



Mass Intentions

First Sunday in Lent
February 17, 2018

Saturday – Feb 17th –

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Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Antone Zukowski
by Wife, Frances

7:00PM – Richard J. Longenhagen, Sr. (B)
by Deacon and Mrs. Jack O’Connell

Sunday – Feb 18th –

8:30AM – Michael E. Voice
by Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Voice

10:30AM – Joan Patterson (B)
by Irene Vomero

Monday – Feb 19th – St Conrad of Piacenza

8:00AM – Susan M. Hertz
by Barbara Petro

Tuesday – Feb 20th – St Eucherius

8:00AM – Margaret “Peggy” Funk
by Eugene Kovalchick and Family

Miraculous Medal Novena after Mass

Wednesday – Feb 21st – St Peter Damian

6:00PM – Husband, Joe, and Niece
by Aggie Chabak

Thursday – Feb 22nd – The Chair of St Peter

8:00AM – Margaret and Charles McCarty
by Kathleen and Peggy

Friday – Feb 23rd – St Polycarp

8:00AM – Margaret “Peggy” Barrington
by Jeff, Donna and Brendyn Hussar

Saturday – Feb 24th – St Ethelbert

8:00AM – All St. John Fisher Parishioners

Second Sunday in Lent

Sat Vigil: 4:00PM – Edward J. Ferenchak (WA)
by Agnes R. Breiner

7:00PM – Veronica Ann Heckman
by Pauline Albert and Family

Sunday – Feb 25th –

8:30AM – Agnes M. Collis (B)
by Andrew Figura and Family

10:30AM – Memorial Fund Members
by Memorial Fund



Pray the Rosary each Sunday
8:15AM and 10:15AM

PASTOR’S CORNER

Lent I

Jesus, my Lord,
the love in your heart drove You into the desert.
There, in the manner of Israel,
You wind your way, seeking your Father’s will.
In the heat, in the dry,
among rocks and the wild,
your humanity is stripped bare,
your divinity bows low –
a sign of things to come.

Jesus, Son of God,
the empty yearnings of your belly soon follow
your Godly appetite
for communion with our souls.
There, in the manner of Moses,
You feed on the manna of the Father’s will,
for what else could ever satisfy,
and the Word of the mouth of God is our
banquet.

Jesus, Son of Man,
“on the edge” with human need,
open and wanting as an empty canvas,
the tempter could not ignore You.
There, in the manner of King David,
You put your trust in the Father, in *your* Father.
Stones of bread, the presumed power of God,
every worldly kingdom and its fleeting glory,
all these can be yours, can be *ours*.
All we need do is turn from the Father.

Jesus, Savior,
tempted in the desert of humanity,
God’s only Son,
share your divine sonship with us.
May our humanity provide us every opportunity
to trust in your Father and ours. Amen.

Happy Lent,
Fr. Eric.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION



Plate Collection \$3,400.00
 Ash Wednesday Collection \$1,739.00

The **Second** Collection this weekend, **February 17th and 18th**, is for the **Catholic Home Missions**.



NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

	Servers	Lectors	E.Ministers
4:00PM	A.Gorr D.Gorr	J.McAllister	Deacon Jack
7:00PM	A.Banoza A.Muschko	J.Englert	Deacon Jack
8:30AM	D.Popovic M.Popovic	E.Snyder	C.Molchany
10:30AM	C.Ritter M.Ritter	J.DeLong	J.Ottinger



BAPTISM

We welcome **Lucy Catherine Chovanes**, daughter of **Michael George and Kathleen Mary (Corrigan) Chovanes**, who was baptized last week, and is the newest member of our family of God at St John Fisher Parish.



Please remember in your prayers **Veronica Ann (Hoffman) Heckman, and Susan M. (Korenko) Hertz**, who passed away and were buried. We pray their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



SCHOOL HALL PIEROGIES

Come to the school hall on **Saturday March 10th**, ready to make our delicious Lenten pierogies. See you on the 10th!



CONFIRMATION

Our Sacramental Class is preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation, which they will receive on **Wednesday, March 8th at 4:30pm, at Queenship of Mary Church**. Please keep our students in your prayers.



LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Will be held every Friday in Lent at **7:00PM**, followed by Evening Prayers with Benediction.

- I. Jesus is condemned to death
- II. Jesus accepts His cross
- III. Jesus falls the first time
- IV. Jesus meets His mother
- V. Simon helps Jesus to carry His cross
- VI. Veronica wipes the face of Jesus
- VII. Jesus falls the second time
- VIII. Jesus meets the women and children
- IX. Jesus falls the third time
- X. Jesus is stripped of His garments
- XI. Jesus is nailed to the cross
- XII. Jesus dies on the cross
- XIII. Jesus is taken down from the cross
- XIV. Jesus is laid in the tomb



DONUT SUNDAY

Today, Sunday, February 18th, is **Donut Sunday**. Thank you to **Brian and Melissa Anthony**, who are sponsoring this month's event. Please stop by after the **8:30AM and 10:30AM Masses** for some coffee, tea, and some donuts!



FIRST PENANCE

Our Sacramental Class is preparing for the Sacrament of Penance, which they will receive for the first time **this Thursday, February 22nd at 7:00PM**. Please keep our students in your prayers as they continue their preparation and receive the Sacrament of Penance.

Strudel Roll Sale

Once again we are sponsoring an Easter Strudel Sale. The strudels are made by *Country Cottage Bake Shop* in Tamaqua. Orders are due by **Sunday, March 11th**, via the collection basket. Cost is \$15.00 a roll, and available in the flavors listed below. Delivery is **Wednesday, March 28th, from 5:00pm to 7:00pm** in the church hall. Any questions, call Mary Beth at 610-264-4494 or Peggy at 610-264-0307.



NAME _____ PHONE # _____

Nut: _____ Poppyseed: _____ Lekvar: _____

Apricot: _____ Raspberry: _____ Total: \$ _____

LENTEN OBLIGATIONS

Church law considers every Friday in the season of Lent as penitential days and times. The practice of penance is a part of our faith and Catholic life. When we do penance, we imitate Jesus, who Himself recommended it as necessary to His followers, and gave them the example of His prayer and fasting.

Our Lenten obligations include abstinence and fasting. **Abstinence** from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday for all Catholics 14 years of age and older. **Fasting** is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those bound by this rule may take only one full, meatless meal a day. Two smaller, meatless, meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs. Eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

CYO Spring Sports Signups:

Track – 5th to 8th grade; **Volleyball** – 5th to 8th grade are both \$50.00. **Registration is open until February 28th.** Please visit their website:

<http://tshq.bluesombrero.com/default.aspx?portalid=21527> for registration and payment. CYO is available for all the children of our parishes. Any questions, call Dave at 610-502-1950.

Salem UCC, 615 Third St., Catty

Their Winter Blast Flea Market will be held on **Saturday, March 3rd, from 9:00am to 1:00pm.** They have a fantastic basket raffle with great prizes, plus a bake sale, pickled red beets and lots of great food available for eat in or take out. Call 610-264-4091 for any questions.

F I S H



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ST. JOHN FISHER FISH DINNER

We will be hosting our Fish Dinner on **Friday, February 23rd, from 4:00pm to 7:00pm.** The platter includes: breaded haddock, choice of parsley potatoes or halushkie, creamed cabbage, corn, applesauce, dessert and beverage. Cost is Adults: \$10.00, Children (Ages 5 to 10) \$5.00. Tickets will be sold before and after Masses, or call Annette at 610-264-4758. Tickets at the door will be \$12.00.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed for the upcoming Fish Dinner. Help is requested for **Thursday, February 22nd, at 6:00pm** to assist with preparation of food, setting up tables, preparing take home containers, etc., and on **Friday, February 23rd, at 2:00pm** to start cooking, finishing set up, cutting baked goods, etc., and after **4:00pm** to assist with serving food, doing dishes, busing tables and end of night cleanup. Sign-up sheets can be found at both church entrances.



Baked Goods

Parishioners are asked to bake desserts for our Annual Fish Dinner. Desserts can be dropped off in the church hall either on **Thursday, February 22nd, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm** or on **Friday, February 23rd, after 2:00pm.**

