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5th Sunday of Lent

"Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead, I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus." (Phil 3: 13-14)



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Masses

Saturday, 4:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM & 12:00 Noon
Holy Day: (Eve 4 PM) 7 AM, 12 Noon & 7 PM
Daily: 7AM and 12:00 Noon
Every Friday 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Adoration & Benediction

Confessions

Will be done every Saturday at 3:00 PM until 3:45 PM
in the main Church, or you may call the rectory to set
up an
appointment

Sacrament of Baptism:

Baptism will be done every Saturday and Sunday at
2:00 PM Classes for Parents and Godparents will be
held on the First Thursday of every month from 7:00
PM until 8:00 PM on (ZOOM)

These are the three ways you can register through our
website www.stanthonysrevere.org
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Sacrament of Marriage:

Preparation for Christian Marriage begins at least one
year prior to the planned date of the Wedding. Couples
contemplating marriage please go on-line to www.bostoncatholic.org
to find out date and time for Trans-
formed in Love.

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April 3, 2022

Pray for All the Souls in Purgatory:

Mafalda Mamzur, Leila Siebert-McCormick,

Robert "Frank" Case, Maria LaValle,

William Lagorio Jr. and Marguerite Rizzo

Masses this Week

Sunday, April 3, In Church

- 8:00 John & Nora O'Connor by John & Pearl O'Connor
10:00 Dina Coccimiglio-Ferrera (7th Anniversary) by family
12:00 Michangelo, Maria Loreta and Giovanna Giammarco and Feliciano & Maria Teresa DiSalvatore by Laura & John

Monday, April 4, In Church

- 7:AM For the Consecration of Russia & Ukraine by Diane
12:PM Thanksgiving for favor received by Beverly & Louis Mario and family

Tuesday, April 5, In Church

- 7:AM Thanksgiving for favor received by Beverly & Louis Mario and family
12:PM Michaelangelo, Rita & Giovanna Giammarco by Laura & John

Wednesday, April 6, In Church

- 7:AM Thanksgiving for favor received by Beverly & Louis Mario and family
12:PM Special Healing for Theresa O'Sullivan

Thursday, April 7, In Church

- 7:AM Thanksgiving for favor received by Beverly & Louis Mario and family
12:PM Joanne Marquardo (29th Anniversary) by daughter Lynda Torregrossa

Friday, April 8, In Church

- 7:AM Mary Nicholls by son Albert
12:PM Feliciano & Teresa DiSalvatore by John & Laura

Saturday, April 9, In Church

- 9:AM Community Mass
4:PM Teresa DeGirolamo (2nd Anniversary) by Children & grandchildren

Masses next Sunday April 10, In Church

- 8:00 Mary Gaito (24th Anniversary) by family
10:00 Theresa D'Amato (2nd Anniversary) by family
12:00 Diana Geestman & Anton Hoyer by family

Saturday Community Mass April 9, 2022 at 9:00 AM

1. Vincent, Catherine & Vincent Anthony Napoli
 2. Lucy DeMasse
 3. Rev. Edward J. Gaudette
 4. Galla Family by son William
 5. Philip LaCascia & Carol LaCascia White by family
 6. Bobby, Vinnie and All the Souls in Purgatory
 7. Special prayers for Joel Colegrove by family
 8. Gina & Antonio Pepe by The Pepe Family
 9. Susan E. D'Angelo Bouchard by family
 10. Special Healing for James A. DeAngelo Jr by brother
 11. Special Healing for Paula DeAngelo by brother
 12. Genisio & Christina Spina by family
 13. Lucia Antonelli by daughter
 14. Camillo Antonelli by daughter
 15. Sandra Anzalone by sister Joann
 16. Five Special Souls and All The Souls In Purgatory
 17. Dapper & Peggy O'Neil by family
 18. For The Holy Family by Laura & John
 19. For Baby Jesus of Praga by Laura & John
 20. Luigi, Giovanna, Feliciano Giammarco by Laura & John
 21. Michael & Marco Giangregorio by Laura & John
 22. The Most Abandoned Souls in Purgatory by Laura & John
 23. Francesco Volpe by Laura & John
 24. Angelo La Rosa by Laura & John
 25. Amato Finocchiaro by Laura & John
 26. Marino, Guido, Teresa Giammarco by Laura & John
 27. Michele (Michael), Rita Giammarco by Laura & John
 28. Feliciano, Teresa Salvatore by Laura & John
 29. Francesco DiTata by Laura & John
 30. Fabio Salvatore by Laura & John
 31. Olimpia Tollis by The Tollis Family
 32. Giuseppe & Peter DiGiustini by The Tollis Family
 33. Maria & Enrico Ventresca by The Tollis Family
 34. Lidio & Regina Zafferano by The Tollis Family
 35. GianCarlo Colasante by The Tollis Family
 36. The Volpe Family Deceased by The Tollis Family
 37. The Tollis Family Deceased by The Tollis Family
 38. Irving, Lydia and Thomas Rubin and All the Souls in Purgatory
 39. John T. Diliegro Jr. by Al & Maryann
 40. Anna & Armando Mastrogiovanni by children
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Saturday Community Mass April 9, 2022 at 9:00 AM

41. Nicola Leone by Josephine & John King and family
42. Jeannie DiBella by Alfred Visconti, Marilyn O’Keefe and Cheryl Matrinko
43. Vincent A. Milano by St. Anthony
44. Michael Baliestiero by Tony & Theresa Traniello
45. Manny Tavares by Theresa Traniello
46. John Joseph Bartolo by Stephanie, Ciena Furfaro
47. Debra Ann Lisano by George Cashman and family
48. Nina DeAngelo by Marie Buckellew
49. Maria K. LaValle by St. Anthony
50. William G. Lagorio Jr. by St. Anthony
51. Carlos Maddonini by family
52. Jackie Mello by family
53. Dominic Ventresca by family
54. Jonny Paulo by family
55. Andrea by family
56. Flo Mandrachia by family
57. Special Healing Theresa O’Sullivan by family
58. Michelina Santosuosso by Lena & Orlando Guarino & family



FAITH FORMATION UPDATE

Congratulations to our First Holy Communion class as this weekend they celebrated their First Reconciliation. It was a blessed day for our children, families and our parish. Please keep these children in our prayers as they draw nearer to their First Holy Communion Day in May!

Just a reminder that our Lenten Mite boxes are due this weekend.

Today is our last day of classes for Grades 1-8. How quickly the year passed by! While it was wonderful to be back to in person classes this year, we hope and pray that next year will be even better with several family events and more students coming back to Faith Formation classes. Let me take a moment to thank our amazing teachers and catechists for their devotion and faith! I am truly blessed to work with such a dedicated group.

To Father Xavier, Father Heni and Deacon Joe, thank you for all the support, prayers and guidance this year for our families and children. You are true “shepherds” of our parish at St. Anthony of Padua.

Registration for 2022-2023 will begin in August, so please watch your mail for more information over the summer!

Passion Play 2022

Rehearsals for Passion Play 2022 continue this weekend. Today, April 3rd, we will be meeting in the Main Church from 4:00-6:00. This week our Dress Rehearsal will take place on Friday evening, April 8th from 6:00-8:00. The Music Rehearsal will take place on Saturday afternoon, April 9th at 2:00 sharp in the church.

The Passion Play will be presented at all Masses on Palm Sunday weekend. At the end of each Mass, several young people will be at the door to collect donations to the Indian Childrens’ Mission in Father Xavier’s home parish in India. Thank you so much for your thoughtful generosity.

Remember, pray often, attend Mass over the Summer as a family and know that you are in my prayers always!

Donna Felzani
Administrator of Faith Formation



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News from the Wheel-House

“Of all the sinners, I am the worst, what I say is the truth. I cannot look into the hearts of others, but only my own, and I know that without the forgiveness and grace of God I would be lost as well.” - St Francis of Assisi.

Dear parish family,
Greetings! May God remember us in his mercy and bless us all! Last weekend, the Lenten Reflection done by “The sisters of Notre Dame de Namur” was great. Many of the attendees told me after the session that it was fruitful and even said that they even didn’t feel how the time went by. Sr. Roberta Rzeknik talked about “The Burning Bush” which helped Moses to have a new, uplifted and blessed life. And encouraged the congregation to look for “the Burning Bush” for ourselves to have the transformed and uplifted life. She advocated to have the habit of reading the Bible. Sr. Genny Scally encouraged everyone to realize that we are branded/claimed/ registered for Christ and conduct our lives that suits to our brand that is “We are people of God”. Hereby, I thank and appreciate the sisters on behalf of our faith community for helping us to make our faith community’s Lenten Observances more fruitful. I also thank and appreciate all who attended and made that faith event a successful one.

Now is our time: This weekend April 3, 2022 we celebrate “the Fifth Sunday of Lent”. This weekend’s readings especially the gospel passage which talks about how Jesus forgave the woman caught in adultery. It comes to us with a powerful message as we are getting closer to the celebration of Easter 2022. It calls each of us individually to become a splendid version of oneself. Whatever may be one’s age, whether sixteen or sixty, the rest of our life is ahead of us. We cannot change one moment of our past, but we can change our whole future. Now is our time. In our lives, we don’t want to think about our weaknesses. We don’t want to talk about them, and we certainly don’t want anyone else to point them out. This is a classic sign of mediocrity, and this mediocrity has a firm grip on the Church and humanity at this moment in history. But at the same time, we want to talk about the weaknesses of others. Too often we rush to judgment, race to argue as we find in today’s gospel. But Jesus warns us that people who judge will be judged and the people who condemn will be condemned. Jesus said in Luke’s gospel chapter six, verses 41-42, “Why do you see the speck that is in your brother’s eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take out the speck that is in your eye,’ when you yourself do not see the log that is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck that is in your brother’s eye.” A speck is a tiny splinter, and a log is the main beam of a building. Jesus is really trying show the absurdity of picking at someone else’s fault while ignoring one’s own fault.

Being hypocritical and judgmental is not the way that Jesus wants us to walk on rather He calls us to walk on His footsteps like being merciful, forgiving, more generous and gracious. Here I also want to bring to you the attitude of St. Francis of Assisi. Through the above quote he drives home a beautiful message that people who are humble will never rush to be judgmental, cynical and scornful. As we are getting closer to end of this Lenten season, let us ask for the grace to do what Jesus is asking of us and become a splendid version of ourselves. Kindly realize that right now is the time to start.

New Sound System for our Beautiful Church: I am truly excited to bring to you this great news. Finally, the company which we hired to come up with the New and Digital Sound System for our church have got all the necessary shipments and has initiated the installation job. They started it last Monday and plan to finish before this Easter. This good work has become possible because of you, your generosity and love for our church. I deeply thank and appreciate each and everyone of you. God bless you all!

Support the Indian Children: Every year during the Lent we do a special collection for the support of Indian children. This weekend, the second collection goes for it. Kindly be generous toward this good cause.

Passion Play: As you all know that before the pandemic every year we had “the Passion Play” on Palm Sunday. Because of the pandemic, we couldn’t have it for the past two years but this year our parish faith formation students along with the adult’s confirmation candidates are going to bring it to us on this Palm Sunday. Kindly pray that God may bless them and all those who are behind this great faith event.

Well, here goes the bell calling me to go and hold the Wheel. Before I go let me say “Happy Fifth Sunday of Lent” now and assure you of my continual prayers for your well-being!

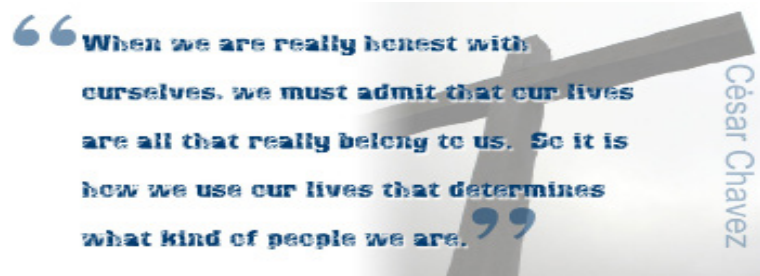
Your Administrator,
Fr. Xavier

The Lights are On

Are every Wednesday evening during the Lenten Season we have Confession from 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM with silent Adoration. Please take this opportunity to spend some time in silence with our Lord.

Stations Of The Cross

Stations of the Cross are every Friday from 3:00PM - 4:00 PM during Lent





Fasting, Because Adam Didn't

By Fr. Daniel Merz

Fasting, which is required of Catholics on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, has biblical roots. Our fall from grace happened when Adam and Eve broke the fast, and a key moment in our restoration to grace occurred when Christ fasted for 40 days in the desert.

Humanity's first sin involved eating. God had proclaimed a fast from the fruit of only one tree, the tree of knowledge of good and evil, and Adam and Eve broke it. All of us, in Adam and Eve, rejected a life dependent on God alone for one that was dependent on "bread alone" instead. The tragedy is not so much that Adam and Eve ate food, but that they ate the food for its own sake, apart from God and to gain independence from him. They believed the deceiving serpent's message that food had life in itself and that by eating of that one tree they could be "like God" and thus rid of him. They put their faith in food, believing that their existence depended on bread alone.

Christ, the new Adam, at the start of his ministry fasted 40 days and 40 nights. He became

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hungry. Such hunger helps us realize we depend on something else — when we face the ultimate question: on what does my life depend? Satan tempted Adam and Eve and Christ, saying: Eat, for your hunger is proof that you depend entirely on food, that your life is in food. Adam and Eve believed and ate. Christ, meanwhile, said, "Man does not live by bread alone." This liberates us from total dependence on food, on matter, on the world. Thus, for Christians, fasting is the only means by which a person recovers his true spiritual nature. People sometimes fast as a fed, of course, but there must be a spiritual component to fasting, otherwise it remains essentially about food—the lack of it. The second half of Christ's statement revealed what humanity does live

by: "every word that comes forth from the mouth of God" (Mt 4:4).

Fasting in Lent recalls our dependence on God alone: his Word and his Word made flesh. The trust of all foods is the Eucharist. Before this food, we break our fast every time, because this is not food for this world, but the Bread of Heaven. Fasting empties us, making us ready to receive the food of grace.

Father Daniel Merz is the former associate director of the Secretariat for Divine Worship of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.



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*Sanctuary Candle
April, 2022
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*In Loving Memory
Of*

Mary & Bob Mc Gillicuddy Jr.

by

John Mc Gillicuddy



*Eucharistic Hosts
April, 2022
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In Loving Memory

of

Marguerite Rizzo

by

The Bingo Volunteers



*Altar Wine and Supplies
April, 2022
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In Loving Memory

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The Mercurio and Bevilaqua Families

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