

**Fifth Sunday of Lent
April 7, 2019
From Fr. Anthony Ligato
A Way Forward**

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

How often has a way forward seemed like a way that leads backward? Take for example the situation of the people of Israel in today's first reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah 43:16-21. Isaiah tells the people of Israel who are in exile in Babylon that God will not only give them a way forward out of a difficult period of suffering in their lives but God will also give them a way forward which will come as a direct result of their exile. God will not only restore Israel again as a nation, but God will do something new that will surpass the mighty deeds when God freed the Israelites from slavery and death in Egypt. Now God will show them a way forward from the bondage of exile in Babylon. Toward the end of the Babylonian exile, Isaiah looked forward by first looking backward with a message of hope to the people of Israel. "See I am doing something new! Now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? (Isaiah 43:19) The Exile like the slavery and bondage in Egypt was a way forward for the people of Israel to be restored back to the land even though it was experienced as if they are going backward. God will give them an even a greater way forward than they could imagine.

The post Resurrection and Pentecost Church read this passage from Isaiah with greater insight, this way forward is the promise of God given by the Prophet Isaiah, "Thus says the Lord, who opens a way in the sea and a path in the mighty waters." (Isaiah 43:16) The way forward is the promised Messiah, the shepherd who will lead captive Israel back to the Promised Land and reestablish the glory of God's kingdom. The Messiah will suffer and die to bring this about, "remember not the events of the past, the things of long ago consider not; see, I am doing something new!" (Isaiah 43:18) This new way forward Isaiah speaks of is not simply a way through their suffering by coping with the injustice and unforgiveness of the world but rather a way forward which makes everything better and new.

True righteousness as St. Paul speaks about which is a direct way forward comes not from keeping the commands of God's law as an external precept. True righteousness comes from loving Jesus Christ and giving ourselves completely over to Christ. "I have been taken possession of by Jesus Christ. Brothers and Sisters, I for my part do not consider myself to have taken possession." (Phil 3:8-14) Jesus in his taking possession of us has brought to us healing and forgiveness, the true way forward.

After all it was Jesus who bent down to lift up the Adulterous woman and show her and all humanity a new way forward. Jesus first looks backward when the Adulterous woman was laying in the dirt as the crowd was readying to stone her to death. "Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin, be the first to throw a stone at her." (John 8:1-11) The law provided the right to stone those were caught in the act of adultery, both male and females alike. That was the look backward to enable them to see a new way forward. When Jesus straightened up, he lifted the Adulterous woman up with him. This is the something new Isaiah was speaking about, a new way

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forward that is forgiving, merciful and just. Not simply a way through our difficulties but rather a way forward that lifts us out of our difficulties. The Psalm invites us to sing out in celebration at mighty deeds of God, "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy." (Psalm 126)

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Anthony

COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION

April 9, 2019 11AM St. Michael the Archangel Church
April 9, 2019 7PM St. Jude the Apostle Church
April 10, 2019 7PM Sacred Heart Church

INDIVIDUAL RECONCILIATION

Lenten Confessions

Sacred Heart Church—Confessions will be held on April 16th, 2019 from 6:30PM-8PM

St. Jude the Apostle Church—Saturdays at 3PM, Sundays at 10AM, Monday of Holy Week April 15th at 6:30PM & 8PM.

St. Michael the Archangel—Saturdays at 4:45PM-5:15PM Tuesday of Holy Week April 16, 2019 at 6:30PM-8PM

HOLY WEEK

**HOLY THURSDAY, 4/18/19
Liturgy of the Lord's Supper**

5:30pm at Sacred Heart followed by a covered dish supper...with adoration until 10:30pm

7:00pm at St. Jude the Apostle with adoration until 12:00 midnight, concluding with night prayer

6:00pm at St. Michael the Archangel followed by a covered dish supper...adoration until 10pm

GOOD FRIDAY, 4/19/19

9am Morning Prayer at St. Jude the Apostle Church

9:30am Morning Prayer at St. Michael the Archangel Church

Stations of the Cross

2pm at St. Michael the Archangel

3pm at St. Jude the Apostle

3pm at Sacred Heart

Passion of Our Lord

5:30pm at Sacred Heart

7:00pm at St. Jude the Apostle

5:30pm at St. Michael the Archangel

HOLY SATURDAY, EASTER VIGIL, 4/20/19

9:00am Morning Prayer at St. Jude the Apostle

9:30am Morning Prayer at St. Michael the Archangel

8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass at St. Jude the Apostle

8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass at St. Michael the Archangel

8:15pm Easter Vigil Mass at Sacred Heart

EASTER SUNDAY, 4/21/19

8:00, 9:30 and 11:15am at Sacred Heart

9:00am and 11:30am at St. Jude the Apostle

Fifth Sunday of Lent

PRAYERS

We will pray for those who are ill, hospitalized, recuperating and all those who are in need of prayers. If you know someone who could use prayers, please call the Parish Office and leave their name for inclusion in the bulletin. Please make sure you have their permission to do so. This week we pray for the following people:

Jacqueline Ackner, Anne Antdomi, Raymond Bagley, Carol Bennete, Colleen Bornhorst, Ann Burke, Bryce Chapman, Bob & Rose Davignon, Michelle Darcy, Chester DeBell Sr., Tina Demczar, Edward Doin, Edward Dworakowski, Theresa Dworakowski, Joseph Esposito, Thomas Esposito, Ralph Esposito, Donna Flinton, Brenda Flynn, Dick Galvin, Marilyn Gorman, Dave Grinko, Pat Harley, Tony Huneau, Mary Ellen Gibson, Kris Gordan, Margaret Hoban, Debbie Hopkins, Monique Inyard, Dorothy Jones, Mary Keeley, Edward Kehn Jr., Tayla Kreiger, Anthony Mainello, Craig Maloney, Jimmy Margo, Charlie Martinec, Mary McMahan, Chuck Miorin, Debra Moulton, Anne McHugh, Morgan McEvilly, Stella Muzicka, Christine Pangburn, Dawn Perlmin, Mary Phibbs, Jack Reid, Bonnie Ritrovoto, Laney Robillard, David & Roni Ruppert, Christopher Russell, Jason Russell, Kirstin Shoemaker, Kenny Schroeder, Kaleb Schwartz, Derrick Senior, Margaret Shields, Mary Signorelli, Courtney Sims, Anne Stevens, John Sullivan, Shirley Talbot, Joseph Tenzyk, Anthony Valenti, Ashley Valenti, Madeline Valenti, J. Van Amburgh, Holly Wait and Sharon Wiliking.

ACTIVE, RESERVE AND NATIONAL GUARD

PRAYER LIST

We would like to pray for all our military personnel in our Parish and we would like to include their names in the bulletin each week. We request that you assist us by submitting the names to the Parish Office so that these service members can be included in our prayers. **SFC. Michael Baker, Matthew S. Cannon, SRA Jordan Correll USAF, SRA Colton Correll USAF, Third Class Petty Officer Christopher Fox, USMC—CPL W (Mac) Harkin, RCT Patrick Long, AB Mary B. McDade, 1st Lieutenant Joe McMullen, First Sergeant Aime Moore, LCpl. Matthew T. Nero US Marines, Airman 1st Class Michael D. Jennings, Master Sergeant Richard Palasz, Specialist Joshua Abbott .**



We pray for our recently departed

Helen Nold, Mother of Charles Nold

Daniel Geraghty, Husband of Heidi Geraghty

Richard Dworakowski, Husband of Mary Dworakotski

May they and all our departed loved ones, friends, relatives, and parishioners enjoy forever the brightness of the eternal light.

SANCTUARY VOTIVE CANDLE

St. Jude the Apostle Church provides the opportunity for a sanctuary votive candle intention. This intention is the same cost as a mass intention. The sanctuary candle is in memory of a particular person. It will appear weekly at the top of the daily mass intention in the bulletin. If you would like to have a sanctuary votive light please call the Parish Office.



SANCTUARY VOTIVE LIGHT

March 31 through April 6

Deceased Parishioners of St. Jude Church

DID YOU KNOW?

We bring Communion to those in our parish community who are homebound and cannot attend Mass. If you know of someone who is unable to attend Mass and would like to receive communion and a visit, please call the Parish Office at 283-1162.

SAVE THE DATE

St. Jude Catholic Community are proud to announce the **2019 St. Jude the Apostle Community Service Award** Honorees: ***Bill and Elaine Cronin, The Rev. James E. Clark Volunteer Award will be for Frank Giuliano and Carol Larkin*** on Monday, May 6, 2019 at the Franklin Terrace Banquet House on Campbell Avenue, Troy. Cocktails at 5:30PM Dinner at 6:15PM.

The Wisdom of Lent

First Sunday

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent and believe in the good news.

Second Sunday

This is my Son, the Beloved, listen to him!

Third Sunday

What sign can you show us? I will raise up the temple.

Fourth Sunday

Whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

Fifth Sunday

The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.



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APRIL 7, 2019

ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE SCHOOL

Wynantskill, NY



Luck of the Irish – Winners: Thank you to everyone who participated and supported SJS! A BIG thank you to Jody Agnew for chairing this event - WELL DONE!

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| 3/1: Karen Page | 3/2: James Gordon |
| 3/3: Jan Jackson | 3/4: Jean Rebhun |
| 3/5: Vincent Anatriello | 3/6: Nancy Lempka |
| 3/7: Cheryl Waters | 3/8: Rebecca Brown |
| 3/9: Linda Lombardi | 3/10: Jean Rebhun |
| 3/11: Mike Vandewerker 3 | /12: John Nardacci |
| 3/13: Jamie Kendrick | 3/14: Jerry Lindecke |
| 3/15: Lisa Vanderbogart 3 | /16: Kim Myers |
- 3/17: Gerry Nardacci(\$1,000.00)**
Seller-Anthony Narcacci(\$100.00)
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| 3/18: Linda Buckley | 3/19: Keith Micklas |
| 3/20: Mary Forrest | 3/21: Jean Labounty |
| 3/22: Susan Butler | 3/23: Paul Jones |
| 3/24: Brian DeAngelis | 3/25: Pat Cunningham |
| 3/26: Brandi Cunningham | 3/27: Steve Roque |
| 3/28: Diane Prach | 3/29: Lynn Cullen |
| 3/30 Michael Catone | 3/31 Paul Lablanc |



DOORS OF HOPE

This is our local food pantry that aids our community members. The needs of those who are struggling never diminish. Please give generously to help our community pantry provide food and personal care items to those in need. Suggested items needed are: *pancake mix, syrup, cereal, canned pasta/meat meals, shampoo, conditioner, feminine products, and bar soap.*

12 bags were received and brought to Doors of Hope last week. Thank you for your generosity.

PARISH NURSE PROGRAM

As Spring approaches, many of us will be eager to get outside and start our spring cleaning! Predictions are that ticks may be prevalent this year due to the warm temperatures. Prepare for the worse! If you are working outside, wear long pants and long sleeve shirts and tuck you pant legs in your socks and your shirts in your pants. Wear light clothing so the ticks are easier to see. Do a whole body check when you come inside and shower and remove the tick right away. If you have animals that go outside, check their skin also! Often they will bring those ticks inside.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

The Memorial Day Parade is rapidly approaching and I am happy to announce that St. Jude the Apostle Catholic Community will be marching AGAIN this year! **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** We need more marchers! Memorial Day is May 27 so please mark your calendars. More information will follow in the next few weeks-stay tuned.

EASTER EGG HUNT

St. Jude the Apostle Parish will be hosting an Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday, April 14, 2019 after the 9AM Mass. Please join us on the School Grounds to find all the eggs that the Easter Bunny has Hidden. Children ages 1-8 only. Please bring a basket to collect your eggs!



HELP SUPPORT LOCAL CHARITIES

St. Jude the Apostle Knights of Columbus have teamed up with 6 Center Redemption Center located at 461 Main Avenue in Wynantskill to accept qualifying bottles and cans donations to support local charities and those in need. Simply bring your clean, qualifying empties to 6 Center Redemption in Wynantskill and say they are to support the St. Jude Knights of Columbus. They do the rest, That's It! Thank you for your support!



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

April 7, 2019

9:00AM Sue DiFiore
11:30AM Varsha Joseph

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held during the 9:00 a.m. & 11:30a.m. Mass. Children's Liturgy of the Word is for 3-8 years old.

FAIR TRADE EASTER SALE

Next weekend, April 13th & 14th, representatives from Team Pathways will be at the entrance of the Church after all Masses and at the Knights of Columbus Breakfast selling Fair Trade products– chocolate bars, coffee, tea, almonds, and more. Just in time for Easter, Fill a basket with delicious fairly traded products for your families. Together we can make a difference. Thank you for your continued support!

K-6 FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

April 7, 2019 Class at 10:30AM **Last Class**

TEAM PATHWAYS

April 7, 2019 9th & 10th Grade Class at 10AM
Last Class 7th & 8th Grade Class at 10:45AM

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Announced Masses

Saturday, April 6

4:00PM David Manning Jr., *Wife & Family*
 Mary Marzola, *Gail Manning*
 Carol Maple, *Gail Manning*
 Anthony Carnevale, *Carm Petrocofski*
 & Anthony Petrocofski

Sunday, April 7

9:00AM William Castle, *Fox Family*
 Helena Ryan, *Son Brian & Family*
 Larry Heffner, *Tom & Mary Phibbs*

11:30AM Joseph Frost, *Al & Patti Mugrace*
 Thomas Ostrowski, *Norma Keating*
 Dennis Walters Sr., *Family*

Monday, April 8

8:00AM Michael J. Fox, *Family*

2:00PM Heather Grieco, *Barbara Clow*
 & Rosemary Bennett

Tuesday, April 9

8:00AM Joan Angrisano, *Maureen Hannigan*

Wednesday, April 10

8:00AM Mary Lou Hammer, *Liesl Dill*
 Philomena Riccardi, *Johanna Flanigan*

Thursday, April 11

8:00AM Frederick Case Sr, *Ligato Family*

Friday, April 12

8:00AM Cynthia J. Engwer Campana,
M/M John Perkinson

Saturday, April 13

4:00PM James Kern, *Mom, Dad & Brother*
 Nancy Hannigan, *Mary Ellen Hunt &*
Donna Clark
 Nancy Hannigan, *Husband*
 Anna Passonno, *Jan & TJ Jackson*

Sunday, April 14

9:00AM William Castle Sr., *Mary Ellen Hunt*
 & Donna Clark
 David Manning III, *M/M Joe Kruczlnicki*
 Eleanor Bussman, *Mary Jacobs*

11:30AM Robert Browne, *M/M Jack Canty*
 Ric Dworakowski, *M/M Andre Galipeau*
 Francis Geise, *Irene Pagano*
 & Sharon Green

Mass Schedule for our Local Catholic Community

Sacred Heart Sat. 4PM, Sun. 8:30AM & 10:30AM
 Weekday Mon.-Fri. 9AM

St. Jude Sat. 4PM, Sun. 9AM & 11:30AM
 Weekday Mon.-Fri. 8AM

St. Michael Sat. 5:15PM, Sun. 7:30AM
 & 10:15AM
 Weekday Mon-Thru. 12:10PM

Van Rensselaer Manor Tuesdays at 1:45PM

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Weekend of April 13 & 14, 2019

	<u>4PM</u>	<u>9AM</u>	<u>11AM</u>
Lectors	1. J. Flanigan 2. L. Owens G. I. Bennett	I Joseph J. Miller N. Ascioti	K. Giglia C. Harris A. Frost
Ministers	H. Dcn. Warren 1. K. Caruso 2. P. Caruso 3. A. Devine 4. T. Devine	Dcn. Warren R. Palasz D. Clement P. Schaeffer B. Zemanick	Dcn. Warren J. Behan MH Donnelly J. Kruczlnicki
Altar	1. A. Short	M. Ascioti	G. Giglia
Servers	2. S. Short 3. A. Hein	I. Joseph N. Ascioti	J. Kellar T. Frost

Readings for the week of April 7, 2019

Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [4ab]/Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21 [2]/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 [cf. 7]/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14--23:56 or 23:1-49

Week Ending March 31, 2019

Amount Received From Offertory Collection	\$4,525.00
Amount Received from Electronic Giving	-
Total Received Last Weekend	\$4,525.00
Budgeted Weekly Need	\$4,977.00
Last Week's Difference: Over (Under) Budget	(-452.00)
Year-To-Date Fiscal Year	
Received Year - to - Date	\$214,891.80
Budgeted Year -To -Date	\$214,992.00
Year - To - Date Difference: Over (Under) Budget	(-100.00)

COLLECTION COUNTER TEAMS

April 7, 2019 Team #7 Rose Galipeau
April 14, 2019 Team #1 Mary Ellen Hunt
April 21, 2019 Team #2 Peter McMillen
April 28, 2019 Team #3 Bob Myron
May 5, 2019 Team #4 John Waterbury
May 12, 2019 Team #5 Cherie Aanonsen
May 19, 2019 Team #6 Tanya Halse,
May 26, 2019 Team #7 Rose Galipeau