



"Lent is like a long 'retreat' during which we can turn back into ourselves and listen to the voice of God, in order to defeat the temptations of the Evil One. It is a period of spiritual 'combat' which we must experience alongside Jesus, not with pride and presumption, but using the arms of faith: prayer, listening to the word of God and penance. In this way we will be able to celebrate Easter in truth, ready to *renew the promises of our Baptism*".

- Pope Benedict XVI

WEEKLY SATURDAY CONFESSIONS

Please take note that the Sacrament of Confession is offered every Saturday from **4:15 pm to 4:45 pm** in the church, or by appointment by calling the Parish Office.

Five Steps to Confession

1. Examine your conscience, it is important that we spend some time to consider prayerfully what we have done or omitted to do since our last confession.
2. Be sorry for your sins, try to have perfect sorrow. No sin can be forgiven unless we are truly sorry for having offended God.
3. Make a firm resolution not to sin again and to avoid the occasions of sin. True sorrow must always include the promise to avoid the sin in the future. We must also be willing to remove whatever leads to sin.
4. Tell your sins to a priest and receive absolution. Jesus said to the Apostles (and through them, to their successors): "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven and whose sins you retain are retained."
5. Perform your penance promptly.

BISHOP HENDRICKEN HIGH SCHOOL, 2615 Warwick Ave., Warwick, RI, will hold an Open House on Sunday, March 19th, from 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm, This event will provide families with information on admissions, financial aid, academics, student life, transportation, and more. For more information, please call the Admissions Office at 401-889-5425.

ANNUAL PARISH DINNER DANCE

Saturday, May 20, 2023

*Santa Maria Di Prata Society Hall
29 Walnut Grove Avenue, Cranston, RI*

Music by DJ Eddie Catoni

Tickets: \$50 per person

Mass intentions are a beautiful way to remember a loved one or a Special Intention. Weekend and daily Masses are available. The Sanctuary Candle and Altar Bread & Wine are also a prayerful remembrance. All families will be considered. Please call the Parish Office to schedule a date.

LOOKING AHEAD

- March - Catholic Charity Appeal
- March 6 - Ladies Guild Meeting
- March 12 - Daylight Savings Time
- April 2 - Palm Sunday
- April 6 - Holy Thursday
- April 7 - Good Friday
- April 8 - Holy Saturday
- April 9 - Easter Sunday
- April 16 - Divine Mercy Sunday & 1st Communion - Older Students - 9:30 am Mass
- April 23 - Confirmation at Cathedral of Ss. Peter & Paul
- May 20 - Annual Parish Dinner Dance at Santa Maria Di Prata Hall

2023 CATHOLIC CHARITY FUND APPEAL

Every gift matters. Every gift makes a difference.

The Annual Catholic Charity Fund Appeal will get underway in our parish with the In-Pew Appeal in March. 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!



"It is in giving that we receive..." Prayer of Saint Francis

**MASSES FOR
MARCH 6 - 12, 2023**

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

Monday, March 6 – Lenten Weekday

7:30 am – Intentions of Parishioners

Tuesday, March 7 – Lenten Weekday

7:30 am – Florence Lisi by Cynde & José

Wednesday, March 8 – Lenten Weekday

7:30 am – For A Special Intention

Thursday, March 9 – Lenten Weekday

7:30 am – Intentions of Parishioners

Friday, March 10 – Lenten Weekday – Abstinence

7:30 am – Intentions of Priest Celebrant

3:00 pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet

Saturday, March 11 – Lenten Weekday

8:00 am – Intentions of Parishioners



**Sanctuary Candle &
Altar Bread & Wine:**

David Veiga by friends

+Died in Christ+

Gloria Campanile



WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT

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

Church Collections & Mail-in Budgets

Ash Wednesday

\$3,096.00

Weekend of February 25 & 26, 2023

Collections: \$4,470.00

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday, March 11

5:00 pm

Elizabeth & Robert Cece by Maria & Family

Louis & Florence Carnasciale

Tonya Phillips Pilloni

6:30 pm

Mass in Spanish

**Sunday, March 12
Third Sunday of Lent**

8:00 am

Intentions of Parishioners

9:30 am

Mass in Spanish

11:30 am

Maria & Salvatore Ciccone and

Maria & Rosario Ferragine and

Mara Regoli by Mr. & Mrs. John Ciccone & Family

Patrick Fay by Father Joe

Antonio & Maria Annina Marinucci by Peter & Lillian

Samantha M. Richards by Mother & Family

If we pray, we will believe,
If we believe, we will love,
If we love, we will serve.

Saint Teresa of Calcutta



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In Memory Of

David Veiga