

2ND SUNDAY IN LENT FEBRUARY 25, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 24 ~ Vigil/2nd Sunday in Lent
5:30 PM Christina DiMartino, Bertha Russo

Sunday, February 25 ~ 2nd Sunday in Lent
9:30 AM Frank Schmaus

Monday, February 26
9:00 AM The People of the Parish

Wednesday, February 28
9:00 AM

Friday, March 1
9:00 AM

Saturday, March 2 ~ Vigil/3rd Sunday in Lent
5:30 PM Frank DiMartino, John DiMartino

Sunday, March 3 ~ 3rd Sunday in Lent
9:30 AM Frank Schmaus

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, March 2 ~ Vigil/3rd Sunday in Lent
5:30 PM Joe Herschel

Sunday, March 3 ~ 3rd Sunday in Lent
9:30 AM Alice Cross

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, March 2 ~ Vigil/3rd Sunday in Lent
5:30 PM Kathy Fayol (a), Barbara Cinque (c)

Sunday, March 3 ~ 3rd Sunday in Lent
9:30 AM Colleen Wall (a), Lisa Dyer (c)

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE

Alexandria Baker-Bonitz (Navy) Dylan Bonitz (Navy)
Sarah Bowen (Navy) Juan Gonzalez (Navy)
Kaila McGowan (Marines) Joseph Ruize (Navy)
Robert Pape-Laucella (Marines)
Pashko Shkreli (Army) Carissa Tironi (Army)
Nicholas Turner (Army) Elliott Weidel (Marines)

PRAY FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOMES

Barbara Ceriale, Gina Lempka,
Rosemary Osborn, Regina Parthesius, Elissa Zahn

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Marion Andersen, Pat Arlotta, Bridget Auer, Joanne Bach,
Rob Brosnan, Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke, Barbara Ceriale,
Brad Ceriale, Lois Chanofsky, Brian Cross, Nicole Dawson,
John & Lorraine DiCicco, Anna DiMare, Marie DiMare,
Agnes Ferrone, Anna Gallo, Joe Gallo, Margaret Hale, Mike Hurd,
Julie Oparski, Marianna Oparski, Carol Orlando, Frank Orlando
Kerry Roberson, Helen Ryan, Frances Salewski, Sue Schmaus,
Chris Strobl, Joanne Trumball, Terry Waterson

LOOKING AHEAD

Helping Hands Food Pantry
Every 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday by Appointment.
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AA Meetings
Sundays 3:00 PM ~ Thursdays 6:30 PM

Tuesday, February 27
Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Friday, March 1
First Friday Holy Hour ~ following 9 AM Mass
Stations of the Cross ~ 7:00 PM

Sunday, March 3
"Whom Shall I Send?" performed by
The Xavier Company ~ Free Will Offering
followed by a light supper

Tuesday, March 5
Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Friday, March 8
Mamakating Knights of Columbus Fish Fry
Eat-In or Take Out ~ \$15.00 per person
St. Joseph's Parish Hall, Wurtsboro NY
*(Deadline to order is March 3rd ~
Details on flyer in Gathering Area)*

Friday, March 8
Stations of the Cross ~ 7:00 PM

Saturday, March 9
10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Society of St. Lydia Day of Recollection
for Women Only (see flyer in Gathering Area)

Sunday, March 10
Halahan Infant Baptism at 9:30 AM Mass



Today's Scripture 2nd Sunday in Lent

Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18
Romans 8:31b-34
Mark 9:2-10



ABOUT THE LITURGY: The Lenten Mountain

Each year this Gospel account of our Lord's transfiguration gleams like a shining jewel among the somber Scriptures appointed for the early weeks of Lent. Trudging up the mountain with Jesus, the disciples could hardly have guessed what they were about to see and hear. On the silent and empty place at the top, the ordinary is transformed into something great and wondrous to behold. There, the new followers of Jesus are joined by those who sought the face of God so long before: Moses and Elijah. And then God comes to bless everything, calling it very good.

It is amazing how the powerful presence of God can appear seemingly out of nowhere. It is true that mountaintops are associated with the Holy One and have long been places of worship and prayer. Still, the disciples are amazed, even terrified at what they were seeing and hearing. Suddenly they became aware of the fullness of God all about them.

Sometimes Lent with its fasting and sacrifices may seem to be dreary, even humdrum. This Gospel passage reminds us that even in familiar times and places, God is present with power and grace. When we may think that all is drab, familiar, and even routine, by careful listening, we, too, can hear the Father's admonition for us to listen to, and follow, Jesus.

CABRINI, an Angel Studio Production, is premiering at AMC Theatres in Middletown



on Friday, March 8. Showings will be at 12 Noon, 3:15 PM and 6:30 PM.

Saint Francis Xavier Cabrini, also known as Mother Cabrini, was the first US citizen to be canonized a saint in the Catholic Church. An Italian immigrant, she founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, a School & Cabrini Hospital in New York City.

This is a great opportunity to share this with your children . . . a saint of our time who inspired so many.

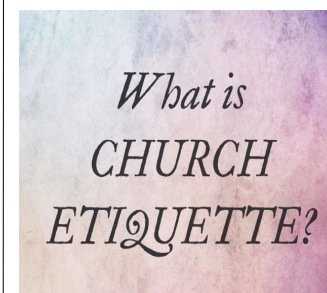


Mass Attendance/Collection

At Mass on February 17 & 18: **134**
Weekend Collection: **\$1,275**

Some Brief Lenten Prayers

- "God, may Your light guide my day, and your spirit bring me peace."
- "God, may my sacrifice of today of (state your Lenten sacrifice) remind me of my dependence on You for all the blessings I enjoy.."
- "May I stand in solidarity today with all my brothers and sisters around the world who are suffering. May we be united in your love, and may I work to build your kingdom here on earth."
"Heavenly Father, I'm truly sorry for the moments today where I missed the mark. I ask for your forgiveness and the strength to better follow Your call tomorrow." Amen.
- "God, I lift up (name of the person you'd like to pray for) today. I ask that you bless them abundantly today and throughout Lent. Amen."
- "Oh Jesus, I surrender myself to you, take care of everything. Amen."



Appropriate Behavior For Mass

FAST. Do not eat any food for one hour before Mass starts. Drinking water is allowed.

COME EARLY. Allow for 10-25 minutes of meditation before Mass.

DRESS PROPERLY. Show decency in God's house.

USE HOLY WATER. Bless yourself in the sign of the cross, as a sign of your baptism, as you enter and leave the Church.

DO NOT EAT, CHEW OR DRINK. The Church is a place of prayer and reflection.

NO PHONES. Silence or turn off your cell phones.

GENUFLECT. Kneel toward the tabernacle before you sit down.

BE SILENT. Avoid talking and take loud children to an appropriate place.

LET OTHERS SIT. Allow others to sit in your pew.

PARTICIPATE. Sing, respond, listen, and pray.

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