entire life. Those not specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are encouraged to join in this discipline to the extent that they are able.

**Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence.** "Fasting" requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but these two meals together should not equal a full meal in quantity. Fasting obliges all those who have reached the age of 18 and continues to oblige until age 59. Those not specifically obliged to fast are encouraged to join in the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able.

**This is a SEASON OF PENANCE.** Fasting is a great sign of this as well as eating less, remembering the needs of the poor, reducing sin in our lives and growing in grace. You can do this by using the sacrament of penance. The church still requires us to go to confession once a year and receive the Eucharist during the Easter season.

Confessions are heard every Saturday from 4 to 4:30pm. A special penance service will be announced near Easter.

**The Committee for Ministering to the Homebound** is looking for persons in our community that we may be able to assist. If you know of anyone who need some assistance such as: light grocery shopping, picking up medication, assistance with a Dr appointment or just a little company or conversation, please contact Joyce Brazier at 845-246-8949. Leave a call back message if no answer.

**Celebrating the feast of St Joseph**

On Saturday, March 21, there will be a celebration of St. Joseph at our Saint Joseph's Church Hall. It include of live music by the Paul Luke Band and food will be available. The requested donation is \$15 per person but 2 tickets for only \$20. Children 12 and are free with an accompanying adult ticket. Food and drinks will be available More details of the event will be announced. Anyone willing to help should call Gaetana Ciarlante at 246-3390.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK**

**ROSE RIOZZI**

**PAUL BRAZIER**

**CAROL FABIANO**

**MARTIN KEENAGHAN**

**LILLIAN MOTTSEY**

**SHIRLEY PERPETUA**

**FRAN TIANO**

**BEATRICE POLICASTRO**

**LISA SASSO**

**ROSE SASSO**

**JEANNETTE CLEARWATER**

**PATRICIA ROBINSON**

**TO PLACE OR REMOVE NAME FROM THE SICK LIST, PLEASE CALL  
246-7373**