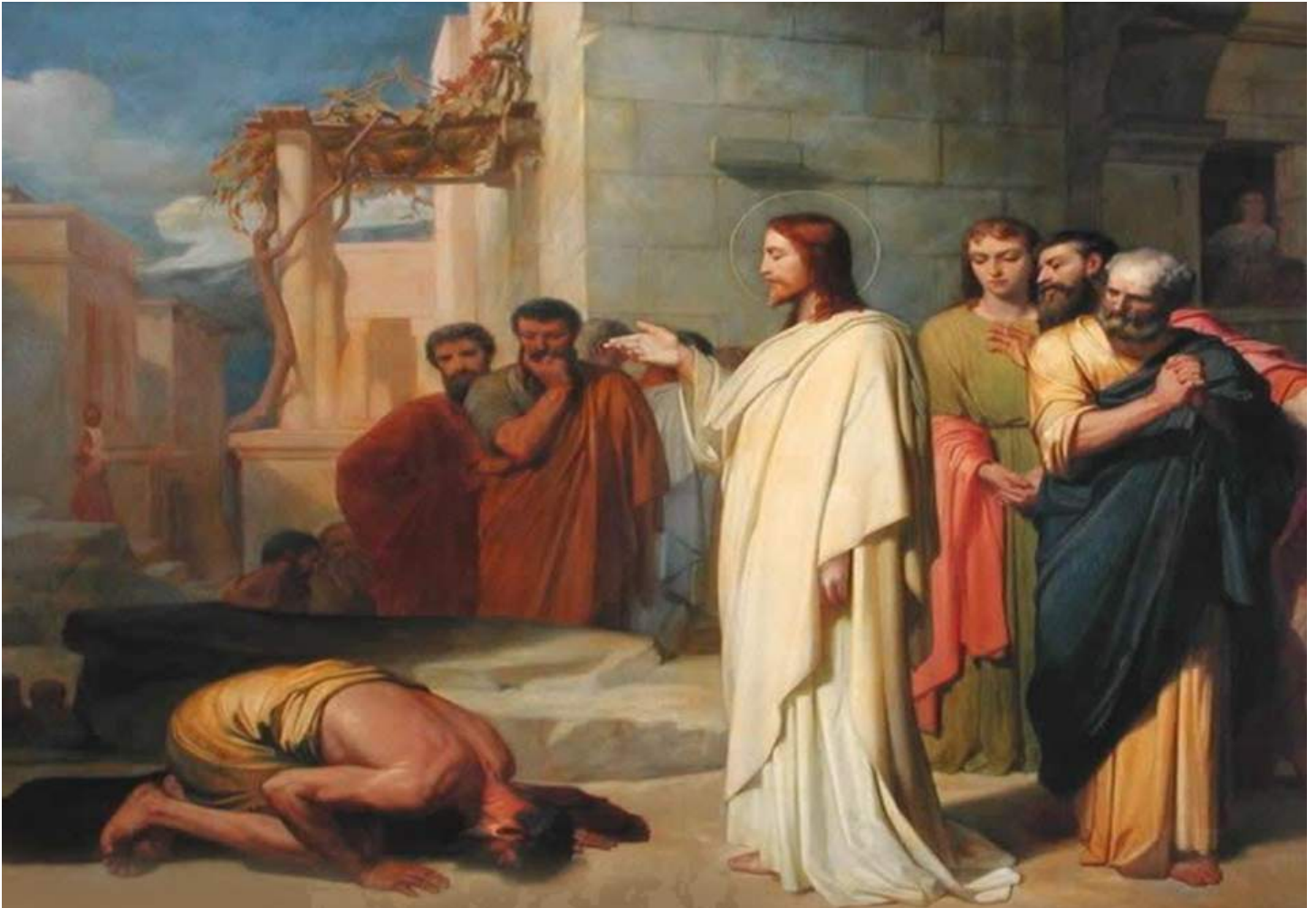




**The Parish of Saint Teresa of Calcutta**  
**One Parish Family With Two Worship Sites**  
**Ascension Worship Site Saint Elizabeth Worship Site**

**THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 11, 2024**



**I do will it.**  
*Be made clean.*

MARK 1:41

# THE PARISH OF ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA

**PASTOR: Rev. Erin Brown**

**Weekend Assistants:**  
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**Msgr. Michael Desmond**  
**Rev. James Whelan**

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**Deacon Robert Armstrong**  
**Deacon Richard Coscarelli**  
**Deacon John Kopcak**

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### Parish office hours:

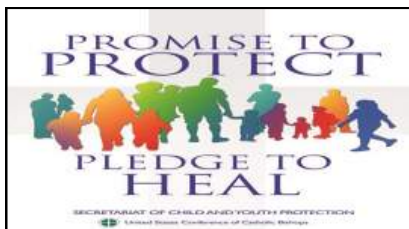
Monday— Thursday 8:30am –12:00 and 12:30-3:00pm

Friday—8:30am-12:00 and 12:30pm-1:30pm

Closed for lunch 12:00 to 12:30

Ext 101-Admin. Assistant-Linda Gunther  
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Ext 103-PCL/Financial Administrator-Carol Freda  
Ext 104-Pastor-Rev. Erin Brown  
Ext 105-St Francis Ministry  
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732-600-6075  
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## OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT



The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan Abuse Hotline. To report the sexual abuse of minors call our hotline 1-888-296-2965 or email us [abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org](mailto:abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org) Please note: The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.

**St. Elizabeth Worship Site**  
424 Lincoln Avenue  
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**Daily Mass Schedule**  
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday-8:00am

**Weekend Mass Schedule**  
Saturday-4:00pm  
Sunday-9:00am & 10:30am

**Confessions**  
Saturday-3:00pm-3:45pm

## Ascension Worship Site

501 Brinley Avenue  
Bradley Beach, NJ 07720

**Daily Mass Schedule**  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday-8:00am

**Weekend Mass Schedule**  
Saturday-5:00pm  
Sunday-8:00am & 10:00am

**Adoration**—Every Wednesday starting at 8:30am  
**Confessions** are Wednesday 6-7pm & Friday 8:30am  
**The Rosary** will be prayed at 7pm on Wednesday

## PARISH COLLECTIONS

### Weekly Collection totals for January 28, 2024

First Collection- \$9,560.64  
Online Giving- \$3,800.00  
Total First Collection—\$13,360.64  
Total Second Collection—\$2,030.27  
Candles-\$265.38  
Poor Box-\$51.02



For your convenience we are now offering Venmo as a payment option for donations.

Thank you for your continued support!!

More families these days are paying their bills online and not writing checks. If you wish to go “green,” visit our Parish website at [www.stocp.org](http://www.stocp.org) and click the *Parish Giving* icon. You can set up weekly, monthly, or a one-time contribution to the Parish of St. Teresa of Calcutta.

## THE PARISH OF ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA

### Adoration at Ascension Worship site -

*Please Consider Volunteering!*

Wednesdays at the Ascension Worship site, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is offered following the 8:00AM Mass, until 8PM. We are in need of dedicated Adorers who are willing to spend just one hour of their choice each week with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. We are especially in need of Adorers from 4:00PM to 6PM. There are no special skills required, and this is open to every parishioner. Please consider volunteering.

For more information or to sign up, please contact Sharon Delaney (732) 241-8264.

#### **Ascension Worship Site**

**Adoration**—Every Wednesday starting at 8:30am

**Confessions** are 6-7pm

**Following Benediction-The Rosary** will be prayed at 7pm.

**Religious Education Classes:** For more information, please see our website.

**Baptism Prep Class:** Please contact the Rectory for more information.

**Marriage:** The Sacrament of Matrimony requires spiritual preparation, planning, and organization. We follow the Common Policy of Marriage adopted by the Bishops of New Jersey. Couples that are planning marriage should please contact the Rectory for more information.

**Weekly Communion:** If you or a loved one are unable to attend Mass, please call our Pastoral Associate, Deacon Robert Armstrong, at 732-774-0456, ext. 102. We can bring Holy Communion to you on a weekday or a Sunday. Through this ministry, visits can be made to the home-bound, and those in nursing homes, the hospital, and assisted-living facilities.



### **ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING INFO**

The Altar Rosary Society of the Parish of St. Teresa of Calcutta is a Catholic women's group dedicated to serving the needs of our parish and the community and helping our members grow in their faith. The next meeting will be held on **March 14, after the 8:00am mass at St. Elizabeth Worship Site**. Feel free to contact **Fran Rooney at 732-492-0689** if you have any questions.



### **HOLY NAME SOCIETY MEETING INFO**

The Holy Name Society of the Parish of St. Teresa of Calcutta is a Catholic men's group open to men of all ages dedicated to serving the Parish and the community and helping its members grow in their Faith. Their next meeting date is **Monday March 4th at 7:00pm** in O'Hara Hall. All men, high-school age and up, are welcome.



### **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS MEETING INFO**

The next meeting of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. Elizabeth #1486, is **Tuesday February 13, at 6:00pm** at **Ascension Worship Site**. Catholic Daughters provides an opportunity for Catholic women to enjoy fellowship and support many worth-while charities & organizations in the local communities and the Americas. Be a part of our many annual events! Contact Joyce Winberry Regent, at **732-677-8757**.



### **HAPPY YARNERS A.K.A PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY MEETING**

The next meeting of the Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet, **Friday March 1, 2023 at 1:00pm**. If you want to learn to knit or crochet, someone will teach you. If you are interested in joining or have any questions please call **Jo @ 732-774-9302** or **Sandy @ 732-988-6717**.

### **St. Francis Ministry**

The **St. Francis Society** would like to thank the people of our parish for their generosity. Through your help we have been able to help a number of people with utilities, rents, medicine, & food. If anyone is in need of help, please encourage them to call our confidential "hot line" listed below. The hot line is accessed daily and calls are returned within 24 hours. We are here to serve those in need. (732)-774-0456 Ext. 105 leave a message with a time to call back.

### **Readings for the Week - February 11, 2024**

**Monday** Jas 1:1-11 Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76 Mk 8:11-13

**Tuesday** Jas 1:12-18 Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19 Mk 8:14-21

**Wednesday** Jl 2:12-18 Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 2 Cor 5:20-6:2 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday** Dt 30:15-20 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Lk 9:22-25

**Friday** Is 58:1-9a Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 Mt 9:14-15

**Saturday** Is 58:9b-14 Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Lk 5:27-32

**Sunday** Gn 9:8-15 Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9. 1 Pt 3:18-22 Mk 1:12-15



# THE PARISH OF ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA

✠✠ *Mass Intentions* ✠✠

## St. Elizabeth Worship Site

### Saturday February 10

8:00am

Jim O'Dwyer req. by Paul Busch

4:00pm-Fr. **Jim Whelan**

Helen Skinner 35th anniv req. by Janice Cuttingham & Al Petit

Ann & Frank Mastray req. by Joann Sharrock

LaVerne Pelak req. by Lillian Borrone

### Sunday February 11

9:00am-Fr. **Jim Whelan**

Michael Reilly req. by Susan Meehan

Kathryn Gentile req. by Janet Dunshee-Baldwin

10:30am-Fr. **Jim Whelan**

Robert Noble req. by Helen & Pat Kilcooley

Fr. Joseph A. Radomski req. by Judy & Gene Silva

Tom Sullivan req. by Helen & Pat Kilcooley

### Tuesday February 13

8:00am

Frankie Semansky req. by Jennie Semansky

Patrick Riddle req. by Janet Dunshee-Baldwin

### Wednesday February 14-Ash Wednesday

12noon

James McHue req. by Janet Dunshee-Baldwin

3:30pm

Tony Salerno req. by Family

### Thursday February 15

8:00am

Victoria Ruoff req. by Marybeth & Frank McGovern

Dec. Friends of Pat Buerck req. by Pat Buerck

### Saturday February 17

8:00am

All Souls in Purgatory

4:00pm-**Msgr. Jim Burke**

People of the Parish

### Sunday February 18

9:00am-Fr. **Erin Brown**

Luke Schade req. by Lillian Borrone

Alice Hambold req. by Larry & Irene Gallagher

Dick Kernan req. by Janice Cuttingham & Al Petit

10:30am-Fr. **Erin Brown**

Fr. Joseph A. Radomski req. by Virginia Piccolo

Carl Johnson req. by Art & Peggy Geiger

Sonny McGinley req. by Helen & Pat Kilcooley

## Ascension Worship Site

### Saturday February 10

5:00pm-Fr. **Erin Brown**

Gorman & Cobb Family req. by D'Auria Family

James P. Cashman req. by Kathy & Kurt Schwinghammer

Barbara Chirico req. by Dave, Dina, & Loretta

### Sunday February 11

8:00am-Fr. **Erin Brown**

John McKeon req. by Nicole Masse

Barbara Chirico req. by Louise Habrack

John J. Pistilli req. by Children-Diane, Linda, John, & Chris

10:00am-Fr. **Erin Brown**

People of the Parish

### Monday February 12

8:00am

Phyllis Savonarola req. by Joanne Cowan & Family

### Wednesday February 14-Ash Wednesday

8:00am

Frances & Earl Stebbins Anniv req. by Family

7:00pm

All Souls in Purgatory

### Friday February 16

8:00am

Dennis J. Scrimmer req. by Family

Edward Borrone req. by Lillian Borrone

### Saturday February 17

5:00pm-Fr. **Jim Whelan**

Glenn Sanford req. by Janet & Eddie Pilot

Barbara Chirico req. by Sandy Cutillo

Loretta Cupo req. by Peter & Carol Goggi

### Sunday February 18

8:00am-Fr. **Jim Whelan**

Barbara Chirico req. by Dave, Dina, & Loretta

Carmelo Lorino req. by Mary & Jeffrey Plaza & Family

10:00am-Fr. **Jim Whelan**

Baby John Lucas Ferramosca req. by Eddie & Janet Pilot

Loretta Cupo req. by Janice Cuttingham & Al Petit



### **PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS**

Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands.

Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. Amen



Please pray for all the deceased who entered into their new and eternal life with Christ. May they enjoy the pleasure of God's eternal company, love, peace, and rest forever in Heaven.

**Please notify the Parish Rectory if you have friends or loved ones who are suffering from severe illness, are homebound, or are undergoing difficult medical procedures whom you wish the Parish to pray for ;**

Dorothy Artz, Richard Basso, Allen A. Bessemer, Michael Bruder, Judy Casagrande, Concetta Cannon, Bob Consoli, Ann Cramer, Fay D'Alto, Ann Marie Delahanty, Sean Fenlon, Armando Fina, Marie Fletcher, Alfred Ford, Cecilia Hart, JeanMarie Howard, Samuel Jarmer, Linda Lapointe, Debra Maychrich, Denis McGowan, Kathy Morton, John Murray, Carol Nebus, Joseph Pecoraro, Ellie Przygucki, Ernie Roberts, Joseph Scheuer, James Symons, Linda Tarantino.

**If the person no longer needs prayers please let us know so we can remove their name from the list.**



## THE PARISH OF ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA

**Ash Wednesday is February 14th**

There will be Mass and distribution of Ashes;

**St. Elizabeth —12:00pm and 3:30pm**

**And Ascension —8:00am and 7:00pm**



**Stations of the cross will be on Fridays during Lent;**

**Ascension Worship Site– 12:00noon**  
**St. Elizabeth Worship Site–3:00pm except for Friday February 16th due to a previously scheduled wedding.**

### Catholic Daughter's Event

The Catholic Daughters cordially invite all women of the parish to join us for a day of recollection on Thursday, March 21st. at St. Alfonso Retreat House in Long Branch. The day will include breakfast and lunch. Breakfast will begin at 9:00 and the day will end after mass about 3:00. Cost is \$60.00 per person. Please contact Joyce Winberry 732-677-8757 or [jwinberry@optonline.net](mailto:jwinberry@optonline.net) to reserve a space.

This is a wonderful way to prepare for Easter.

**The Parish is in need of ;  
 Extra Ordinary Ministers, Readers  
 Altar Servers and  
 Collection Counters  
 If you are able to volunteer your time in this way,  
 please contact the Rectory at  
 732-774-0456, Ext. 101**

The deadline to submit for the bulletin is 11 days or approximately one and one half weeks before the Sunday bulletin date. Check with the parish office for special Holiday deadlines. Thank you.



The **St Teresa of Calcutta Altar Rosary Society** is once again organizing a **6 week food drive in Lent** to support the local community. Please refer to the following dates and items that are being requested.

Weekend of 2/17 and 2/18: Shelf Stable milk, Cereal or Cereal Bars

Weekend of 2/24 and 2/25: Complete Pancake Mix, Syrup or Honey

Weekend of 3/2 and 3/3: Canned Tuna or Meat and Macaroni & Cheese

Weekend of 3/9 and 3/10: Pasta and tomato sauce, spices

Weekend of 3/16 and 3/17: Four or cake mix and condiments

Weekend of 3/23 and 3/24: Snacks, peanut butter and jelly

**Thank you for your continued support of these efforts.**

### Week 2 – World Marriage Day Weekend

*Celebrating the Beauty of Catholic Marriage from the Catechism – read more at [uscgb.org](http://uscgb.org) under "Resources"*

**1605** Holy Scripture affirms that man and woman were created for one another: "It is not good that the man should be alone." The woman, "flesh of his flesh," his equal, his nearest in all things, is given to him by God as a "helpmate"; she thus represents God from whom comes our help. "Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and cleaves to his wife, and they become one flesh." The Lord himself shows that this signifies an unbreakable union of their two lives by recalling what the plan of the Creator had been "in the beginning": "So they are no longer two, but one flesh." (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*)

### St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish Book Club



Just in time for St. Patrick's Day! At our next get together on Feb. 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in O'hara Hall, we'll be discussing The Irishman's Daughter by V.R.Alexander. The story of courage and hope takes place during the hard times of the potato famine.

All are welcome to join us.

# THE PARISH OF ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA



## RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held February 16 - 18, 2024 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

## SUPPORT GROUP FOR ANYONE SEPARATED OR DIVORCED

We have many offerings for anyone experiencing the pain and hurt of losing a marriage relationship. It doesn't matter if you are contemplating divorce, newly separated, going through the divorce process, recently divorced or divorced many years. You could have been married 4 years or 40 years, it doesn't matter, this program has help for everyone that attends!

We are currently offering a 12-Week Program Beginning Thursday, March 7, 2024 From 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm St. Leo The Great, Parish Center Meeting Room Located at 50 Hurleys Lane, Lincroft, NJ To register or to have one of the Facilitators give you a call to find out more information, please email:

[healingheartsfromdivorce@gmail.com](mailto:healingheartsfromdivorce@gmail.com).

For more information to help you decide if this program is right for you, please visit: <https://www.mylifechangecoach.com/divorceministry>.



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All St. Teresa of Calcutta Parishioners Welcome!



Please join us during 2024 after the 10am Sunday Mass at Ascension for **free coffee, donuts, fellowship, and reflection.**

**When:** after 10am Sunday Mass on...

**Feb. 25, Mar. 17, Apr. 28, May 26, Jun. 30, Jul. 28, Aug. 25, Sep. 29, Oct. 27, Nov. 24, Dec. 22**

**Where:** O'Hara Hall at Ascension Church

**Sponsored by:** Council #816 - Mary Queen of the Knights



Please scan the QR code to sign up for parish communications.



**“Men of STOCP St. Elizabeth’s:** All Catholic Men 18 or over: Please join Knights of Columbus Council #5611! **FREE MEMBERSHIP; FREE CATHOLIC SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS; FREE 1/20/24 BASKETBALL FREE THROW TOURNAMENT; FREE PRIZES TO ALL PARTICIPANTS! INEXPENSIVE, TOP RATED, LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES TO PROTECT YOUR FAMILY: AVAILABLE ONLY TO MEMBERS!** Scan the above QR code, and join now! **PUT COUNCIL #5611 AS THE COUNCIL YOU WISH TO JOIN. FIFTEEN MINUTES PER YEAR, HELP, IS ALL WE ASK!** Requested but not required to attend meetings; 7:00PM, St. Rose Parish Center, Thur. Dec. 28, 2023, Monday, 1/8/24 and 1/22/24. Call Kevin Fay at (732) 681-4128;

email: [kevintfay@verizon.net](mailto:kevintfay@verizon.net) : COUNCIL #5611: FAITH IN ACTION!”



**Men of STOCP Ascension-**You are invited to join a community of like-minded Catholic men who share their faith, hands, hearts, and prayers, providing support and communing with each other. You can also bring your family along and get to know other members.

**Membership is FREE;** you can join online anytime. **Just scan the QR code and enter Council 816. Knights of Columbus-Faith in Action!**



**St. Teresa of Calcutta Youth**  
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**STOCP High School Youth Group**  
Sundays, 7PM-8PM, Ascension Center

**Children's Rosary Prayer Group**

Wednesdays, 4:15PM-4:45PM

St. Elizabeth Church

**Come support our CYO Basketball Team!**  
**Games are at Avon Municipal Bldg.**

Day	Date	Time	Status	Score
Sun	1/7/2024	2:00 pm	L	<a href="#">50-47</a>
Tue	1/9/2024	7:00 pm	PPD	N/R
Sun	1/14/2024	3:00 pm	TBP	
Sun	1/21/2024	2:00 pm	TBP	
Sun	1/28/2024	2:00 pm	TBP	
Thu	2/1/2024	8:00 pm	TBP	
Sun	2/4/2024	2:00 pm	TBP	
Sun	2/11/2024	2:00 pm	TBP	
Tue	2/13/2024	8:00 pm	TBP	
Thu	2/15/2024	7:00 pm	TBP	

## THE PARISH OF ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA



January 23, 2024

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

During the days and weeks of penance that lie ahead --- from **Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024, until Holy Thursday morning, March 28, 2024** --- the Catholic Church throughout the world commemorates the penitential season of Lent ending with the Sacred Triduum of Holy Week. The model Jesus gave us for “these forty days” was his own experience in the desert and the temptations that followed him there where he encountered Satan face to face. And yet, Jesus, there in the desert --- alone, fasting and in intense prayer --- beat back the devil and triumphed over temptation, as strong and as unrelenting as it was throughout those forty days.

We enter the desert of Lent like Jesus, led by the Holy Spirit, to face our devils, our temptations head on. But we are not alone. The Lord Jesus Christ is with us. And so, too, is the Church, the entire community of faith observing Lent. Here is what the Catholic Church in the United States requires of us as baptized Catholics:

1. The days of FAST (only one full meal) and ABSTINENCE (no meat) are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. No dispensations are granted on these solemn days except for reason of sickness or those provided in canon law below. ALL OTHER FRIDAYS OF LENT are days of ABSTINENCE.
2. The pastor of a parish has the faculty to give a dispensation to individual parishioners in his parish and the Diocesan Bishop alone has the authority to dispense groups of Catholics but only for a serious reason.
3. Those who are automatically dispensed from fast and abstinence regulations outside the age limits noted below include: the physically or mentally ill, especially individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also included in the dispensation are women who are pregnant or nursing. In all cases, common sense should prevail, and ill persons should not further jeopardize their health by fasting.
4. Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to FAST (only one full meal) as noted above. From the age of 14, people are also obliged to ABSTAIN: this obligation prohibits the eating of meat, but not eggs, milk products or condiments of any kind, even though made from animal fat.
5. The obligation to observe the laws of fast and abstinence is a serious one for Catholics. Failure to observe one penitential day in itself is not considered a serious sin. It is the intentional failure to observe any penitential days at all, or a substantial number of penitential days, that must be considered a serious matter.
6. The obligation, the privilege really, of receiving the Eucharist at least once a year --- often called “Easter duty” --- for those in the state of grace should still be fulfilled during the period from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 17-18, 2024, to Trinity Sunday, May 25-26, 2024**. However, the Church’s law does permit this precept to be fulfilled at another time during the year when there is a just cause.

I want to encourage all Catholics, especially those who are conscious of serious sin, to go to Confession and to make use of the sacrifices and traditions that have always been part of our Lenten practices in the Church.

We do, indeed, fast and pray with the Lord Jesus and with our fellow Catholics. May this Lent be a time of Penance leading to grace and joy for us all at Easter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend David M. O’Connell, C.M.  
Bishop of Trenton



# Reflection

*Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson*

I wouldn't expect any of you to recognize the name of Joseph Carey Merrick. He was a victim of a very rare disease called different names at various times. It is characterized by a severe and ugly distortion of the body, particularly of the skull and upper torso. The disease was nicknamed "elephantiasis" because often enough that was what many victims resembled. In fact, a 1980 movie about Merrick's sad life was entitled "The Elephant Man." (Google "The Elephant Man" or "Joseph Merrick" to learn more.)

Projecting back to the time when Jesus walked, there was a nearly equal disfigurement brought on by leprosy. The great fear then was that by just being near a leper would transmit the infection. Remember those similar Covid 19 restrictions? Thus, in the Old Testament Book of Leviticus read today we hear of a whole section of laws regarding what to do as a healthy person and what the victims themselves had to do.

All of this provides meditation material for us about sin—all sin but especially the mortal kind—seen by many spiritual writers as "leprosy of the soul." Serious sin disfigures our souls, making us repulsive to God and angels alike. Just because we can't literally see this effect in us doesn't make it unreal. Often a sinner will feel very nervous and uncomfortable in the presence of a genuinely good person, place, or thing. The only person happy about us when we fall is the devil. Please don't write Satan off as an outdated figure locked up in the Bible. Or as a little red gnome with a pitchfork. He is a real fallen angel, superior to us in intellect and cunning. A genuine hater of God. Jesus spoke of him multiple times.

How coincidental that this gospel appears on this 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, designated by Pope St. John Paul II as "World Day of the Sick." Yes, it is meant for us to pray and help all who are ill. By extension, also of all people sick with sin or spiritual leprosy.

Today we are only 3 days out from Ash Wednesday and the great penitential season of Lent. Let that fact sink into your consciousness as we prepare for it. As for sin, I found a long list of contrasts between how we look at sin and how God does, written anonymously. Here is just a pertinent part:

"Man calls it an accident; God calls it an abomination.  
Man calls it a blunder; God calls it blindness.  
Man calls it a defect; God calls it a disease.  
Man calls it a luxury; God calls it leprosy."

God love you and give you His peace.

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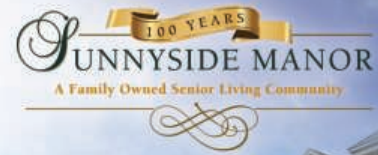
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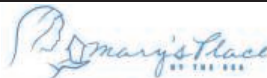
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