

### Sunday, March 10, 2024—The Fourth Sunday in Lent

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#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

The Parish and Religious Education offices are open Monday through Friday from 8:30am until 3:30pm.

**Mass Schedule** - All Masses are available by live stream through our website.

Daily Mass - Monday through Friday: 8:30am

Saturday - 5:00pm

Sunday - 7:00am, 8:30am and 10:30am

**Little Children of God** - children's program takes place at the 10:30am Sunday Mass for children ages 3-7.

The Church is open for daily prayer Monday through Friday. Access is through the parish office.

**Confession:** Saturday at 4:00pm in the Church or by appointment by calling the parish office.

St. Vincent de Paul Assistance Hotline: 732-370-0098

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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 and to its own policies and guidelines 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: 1-888-296-2965 or via e-mail at abuse-line@dioceseoftrenton.org.

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.

Dear Parish Family,

Last week I shared with you the first of a four part series on Women and Early Christianity offered by the Vatican News Service written by theologian Sr. Christine Schenk. This week for your Lenten reflection, I publish the second article.



### Woman and authority as depicted on 4th century Christian sarcophagi

Religious life, both contemplative and active, as we know it today, has evolved over two millennia. In this second of four essays, Christine Schenk describes original research into the archaeological evidence for early Christian women found on late 3rd to early 5th century sarcophagus friezes.

By Christine Schenk CSJ

Because most of history relies on literary records authored by men, discovering reliable historical data about early Christian women can be challenging. Christianity relies heavily on the written word as a primary means of understanding its history.

As Dr. Janet Tulloch attests in an article published in 2004, information gleaned from visual artifacts such as frescos, paintings, and sarcophagus friezes has, until recently, been left almost exclusively to art historians and archaeologists.

Although many female patrons financially subsidized men in the early Church (Mary of Magdala, Phoebe, Lydia, Paula, Olympias), their presence is barely discernible in literary sources. For some time now, scholars have understood that archaeology is an important source of information about early Christian women.

#### Written vs archeological record

For the first four centuries of Christian history (and even today) churchmen justified curtailing female authority by repeating 1 Timothy's admonishment that women be silent in the assembly and not teach or have authority over men (2:12).

Yet Christian funerary art from the late third to the early fifth centuries depicts women both teaching and preaching. Only a brief discussion of this fascinating topic is possible here.

For both Christian and pagan Romans, a sarcophagus was not just a container for a corpse, but a monument filled with meaning. Roman funerary art was meant to construct the identity of the deceased person and commemorate their values and virtues.

Only the wealthy could afford such an expensive tomb, and planning how one wished to be remembered was an important process. Being portrayed with a scroll, capsa (basket for scrolls) or codex (book) was an instant indicator of the deceased's learning, status, and wealth.

Both Christian women and men were commemorated and idealized as persons of status, authority, learnedness, and religious devotion. When the deceased's funerary portrait was depicted with a scroll or capsa in close proximity to biblical scenes, it also signaled learnedness about the Hebrew and Christian Scriptures (Figure 1). Over a three-year period, 1 analyzed 2,119 images and descriptors of 3rd to early 5th-century sarcophagi and fragments, comprising all publicly available images of Christian sarcophagi. An in-depth analysis of selected

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iconographical motifs found that many early Christian women were commemorated as persons of status, influence, and authority within their communities.

One highly significant finding is that there are three times as many solo funerary portraits of Christian women compared to Christian men. The likelihood is less than 1 in 1000 that this finding is due to chance. Many sarcophagus reliefs portray deceased women surrounded by biblical scenes, with their hands in a speech gesture, and holding scrolls or codices. These offer poignant witness that 4th century women did not heed admonitions to be silent.

Their prevalence suggests the emergence of a new female identity of biblical learnedness and teaching authority. Another significant finding is that female portraits were statistically twice as likely to be flanked by "apostle" figures (often Peter and Paul) probably to validate their religious authority (Figures 2, 3, 4).

### What the archeological record tells us

Early Christian sarcophagus iconography suggests that female Christians were learned, pious, and wealthy. Judging from the number of solo female sarcophagi, they were also single women or widows, evoking the early communities of widows and virgins discussed in the <u>first article in this series</u>.

Since many are depicted with scrolls and speech gestures in the midst of biblical scenes, we can posit that they were well versed in Scripture and wished to be represented as women with faith in God's power to save and as teachers about Jesus's life and healing miracles. Their communities idealized them as learned figures with authority to, at the very least, proclaim and teach Scripture.

It is plausible that later Roman "mothers of the church," such as Marcella, Paula, Melania the Elder, and Proba, admired these early female role models who inspired them to love and learn about Scripture.

Literary sources about "church mothers," are consistent with the archaeological findings, confirming what contemporary scholars –including <u>Pope Benedict XVI</u>—had previously theorized: women were considerably more influential in early Christianity than is generally recognized.

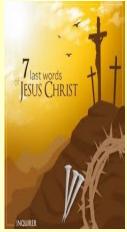
While men predominate in the literary record, archaeological funerary portraits point to a preponderance of Christian women remembered as exercising substantial ecclesial authority within their communities. As we shall see, the women who gathered around our "church mothers" developed into some of our earliest intentional communities of women religious.

# Prayer for the Synod on Synodality

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts: Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen

### Prayer to St. Michael

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen



Join us on Wednesday,
March 28<sup>th</sup> at 7pm for *The*Seven Last Words of Christ,
a musical and spiritual reflection by Ven. Fulton
Sheen on the seven last
phrases that Jesus gave us
from the cross. Before we
enter the Triduum, the
most beautiful and profound liturgies of our entire
year, let us consider the fi-

nal words that Jesus left us from the cross and how they might sanctify the final days of our Lent.





ADULT Fish -n- Chips

**Shrimp** 

KIDS Fish Sticks

Mac-n-Cheese

March 29th, 2024

Council #6201 401 Bartley Road, Jackson, NJ

# **PRICES**

\$15 Adult Meal \$10 Children 6-17 Under 5 FREE

# **Dine-in**

5:PM to 7:PM Reservation only

ORDERS FOR ALL "DINNERS TO GO" MUST BE PLACED

IN ADVANCE BY CALLING 732-367-9788

ORDERS FOR EAT-IN "RESERVATIONS ONLY" CALL

JOE D'ANGELO @ 732-284-0721



The next monthly food drive will be the weekend of March 16th-17th and will benefit the Jackson Food Pantry. Wish list items include personal hygiene products, cereal, toothpaste, feminine products, soaps and general toiletries. Thank

you for your continued support. Please do not leave perishables, clothing or household items in the Gathering Space.



Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter Mass Schedule

Palm Sunday, March 24th

Regular Weekend Schedule Saturday—Confession at 4pm, Mass at 5pm Sunday, 7:00am, 8:30am, 10:30am Palm will be available at all Masses

Wednesday, March 27th

Confession 12:00-1:00pm Seven Last Words of Christ—7:00pm Confession 7:00-8:00pm

Thursday, March 28th—Holy Thursday

No Daily Mass
Mass of the Lord's Supper—6:00pm

Friday, March 29th—Good Friday

No Daily Mass
The Passion of the Lord—3:00pm
Confession from 1:00-3:00pm

Saturday, March 30—Holy Saturday

Blessing of the Food— 11:00am in Morello Hall

No Confessions

Easter Vigil—8:00pm

Sunday, March 31, - Easter Sunday Regular Sunday Schedule 7:00am, 8:30am, and 10:30am

All Masses and liturgies will be available live stream

Stations of the Cross at 7:00m in the Church Friday, March 15

Friday, March 22 Soup and Stations (Youth Group) 6:00pm Soup in Morello Hall 7:00pm Stations in the Church

Eucharistic Adoration from 9:00am-3:00pm Gonzaga Hall Friday, March 15 and 22

### MASS INTENTIONS - March 10-17, 2024

Sunday, March 10, 2024

7:00 a.m. Parishioners

8:30 a.m. **Robert Zietek**, r/o Cousin and Family 10:30 a.m. **Rosa Maglione**, r/o Daughter, Gris

Marie lacono, r/o Joanne and Neil lacono

Monday, March 11, 2024

8:30 a.m. Robert and Colet Spuhler, r/o Piacentino Family

Tuesday, March 12, 2024 8:30 a.m. **Angie**, r/o Rosie

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

8:30 a.m. **Jamie Roman**, r/o Velda Roman

Thursday, March 14, 2024

8:30 a.m. Eileen Hurley, r/o Georgeen and Ron Anderson

Friday, March 15, 2024

8:30 a.m. Joseph Pisacano, r/o Dowling Family

Saturday, March 16, 2024

5:00 p.m. Pauline Marchuk, r/o Tina Bayer

Leona Raney, r/o Frank and Nancy Costa and Family

Sunday, March 17, 2024

7:00 a.m. **Teddy Domanski**, r/o Carol Domanski

Steven Patrick Carabuena, r/o Holl Family

8:30 a.m. **Marie Brennan**, r/o Debi McCarthy

Andrea Maglione, r/o Daughter Gris

10:30 a.m. Parishioners



We welcome **Ron Harvey and Raquel Monserrate** to the parish. We are so happy you have joined us!

Collection Totals: for February 25th:
Offering: \$14,281.97
Online Giving: \$4,994.33

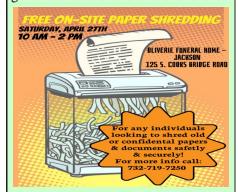
Due to early transmission dates for the bulletin, collection totals for March will be reported in April.

If you would like a statement of contributions for 2023, please contact the parish office. Statements are issued only upon request.



A *Required Minimum Distribution* is a simple way to make a gift to the parish. If you are 70 1/2

or older and own a traditional or Roth IRA, contact Sherri at extension 203 to inquire how to make a gift.



# Weekly Readings

Monday Is 65:17-21 Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday Ez 47:1-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday Is 49:8-15 Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 Jn 5:17-30
Thursday Ex 32:7-14 Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 Jn 5:31-47
Friday Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday Jer 11:18-20 Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 Jn 7:40-53
Sunday Jer 31:31-34 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 Heb 5:7-9 Jn 12:20-33

The Annual Enrollment is a beautiful gift for special times in life and for the eternal rest of our faithful departed. We are very happy to pray for you and your loved ones.



The Annual Enrollment Mass is celebrated the First Friday of each month at 8:30am for a period of one (1) year—12 months.

James and Natalie McMahon, Richard Iacono, Arlene Hassler, Lonnie and Edie Cromwell, Religious Education and Youth Ministry Teams, Andrew Kuminski, Palumbo Family, Guldner Family, Owen McCabe, Steven Jarvas, James F. Gibbons, A. Leonard McLane, Florence McLane, Joseph Meehan, John Sean McGrath, Ann Wicks, Cunningham, Jacobs, Thezan, Theodore, Jourdan, Cabrol, Duplan and Butler Families, Emily Kloska, Isabel Wittke, Anthony Ritsua, Nancy Stillmen-Pender, Ron Larkin John Tourloukis, Lillian Kurokowski Meyer, Concetta Gullo, Ana Maria Sauer, Meyer and Bridget Pincelli, Rosemarie Floor, Thomas Cetnar, Dolores Dickson, Thomas Sofield, Joseph LaScala, Carleen Launderville, Teresita Dionaldo, George Shem, Marcelina Cinco Cabal, Walter Heublein, Rosemarie DeFeo, Christine Dobson, Rosemary and Jack Acker. William Robb, Edward Caggiano, Lucy Oliverie, Manny Oliveira, Chad Vitello, Jill, Veronica A. Seitz, Ralph Orobono, Rev. Edwin Moran, C.P., Maryann Pucilowski, Pat O'Connor, Tim O'Connor, Mary Alico, Merced Loterena, Aida and James Dierking, Rose and Joseph Cesario, Peter Miluk, III, Teddy Domanski, Urban and Millo Families, Michael Matzo, Eileen and George Graziano, Carmela Vicidomini, Marie Pompa, Joseph G. Moroney, Mr. and Mrs. T. Mangan, Sr., Mary Mangan, Donald and Erin McLoughlin, Don and Maureen Gorny, Catherine and William McLoughlin, Evcan and Olivia Gorny, Stephanie Santora, Anthony Maresco, Pete Albany, Albert Holl, George Rivera, James F. Moran, Frank and Rose Hubit, Pitkethley, Kuhl, Quillinan, Walters Families, Connie Russo-Riley, Carol Germano, Michael Seyglinski, Rev. James Smith, Ana Y Lim, Domenica Simone, Regina and Vincent Amabile, Miriam Whalen, Jill, Danielle and Donovan Sarango, Steven Pirniak, Paul Emposinato, Ronald Brancaccio, Anna and Salvatore Carnemolla, Joseph, Josephine and Robert Brancaccio, Robert McCarthy, Stephen Casale, Jack Bassi, Linda Alm and Frances J. Brauner, Dennis J. Rapini, Jacquelien Pomponio, Elizabeth Colavito, Anne Rapini, Sophie, Anthony and Ted Woiton, Leo Priola, Richard Smith, Michael Kelly, Mark Kelly, For Comfort and Peace, Robert Ketcham, Bob Oderio, Loretta Conway,. Len and Ruth Konkowski, Joseph Leto, Eugene Murnane, William Richard Baber, Gardella Family, Knesel Family, Oderio Family, Donald Barreau, Donald G. Smith, Sr., Richard LoPresti, Joseph Gatti, Caroline Hiller, Lynn Carella, Anthony Lombardo, Dylan James Orrs, John P. Riso, Henry Cataldo, III, Joseph Maleiki, Sharon Marie Cory, Michael John Riley, Ralph and Marie Aloi, Leone Charlotte Torres, Mary Henderson, Fr. William Holt, O.P., Barbara Bennett, Loretta and Oriel Cohen, Joan Herb, Ruth Nisay, Larry Wenzel, Olimpia DeJesus DeOliveira, John Stasny, Frank Jelley, Felicia Pugliese (Basiak), Richard Stack, Edith Lane, John Wilkens, Grace Marie Natoli, Angelo Mazzeo, Elaine Sobreira, A Special Intention, Connie and Anthony Giammona, Marion Masera, Mary Iacono, Amelia Cortes Serrano, Gerald "Ierry" Mann, Shirley Minger, Carl Kliemisch, Adrien Thomas, Lisa and Gerald Colangelo, Johnson and Tessa Boscarino, Marie Hamilton, Thomas Zarillo, Robert Fairhurst, David Anthony, Margaret McClure, Olimpia Regateira, Phyllis Silano, Andrea K. Lear, Dottie Sedor, Loretta Boutote, Virginia Duke, Maria Oliveira, Larry Houlihan, Steven M. Sloan, William McCarthy and Family, Boryshuk Family, Louise Jones, Maria Augusta Limas DeOliveira, Marie Zimbile, Marietta Sciascia, Cheryl Bonocore, Eugene Murnane, Robert Thorpe, Audrey Campbell, Donna Fichera, Neil McKeague, Palumbo Family, Guldner Family, Lamberti Sisters, Christopher Oliveira, Diane Humphrey



In the Catholic Church, the anointing of the sick is a sacrament that is administered to a Catholic "who, having reached the age of reason, begins to be in danger due to sickness or old age". There is no need to wait until a person is at the point of death to receive the Sacrament. The Sacrament may be received at any time during a person's illness, especially before surgery or treatment. We suggest calling to receive the Sacrament *before* a person is in grave danger of death as it is not always possible to have a priest available at the actual time of

death. If you would like to schedule the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick for a loved one, please contact the parish office.



#### Marian Charette

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

### Devotional Lamps - Week of March 10-16, 2024

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn For Our Parishioners
The Blessed Mother Lamp will burn In Memory of Michael Seyglinski, r/o Denise Rybicki
The Holy Family Lamp will burn For All Those In Parish Ministries

We honor and thank all those who have served our country. We're thankful for their service and dedication to our nation. Lord, bless and protect al those that have served and are serving our country. We pray that all Veterans may know your love for them.

SSGT Nicole Marchitto C4C Nicholas Accardi, AF ENS 1st Class Michael Hennicke RCT Patrick McBrid CPT Chris Mision LT Scott Maraldo SSG Marcus Torre MJR Jason DiDomenico Capt. Zach Gould Capt. Cameron Lindsey AFPVT Logan Moran Capt. James Accardi

**INTERCESSORY PRAYERS** - Lord of Life, you desire wholeness for your people. Be with those who ask for help. Please bring health, healing and hope to those in our community who ask for our prayers. Amen.

Vocation Awareness, Stephen Maraldo, Donna Maglio, Brian Venables, A Special Intention, Peace on Earth, Raymond Mamazza Sr., Curtis Hart, Jodi Fletcher, Brian Cassidy, Charlotte Barnard, Melissa Couto, Barbara Sullivan, Robin Costa, Jack Collins, Judith Weaver, Theresa McGranthan, Pat Scimica, Lawrence Fitzsimmons, Carol Meltzer, Patricia Atkins, Christine Lanzaro, Angelina Valko, Brian Daly, Karen Cummings, Danny and Linda Paliaga, Judy Saal, Eric and Dick Lund, Charley DeMaio, Phil Wenz, Matthew Safran, Janice Pavis, William Raimondi, Kimmie Luke, Paige Luke, Jill Snow, Logan Martucci, Bertha Vihonsky, James Vihonsky, John Harsanyi, Margaret Sabo, Kaitlyn Krutulis, Christina Marie Fletcher, Laura Coyle, Sister Margaret Smith, Margaret Matthews, Fran Baker, Stephen and Kathleen Oleksy, John Scherer, Kyle Patrick Hurley, Amy Wroda, Meg Noone, Koren Dubbs, Thomas Fletcher, Jr., Sr., Olivia, John Mazzola, Pete & Joanne Hurley, Dolores Corsentino, Theresa Heublein, Roger Belli, Gennaro Pane, Donna Dinoflo, Rita Bloom, Maureen Jane McElwain, Rebecca DeBlois, Gary Renaldi, Ken Maus, Sarah Flanagan, Pauline Hahn, Maryann Lombardi, David Williams, Mary Ferguson, Adrian and Nelson Cruz, Baby T, Donald P. McCarthy, Michelle DeBlois, MJ Diehm, Eve, Carol Michnowicz, Owen Lamendola, Cameron Fletcher, Debra Uriarte, Gene Devito, Braeden Savage, Ellen DeBlois, Brian Jelnicki, Vinnie Caruso, Bernie Polatschek, Tom Martin, Barbara Hyer, Scott Hyer, Barbara Barreca, John Fitzpatrick, Jacob Heber, Djuro Blaskovic, Dale Eagan, Daniel D'Antonio, Eliana Fletcher, Dorothy Toneske, Rich Toneske, Kim Toneske, Anna Marie DeLeonardis, Sharon Schlesinger, Kristina Kostbar, Chrissy Safron, Frank Leccese, Norm Schoenig, Patricia Fountain, Groft Family, Matthew Rozlowski, Maryann Perkins, Ryan, Jackie Fleming, Debbie Scatuccio, Jacqueline Krutulis, Kassidy Krutulis, Gladys Murphy, Corinne Nepsha, Nathanial Nepsha, Marilyn Zwarych, Ricky DeBlois, Gary D'Alessandro, Frank DiGiamo, Don and Kathy Sopko, Nicholas DeVito, Eileen Malter, Betty Dreyfuss, Louise Kolarsick, Diane Warner, Lorraine Godleski, M.E. Koval, Patricia Cappello, Greg Mann, Fran and Jim Guldner, Vincent Joliffe, Kathleen Scudieri, Rosalie Delapi, Sharon Christensen, Ruth Nisay, Christian Rivera, Sage Rivera, Cassie Jouban, Rob and Gina Zangrillo, Pam and Mike Mills, Pat Gallagher, Theresa Raimondi, Ann Rucando, Camille DeRosa, Jill, Louis Cuglielmelti, Kathy Perlson, Theresa Keim, Susan and Peter Miluk, Jr., Daniel DeVito, Jack Vreeland, Angelo Magri, Christopher Popp, John Fichera, Kristin Valetta, Jeanette Correa Schalen, Jordan Elkary, Carol Kakos, Richard Kakos, Valerie Behar, James McCarthy Ron Vivenzio, Andrea Mitreuter. Toni Marzorati. Andre Outten

Thank you for your prayers for all those on our Intercessory and Armed Forces prayer lists. To add or change information please contact the Parish Office.



The **2024 Annual Catholic Appeal** is well underway. This year's theme is "One Love, One Faith, One Family." Thank you to all those who have already made their gift. Will you join your fellow parishioners in supporting this effort that strengthens many important programs and ministries across the Diocese of Trenton?

Our goal of \$80,000 can only be achieved through your generosity. If you have not yet made a gift, pledge cards are still available in the Church, you can visit www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholic appeal, or drop your gift off to the parish office. Remember, our parish receives a rebate of dollars collected if we reach our Annual Catholic Appeal goal. We will earn 15% of payments to goal and 50% of payments collected over goal. With your support, we hope to reach our goal.

Thank you and may God bless you!



Food for Thought: "This is the wonderful truth, my dear friends: The Word, which became flesh two thousand years ago, is present today in the Eucharist." – St. John Paul II

Do you doubt the Real Presence? Read about the Eucharistic Miracles.

https://www.osvnews.com/2021/09/10/do-you-doubtthe-real-presence-learn-about-theseeucharistic-miracles/

Your donations DO make a difference. Please see the recent note received from a Jackson neighbor:

"Hello Everyone, The words, THANK YOU can not even touch the surface of my gratitude for your help. When I reached out for help with propane, it was the hardest thing I've ever had to do. Not once did I feel judged or looked down upon! I feel the arms of God wrap around me in the form of your volunteers. Thank you so much for your help and dedication to our community. God bless you all!"

Vincentians serve cheerfully, listening to the needs and respecting all those who call for help. We assist in restoring their dignity and help them feel they are not alone. With your continued support, we are able to help our Jackson neighbors with rent, utilities, car repairs and unexpected expenses that might cause a family financial stress. We appreciate every donation received and ALL donations go to providing assistance. If you would like to make a donation, please use the monthly envelope or drop off a donation to the parish office, If you would like to become a member of this important ministry, call the parish office to find out how you can serve.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, 732-370-0098, so that together we can be a sign of God's love to the suffering and poor.

CHRISTIAN BOOK STUDY— Our group meets twice a month—on the first and third Tuesday of each month. At 10am in the parish office.

St. Aloysius Small Christian Communities meet in homes and the parish office. For more information, contact Nancy at 732-928-1321.

Catholic Men! The Saint Aloysius Men's group looks to help Catholic THAT MAN IS YOU fathers grow in their faith. Join us Saturday mornings for bagels

and coffee (6:30am), followed by a video (7am) as we help one another become better Catholic fathershusbands-men. We start early and finish early so you don't miss any part of your day. For more information or to register email David at dfurb@aol.com.



Please see below for reminders about upcoming events. To RSVP to any of the following, please contact Mrs. Jen Petrillo at 732-370-1515 ext. 311 or <a href="mailto:jpetrillo@saintaloysiusonline.org">jpetrillo@saintaloysiusonline.org</a>. Events are open to teens in grades 8 through 12. \*Please keep in mind that it is a diocesan policy that parents should be copied on e-mail communication between parish staff/ volunteers and those under 18.

"7 Potatoes" St. Patrick's Day Party: You may have heard of the Italian "7 Fishes" tradition for New Year's Eve dinner. Well, this year for St. Patrick's Day, we are having a "7 Potatoes" party for our AYM teens on Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm in the Youth Room! Teens are invited to bring a dish to share that features potatoes in some way. Feel free to be creative . . . it could be French fries, tater tots, gnocchi, sweet potato fries . . . as long as potatoes are a main ingredient. During our time together, we will learn about and celebrate the life of St. Patrick as we enjoy our potato treats. All those who are interested are asked to please RSVP by Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> (and please let us know what you plan to bring!).

**Soup and Stations:** On Friday, March 22nd, AYM will be sponsoring "Soup and Stations!" Soup will be served at 6:00 pm, and Stations of the Cross will start at 7:00 pm. Teen volunteers are needed to assist with the following:

- -Bringing and serving a meatless soup (Any soup that is provided should arrive in a Crockpot.)
- -Reading reflections as we pray the Stations of the Cross
- -Cleaning up at the end of the event

All those who wish to participate are asked to please RSVP by Monday, March 18th.





Knights Of Columbus Rev Mitchell J. Cetkowski Council 6201



Meets Every 1st & 3rd Friday 8:00pm 401 Bartley Rd, Jackson

For Information on how to join, please Contact:

Chancellor Alan Nesdill (609) 819-1301 anesdill48@hotmail.com

please visit: www.kofc6201.com

English









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