

**Third Sunday of Lent
Sunday, March 8, 2015**



Sunday, March 8, Third Sunday of Lent

- 5:00 + Teresa Maher
8:30 Parishioners of St. John
10:00 (Sp) + Raul Antonio Almanzar
11:30 + Brian McDonnell & Teresa Kennedy
1:00 (Sp) + Catalina & Candelaria Javier
- Monday, March 9, Lenten Weekday**
9:00 + John, Jean & Bobby Tramontozzi
12:15 + Cornelius and Nellie Crowley
- Tuesday, March 10, Lenten Weekday**
9:00 + Janny Chan
12:15 + Msgr. John M. Costello
7:00 (Sp.) Special Intention of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Group
- Wednesday, March 11, Lenten Weekday**
9:00 + Mary and Tom Walsh
12:15 + Janny Chan
- Thursday, March 12, Lenten Weekday**
9:00 + Fr. Edward Fagan, OAR, Brother Peter Stewart, FSC & Brother Joseph Murphy, FSC
12:15 + Robert Carroll
- Friday, March 13, Lenten Weekday**
9:00 + Thelmo Floresta
12:15 + William and Catherine McCarthy
7:00 (Sp) + Maria Mercedes Estrella
- Saturday, March 14, Lenten Weekday**
12:15 + Teresa Maher
5:00 + Neil Crowley
- Sunday, March 15, Fourth Sunday of Lent**
8:30 Parishioners of St. John's Parish
10:00 + Amelia Moran Gonzalez
11:30 + John, Jean & Bobby Tramontozzi
1:00 (Sp) + Ricardo & Omar de los Santos

**WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THIS WEEK'S
DONATIONS**

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Upper Church for the week of March 8-14 in memory of:

MSGR. JOHN M. COSTELLO

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Lower Church for the week of March 8-14 in memory of:

FR. MICHAEL J. KENNY, OAR

The Altar Candles burning in the Lower Church for the week of March 8-14 for:

SPECIAL INTENTION



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK.....

Fr. Peter J. McCrann, SMM, Lindsey Guzman, Alice Ann O'Donohue Mason, Noreen Liddane, Timothy Mahoney.

We ask that you please notify the rectory when to remove a name from the list.

The Seven Penitential Psalms

Psalm 6 *Domine, ne in furore*: Lord, do not reprove me in your anger; punish me not in your rage

Psalm 32 *Beati quorum*: Happy the man whose offense is forgiven, whose sin is remitted

Psalm 38 *Domine, ne in furore*: O Lord, do not rebuke me in your anger; do not punish me

Psalm 51 *Miserere*: Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness

Psalm 102 *Domine, exaudi*: O Lord, listen to my prayer and let my cry for help reach you

Psalm 130 *De profundis*: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice!

Psalm 143 *Domine, exaudi*: Lord, listen to my prayer; turn your ear to my appeal

During Lent, it is customary to pray the seven penitential psalms. Prayerfully reciting these psalms help us to recognize our sinfulness, express our sorrow, and ask for God's forgiveness

The seven Penitential Psalms have their own special poignancy as the psalmist in each psalm pours out one's heart to God, many times in great distress over sins that have caused much physical and emotional anguish. The authors mix deep contrition with the hope that God's mercy will restore them to the joy of living in His grace. You may wish to consider reading and praying these psalms as part of your Lenten prayer.



"Our Catholic family is strong, and only made stronger through your generosity."

Cardinal Dolan

St. John Parish Goal: \$50,000

Amount Pledged: \$9220

of Gifts: 22

Average Gift Amount: \$419.09

18 % of Parish Goal

Commitment Weekend is taking place at all our parish Masses this weekend in which you may make your pledge or give your donation to support the 2015 Cardinal's Appeal. Remember that you may make a pledge of an amount that you would like to give, make an initial payment, and then pay off the remaining amount over the coming months. Please consider making your gift to support the various Archdiocesan pastoral, educational, and social services assisted by the *Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal*.

Parish Lenten Retreat Day

Mark your calendars for the afternoon of March 29th (Palm Sunday) for the opportunity to view the highly acclaimed 2004 movie, *The Passion of Christ*, as a spiritual way to enter into the journey of Holy Week. Viewings will be held at 12:45 pm (English subtitles) and 3:00 pm (Spanish subtitles) in the lower Church meeting room. Given the nature of this film and its depiction of Jesus' passion and death, the movie is intended for a mature audience and not suited for younger viewers. Our pastoral year seminarian, Mr. Anthony Giacona, will be offering reflections and thoughts in preparation for Holy Week and Reconciliation Monday to be held on March 30th.

Have You Considered Using ParishPay?

Parish Pay offers an alternative way to make contributions to St. John's Church. In lieu of using the weekly envelopes and placing them in the collection basket at Mass, *ParishPay* offers the opportunity for automated donations or electronic giving. Contributions may be made from credit cards, bank checking or savings accounts. Also, this method enables one to budget their donations to our parish.

As indicated in the February collections, nine parishioners gave \$660 through *ParishPay*. For more information, please call 1-866-727-4741 ext. 1 or visit www.ParishPay.com

By the Numbers: February Parish Offertory Collections

Jan. 31- Feb.1	\$5649
February 7-8	\$6485
February 14-15	\$4332
Peter's Pence	\$1755
February 18	\$1278
Ash Wednesday	
February 21-22	\$5841
<i>ParishPay</i>	\$660

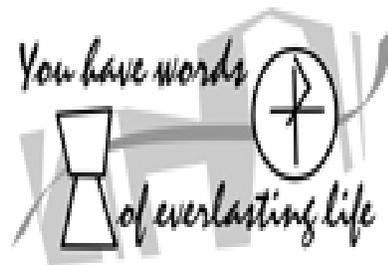
St. John's Church depends upon the generosity of parishioners in meeting the operating expenses for our parish and church building along with serving the spiritual, liturgical, and pastoral needs of our Catholic community in Kingsbridge. Many thanks for your financial support.

Take Me Out to the Ballgame

St. John's Catholic Elementary Regional has a block of tickets in section 309 at Yankee Stadium for the May 9th baseball game between the Baltimore and New York Yankees. Cost is \$41.00 per ticket. Please contact Mrs. Mauro at St. John's School (718)548-0255 if interested in purchasing tickets.

Flea Market Next Weekend

Plan on attending the Flea Market to be held on Saturday March 14th from 10:00am-4:00pm at 3030 Godwin Terrace (the Old St. John's School). Bargain buys, good food, and hidden treasures along with meeting people from our Kingsbridge neighborhood.



HIS WORD TODAY
by Rev. William J. Reilly
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St. Paul was a fighter, taking on all adversaries, persecuting the first Christians and forming many newly found Christian communities. The focus of his work was the Person of Jesus Christ.

The sign for him was found in the cross of Jesus Christ, one whom he had never met until God's intervention on the Damascus road. The wisdom for Paul came from direct revelation received from the same Christ, the 'Jesus you are persecuting.'

Continuing my Lenten journey and reflecting on my own spiritual life I too seek signs and wisdom. I wish to know Christ Jesus in my life, deepen my relationship with Him, and know that I am one with Him.

Look at the cross, the sign of God's never tiring mercy for me, and express gratitude for His saving power at work in me today. Begin this third week of Lent asking for the grace to be zealous in living the holy period, which will never be the same again. Why wait?

Men's Conference

The Archdiocese of New York Men's Commission is hosting the First Annual Men's Conference on Saturday, March 21, 2015, at the Fordham Rose Hill campus. With over 500 expected to attend, this daylong event will provide a unique opportunity for men throughout the Archdiocese to recommit themselves to their spiritual lives. Admission is \$45. To register, or for more information, visit www.nymensconference.com or call Kim Quatela at (646) 794-3198.

SU PALABRA HOY
por el Reverendo William J. Reilly
Tercer Domingo de Cuaresma
8 de marzo de 2015

San Pablo era un luchador, enfrentándose a todos los adversarios, persiguiendo a los primeros

cristianos y fundando muchas nuevas comunidades cristianas. El foco de su trabajo era la persona de Jesucristo.

La señal para él se encontraba en la cruz de Jesucristo, a quien nunca había conocido hasta la intervención de Dios en el camino a Damasco. La sabiduría de San Pablo vino de una revelación recibida directamente del mismo Cristo, el 'Yo soy Jesús, a quien tú persigues.'

Al continuar nuestra jornada de Cuaresma, y al reflexionar sobre nuestra propia vida espiritual, nosotros también buscamos señales y sabiduría. Deseamos conocer a Cristo Jesús en nuestras vidas, profundizar nuestra relación con El, y saber que somos uno con El.

Miremos la cruz, la señal de que Dios nos tiene infinita misericordia, y expresemos gratitud de que su poder de salvación está trabajando en nosotros hoy. Comencemos esta tercera semana de Cuaresma pidiendo la gracia para tener el celo de vivir la época santa, que nunca será la misma. ¿Por qué

Conferencia de Hombres

La Comisión de Hombres de la Arquidiócesis de Nueva York está patrocinando la 1ra conferencia anual para hombres, el sábado, Marzo 21, 2015, en la Universidad de Fordham, Rose Hill, en el Bronx. Este evento les dará una oportunidad única a los hombres de la Arquidiócesis, para comprometerse en su vida espiritual. La entrada es de \$45. Todas las charlas serán traducidas al español a través de audífonos. Para inscribirse, o para más información, visite www.nymensconference.com o llame a Kim Quatela al (646) 794-3198.