

The Bulletin

St Anne of the Heights • Jersey City, NJ

February 21, 2016
Second Sunday of Lent





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Weekly Planner

SUNDAY 2/21 • 2nd Sunday of Lent

10 AM CCD Mass *Church/Cent Hall*

MONDAY 2/22

1-3 PM St. Anne's Seniors *Cent Hall*
3:30-4:30 PM Legion of Mary *Convent*

TUESDAY 2/23

12:15 PM Bingo *Cent Hall*
7-8 PM Nelson Ave Block Assoc. *Cent Hall*

THURSDAY 2/25

9:30-10:30 AM Holy Hour for Priests *Convent*

FRIDAY 2/26

12:15 PM Bingo *Cent Hall*
1 & 7 PM Stations of the Cross *Church*
5-8 PM H.N.S. Lenten Fish Fri *Cent Hall*
7:30-9:30 PM J&M Prayer Mtg *Convent*

SATURDAY 2/27

7-9 PM OLG Social *Cent Hall*

SUNDAY 2/27 • 3rd Sunday of Lent

10 AM CCD Mass *Church/Cent Hall*

Liturgies

Saturday Evening Church English 5:30 PM

(anticipating Sunday) Misa Español 7 PM

Sunday Church 8 AM, 10 AM, 12 Noon

Monday ▶ Saturday: Mass *Church* 9 AM

Wednesday: Mass *Church* 7 PM

Holy Hour

Holy Hour Day & Time Changed! Effective February 4th, Holy Hour is moved from Tuesday To Thursday and the time is moved to 9:30 AM, immediately following Daily Mass.

Thursdays Convent Chapel 9:30 AM

Sacrament of Penance

Saturdays *Church (Or by Appointment)* 5 PM

Schedule of Masses February 22nd – 28th, 2016

Monday, February 22

9 AM † Christina Burke

Tuesday, February 23

9 AM † Lilia Salvador *Villanueva Family*

Wednesday, February 24

9 AM Lawrence Shin *Family*
7 PM Special Intention *OL Perpetual Help Group*

Thursday, February 25

9 AM † Paul Principe *Toni Belfiore*

Friday, February 26

9 AM John Shin *Family*

Saturday, February 27

9 AM † Kathleen McGuinness *Parish Intention*
1st Anniv. in Heaven

5:30 PM † Alexander Coulter Sr. *Parish Intention*
1st Anniv. in Heaven

7 PM † Christopher Rosado *Family*

Sunday, February 28

8 AM Angela Aversano *Family*

10 AM † Christina Burke

12 PM † Philip Cimino *James & Jessica Kerwin*

Sunday Readings

First Reading: **Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18**

Psalm: **Psalm 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14**

Second Reading: **Philippians 3:17—4:1**

Gospel: **Luke 9:28B-36**

Weekday Readings

Monday

1 Pt 5:1-4/ Ps 23:1-3A, 4, 5, 6/ Mt 16:13-19

Tuesday

Is 1:10, 16-20/ Ps 50:8-9, 16BC-17, 21 & 2/ Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday

Jer 18:18-20/ Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/ Mt 20:17-28

Thursday

Jer 17:5-10/ Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 AND 6/ Lk 16:19-31

Friday

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13A, 17B-28A/ Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-2/ Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/ Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/ Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sanctuary Gifts for February 21st–27th, 2016

Gift	In Memory of	Requested By
Altar Wine	† Lois M. Ricker	Parish Intention
Altar Bread	† Mary Bakerowski	Parish Intention
Sanct. Lamp	† Warren Lewis	Parish Intention
Altar Candles	† Rina D'Amico	Parish Intention

Sick List

Let us pray for the sick (People will remain on sick list for 2 weeks unless otherwise notified): Patricia Kucinski ● Frank McNamara ● Dennis Mallon ● Donna Tuzo ● Matt Bolger ● Marie Carlson ● Lawrence Shin ● Lupe Pena ● Frances Kearns ● Josephine Cermak Rowan ● Steve & Rachel Mastin ● Diane Shea ● Joseph Callandrillo ● Humberto Quintana ● Julia Annicchiarico ● Javier Vega ● Jennifer Moloughney ● Antoinette Maddi ● Carol Jordan ● Anthony Biggio ● Sammy DeLeon ● Shane Quinn ● Alice Daly ● Sadie Krieger ● Dolores DelMonte ● Dianne O'Sullivan ● Carl Carlson ● Larry Bello ● Miyuki Campbell ● Diane Albert ● Meghan Connaughton

Ministry to the Sick

We hope to give to all the sick and aged in our parish the opportunity to receive the Eucharist. If you or someone you know can no longer get to church, and would like a Eucharistic Minister to bring you Communion, please call **St. Anne's Rectory at 201-360-0838 or email: info@sahjerseycity.com**

February Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father

Universal: *Care for Creation* That we may take good care of creation—a gift freely given—cultivating and protecting it for future generations.

Evangelization: *Asia* That opportunities may increase for dialogue and encounter between the Christian faith and the peoples of Asia.

Social Media

Please follow the official Twitter channels of the parish:

	sah_promise	Faith Formation Grade K—1
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	sah_venture	Faith Formation Grade 4—6
	sah_visions	Faith Formation Grade 7—8
	stah_nation	General parish feed

Website & Online Services

Website: sahjerseycity.com

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Parish Calendar and online

Readings of the Day: sahjerseycity.com/calendar

How much should I give in the collection basket each Sunday?

We ask each person working in the household to gift one hour's wage to the parish every week. How much is one hour? Below you can find the recommended contribution based on your annual combined income:

Annual combined income	Hourly Wage (Recommended weekly donation)	Annual combined income	Hourly Wage (Recommended weekly donation)
\$75,000	\$38	\$30,000	\$15
\$50,000	\$25	\$25,000	\$12
\$40,000	\$20	\$20,000	\$10

We are grateful for your contribution!

Collection Report

5:30PM	\$552	10AM	\$631
7PM	\$101	12PM	\$756
8AM	\$300	Total	\$2,340

Religious Education News

Our Religious Ed Office is located inside St. Anne's Rectory. Office Hours: **M-T-W** 9 am to 5 PM, **TR & F**, 10 am to 5 pm.

Baptism Information

Baptisms take place on the 1st Sunday of every Month: 2 Baptisms per Mass at 10 AM & 12 Noon (English). Because they will be promising to help raise your child in the practice of the Faith, the church requires that at least one of your child's godparents be a 'fully initiated Roman Catholic,' i.e., one who has been Baptized and received the sacraments of Holy Communion and Confirmation. At the time of registering your child for Baptism, we ask that one of your chosen godparents provide a copy of their Confirmation certificate or some documentation from their church of Baptism or Confirmation indicating the month and year of their Confirmation. GODPARENTS & PARENTS are also required to attend a "baptism instruction" session on Saturday (the day before the Baptism) @ 4:00 PM in CHURCH (English & Spanish). A donation to the church for Baptism is always appreciated: please place your offering in an envelope marked 'BAPTISM' with your child's name and drop it in the Sunday collection basket. **Contact the office with any questions. Thank You.**



ST. ANNE'S PARISH AUCTION

2 weeks left until our Parish Auction on Sunday, March 6, 2016 !

Admission Ticket: \$15.00 (includes one auction bid-sheet and one meal — Admission ticket needed to receive meal and **Advance Ticket Purchase Requested To Order Food** • Tickets are available NOW at the rectory. GIFT CARD, NEW GIFTS or MONEY DONATIONS would be greatly appreciated; please bring 'donation' to the rectory and label it "Parish Auction" • On-premise 50/50 raffle (sold only at the Auction) • Please call the Rectory today to reserve your table of 8 or more people! • Volunteers are always needed. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Georgene at St. Anne's Rectory at 201-360-0838. **All Proceeds Benefit St. Anne's Religious Education Program**

1PM (Doors open at 12 Noon) — Centennial Hall



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2016 Lenten Fish Fri



Join us for our Lenten Fish fri on Fridays during Lent 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM in Centennial Hall: February 26, and March 4, 11, 18.

How to join?

Tickets are on sale at the rectory **only**: Price \$7 in advance; \$8 at the door. The Rectory office hours are Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday - 9:00 am to 5:00 pm; Thursday/Friday: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm; Saturday: 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

What's on the menu?

Fish, Fries, Cole Slaw, Tartar Sauce & Soda/Water. *You can dine in take out.*

We look forward to enjoying the company of our fellow parishioners and neighbors during this most holy season. **Please note that if you are attending the Stations of the Cross, please notify the kitchen staff BEFORE ATTENDING STATIONS. Thank you.**

Healing Mass With Fr. John Gordon

There will be a First Friday Healing Mass at St. Anne's Church on March 4, 2016 with the Rev. John Gordon, Coordinator of Office for Evangelization in the Archdiocese of Newark. He will be Celebrant and Healing Minister. It will start at 7:00 PM with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction, Confession followed by Holy Mass and Healing Service. Reception in Centennial Hall to follow. Everyone is invited.

The Archdiocese Responds to all Allegations Quickly and Appropriately

In line with Archbishop Myers' personal directive and a Memorandum of Understanding with County Prosecutors, the Archdiocese reports all allegations of sexual abuse of minors to the local County Prosecutor, and cooperates with law enforcement investigations.

Those accused of abuse are temporarily removed from ministry or assignment while investigations are ongoing. If the allegation is substantiated, the removal is permanent.

Since his arrival in 2001, Archbishop Myers has removed permanently from ministry 19 priests against whom allegations were substantiated and who faced penalties under Church law. Only two Archdiocesan priests have been convicted or pleaded guilty to criminal charges involving minors during this same time, and both have resigned or been dismissed from the priesthood. No Archdiocesan priest has been charged with a crime involving minors since 2004.



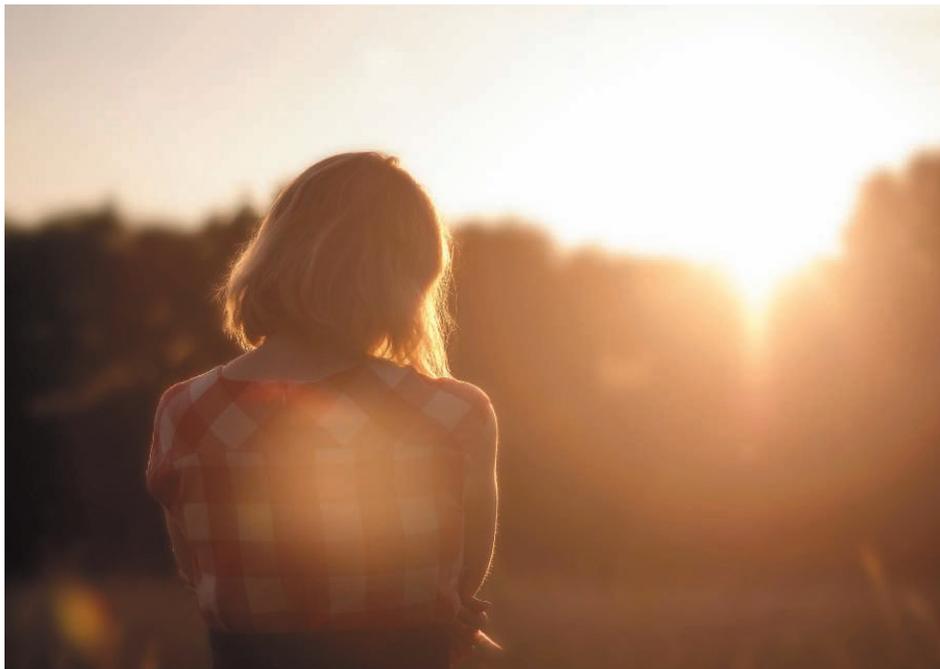
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A Meditation On Integrity



BY **SR MARY JOSEPH SCHULTZ, SCC**

What ever happened to integrity? Almost on a daily basis we hear stories of athletes taking performance enhancing drugs, politicians indicted for money laundering, actors accused of sexual misconduct, etc. The list goes on and on. Even the church is not exempt. While we **all** have clay feet, really, it is those we put on the highest pedestals who **fall** the farthest. Or is it just the spin of the media?

I search for the meaning of integrity and try to associate with people of integrity. To me a person of integrity is the same on the **inside** as what is seen on the **outside**. But here I want to put a different twist on that. A person of integrity is the same on the **outside** as on the **inside**. For a Christian, the juxtaposition of these words makes all the difference.

At baptism, we become the Dwelling Place of God. Yes, take it literally In truth, the waters of baptism create a Temple out of this flesh and blood human

being. So inside of us dwells the Almighty. In the core of our hearts we harbor the Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier. As I continue on my journey through life, the challenge is to be whole and undivided...to convert, over and over...to turn my thoughts, words and deeds into channels of what lies within me, or rather WHO lies within me. As persons reflect the Indwelling more and more, they will drop away vices and traces of evil, taking on the ever-increasing and clearer image of God. It requires steadfast perseverance and above all the **constant awareness** of the Reality within.

God plants the desire within us to be **one**, a united being. For a person to be mentally healthy, he or she cannot be delusional, paranoid, or schizophrenic. Think of how we describe people when they are upset or not thinking clearly: "She is beside herself" or "He is out of his mind." Psychological labels and diagnoses reflect fragmentation or a lack of unity even within the psyche. These bear witness to the fact that all is not well. The outside of us is far from the Within, or we are standing apart from our real selves...the selves intended by God. The person of integrity, I believe, is someone who, though never perfect, increasingly mirrors one who is "together."

The quickest and surest way for Catholics to be spiritually sound and persons of integrity is to receive the Holy Eucharist often. You are what you eat. Here we have in our hands the One who heals, the One source of unity, the Real Presence who will now work on us from the inside out. He can knit together our "within" and "without," but only with our cooperation and never against our wills. Our outer selves will become transparent and reveal more and more the Indwelling Presence. We will become more peaceful, more gentle, more humble, less fearful, and less selfish. The more alienated I am from my true self, the more masks I wear to fool others or to accommodate myself to their expectations. On the other hand, the more integrated I am, the less I have to fear and the more I will enjoy life. A person of integrity acts and speaks the truth because the Truth (living within) will set you free, as Jesus told us. We are simply letting the inner Truth out.

Awareness of our dignity as Christians is the key. Ponder the realities of Jesus' words in JOHN 14:23: *We will come to him and make our dwelling with him.* Again in JOHN 15:4 he tells us, *Remain in me as I remain in you.*

During these weeks of Lent I invite you to slowly read and ponder Chapters 14 through 17 of the Gospel of John. Savor what Jesus is really saying. There is no deeper reality than what you will find here. May it lead us all to a more profound integrity of life and true peace of heart.

QUO VADIS?

"WHERE ARE YOU GOING?"

A Retreat for Catholic Young Men (Grades 8-11)

July 13-16, 2016
Save the Date!

More info to come

The *Quo Vadis* Retreat is an opportunity to examine where your life is going. This retreat is designed to help young men to **understand** their baptismal call to holiness via the priesthood, religious life, or marriage. On this retreat, you will take time to ask the Lord where He desires to lead you.

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THIS SUNDAY'S GOSPEL

The Transfiguration

On the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert and temptation by the devil to the glory shown in Jesus' Transfiguration. On the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel always tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday, we always hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration. The report of Jesus' Transfiguration is found in each of the Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. The context for Luke's Transfiguration story is similar to that found in both Matthew and Mark. The Transfiguration occurs after Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' prediction about his Passion. After the prediction there is a discussion of the cost of discipleship in each of these Gospels. The placement of the Transfiguration story close to Peter's confession and Jesus' prediction encourages us to examine the Transfiguration in the larger context of the Paschal Mystery. The Transfiguration occurs on a mountain in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples—Peter, James and John. These are among the first disciples that Jesus called in Luke's Gospel. We recently heard this Gospel at Mass, on the fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Only Luke's Gospel, which often describes Jesus at prayer, indicates that Jesus is praying as his appearance changes to bright white. Luke indicates that the three disciples were sleeping while Jesus prayed. They will be sleeping again as Jesus prays in the Garden of Gethsemane before his Passion and death.

As they awake, Peter and the disciples see Jesus Transfigured and Elijah and Moses present with Jesus. Elijah and Moses, both significant figures in the history of Israel, represent Jesus' continuity with the Law and the Prophets. In Matthew's and Mark's Gospels, there is reference to conversation among Jesus, Elijah, and Moses, but only Luke's Gospel explains that this conversation is about Jesus' later accomplishments in Jerusalem. Luke describes this as his exodus, connecting Jesus' Passion, death, and Resurrection with the Israel's Exodus from Egypt. On witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, Peter offers to construct three tents for them. Having just awoken, perhaps



Peter's offer was made in confusion. We also notice that Peter reverted from his earlier confession that Jesus is the Messiah, calling Jesus "master" instead. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding that the disciples listen to him. This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism which, in Luke's Gospel, spoke directly to Jesus as God's Son.

In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, the disciples keep secret what they have seen. Not until they also witness his Passion and death will the disciples understand Jesus' Transfiguration. We hear this story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection even as we prepare to remember Jesus' Passion and death.

If you have lost a child

The needs of fathers who have suffered the loss of a child are unique. The Office of Family Life invites all grieving fathers to a morning of prayer, sharing, and discussion, in the hope it will provide a special place of understanding and healing. Saturday, March 5, 2016 at Notre Dame RC Church (in the Rectory), 359 Central Avenue, North Caldwell at 10AM. Pre-registration requested. **Please call the Office of Family Life at 973-497-4327 for information, directions and registration.**

SDA Open House

Saint Dominic Academy, Jersey City will host an Open House for anyone interested in its 7th and 8th Grade Program on Tuesday, February 23 at 6 PM.

Information can also be found at stdominicacad.com or contact Andrea Apruzzese, Director of Admissions at 201-434-5938, ext. 14 or to aapruzzese@stdominicacad.com Saint Dominic Academy is located at 2572 Kennedy Blvd, Jersey City.

An Artistic View

Lorenzo Lotto's *Transfiguration of Christ* is the central panel of a three-part altarpiece created for the church of Santa Maria di Castelnuovo in Recanati. This piece shows the influence of the great Renaissance painters and captures a moment in Lotto's transition as an artist. We see Renaissance proportion and balance, which will later give way to Mannerist exaggeration, elongation, and tension. In one way, this transition itself echoes the story of the Transfiguration, a moment of heavenly order and balance that will give way to the tension and disorder of the Passion after Christ and the disciples descend from the mountaintop.

We see this juxtaposition of balance and imbalance in the arrangement of figures in the scene. At the top of the image we see Christ flanked by Moses and Elijah, in a triangular composition oriented toward heaven's presence breaking in at the very top with God's vertical words, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him." Heaven's light from above illuminates this scene, as the clouds and angels narrow in a reverse triangle leading to the figure of Christ.

In contrast, we see the three jumbled forms of Peter, James, and John against the dark hillside below. If the scene above conveys order and balance, then this one below conveys disorder and disarray, though not completely. Lotto's placement of heads, hands, and feet save the three Apostles from complete chaos by rooting the composition in a varied but intentional repetition of these forms. This slight emphasis on heads, hands, and feet is perhaps an allusion to the Passion to come, and to the foot-washing scene in which Peter offers all three of these for Jesus to wash. Heads, hands, and feet are symbols of discipleship: to believe, to serve, and to follow the way of Christ, in and through our imperfect, shaded, jumbled human existence.

While still in our jumbled and imperfect reality, focus on Christ is our clear way forward. Rather than condemning our mess, Christ meets us in it fully, leading us and the disciples from this mountaintop experience all the way to the cross. Entering our broken reality, Christ shows us that the cross and all that leads to it is real, but death does not have the final word. Listening to Christ as God commands, we find hope and joy in that mystery.

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