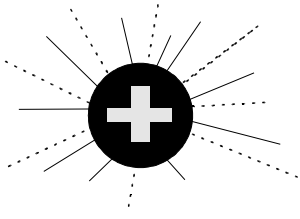


# SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

February 28, 2010



"From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:  
This is my beloved Son, hear him."



## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 27 *vigil: Second Sunday of Lent*  
5:00pm Christopher Kiernan - 6th Anniversary

Sunday, February 28 *Second Sunday of Lent*

8:00am The People of St. Anthony  
10:00am Rosemary Ghizzoni  
12:00noon Joseph Palumbo & Family

Monday, March 1 *Lenten Weekday*

9:00am Vincent Poggiogalle  
12:10pm William Boyer

Tuesday, March 2 *Lenten Weekday*

9:00am Jawhar Ray  
12:10pm Helen VonKay

Wednesday, March 3 *St. Katharine Drexel*

9:00am Special Intention  
12:10pm Special Intention

Thursday, March 4 *St. Casimir*

9:00am Ronald McGowan  
12:10pm Michael LaFemina

Friday, March 5 *Lenten Weekday*

9:00am William Casey  
12:10pm James Jezsik

Saturday, March 6 *Lenten Weekday*

9:00am Nazzareno & Maria V. Ricci

Saturday, March 6 *vigil: Third Sunday of Lent*

5:00pm Stanley & Michael Uss

Sunday, March 7 *Third Sunday of Lent*

8:00am The People of St. Anthony  
10:00am Francisco "Pancho" Nunez  
12:00noon Michael Joseph Foley

## Reflection for this Weekend

Jesus withdrew to a mountain to spend a night in prayer. And Luke tells us that "Peter and those with him had fallen into a deep sleep."

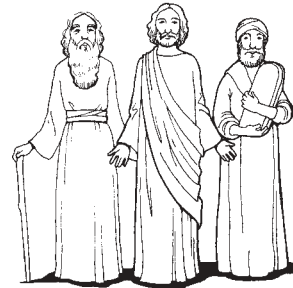
Two men appear to Jesus: Moses the man who delivered the Israelites from bondage in Egypt and Elijah, the man who revitalized the covenant at a time when the Israelites were in the middle of a serious spiritual decline.

Luke mentions the topic of their conversation: the two prophets discuss the death of Jesus and all the events surrounding it. It is not that His death is a final or an end point; it is a point of departure, somehow proclaiming His return to Heaven.

The account of the Transfiguration tells us something about our time of suffering and frustrations and confrontation with evil. It tells us that in the midst of our difficulties, God is at work, patiently fashioning us into the person we will become when we rise from the dead.

The Transfiguration teaches us the meaning of the mystery of death and resurrection. The two cannot be separated or made distinct from one another. This passage through death to resurrection is not confined to the moment of our death. It is lived every day of our lives, and particularly during this time of Lent. We must turn away from everything that buries us in ourselves, that limits our vision to the things of earth, and distorts our desire to be faithful to the Spirit which seeks to fulfill God's work in us.

As we participate in this Eucharistic sacrifice, let us ask the Lord to purify our hearts. St. Paul tells us that He has the power "to subject everything to Himself." Let's open ourselves to this power so the living God can carry out His work of transfiguration in us.



Master, it is good that we are here

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP IS LIGHTED  
IN MEMORY OF  
ADELE & THOMAS PLATONI**

## - STEWARDSHIP -

Last Weekend's Collection \$ 6,143.00

Same Weekend Last Year \$ 6,659.00



Mass Attendance 886

"Friends of St. Anthony School" (2010) \$ 500.00

St. Anthony's Window (so far) \$ 61,073.00 [WE MADE IT!!!]

*[Your continuous support and generosity to our Parish both financially and spiritually and all that it does for others is greatly appreciated. A special "thank you" to all who regularly use envelopes.]*

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**TITHING:** We here at Saint Anthony's have been a tithing Parish since 2001. What is 'TITHING?' A 'tithe' is the first tenth of a wage earner's income. Tithing is really very logical. It's simply giving back to God His fair share. Tithing is God's plan to support His Church. It's in the Bible. Full tithing means 10% of gross income to God. We ask, if possible, 5% for our Parish. We're saying to God: "Thank You, God, for letting me use the other nine tenths!"



THE ARCHDIOCESAN  
STEWARDSHIP APPEAL  
2010

*The Archdiocesan Stewardship Appeal*, which we used to call the Cardinal's Appeal, makes it possible for us to do the important work we do each and every day in our parishes, schools, religious education classes, charitable programs and so much more.

You will hear me speak a lot about Stewardship in the years ahead, as it is such a beautiful expression of our love for God, His Church and one another. Stewardship allows us to say Thank You to Jesus Christ for the many blessings He has given to us.

And we, here in New York, truly have so much to be thankful for. For example, our excellent Seminary system that educates our future priests and deacons, our terrific Catholic schools that instruct our youth about what it means to be a follower of Christ, and our charitable undertakings that allow us to bring God's love to those in need. All of these blessings would be impossible were it not for your support of the Stewardship Appeal.

This is the first of many times I will come to you to ask for your support, and I have great faith that you will respond as you have in the past. I have truly been inspired by your goodness and your tremendous generosity. Thank you so much for that and for your consideration of a gift to the 2010 Archdiocesan Stewardship Appeal.

Most Reverend, Timothy M. Dolan  
Archbishop of New York

## LENT - 2010

### **FAST AND ABSTINENCE – THE CALL TO PENANCE**

**ASH WEDNESDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY** are days of fast and abstinence. **ALL THE FRIDAYS OF LENT** are days of abstinence. **FASTING:** means lessening the amount of food consumed, limiting oneself to one full meal and two lighter meals in the course of a day. The obligation to fast binds Catholics from the ages of **18 to 59**. **ABSTAINING:** means refraining from eating meat. The obligation to abstain binds Catholics from their **14th birthday on**. **THERE IS A SERIOUS OBLIGATION TO OBSERVE THESE PENITENTIAL PRACTICES IN A SUBSTANTIAL WAY.** While minors are not bound by the law of fast and abstinence, they should be educated in an authentic sense of penance and urged to make their own sacrifice.

**PRAYER**, both private and liturgical, can be an excellent practice during Lent. And, of course, **DAILY MASS** is the most perfect act. There are two (2) **Masses celebrated each weekday** (Monday-Friday): at **9:00am and 12:10pm**. On **Saturday**, the morning **Mass is at 9:00am**.

There are “**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**” every **Friday evening during Lent at 7:00pm**. Why not make daily Mass a special gift to the Lord during this Lent?



### **CONFESSION – THE CALL TO RECONCILIATION**

Lent is the season of preparation for the greatest feast of the Church year, Easter. In readying ourselves for the Paschal Mystery, the celebration of our salvation in Christ, we are urged by the Church to reconcile ourselves with the Lord. Make your confession early in Lent so you may share in the preparation for Easter. Refer to the regular schedule of Confessions in our Parish.

### **AS THE FLU AND COLD SEASON APPROACHES . . .**

Please be sure that you wash your hands thoroughly before you come to Mass. Obviously, if you have a cold, a sore throat or just don't feel well, **PLEASE** don't drink from the cup at Communion time. It has always been the Church's teaching that you are receiving 'The Whole Christ' under either species.

### **HAITI RELIEF**

In case you missed the information, our Parish contributed \$4,753.00 toward Haiti Relief. If you'd like to make a gift, we recommend: Catholic Relief Services, 228 W. Lexington Street, Baltimore, MD 21201-3413. If you'd like to contribute online, just go to: [crs.org](http://crs.org). It's easy!

**JUBILEE YEAR OF THE PRIEST**  
**June 19, 2009 - June 19, 2010**

*Please Pray For Our Priests*

*“Being deeply loved by someone gives you strength, while deeply loving someone gives you courage.”*

## *Important Dates Coming Up*

Monday, March 1st

**Parish Council Meeting**

Tuesday, March 2nd

Liturgy Committee Meeting

Friday, March 5th

**Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed**

**Sacrament** - 12:45pm-1:45pm,

closing with Benediction

**Soup for the Soul** at 5:30pm in the Hall

**Stations of the Cross** at 7:00pm

Saturday, March 6th

**First Penance**

Sunday, March 7th

**Yonkers St. Patrick's Day Parade** - Mass at St. Mary's at

12:00noon - parade steps off from Radford Street at 1:30pm

Friday, March 12th

**Stations of the Cross** at 7:00pm

Saturday, March 20th

**St. Patrick's Dinner Dance**

Sunday, March 21st

**Blood Bank**

Monday, March 22nd

**Altar Society Meeting** at 7:30pm

Saturday, March 27th

**Family Fun Bingo**



### **PLEASE PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR**



**Blood Bank...Mar 21st**

**Family Fun Bingo....Mar 27th**

**St. Anthony Golf Outing....May 24th**

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

965-5535

We are all here as Catholics because of the example of parents and others caring adults. Our children deserve a strong foundation, too. Our Religious Education Program relies on volunteers who sacrifice to share their faith. Our Sunday program is always looking for teachers, for 'subs,' for 'teens' to help us share our faith with our children. If you can help in any way, please call the Rectory.

### **UPCOMING BLOOD BANK**

We've scheduled this year's Blood Bank for **Sunday, March 21st from 9:00am thru 2:00pm**. You'll receive all the information shortly. Please put this date on your calendar. And remember: the gift of our blood to someone who needs it, is a precious gift!



## A GREAT HONOR FOR ST. ANTHONY'S

"Enthusiasm and a spirit of collaboration were the keynotes as the Archdiocesan Pastoral Council gathered with Archbishop Dolan on January 30th at St. Joseph's Seminary. The meeting was the first for the new council, which has been reconstituted by the Archbishop. Its purpose is to provide him with information, advice and recommendations from the local level. It is composed of laypersons, including one man and one woman from each of the 19 Archdiocesan Vicariates." Eileen McCabe, from Saint Anthony's, one of our Parish's two trustees, was chosen to represent our Vicariate - a great honor for Eileen and for us!

## THE BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN . . .

has made it possible to address many specific needs of our Parish. Our next 'BIG' project will be the replacement of our church roof. So we ask you to continue to be stewards of our church by maintaining your payments on your pledges and continuing to pray for our success.

The Bicentennial Campaign Office has also made it easier for you to make payments by logging on to their website - [www.bicentennialcampaign.org](http://www.bicentennialcampaign.org). For questions, please contact their office at 212-371-1011 x 2008, or stop by our Parish Office.

## NEW YORK STATE CATHOLIC CONFERENCE....

is the official public voice of the Catholic Church in the Empire State. Let your Catholic voice be heard on the important issues. If you have a computer, it's easy to register. Just go to: [nyscatholic.conference](http://nyscatholic.conference).

**WE WOULD LIKE** to refresh for some, and introduce others, to some of the terms that all Catholics should know.

### THE CATHOLIC WORD IS:

#### **PENANCE**

We believe that we are called to deep relationship with our God...sin hurts that relationship. More than just breaking the Commandments of God, sin wounds us spiritually, as well. Sin festers, like an infection, which only gets worse in time: hardens hearts and leads us away from God and His Church. Venial sin are minor failings for us as Christians and Mortal sin destroys grace and needs to be absolved in the Sacrament of Penance.

#### **AN ACT OF CONTRITION**

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In His name, my God, have mercy.

## ST. ANTHONY SCHOOL

476 - 8489

### WHAT MAKES ST. ANTHONY SCHOOL GREAT:

- † Offers excellent well-rounded education - just compare our test scores
- † Offers excellent CATHOLIC education
- † There are Religion classes EVERY DAY
- † Fr. Ashman offers special Religion classes for our 7th and 8th grades
- † There are regular school Masses and other special Liturgies throughout the school year
- † Catholic values can be talked about every day
- † Every day begins with prayer and a reflection
- † Confessions are offered throughout the year
- † St. Anthony School offers many opportunities to do good for people around the globe.

### Registration for September for New Students...

was held on January 20, 2010. If you missed that registration but would like to place a child or children in our 'top-notch' Catholic school, please call the schools 476-8489. We have a limited number of places available.

## "Friends of St. Anthony School"

**2010**

The Corato Family  
Minyard Family  
Ray & Feli Pardo  
Luke & Patricia Sheridan

### St. Patrick Dinner Dance - March 20th

Please call the school at 476-8489 for reservations/information.

### CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK

Catholic School Week here at St. Anthony School ended on a great note! We hosted a spiritually fulfilling 10:00am Liturgy with help from our 7th and 8th grade students. Many friends, parents and parishioners visited our school for coffee, snacks, a book fair and tours led by some of our 6th grade students.

Our new refurbished library was open for all to see. We also held a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for our new technology lab which Fr. Bauer blessed.

All week our activities were fun, prayerful and filled our children with school spirit.

A special word of thanks to all our parents, friends, faculty, staff who helped to make Catholic School Week at St. Anthony School fun and memorable!

### \*SPECIAL REMINDER\*

Save the Date: **Annual St. Anthony Golf Outing** to be held **Monday, May 24, 2010** at Dunwoodie Golf Course. 434-4

## OUR LITERATURE RACK

We encourage you to stop by our Parish's Literature Rack in the alcove at the main entrance to the Church. With Lent just around the corner, you'll find a great collection of Lenten titles for all members of the family. Please don't let the gift of Lent pass you by.

### PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK

We pray for all the sick of our Parish, especially:

- Msgr. Patrick Boyle • Msgr. Howard Calkins • Alex J. DeFabbia • Phylis Floyd • Frances Giandominco • Patrick Murphy • Harriet Murray • Joy Puccio • Frances Wellington • Thomas Vero • Michael Wellington • Charbel Zreik



## COMMUNITY NOTES

✚ **Parish Mission...** St. Bartholomew, Yonkers, Mon, Mar 8th thru Wed, Mar 10th at 7:00pm as part of their Centennial Year Celebration. All are invited and welcomed to attend. Rev. Vincent Boney, CP, a Passionist Father, will preach the Mission.

✚ **Finian Sullivan Tower...** Yonkers, 10703. Senior citizens 55 years of age or older of moderate income. One bedroom apartments available immediately. Parking on site and in private secured lot, public transportation, two elevators, laundry on first floor, community room. For information, call 965-1659 or visit <http://www.hhmgmt.com/finian>.

✚ **Card Party...** St. Ann's School Annual Card Party will be held on Fri, Apr 23rd at 7:30pm in their school gym. Doors open at 6:30pm. Tickets must be purchased in advance and are \$10 per person. Make your reservations by calling their school office, 965-4333. St. Ann's School is located at 40 Brewster Ave, Yonkers.

✚ **"Almost Aborted-Conceived in Rape/Incest- True Stories"**...at Rory Dolan's, 890 McLean Ave, Yonkers, on Mon, Mar 8th you are invited to attend a special free event on the Yonkers-Bronx border where eight adults, including Rebecca Kiessling, who were either conceived in rape or incest, (and some nearly aborted) will share their moving testimonies. These stories will give you the antidote to people who say they are pro-life but would allow for rape and incest exceptions. Dinner and drinks may be purchased in the function room. Information at [rayjm1942@gmail.com](mailto:rayjm1942@gmail.com) or 718-309-6126.

### ANOTHER THOUGHT ON THIS SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

"Jesus calls His Disciples to the Cross and Resurrection and they resist and so He calls them up the mountain to pray with Him and see the Glory of God in His own Body so that they will come with Him as followers of the Son of Man, leaving all, even their lives to belong to Him and know resurrection life. We are brought to pray with Jesus, to be told to listen only to His Word, to see only Jesus and to believe in His glory, in spite of the suffering, violence and death all around us. Father, let us be true believers, leaving all to follow you through suffering and death into glory, knowing you are always with us."

[From: "Daily Gospel" - Claretian Publications]

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We want to use this column to give ourselves a much needed review of our religious knowledge. It will be an 'on-going' column and will follow the three year cycle of readings at Mass.

## The Demands of Conversion

*We have never adequately responded to the call of God.*

*The call to be converted involves not only repenting of past sins but also the constant effort to overcome distorted attitudes, to resist apathy and to understand and live our call more fully.*

*The Sacrifice of Christ reminds us that we are asked for a complete self-giving.*

"The greatness of the glory which is promised to us in the Risen Christ is foreshadowed in the Transfiguration. It is, however, a glory that we will share only to the extent that we listen to God's Son, His Chosen One (*Gospel*). This demands constant effort on our part:

- against making false gods by allowing the wrong things to become important in our lives (*2nd Reading*);

- to 'remain faithful' and to avoid 'giving way' to apathy, weakness, or weariness (*2nd Reading*);

- to understand more fully the meaning of God's revelation in Christ and to listen to Him more carefully (*Gospel*).

This effort is a demanding one and calls on us to abandon many attitudes, activities, and ways of seeing things that may seem attractive. We must lose our lives in order to save them. 'The promised Christ had first to suffer and so come to the glory of His Resurrection' (*Preface*). The way which He shows us is the way of sacrifice, not just of animals (*1st Reading*) but of ourselves in the unlimited self-giving which is represented in the Eucharist.

'In Christ, priesthood is linked with His sacrifice, His self-giving to the Father; and precisely because it is without limit, that self-giving gives rise in us human beings subject to numerous limitations to the need to turn to God in an evermore mature way and with a constant, evermore profound, conversion'.

We pray that this Mass may encourage us in this effort and may take away our sins so that we may be prepared to celebrate the Resurrection (*Prayer over Offerings*) and ultimately to share in its fullness when Christ 'will change our lowly body to be like His glorious Body' (*2nd Reading*)."

From: *The Christian Journey* by Archbishop Dermont Ryan

## CHURCH CLEANING

Team	Captain	Phone #	Date & Time
3	Beth O'Dwyer	965-9408	Mar 4, Thur, 5pm
4	Beth DiGiovanni	376-2398	Mar 12, Fri, 10am
1	Marge Kleinlercher	965-3368	Mar 19, Fri, 10am
2	Doris Ciufu	963-1991	Mar 26, Fri, 10am