

# Saint Cecilia Parish *70 Church Street Rockaway, New Jersey 07866*

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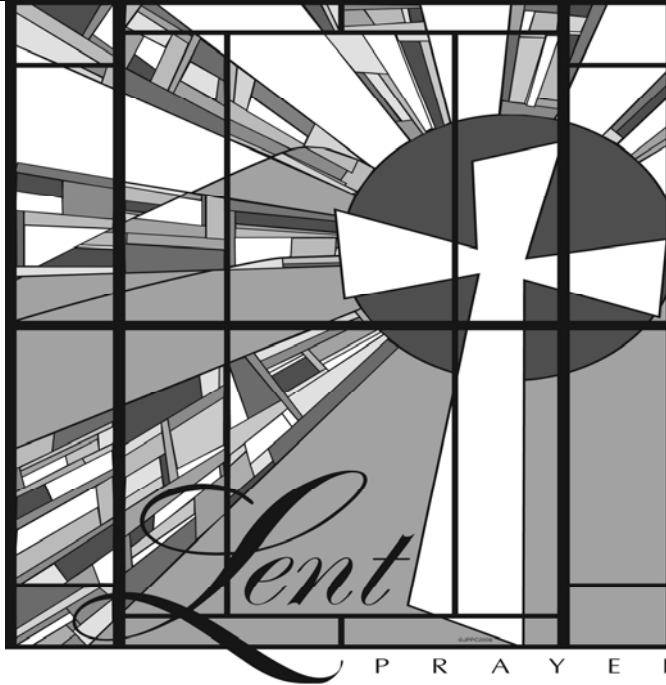
**Sr. Marie Elise Briel,**  
School Principal

**Mrs. Kathy Fochesto,**  
Director of Religious Education

**Mr. Lyle Leeson,**

Director of Music

**Mr. Brian Callahan,**  
Youth Minister



## MASSES

### Weekends:

**Saturday: 4:30, 7:00 PM**

**Sunday: 8:00, 9:15,  
10:45 AM and 12:15 PM  
5:00 PM (Vietnamese)**

**Holydays: 6:30, 8:00 AM  
and 7:30 PM**

### Weekday Schedule:

**Monday, Tuesday**

**Wednesday & Friday:**

**6:30 & 8:00 AM**

**Thursday: 6:30 AM**

**First Friday of the Month:**

**6:30 & 8:00 AM**

**Saturday: 8:00 AM**

### Confessions:

**Saturdays 3:30 to 4:00 PM and  
after the 7:00 PM Mass  
Any time by appointment**

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

A Pre-Baptismal Class is held the second Monday of each month at 8:00 PM in the school library. Both parents are encouraged to attend the class before the birth of the baby. Please register for the class by calling the rectory office. The Sacrament of Baptism is administered on the first and third Sunday of the month after the 12:15 Mass, with a limit of 4 babies at each Baptism. One baby can be Baptized during the 12:15 Mass on any Sunday.

## SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Arrangements are to be made at least ONE YEAR in advance. The date should not be set until the priest has been consulted.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Urgent calls will be attended to at any time of the day or night. If there is anyone at home who cannot get to Mass and the Sacraments because of illness or old age, please inform one of the priests.

## PARISH PRAYER LIFE:

**NOVENA: OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL AND OUR LADY OF FATIMA:** Saturday morning after the 8:00 AM Mass.

**BIBLE STUDY:** 1st & 3rd Monday evenings at 7:30 PM and Tuesday mornings at 9:30 AM in Hayes Hall.

**PRAYER GROUP:** Tuesday evenings at 7:45 PM in Hayes Hall

**ROSARY PRAYER GROUP:** Mon. – Sat., 7:40 AM, Mon. 11:45 AM

## OUR MUSIC PROGRAM:

The Adult Choir sings at the 10:45 Am Mass on Sunday, the Contemporary Group sings at the 9:15 AM Mass on Sundays. All rehearse on Thursdays. New members are welcome and should speak to our Music Director, Lyle Leeson after Mass.

**BULLETIN E-MAIL ADDRESS:** [stcecilianews@optonline.net](mailto:stcecilianews@optonline.net)  
**DEADLINE:** Monday 12 Noon 580-St. Cecilia

**TEACHING THE GOOD NEWS ST. CECILIA SCHOOL** provides academic excellence, Christian values and religious formation in a caring community to grades Pre-K to 8. Call Sister Marie Elise, Principal for information. **ST. CECILIA CCD:** Public school students meet Sept. to May as follows: Kindergarten, Sun. 10:30 AM; Grades 1 through 8, Sun. 10:30 AM and Mon. & Wed. 4:00 PM. Confirmation Classes are held on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 PM. Call Kathy Fochesto, Director of Religious Education for information.

## RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Thursday 9AM to 5PM; Friday 9AM to 3PM; Saturday 9AM to 3PM

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP:** All adult Catholics should officially register in the Parish. Young adults of working age should register independently of their parents. In order for us to testify to your ability for sponsorship in Baptism, Confirmation or witness to a Catholic marriage, it is necessary to be a registered member of this parish. Also, please notify the Parish Office of any changes in address, or if you are leaving the Parish.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Check: \_\_\_\_\_ New Reg. \_\_\_\_\_ Moving \_\_\_\_\_ Change of Address  
Please cut out and return to the rectory or place in the collection basket.  
A registration form will be mailed to you, or register online at [www.st-cecilia.org](http://www.st-cecilia.org).

**MONDAY, March 15: Lenten Weekday**

6:30 AM John & Margaret Holleran  
8:00 AM Dr. Joseph Thomson requested by The Gambetta Family

**TUESDAY, March 16: Lenten Weekday**

6:30 AM Teresa Lanigan requested by The DiScala Family  
8:00 AM James Riccio requested by his mother, Catherine Haynes

**WEDNESDAY, March 17: Lenten Weekday; St. Patrick, bishop**

6:30 AM People of the Parish  
8:00 AM James Higgins requested by Jeanne O'Carroll

**THURSDAY, March 18: Lenten Weekday; St. Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop & doctor of the Church**

6:30 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory requested by The Gambetta Family

**FRIDAY, March 19: St. Joseph; husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary, solemnity**

6:30 AM Jeffrey Wise requested by his sister, Theresa & Family  
8:00 AM For the Intentions of The McGuire Family through the intercession of their daughter, Elizabeth McGuire.

**SATURDAY, March 20: Lenten Weekday**

8:00 AM Josephine Hadala requested by Mary Kulawiec

**SUNDAY, March 21: Fifth Sunday of Lent**

Vigil Masses:

4:30 PM Ralph Amato requested by Ursula Konrad;  
Mary McNamara – 12th Anniversary – Jim & Helen Nestor  
7:00 PM Mrs. Maria Rocha requested by The Migliore Family;  
Salvatore Maltese requested by Pat Klebes  
Sunday:  
8:00 AM James & Rose Gianetti requested by The Fochesto Family;  
Charles Pizzi requested by Theresa Wise & Family  
9:15 AM Antoinette Petrosino requested by Lenore Londono;  
Genevieve Grochmal requested by her niece, Roberta Vitcuskay  
10:45 AM Elizabeth Poh requested by the Choir;  
Sal Pelaia requested by Leona Riccio  
12:15 PM Genevieve Wasacz requested by Catherine Haynes;  
Virginia Traglia requested by her friends at Heritage

**TITHING UPDATE****Pastor's Thank You**

In celebrating Saint Joseph and Saint Patrick this week we are mindful of our call to holiness. As saints in the making let us offer our lives, which includes a portion of our resources, in service to our Savior, Jesus Christ. Father Zig

The SUNDAY COLLECTION, March 7, 2010 – \$18,116.00  
The SUNDAY COLLECTION, March 8, 2009 – \$15,703.00

**Parishioner's Comments:**

"Each individual needs to return a tenth to God as much as the church needs the tithing. Actually the individual needs to do it more than the church needs to receive it."

**THE WORD OF GOD****Here are the readings for next Sunday**

Isaiah 43:16-21 Psalm 126  
Philippians 3:8-14 John 8:1-11

**ROSARY FOR WORLD PEACE:** A Rosary for World Peace is said on Mondays at 11:45 AM in the church. Please come and pray with us.

**LENTEN SCHEDULE THIS WEEK**

**MONDAY:** Mass at 6:30 & 8:00 AM; Confession from 7:00 to 8:30 PM.

**TUESDAY:** Mass at 6:30 and 8:00 AM; Bible Study with Fr. Jean Claude from 9:30 to 11:00 AM in Hayes Hall.

**WEDNESDAY:** Masses at 6:30 & 8:00 AM

**THURSDAY:** Mass at 6:30 AM

**FRIDAY:** Mass at 6:30 & 8:00 AM; Stations of the Cross after the 8:00 AM Mass and at 7:30 PM; Ecumenical Lenten Lunch at the First Presbyterian Church at 12:00 Noon.

**SATURDAY:** Mass at 8:00 AM; Confessions from 3:30 to 4:00 PM and immediately after the 7:00 PM Mass.



**YOUR PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR THE BENEFACTORS OF OUR CHURCH, OUR PARTNER CHURCH SAINT GEORGE IN PATERSON AND FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH:**

Eileen Sutherland, Rose Diodato, Ursula Klawitter, Michael McCormick, Peggy Hermes, Mary McGowan, Elizabeth McGowan, Tina Witowsky, Elizabeth Stripp, Brenda Myles, Elizabeth Cusack, Adam Rosowicz, Baby Samuel Gibson, Baby Sophia DiGangi and Baby Sammy Fleming and their families, Jeffrey Jerz, Lisette Marrero, Cindy Whalen, John Daly, Jim Profit, Alison Montgomery, Mildred Mol, Linda Hartman, Marty Mackin, Ken Thumser, Hector Mantilla, Margaret McIrvine, Bob Stephen, Wayne Miller, John McKeon, Peggy Eileen Miars, Johnnie Ryan, Jim Nestor, Bill Whelan, Sharon Sprinkle, Colin Kennedy, Pat Trabulsi, Georgina Piela, Lois & Ray Kenney, Peter & Juliann McDonough, Richard Corcoran, Emil Albrecht, Frances Young, Patrick Cook, Lauren Brinkman, John Generoso, Bill Denzler, Adrian, Alice Ruisi, Gloria Boyce, Peggy Norman, Barbara Collins, Sgt. Brian Whalen, Lorraine Gerber, Patricia Beyer, Bill Gallagher, Joyce DeFranco, Richard O'Neill, Tom Wilson, Augusto Mercado, David Sharp, Baby Madison Rose Leslie and Baby Mark Thomas Walsh.

**TRAVELING CHALICE:** Families pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life by hosting the Traveling Chalice in their home for one week. The sign-up sheet is in a folder on Mary's altar if you would like to participate.

*The Kelly Family will be given the Chalice at the 8:00 AM Mass this Sunday.*



**PRAYERS PLEASE:** The people of St. Cecilia Parish are asked to pray for the following people serving our country in the armed services: **Major Glenn E. Martinez, SGT. Brian Whalen, General Raymond Odierno, Capt. Anthony Odierno, Cpl. Kong V. Nguyen, Cpl. Jim Van Valen, LCPL**

**Anthony Eresman, SGT. Paul J. Willson, PFC Cano Janeth, SGT Bob Autrey, Col. William Paliwada, SGT 1st Class (E7) Sam Colon, PFC Marylyn Rivera-Sachez, Cpl. Edward C. Thompson, PFC Mellissa Corbo, Major Kevin M. Nash, Lt. Amy Cronin, Major John L. Medeiros, Jr., SGT Daniel Healy, Pvt. Robert Moran, Capt. Martin L. Robbins, SGT Spencer Lopez, PFC Taryn Kemp, Jeffrey Braunhausen, E7 Joseph Grimsey, LTC Brian Bosworth, Bill Maloney, Greg Bloete, Gian Carlo Bruzzese, Spc. Christopher Little, PFC Brittany Martindell, Capt. Adam T. Lusardi, T4 Matthew Fitzgerald, SA Justin C. White, Matthew & Daniel Rosica, Pvt. Benjamin Kehoe, Mark Leonard, Sr. Armn. Ashley Valetta, SGT John Wisnofsky, LCpl. T.J. Finn, Scott Clausen, Sean Killeen 1st Class Airman and Sgt. Kristopher Faber. We ask God the Father of us all, through the intercession of St. Michael the Archangel, to protect all the men and women in our Armed Forces, to bless them in their efforts toward bringing peace and justice to our world. May they be brought back safely to those they love.**

**EASTER BULLETIN DEADLINE:** All articles and flyers for the April 4th Bulletin are due by Monday, March 22nd at 12:00 Noon.



WELCOME HOME TO HEALING  
Reconciliation throughout Lent, 2010

This Lenten season, each Catholic parish in the Diocese of Paterson will have Confessions available every Monday evening from February 22nd to March 22nd from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM. If you have been reluctant to come to the Sacrament, have been away for some time or just found it difficult to get to a Saturday afternoon Confession time, this is a wonderful opportunity to re-connect with Christ and His Church. Don't be afraid! Information will be provided. Ask the priest to help you. Experience the gracious mercy of God! [www.WelcomeHomeToHealing.org](http://www.WelcomeHomeToHealing.org).

**LENTEN REGULATIONS—Fasting:** Ages 18-59 fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, limiting themselves to one full meal and two smaller meals each day, with no snacking between meals. **Abstinence:** Catholics age 14 and older abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

**ALTAR FLOWER MEMORIAL:** Altar flowers can be donated as memorials. Your intentions will be printed in the weekly bulletin. The cost is \$25.00 for one of our normal arrangements of fresh flowers. If you are interested in these flowers as a way to remember that special birthday or anniversary, or to honor a loved one living or deceased, please call the rectory at 973-627-0313 & flowers will be placed by the Tabernacle.

**OPERATION RICE BOWL: Fourth Week of Lent—The Prodigal Son**—The story of the Prodigal Son helps us refocus on the meaning of Lent. This is a time to change our ways, to turn back to God our Father, and to appreciate and share the gifts we have received. As we begin the second half of our journey with Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl, we remember that we are called to be stewards of what God has given us, and we connect our prayers and fasting with our giving.

### PARISH EVENTS

**CCD WEEKEND—March 13th & 14th:** Please come to Hayes Hall and support the Bake Sale and see your children's work while you register for the Kindergarten through Tenth Grade CCD classes after all of the Masses. If anyone is interested in teaching CCD please go to Hayes Hall to see Kathy Fochesto or call her at 973-252-0760.

**TRUE LOVE WAITS:** True Love Waits teaches teens how to be happier (and safer) in relationships by following Christ's plan for them. Sessions run every Sunday, 7-9 PM, through March 28th.

**ST. CECILIA'S YOUTH GROUP** will be meeting this Sunday, March 14th at 7:00 PM in the Gym.

**THE CHRISTIAN CARE COMMITTEE**—will meet on Monday, March 15, 2010 at **8:45 AM** in the Convent Dining Room. Coffee & Danish will be served. Any parishioner who has a little free time and would be able to assist the homebound is welcome. Questions regarding this ministry may be directed to Sister Mary Martha at 973-627-6533.

**THE NEXT EVENING BIBLE STUDY**, led by Fr. Jean Claude St Martin, will be on Monday, March 15th at 7:30 PM in Hayes Hall.

**ST. CECILIA SENIORS** will have their regular meeting on Tues., March 16, at 12:00 Noon in Hayes Hall. All parishioners 55 years and older are welcome to join the club. For information call Peggy, 973-361-1127.

**THERE WILL BE A COMMUNION MEETING** for 2nd grade parents on Tuesday, March 16th at 7:00 PM in the Church.

**HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY** on Wednesday, March 17th!

**CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP:** St. Cecilia's Contemplative Prayer group meets each Wednesday from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the cry room of the church. Please join us as we prepare to receive the gift of God's presence within us. For more information, please contact Mary Daley at [maryd911@optonline.net](mailto:maryd911@optonline.net), or 862-432-8542.

**THE SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE** will be meeting on Thursday, March 18th at 7:00 PM in the school library.

**THE CONFIRMATION RETREAT** for tenth graders will be on March 20th and 21st.

**EASTER BASKETS:** If you know of anyone who needs food for Easter, please call the Rectory at 973-627-0313 before March 26th. If you would like to donate a ham, please call the Rectory or Peg Whalen at 973-627-0866.

**THE NINTH GRADE NET RETREAT** will occur on Wednesday, March 31st at 4:30 PM in Powers Hall.

**PASTA DINNER FOR LIFE APRIL 10TH:** Come share a homemade Italian Dinner, from appetizer to dessert, with your family and friends. This year we will be offering a choice of tomato sauce or vodka sauce. BYOB. Served from 5:30 to 7PM; eat in or take out. Proceeds benefit Birthright in Dover, Birth Haven in Newton and Pro-Life Across America. Look for flyers in the vestibule of the church. If you can help or if you have any questions please contact Antoinette at [ant@optonline.net](mailto:ant@optonline.net) or 973-713-3676. We do give Confirmation service hours for 9th and 10th graders if they come to the dinner and help serve.

**GOLF OUTING:** St. Cecilia's Home and School Association Annual Golf Outing—Monday, April 26th at Picatinny Arsenal, \$130 per golfer. Any questions, please call or e-mail Dena Baptiste 973-770-0204 or [Baptiste@LBElectricco.com](mailto:Baptiste@LBElectricco.com). Please look for the flyer in the vestibule and in the bulletin.

**SEARCH WEEKEND:** The next Search Weekend for high school juniors and seniors will be on May 14, 15 & 16.

**PRE-CANA 2010:** Please save this date. Sacred Heart and St. Cecilia Parishes will hold a Pre-Cana session on November 6th, 2010. Please get a registration form if you plan to get married in 2010.

**THE 2011 MASS BOOK IS NOW OPEN** for your Mass intentions please contact the rectory during office hours.

**LOST AND FOUND:** We have car keys, a children's electronic toy and a man's ring in the rectory. If you feel that you have lost anything in church please give us a call during office hours.



Dear Parishioners,

Today we reach a mile marker in Lent called *Laetare Sunday*. The ordo states, "The Fourth Sunday of Lent is traditionally known as Laetare Sunday, so called from the first word of the antiphon at the Introit. Laetare ("Rejoice"), taken from the Latin translation of Isaiah 66:10-11, sets a tone of joyful anticipation of the Easter mystery as does the permitted use of rose colored vestments." Next Sunday will stand in contrast to today's celebration. Next Sunday the crucifix will be covered in a purple veil and shall remain covered until the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday. Both the Roman Missal and the Ordo state that crosses and sacred images may be covered from the conclusion of Mass on the Saturday of the Fourth Week of Lent. The altar cross and the processional cross will be veiled in our church.

In the sanctoral cycle we have two special observances which shall be celebrated this week namely, the Feast of Saint Patrick, Enlightener of Ireland on Wednesday and Saint Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Friday. St. Patrick's feast is a special observance for people of Irish heritage and a much loved holiday even for those who are not Irish (but wished they were)! Greater than the Feast of Saint Patrick on Wednesday is the Solemnity of Saint Joseph which will be celebrated on Friday. St. Joseph is the Patron of the Universal Church, the one to whom God had entrusted the care of the Blessed Virgin Mary and our Savior, Jesus Christ. Joseph is also the Patron of Viet Nam, a powerful intercessor for our Vietnamese parishioners. This is the patronal feast day of Joseph Ratzinger, His Holiness, Pope Benedict XVI, whom we remember in our prayers.

As we near Holy Week and the wonderful liturgies and rites which will be celebrated in our parish, I remind our various ministers of their participation in these events. Your cooperation in scheduling and in some cases rehearsals will be very important so that the celebration of the Lord's Passover will be fitting and proper. I know I can count on our ministers (lectors, communion ministers, altar servers, ushers, music ministers, and deacons) to serve the Lord with dedication for the upcoming high holy days.

Next weekend our young people, who will soon receive the sacrament of confirmation, will attend a retreat as they ready themselves for Easter Friday, April 9th.

I welcome Father Jean Claude back home to us. Let us continue to remember the people of Haiti and Chile in our prayers as they struggle to rebuild their homes and lives. The alms boxes, Operation Rice Bowl, are due back on Easter Sunday. Please remember that our alms help people around the world through the good work of Catholic Relief Services.

Thank you for your faithfulness!

Father Zig

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### ST. CECILIA SCHOOL



**SUPPORT ST. CECILIA SCHOOL AND HELP OUR PARISH!** When you purchase Grocery Gift Cards you support St. Cecilia School and the religious enrichment of all parish children at no additional cost to you. **The next sale date is after all Masses the weekend of March 27th & 28th.** We offer gift cards for A&P, Shop Rite, Acme, Sussex Meat Packing, Kohl's and Stop and Shop. CERTS are also available at the rectory during regular business hours. Thank you for your support of this important fundraising program.

### DIOCESAN & COMMUNITY NEWS

**THE ROCKAWAY TOWNSHIP HEALTH DEPARTMENT** is sponsoring a Female Cancer Screening for residents of Rockaway Township on Monday, March 15th from 4:00 to 7:00 PM at the Rockaway Township Health Center, 419 Green Pond Rd. There is a fee of \$15.00 and pre-registration is required. For an appointment, please call 973-983-2848/2849.

**WOMEN SPIRITUALITY: Midwives, Mothers and Healers—** Called to Birth New Life in a Broken World—Friday, March 19th at 5:30PM through Sunday, March 21st at 12:30 PM. Xavier Center, 23 Convent Rd., Convent Station. 973-290-5100, xaviercenter@scnj.org

**HOPE HOUSE: AN HOUR OF HOPE** occurs twice each month, to learn about what the Catholic Church does in caring for those in need. If you wish to attend with other parishioners, family and friends please call Joseph Duffy, President at 973-279-7100 ext. 39 or Angela Vance at 973-361-5555 EXT. 143. The next Hour of Hope is March 16 at 8:30 AM and then on March 25 at 6:00 PM.

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY RETREAT:** The Shrine of St. Joseph will be offering a St. Patrick's Day retreat on Tuesday, March 17 from 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM at Trinity House, Stirling. The cost is \$40.00 which includes lunch. Reservations are required. Call 908-647-0208 with any questions and for reservations.

**"DOES SOMEONE PUSH YOUR BUTTONS?"** St. Catherine of Siena Church in Mountain Lakes presents Janet Pfeiffer, world winning author, TV host and personality, life coach, and founder of the Antidote to Anger Support Group. Thursday, March 18th, 7-9 PM, \$5 tickets, call 973-334-5257. **All Monies Go To Benefit Haiti!!**

**LEGATUS "AMBASSADORS FOR THE CHURCH"** If you are, or were, a Business Owner, CEO, President, Managing Director/ Partner, Exec. V.P. or Publisher, Legatus invites you and your spouse to be our guest: Thurs., March 18th for Mass, Rosary, Dinner & Speaker: Len Deo, President of N.J. Family Policy Council. Please contact Kathleen FitzPatrick at 973-292-3217.

**THE LENTEN SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT DAY FOR WOMEN,** sponsored by the Paterson Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, takes place from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM on Saturday, March 20th at St. Peter the Apostle Parish. All the women of our parish and their friends are invited to attend. All events take place at St. Peter's School building, now All Saints Academy, across the parish property from the church. Please call Kathy Levendusky 973-772-5918 for reservations.