



This Week in our Parish

Sunday, March 4 – RCIA First Scrutiny

Monday, March 5

Tuesday, March 6 – Fr. Begg Bible Study 7pm

Wednesday, March 7 - RCIA – 7pm

Thursday, March 8

Friday, March 9 – Stations of the Cross 7pm

**Saturday, March 10 – Rock 'n' Roll Marathon
Mass 5:30pm**

Server: F. D'Antuono & G. Youbara

Lector: E. Marks & L. Weidner

EMoHC: F. D'Antuono, J. Jean-Pierre, B. Pierce

Sunday March 11 – Day light Savings begins

8:30 am Mass

Server: T. Turner & C. House

Lector: P. Meagher & Te. Turner

EMoHC: T. Turner, D. Poole-Marks, K. Elsasser, S. Powell, J. Robinson, Need

10:30 am Mass

Server: S. Williams & A. Schutter

Lector: J. Adams & S. Koons

EMoHC: S. Williams, C. Dorman, S. Ojikutu, K. Johnston, J. Marafino, L. Javarone

Coffee Hour: Wagner

Noon Mass

Server: R. Jannise & M. Kelsey

Lector: L. Harrell & D. Hogan

EMoHC: R. Jannise & B. Krieger

The schedule can always be found on
our website: www.st-josephs.org

Opportunities for Service

McKenna's Wagon: Contact Dn. Gary Bockweg at (202) 544-3767 with inquiries or to sign up for a Sunday afternoon shift.

Project Rachel: Are you or someone you love suffering from a past abortion? Call Project Rachel for confidential help at (202) 269-HOPE ProjectRachel@adw.org

Knights of Columbus: For information please contact Patrick Abbott, patrick.abbott@gmail.com 202-355-3979

Vocations - CHECK IT OUT: For you or a friend! For everyone! Become a promoter! Answer the call!

Visit www.dcpriest.org, call (202) 636-9020, or email jp2seminary@adw.org



Parish Announcements

Reminder – Day Light Savings Time begins on March 11th. Spring your clocks forward!

2nd Annual Gold Mass for Congressional Staff - The Congressional Catholic Staff Association will be hosting our annual Gold Mass for Congressional Staff at the 12:10 Mass on March 19. Fr. Carter Griffin is the homilist. Please help us celebrate our parish feast day; and honor and pray for those who work in the House and Senate.

Rock 'n' Roll Marathon – Takes place on Saturday, March 10, 2018. Our neighborhood has many road closures during the day. Please visit the marathon website at <http://www.runrocknroll.com/dc/the-races/road-closures/> for specific details.

Lenten Food Drive March 17 & 18 - The present difficult economic times continue to have a profound impact on many of the poor and vulnerable in the Archdiocese. As sons and daughters of God, we are called to know, love, and serve Him, our Lord. We do so by seeing and serving Him in every person we meet. Christ tells us, "As you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to Me" (Matt 25:40). What better way to serve our Lord during this season of Lent, than to help the poor and needy via our parishes and schools? Thus, once again the Archdiocese, Catholic Charities, the Capital Area Food Bank, and local food pantries are working together to coordinate the *Lenten Food Drive*. Last year's *Lenten Food Drive* was a huge success and the generosity of our community across the archdiocese provided much needed relief to many people in need. The *Lenten Food Drive* will be held on the weekend of **March 17 & 18**. Our parish will be donating the food directly to our local food pantry at Holy Name Church. **Please pick up a flyer for more details.**



Stations of the Cross – please join us every Friday in Lent at 7pm to walk with Christ to Calvary.

Bible Study Class with Fr. Begg Bible Study class meets on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center. We will be studying Thessalonians 2.

Please bring a Bible.

News from St. Peter School - For the past several years, St. Peter School has participated in a twinning partnership with the schools of Notre Dame D'Altagrace Parish in Cap Haitien, Haiti: Notre Dame and St. Dominic's. This partnership has allowed us to share our Catholic identity with our sister schools in Haiti, as well as support a community in need of financial assistance. Through the creation of the Haiti Stewardship Committee, the St. Peter School community has raised awareness about our sister schools as well as critical funds for Haiti. This year, the students of St. Peter School have grown closer to our sister community through shared messages with Haitian students, communicating what life is like as a student in our respective countries. St. Peter School students have also learned about our sister community through a presentation by Peter Sloan of Archangel Airborne and helped to raise money to benefit our sister schools by supporting our annual Holiday Market. St. Peter School will continue the school year sharing

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and learning about Haitian traditions and culture through our Mindfulness March programming that will focus on Haitian celebrations and through a visit to our school by a Haitian-inspired storyteller in April. We will continue to raise money to support our sister community through our Mother's Day gift sale and the sale of our Haitian block print cards.

Pastor's Corner

*For by your gracious gift each year (of Lent)
your faithful await the sacred paschal feasts
with the joy of minds made pure,
so that, more eagerly intent on prayer
and on the works of charity,
and participating in the mysteries
by which they have been reborn,
they may be led to the fullness of grace
that you bestow on your sons and daughters.*

Dear Friends,

The above prayer is from the First Sunday of Lent and it is part of a prayer called the Preface. This prayer that ends, Holy, Holy, Holy...is the last oration said before the Eucharistic prayer in the Mass. It is supposed to bespeak what is in our heart; that which we hope to unite to the heart of Christ so that He can take it to the Father. I was so moved by these words in the middle of Mass that I almost had to stop. I just wanted to think about the words I had just said.

So I decided to share them again with you. Please feel free to cut this out and put this on your refrigerator, look at them in the morning and say them again in the evening. Constantly go back to the words of the Church so that Lent doesn't become a meaningless thing, but a song of angels and saints, sons and daughters.

Archdiocese Announcements

This Lent, the Saint John Paul II National Shrine launches two new weekly programs, to be ongoing: "**Behold!**" **Thursday Adoration from 7-8pm** and "**The Art of Prayer**" **Series on Sundays from 6-7pm** on interior prayer with time for silent meditation followed by a Sunday Vespers service. Additionally, there will be a **Tea and Rosary for Mothers on Saturday, March 17 from 9:45am-12pm** (Childcare provided. Please RSVP). For details, please visit www.jp2shrine.org or contact Pilgrimage and Visitor Services at Visitor.Services@jp2shrine.org or [202-635-5402](tel:202-635-5402)

SOME Empty Bowls Supper

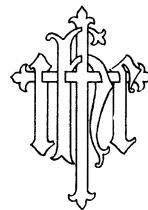
Please join **SOME (So Others Might Eat)** for our annual Lenten Empty Bowls soup supper on Tuesday, March 13th at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament (3630 Quesada Street



NW, Washington, DC), 6pm-8pm. Each year SOME hosts Empty Bowls soup suppers to promote awareness of the growing issue of hunger in our area and to help provide meals for the hungry and homeless. Guests are served a simple soup supper and may select and take home a beautiful handcrafted bowl that will serve as a reminder of those whose bowls are empty. The cost is \$25 per person and tickets may be purchased at the door or online at <http://some.org/events/empty-bowls/>. All proceeds will help SOME continue to provide more than 1,000 meals each day

to hungry and homeless men, women and children. For more information, please contact Empty Bowls at some@some.org.

Catholic Singles of Greater Washington is an organization for single Catholics, ages 21 to 65-plus, enjoying each other's company in a wide variety of social, religious, and cultural settings. Please find out more about us at <http://CatholicSinglesOfGreaterWashington.org> or call Tricia at [301-460-9195](tel:301-460-9195).



Mass Intentions

Monday, March 5

Lenten Weekday

2Kgs 5: 1-15b Lk 4: 24-30

8:00 † Mary Dwan

12:10 † Roderick McKay

Tuesday, March 6

Lenten Weekday

Dn 3: 25, 34-43 Mt 18: 21-35

8:00 For the Intentions of the Cimino Family

12:10 † Ted Efantis

Wednesday, March 7

Lenten Weekday

Sts Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs

Dt 4: 1, 5-9 Mt 5: 17-19

8:00 † Carmella DeRosa

12:10 † Roderick McKay

Thursday, March 8

Lenten Weekday

St. John of God, Religious

Jer 7: 23-28 Lk 11: 14-23

8:00 † Roderick McKay

12:10 † Ted Efantis

Friday, March 9

Lenten Weekday

St. Frances of Rome, Religious

Hos 14: 2-10 Mk 12: 28-34

8:00 For the Intentions of the Hollis Family

12:10 † Mary Dwan

Saturday, March 10

Lenten Weekday

Hos 6: 1-6 Lk 18: 9-14

5:30 † Bella and Tom Caplis

Sunday, March 11

Fourth Sunday of Lent

2 Chr 36: 14-16, 19-23 Eph 2: 4-10 Jn 3: 14-21

8:30 † Emily Slocum

10:30 † Mary and Ralph Dwan

12:00 Pro Populo