

March 12, 2023

2023 Lenten Parish Retreat



Prepare for Easter Joy!

Fr. Timothy Tarnacki, OSPPE

Paulist Fr. Timothy from the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa leads our retreat!

Sunday	March 12	7:00 p.m.
Monday	March 13	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	March 14	7:00 p.m.

As we journey through Lent to Easter Joy, Fr. Timothy will help us to see the ordinary and extraordinary presence of God in our daily lives and to recognize what God is inviting us to do.

Join Us!



*This week the Sanctuary Candle
burns in memory of
Rita Maguire
requested by Grainne Keogh.*



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, MARCH 11

5:30pm Mire Gjuraj (req. by daughters)

SUNDAY, MARCH 12

9:00am James Calcagnini (req. by O'Rourke family)

1100am Giuseppe, Rosa & Ben Grossi
(req. by Masone & Martino families)

MONDAY, March 13

8:00am Anthony Kurche (req. by wife, Grace)

TUESDAY, March 14

8:00am Rose Surwilo

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

8:00am Sr. Tilberta Mary

THURSDAY, MARCH 16

8:00am Special Intention

FRIDAY, MARCH 17

8:00am Stew & Ann Thorne (req. by family)

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, MARCH 18

5:30pm Mire Gjuraj (req. by daughters)

SUNDAY, MARCH 19

9:00am C. J. Kane (req. by family)

1100am Joe Masone (req. by Masone & Martino families)

WEEKLY COLLECTION:



This Year
3/5/23 \$3,771;

Last Year
3/6/22 \$7,024;



When I became the pastor of a large parish, I soon found myself, for the first time in my life, riddled with anxiety, headaches, difficulty making decisions, and fatigue. I called a therapist friend and told her my symptoms and asked if she thought I needed a serious medical exam. She said, "How much water do you drink?" I told her, "I haven't had time to drink water lately." She responded, "You're chronically dehydrated. Drink eighty-five ounces a day and call me in a week." I started guzzling water and in a week all my symptoms went away. I felt great.

Like me, the people in the Exodus wanderings were dehydrated. But unlike me, they knew it. Their symptoms were bad. They fight with each other. They accuse God of being a monster who wants them and their children to die of thirst. Their thirst drives them to plot the bloody assassination of the man who rescued them. God responds by using Moses to strike a rock from which rivers of living waters flow to quench their thirst for years to come.

The Holy Spirit is the living water of love which flows from the pierced side of Jesus, the new Moses. What symptoms in your life suggest you're spiritually dehydrated? Anger at God? Cynicism at your leaders? Bitter rivalry and bickering with others? Don't panic. *Of course* we have those symptoms. Ask God to provide his water to quench your spiritual thirst, and he will. And all those symptoms will soon disappear. — *Father John Muir* ©LPi



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Change for Lent

2/26 - 4/2/23



Annually, we collect spare change to help special needs overseas. In the past, we have supported clean water projects for Africa through the Catholic Relief Services.

This year OLSS is supporting the Ukrainian families in Ukraine and Poland displaced by the war. Little boxes will be given out at the Faith Formation classes and will be available at the entrance to the church. Donations will go to work being done through the Knights of Columbus.



<http://www.kofc.org/ukraine> THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT



OLSS VOLUNTEER FAIR 2023

Come and learn how to share your special gifts. Do you like to socialize? Have a desire to help others? Want to share your faith? Feel like singing?

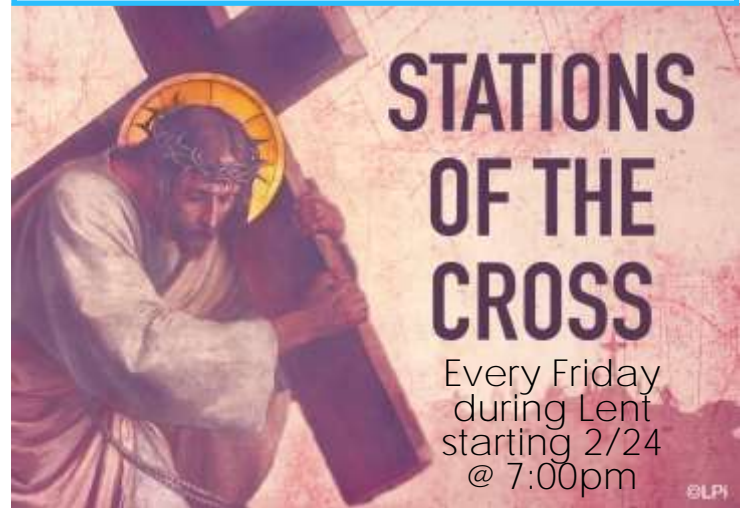
Explore the many opportunities OLSS has to offer and learn more about our Parish.

Sunday, March 19th

9:45 - 11:00 and 11:45 - 12:30



Saturday evenings following the Vigil Mass in the Meeting Room
Mar. 11th, Mar. 18th, Mar. 25th, & Apr. 5th
Contribute and Enjoy, Pot Luck Dinner



Blossoms of Our Faith

As we make our way into the challenging season of Lent, we have many opportunities to encounter the beautiful pillars of the season. They include prayer, fasting, and giving. OLSS is once again providing a display of our commitment to the Lenten season by presenting a tree symbolizing the blossoming of our faith. We would like everyone to participate by adding blossoms to a barren tree by purchasing a single blossom for \$20.00 beginning on 3/19 and continuing through to Easter.

All the profits will go to support our ministries. Our tree will stand throughout the Easter season reminding us of the joy of the Resurrection.

Saturday, March 18th 7:30 - 8:30 am

Following our introduction to Christian Meditation and Centering prayer that was held on March 4th, you are invited to group centering prayer on Saturday March 18th from 7:30-8:30am at Deacon Vincent's home, 76 Auldwood Road. If you are interested, please contact Deacon Vincent at dnvincent@diobpt.org

GROUP CENTERING PRAYER WITH DEACON VINCENT



Brody Logan Rasovic