



Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

VERITATEM FACIENTES IN CARITATE

March 9, 2025

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



Saint Anthony of Padua Oratory

Welcome to St. Anthony of Padua Oratory, a Latin Mass Apostolate in the Archdiocese of Newark, under the care of the Canons of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest (visit: icksp.org). The Institute celebrates Holy Mass according to the 1962 Roman Missal, commonly known as the "Traditional Latin Mass."

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Rev. Canon Adrian Sequeira, *Pastor & Rector*

Rev. Father Richard Munkelt, *Priest in Residence*

Regular Devotions

Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament:

Second Sunday after 9:00 AM Mass

Procession in honor of Our Lady:

First Sunday before 11:00 AM Mass

Holy Hour of Adoration:

Every Thursday at 7:00 PM

First Friday: Additional Mass at 7:00 PM

Fridays in Lent: Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM

Perpetual Novena:

Monthly from the 17th to 25th: Infant of Prague

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 7:30 AM & 9:00 AM (Low Masses)
11:00 AM (High Mass)

Monday - Saturday: 9:00 AM (Low Mass)

Holy Days of Obligation: 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM
(Please consult the bulletin or website.)

Confessions

Half an hour before each Mass and upon request.
Confessions will be available during Holy Hour
and Stations of the Cross.

Sacraments

Infant Baptism: Parents requesting infant baptism for their child should be active, registered members of the Oratory. Infants should be baptized within the first few weeks after birth (Code of Canon Law, 867 §1). Please contact the Oratory in advance.

Marriage: At least one party should be an active, registered member of the Oratory. Please contact the Oratory at least seven months in advance of the proposed wedding date for more information.

Extreme Unction (*Anointing of the Sick*): If an individual is facing serious illness or death, call the Rectory at 973-325-2233.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Sunday, March 9, First Sunday of Lent, *Second Collection*

7:30 AM Low Mass

† Steve Mykowski, *requested by Maryanne O'Toole*

9:00 AM Low Mass & Benediction

† Lois Ludwig, *requested by Bonnie Cooper*

11:00 AM High Mass

Pro Populo

Monday, March 10, Monday of the First Week of Lent

9:00 AM Low Mass

Isekenegbe family, *requested by Ignatius Isekenegbe*

Tuesday, March 11, Tuesday of the First Week of Lent

9:00 AM Low Mass

† Ben & Helen Avallone, *requested by Frungillo family*

Wednesday, March 12, Ember Wednesday of Lent

9:00 AM Low Mass

Christine Tobak, *requested by John Tobak*

Thursday, March 13, Thursday of the First Week of Lent

9:00 AM Low Mass

Barbara Johnston, *requested by Heather Marvell*

7:00 PM Holy Hour, *Prayer of Reparation*

Friday, March 14, Ember Friday of Lent

9:00 AM Low Mass

† Yohanes Johan & Rufina Setiawati, *requested by Rustandi family*

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 15, Ember Saturday of Lent

9:00 AM Low Mass

† Marian Mazur, *requested by Barbara Mazur*

Sunday, March 16, Second Sunday of Lent,

7:30 AM Low Mass

† Carol & Henry Garry, *requested by Kikikipa Kretzer*

9:00 AM Low Mass

† Joesph Gerard Dymkowski, *requested by Dymkowski family*

11:00 AM High Mass

Pro Populo

FROM THE DESK OF THE RECTOR

Very dear faithful. Today is the first Sunday of Lent. Today we begin our preparation for the glorious feast of Easter, the feast of our redemption, a prize so dearly won by Our Lord. It is daunting to have forty days of mortification before us. But Our kind and generous God does not leave us to ourselves. So much does He love us, that even after dying for us, He gives us His precious help to come to Him.

The liturgy of the Mass today offers us two excellent helps in our struggle with the temptations of Satan, the World, and the Flesh. The two weapons offered to us are the Word of Christ and the Body of Christ. Strengthened by this nourishment, we answer the solicitations of the devil, "Begone Satan." Here at the altar the Church and her children draw the strength to resist the tempter and his enticements.

The liturgy of Lent also offers us the Word of Christ in Holy Scripture. In every Mass new texts and maxims are presented to us. Holy Scripture is our spiritual food. Every word of Holy Scripture which the liturgy presents to us in the lessons of the Divine Office and the chants of the Mass, comes from the mouth of God. Can the tempter, the world, and the flesh injure us if we take refuge in these means provided for us, in the word of God and in the Eucharist?

In prayerful union, Canon Sequeira

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

TODAY! March 9, representatives of Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Newark will be available in the vestibule of Saint Anthony's to answer any questions regarding funerals and burials in the many cemeteries of the Archdiocese.

TODAY! INSTITUTE PROVINCIAL APPEAL

Many Apostolates, One Mission

A special Second Collection will be taken up after each Mass today the First Sunday of Lent, March 9.

Help the Institute continue to restore Catholic life and culture in the USA!

Donate online with the QR code here.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY

During Lent, the Holy Name Society will be collecting donations for the Our Lady of the Valley Soup Kitchen in Orange, NJ. Supplies and food items particularly needed include canned soups, chicken and/or beef broth, beans, gravies, pasta, peanut butter, sugar, napkins, and other nonperishable items. The donations can be left downstairs in Fr. Wickens' Hall next to the Holy Name Society banner.

Thank you!

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Langan family, Shannon Hardy, Christine Dehanes, Bernie Giuliano, David Drury, Rose Doane,

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Nicholas Manzo, Empson Venturi, John Cooper, Cornelius Flaherty, Lorna Edwards, Albert Wickens, Christopher Slattery, Dante Biong,

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

SAINT JOSEPH'S TABLE

Once again we come to the time of the year when we can honor our dear Saint Joseph. Our Annual Tavola de San Giuseppe will be held on Sunday, March 23, 2025. The festivities will begin after the 9:00 AM Low Mass.

This year, instead of the usual format we will have a potluck to go with the traditional dishes. Volunteer to make a traditional dish or sign up to bring a dish of your choice!

Please sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/2s423bnz>

Alternatively you can use the following QR code:



SAINT JOSEPH DAY OF PRAYER

On Wednesday, March 19, in honor of Saint Joseph, there will be a Day of Prayer at the Oratory. The tentative schedule is as follows:

9:00 AM Low Mass followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

11:00 AM Rosary and Litany followed by Benediction

12:00 PM Low Mass

6:00 PM Stations of the Cross

7:00 PM High Mass

All are invited to seek the intercession of Saint Joseph, and profit from the many graces of this feast day.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Please join in prayer and fasting with this upcoming 40 days for life campaign in Montclair, NJ, which runs from Feb 14 through March 24. A sacrificial hour of prayer per week could save a life! To sign up go to: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/montclair>

WHY THE CHURCH? by Canon Francis J. Ripley

Why belong to a church? The simple answer is because God has said you must. He became man and personally established an organized, visible Church to teach, rule, and make us holy with his authority. He did this because he was the way, the truth, and the life.

“If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the Church; and if he refuses to listen even to the Church, let him be to you as a Gentile and tax collector. Truly, I say to you, Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven” (Matt. 18:15-18). Therefore the Church is a body that can be appealed to and has the duty to cut off from membership those who are obstinately disobedient.

Christ called his apostles as his own special companions, to be always with him. He concentrated on their formation and conferred special powers on them to teach, rule, and make people holy. By making Peter head of the apostles he gave him central authority in the Church: “Feed my lambs, feed my sheep, feed my sheep” (John 21:15-17). He gave to Peter individually the authority he had given to the apostles as a body: “Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sun Mar 9 *First Sunday of Lent.* Low Masses at 7:30 AM & 9:00 AM, and High Mass at 11:00 AM. *Special Second Collection at all Masses.*

Thu Mar 13 Holy Hour at 7:00 PM.

Fri Mar 14 Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM.

Sun Mar 16 *Second Sunday of Lent.* Low Masses at 7:30 AM & 9:00 AM, and High Mass at 11:00 AM.

Wed Mar 19 *Feast of Saint Joseph.* Low Mass at 9:00 AM, and High Mass at 7:00 PM.

Thu Mar 20 Holy Hour at 7:00 PM.

Fri Mar 21 *Saint Benedict of Nursia.* Low Mass at 9:00 AM, and High Mass at 7:00 PM. *A plenary indulgence can be obtained.* (Stations of the Cross in private. The church will be opened at 6:00 PM.)

Sun Mar 23 *Third Sunday of Lent.* Low Masses at 7:30 AM & 9:00 AM, and High Mass at 11:00 AM.

Tue Mar 25 *Feast of the Annunciation.* Low Mass at 9:00 AM, and High Mass at 7:00 PM.

Thu Mar 27 Holy Hour at 7:00 PM.

Fri Mar 28 Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM.

Sun Mar 30 *Fourth (Laetare) Sunday of Lent.* Low Masses at 7:30 AM & 9:00 AM, and High Mass at 11:00 AM.

VOTIVE CANDLES

WEEK OF MARCH 9

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OUR LADY

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Burke family — MB

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Joseph Burke — MB

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heaven” (Matt. 16:19).

In the Acts of the Apostles we find the Church as a clear-cut organization. It has officials, such as Matthias and Timothy, who were consecrated by the laying-on of hands—deacons, priests, and bishops. “If a man cannot rule his own household, how is he to rule the Church of God?” (1 Tim. 3:5). When the apostles met in council in Jerusalem (Acts 15), the Church was already a fully-constituted society intent on converting the world. It had disciplinary rules, officials, ceremonies, sacraments, and official teaching.

That same Church must be in the world today because Christ said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commended you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age” (Matt. 28:18-20).

The Catholic Church alone of Christian bodies today corresponds exactly to the religion established by Jesus Christ. We can outline the argument this way:

1. The Catholic Church was founded by Christ personally. All other churches disappear as you go back through history. The Pentecostal churches, for examples, are nineteenth-century offshoots of the Holiness churches, which were offshoots of the Methodist Church, which was an offshoot of the Anglican Church, which was a sixteenth-century offshoot of the Catholic Church.

Christ said, “You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church” (Matt. 16:18). There are many claimants to the honor of being Christ’s Church, but only the Catholic Church claims to have been built on Peter, the chief of the apostles and the first bishop of Rome. No other church claims to have been built on Peter, which means no other church can be the one Christ established.

2. The Catholic Church has existed continuously, without essential change, since the time of Christ. This is a fact of history. The same authority summoned the first general councils as summoned Vatican II. (No one really disputes this.) All the saints of every age were members of the Catholic Church, honoring the pope as Christ’s visible representative on earth, worshiping God through the Mass and seven sacraments, and all believing the same teaching. Examine the findings of any two general councils in Christendom and you will find absolute agreement among them.

3. The Catholic Church is universal, in accordance with Christ’s command to go to all the world and teach all the nations. It was first called “Catholic” by Ignatius of Antioch, who was martyred about the year 107. From Ignatius’s usage, the term seems to have been in vogue for some time, which means the Church was called the Catholic Church even while some witnesses to Christ’s life still lived.

For nineteen centuries the Church has united men who differ on almost everything. It has satisfied all their legitimate religious aspirations, has overcome differences of color, race, and nation, has shown that its constitution can be adapted to any political regime (except one that is professedly anti-Christian), and has appealed to men of every age and ability. Today there are nearly one billion Catholics in the world. The word “Catholic” means that the Church believes, teaches, and professes the whole of divine revelation and is meant for all men of all times and places.

4. The Catholic Church demands that all its members admit the same doctrine. This is required by Christ. “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to the whole of creation. He who believes and is baptized will be saved, but he who does not believe will be condemned” (Mark 16:16). “He who hears you hears me, and he who rejects you rejects me” (Luke 10:16). Christ prayed that his Church always would remain united. “I do not pray for these only, but also for those who believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, even as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me . . . that they may become perfectly one” (John 17:20-24). This prayer of Christ could not go unheard. In it he appeals to his unity with his Father. He wants the Church to be united in the same way, and he wants that unity to be evidence of its divine foundation.

(to be concluded next week)
