

*Reflection*

*The best Lent is one in which we enter the season wholeheartedly. All too often people either take on too much or don't take on enough. The solution is to simplify our disciplines, focus our intentions, and concentrate more clearly on our spiritual goals.*

**2020 CATHOLIC CHARITY FUND APPEAL**

***Faith and Good Works***

***Supporting the work of the Church***

In 3 weeks our Annual Catholic Charity Fund Appeal will get underway in our parish with the In-Pew Appeal on the weekends of **March 21 & 22 and 28 & 29**. In the past, generous donors have contributed by a gift or pledge. Although, we are all living in difficult financial times – we need to reach out and help those worse off than we are – as we offer thanks to God for His many gifts and blessings to us. Any and all donations will be greatly appreciated! Through your generous gift to the Catholic Charity Appeal, Emmanuel House is able to provide a warm, safe place to sleep for those without a home and no other place to turn.

*“We ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean. But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop.” St. Teresa of Calcutta*

***What will this Lent mean to you?***

Our spiritual journey for Lent is outlined in the Ash Wednesday Gospel: **prayer – fasting – good works.**

Make the following a part of your journey:  
daily mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Novena, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Saturday confession...

Let this Lent 2020 really make a difference in our lives as we

***“Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel.”***

**LENTEN REGULATIONS**

**WEEKDAYS OF LENT** - Although there is no obligation to fast, Jesus calls us to do penance. Voluntary acts of self-denial are highly recommended and encouraged.

**ASH WEDNESDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY** - are days of fast and abstinence. Limit one full meal on these days to all between 18 and 59 years of age. The other two meals should be lighter than they normally would be. Eating between meals is to be avoided. No meat for those 14 years and older.

**FRIDAYS OF LENT** - are days of abstinence, that is, Catholics who are 14 years and over are required to give up meat.

**EASTER DUTY** - the obligation to receive Holy Communion at least once a year is to be fulfilled during the Easter Season.

**ANNUAL PARISH DINNER DANCE**

**Saturday, March 7, 2020**

*Alpine Country Club  
251 Pippin Orchard Road, Cranston, RI*

*Music by “Gemini Band”*

Tickets: \$45 per person

**SILENT AUCTION** – At our Parish Dinner Dance you will have an opportunity to bid on great items! Share your time, talent, and treasure by donating items such as food for Italian and gourmet baskets, chocolates, wine or liquor, entertainment and children’s items, or gift cards to restaurants and stores. Join parishioners and friends for an enjoyable get-together!

**Annual Parish Dinner Dance**

**\$5,000 SWEEPSTAKES**

Donation: \$100 per ticket

**Drawing: Evening of Parish Dinner Dance**

**Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

The Alpine Country Club, Cranston, RI

Reminder: March 7 & 8 will be the monthly **Major Repair Fund** Second Collection. Your generosity is greatly needed. Thank you!

**Daylight Savings Time – TURN CLOCKS AHEAD ONE HOUR – Next Saturday Evening, March 7<sup>th</sup>.**

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**March 7** - Annual Parish Dinner Dance

**March 8** - Daylight Savings Time

**March 21 & 22** - Catholic Charity In-Pew Appeal

**March 28 & 29** - Catholic Charity In-Pew Appeal

**April 5** - Palm Sunday & Easter Baskets & Bake Sale

**April 9** - Holy Thursday

**April 10** - Good Friday

**April 11** - Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil

**April 12** - Easter Sunday

**May 10** - Confirmation - Cathedral of SS. Peter & Paul

**MASSES FOR MARCH 2 - 8, 2020**

*Every Mass is offered for the faithful, living or dead.  
However the following are specifically remembered this week.*

**Monday, March 2 - Lenten Weekday**

7:30 am - Yolanda Trombetta & Elsa Maglione  
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

**Tuesday, March 3 - Lenten Weekday**

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners  
6:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration  
7:00 pm - Novena Devotion & Benediction

**Wednesday, March 4 - Lenten Weekday**

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners  
5:15 pm - Eucharistic Adoration

**Thursday, March 5 - Lenten Weekday**

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners

**Friday, March 6 - Lenten Weekday**

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners  
3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet  
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

**Saturday, March 7 - Lenten Weekday**

8:00 am - Intentions of Parishioners

**LORD'S DAY MASSES**

**Saturday, March 7**

**5:00 pm**  
Intentions of Parishioners  
  
**6:30 pm** - Mass in Spanish

**Sunday, March 8**  
**Second Sunday of Lent**

**8:00 am**  
Cosimo DeNucci - 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Remembrance  
by Dan & Mary Anne  
  
**9:30 am** - Mass in Spanish  
  
**11:30 am**  
Maria Melida Gomez Aquirre by son & family  
Amadio & Angelina Bianco and Wayne Rand  
by Virginia  
Mary Vecchiarelli

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Monday, March 2**

7:00 pm - Ladies Guild Meeting

**Tuesday, March 3**

6:30 PM - DINNER DANCE MEETING - RH  
6:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration  
7:00 pm - Novena Devotion & Benediction

**Wednesday, March 4**

5:00 pm - Older First Communion Class - SD Center  
6:30 - RCIA Class - SD Center

**Thursday, March 5**

5:00 pm - Confirmation Class - Rectory

**Friday, March 6**

3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet - Chapel

**Saturday, March 7 - Set Clocks Ahead Tonight!**

10:00 am - CCD Classes - 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Years - Rectory  
7:00 pm - Annual Parish Dinner Dance - Alpine Country Club

**Sunday, March 8**

Second Collection: Major Repair Fund

**+ WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT +**

*What Our Lord Asks Is Not Equal Gifts - But Equal Sacrifice.  
(Increased Giving Campaign)*

**Weekend of February 22 & 23, 2020**

Envelopes & Loose Collection: \$3,517.00  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: \$1,135.00

**Sanctuary Candle:**

Tony Cavalloro - Birthday Remembrance  
by family

**Altar Bread & Wine:**

Tony Cavalloro - Birthday Remembrance  
by family

**Baptized in Christ**

Ireidys Alvarez DeLeon  
Jordan Alvarez DeLeon  
Greidys Alvarez DeLeon  
Geraldo Arandia  
Miguel Arandia  
Maite Cornejo Arriaza  
Milianny Gamez