

## 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. - Mk 9:2-3

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# SAINT GABRIEL

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### MASS SCHEDULE WEEKENDS

Saturday 4:00 P.M.

Sunday 9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

### WEEKDAYS

Monday - Thursday 8 A.M. (No Daily Mass on Friday except on Holy Days)

### HOLY DAYS

Vigil 6:00 P.M., The Day 8:00 A.M. & 6:00 P.M.

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3 P.M. to 3:45 P.M.

**BAPTISM:** Sundays following 11AM Mass— Please call the Rectory to make arrangements

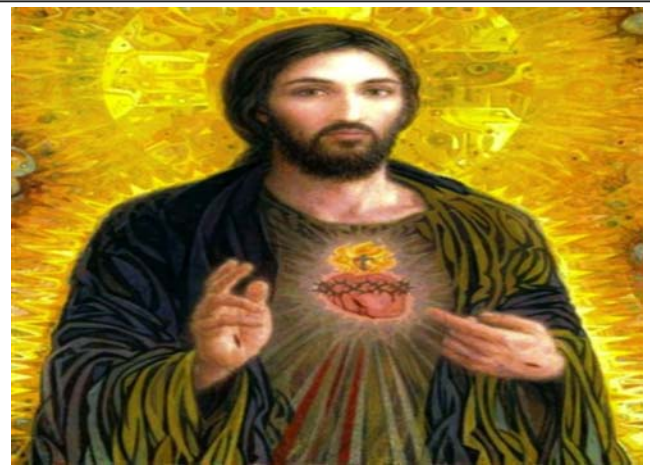
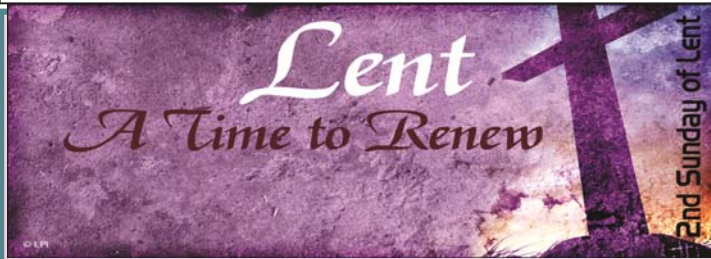
**WEDDINGS:** Arrangements to be made at least six months prior to the wedding

**MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:** Every Monday following 8:00 A.M. Mass

**HOLY ROSARY:** Sunday at 10:40 AM, before the 11A.M. Mass

### PASTORAL STAFF AND ORGANIZATIONS

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Pray For...	Contact the Parish Office	203-322-7426
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### Second Sunday of Lent

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>February 24, 2018</b>
<b>4:00PM</b>	<b>Joyce Simoneau Rybnick</b> (Rybnick Family)
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>February 25, 2018</b>
<b>9:00AM</b>	<b>A.J. Maida</b> (Rita & Tom Scalero)
<b>11:00AM</b>	<b>Margaret "Mickey" Loglisci</b> (Joe Rainone)
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>February 26, 2018</b>
<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>Our Parish</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>February 27, 2018</b>
<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>Olga Biagini</b> (Sue Schectman)
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>February 28, 2018</b>
<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Betty Ann Vinci</b> (Her Children)
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>March 1, 2018</b>
<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>Breda Burke</b> (Liam & Maura Hickey)
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>March 2, 2018</b>
<b>8:00AM</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b>
<b>7:00PM</b>	<b>STATIONS-followed by Soup &amp; Bread</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>March 3, 2018</b>
<b>4:00PM</b>	<b>Paul &amp; Kerry Sheehan</b> ( Family)
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>March 4, 2018</b>
<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Aurelio Giamba</b> (Family)
<b>11:00AM</b>	<b>Helen Demetros</b> (Paul & Tina Salvatore & Family)

Dear Parishioners:

The Abbot Saint Bernard of Clairvaux (1090-1153), details God's great work in sending His Son as a human like us. The few paragraphs below are rich and dense, please read them a few times, meditate on them and pray—they will open your minds to the mystery of God becoming incarnate, and offering himself on our behalf. This entering into mystery is an intrinsic part of the work we must do this Lent, so that when we arrive at Palm Sunday and Holy Week, we enter into the mystery with hearts furrowed and awaiting the seed of the Word.

*In the beginning was the Word.* The spring was gushing forth, yet still within himself. Indeed, *the Word was with God*, truly dwelling in inaccessible light. And the Lord said from the beginning: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. Yet Your thought was locked within You, and whatever You thought, we did not know; for who knew the mind of the Lord, or who was His counselor?

And so the idea of peace came down to do the work of peace: *The Word was made flesh* and even now dwells among us. It is by faith that He dwells in our hearts, in our memory, our intellect and penetrates even into our imagination.

What concept could human beings have of God if He did not first fashion an image of God in their hearts? By nature incomprehensible and inaccessible, God was invisible and unthinkable, but now He wished to be understood, to be seen and thought of.

But how, you ask, was this done?

He lay in a manger and rested on a virgin's breast, preached on a mountain, and spent the night in prayer. He hung on a cross, grew pale in death, and roamed free among the dead and ruled over those in hell. He rose again on the third day, and showed the apostles the wounds of the nails, the signs of victory; and finally in their presence He ascended to the sanctuary of heaven.

How can we not contemplate this story in truth, piety and holiness?

Whatever of all this I consider, it is God I am considering; in all this He is my God.

Let us pray the prayer of the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent:

*Grant, almighty God, through the yearly observances of holy Lent, that we may grow in understanding of the riches hidden in Christ and by worthy conduct pursue their effects.*

Love and Peace,  
Fr. Liam Quinlan



**Mary Somers, Michael Pratt, Phil Totilo, Tamika Anderson, Mary Brundage, Nick Pensiero, Hunter Alderman, Joe Somma, Brian Dubbink, Douglas Katz, Alice Carella, Joe Butler, Marcello Fiorenza, Christopher Hoepfner, Amanda Lamb, Kaitlyn Piombino, Madeline Arnold, Nick DeVito, Kevin Thomes, Jim O'Keefe, Barbara Russo, Lucy Scofield, Butch D'Agostino, Steve Casey & little Dristan Evans.**



**Lectors, Ministries' and Servers' Schedule  
March 2018**

Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
4:00 PM Tom Daley	Maryanne Didelot Kathleen Whitehead	Jason & Julianna Velez
9:00 AM Tom Coughlan 3/4,3/11 Carol Wasil 3/18,3/25	Frank & Rosemary Barba	Kevin Fleischer 3/4,3/11,3/25 Thomas Serrano Christian Carmona
11:00 AM Paul Moverley 3/4,3/18 Laura Croft 3/11 Debbie Gibb 3/25	Roland Capuno Mark Bishop	Sean Walters Sunny Falcone

**ST. GABRIEL SENIOR GROUP**



...will again be meeting in the Church Hall every Tuesday from 1-4 PM starting March 6th. Everyone is welcome—join us...play cards, board games, knit...etc! Questions...Call Kaye 203-322-7910

**We remember in our prayers those who have died...**

- Shirley Leary*
- Rose Ventre Cahoon*
- Catherine M. Gulli*
- Leroy J. & Henrietta (Cissie) Powell*
- John Mazza*
- Rose Marie Giordano*

May they and all the faithful departed rest in the peace and joy of Heaven.

<i>St. Gabriel Offering</i>	<i>Weekly Goal: \$5,000</i>
	<i>2/18</i>
<i>Weekly Envelope Offering:</i>	<i>\$3,667</i>
<i>Weekly Online Giving:</i>	<i>\$ 877</i>
<i>Thank you for your generosity in supporting your Parish!</i>	

**Religious Education**

Classes continue today, March 4, & March 11  
Questions? Please contact our Director of Religious Education, Maryanne Didelot at 203-329-2707

**Confirmation Updates**

Service Hours due Today  
**Saturday, March 10—Retreat Day**  
March 11—Measuring for Robes



**LIVE THE LITURGY** - The hope of being transformed or transfigured into the image of God awaits all of God's children. We walk through this life knowing that our eternal destiny is to be like God and live eternally in his presence. How does this truth about who we can become change the way we live today? Does it even matter to us that we are called to a higher purpose that is often quite different than the one we fabricate for ourselves here on earth? A transformed, eternal life is God's desire for all of his daughters and sons. Knowing this helps us put suffering in perspective and walk peacefully with hope in our hearts.

**“The Two Thousand Hail Marys”**

**Saturday, March 3.** Come Pray to the Blessed Mother. Stay for a few minutes, a couple of hours, or for the whole time. *“The Two Thousand Hail Marys”* in the Chapel



We are celebrating our 1st Anniversary praying together by gathering for a delicious meal after the 4PM Mass in the Parish Hall ! Any questions?  
Call Tessie Senerador 203-570-3109

**Lenten Mission**

**Where:** St. Mary Church  
178 Greenwich Ave  
**When:** Mon. Feb.26 to Thurs. Mar. 1  
7:30PM

**Theme:** “Radiant in Christ”  
**Led by Fr. Innocent Smith, O.P.**  
Contemplating the mysteries of Christ’s revelation, we will recall how we have been transformed by his light and explore how we can reflect his light more clearly in our families and communities.