

# Mass Intentions for March 9<sup>th</sup> through March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019



FIRST  
SUNDAY  
OF LENT

Sat. 5:00pm Anthony and Carmella Grosso  
 Sun. 8:00am William Woods  
 11:00am Mary Dupnik – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
 Mon. 7:30am Kay Smith  
 Tues. 7:30am Peter Costulas  
 Wed. 7:30am Michael Andras  
 Thurs. 7:30am NO Mass  
 Fri. 7:30am Monica DiNardo  
 Sat. 5:00pm Katherine and Antoinette Ferranti  
 Sun. 8:00am Mary Tramontano  
 11:00am Daniel McPadden

r/b the family  
 r/b the family  
 r/b Marie and John Geary  
 r/b the family  
 r/b Jim and Lisa DeVoto  
 r/b his wife, Florence  
  
 r/b Veronica Adriani  
 r/b the Malinowski family  
 r/b Joe and Jean Tramontano  
 r/b his wife, Grace

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**Notre Dame's Weekly Collection:**  
 Collection for 3/2 & 3 – \$5,476.50  
 February Online Giving - \$2,355.00

**March 16 & 17, 2019**

Readers    Eucharistic Ministers    Altar Servers

**Saturday**  
 5:00pm I. Paxton                      I. Paxton                      -----  
**Sunday**  
 8:00am D. Valovcin                      D. Valovcin                      Zuanellis  
 11:00am H. Egan                              M. Marzik                      -----

The Liturgy Schedule is on our website:

[www.notredameofeaston.com](http://www.notredameofeaston.com)

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**Please Pray for the Sick**

The names entrusted to this list will always be included in our prayers.

Walter Finick	Susan Williams	Judi Christiansen
Christopher Vitale	Angela Doescher	Frank Lyons
John Buckley	Siobhan Smith	Marian Basso
Joan McGrath	Diane DiNapoli	Rick Coons
Michael Glowacki	Larry Baldyga	Alice Mar
Mildred Negri	Georgia Egan	Mary Socci
Muriel Meier		



If you would like to place someone on the prayer list, please email [churchladies@optonline.net](mailto:churchladies@optonline.net), or call the Rectory office at 203-268-5838 during business hours.

\*\*\*If you have placed a name on our sick list to be prayed for, we would appreciate it if you would call or email us to let us know if you still want them to be on the list.

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**UPDATE:** As time goes on, we are finding that some parishioners have retired their "land lines" (home telephones) for cell phones only. We would appreciate it if you can let us know so we can correct our files. Email to: [churchladies@optonline.net](mailto:churchladies@optonline.net) – call 203-268-5838 or fax to 203-459-4940.

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**ONLINE GIVING**

Please consider Online Giving.

It is a simple, safe way to contribute to weekly offerings. In order to register:

1. log on to our parish website;  
[www.notredameofeaston.com](http://www.notredameofeaston.com)
2. click the Online Giving logo on the homepage
3. fill out the registration form.

If you have any questions please call  
 (800) 348-2886.

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**Ministry to the Homebound**

Anyone who is seriously ill, having surgery, or homebound, may call the Rectory office and one of our Lay Caring Ministers will bring Holy Communion or just pay a visit.

They visit parishioners in Nursing Homes as well.

\* For anointing of the sick please call the office so Father Lyons can visit.

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**Bequests to Notre Dame of Easton are Strongly Encouraged and Gratefully Accepted**

**Suggestion:** *When a loved one dies, please advise friends and relatives to make a donation to the "Notre Dame Sanctuary Fund" in memory of the deceased and include this wish in the obituary notice.*

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**St. Stephen Bereavement Support Group:**  
 Have you suffered the loss of a special person in your life? Our **Bereavement Ministry** can offer you hope of **cop**ing with your grief. It is **opened to anyone** you may know who needs help. The **10 week course** with a guided workbook provided will begin on **Thursday, March 21st, from 4:00 - 5:30 pm.** Registration is required preferably by March 15th. Please call the rectory at 203-268-6217. A call will be returned to you by one of the two bereavement facilitators.



See the flyer  
 in this week's bulletin!

SHOP 'TIL YOU DROP  
 "EASTON EXCHANGE"

January 14 through April, 8:00am-3:00pm  
 Monday thru Friday at the *Easton Senior Center*.  
 Browse and shop at your leisure for some new or slightly used items at great bargain prices. Hopefully, during these long winter months, this will be a worthwhile fundraising venture for us and a convenience, for you, as well.  
 Our regular tag sale will return in May.

Save the Date!

**Starry Night**

**A Roaring '20s Soiree**

Friday, April 5, 2019 ~ 6:30-11:00pm

Please join the friends of Caroline House for an evening of cocktail, dinner, live & silent auctions, music a & dancing honoring

The Hon. Dan Caruso (posthumously) and

The Staples Service League of Boys, S.L.O.B.S.

To Register, donate, sponsor or for more information, please visit our website [www.thecarolinehouse.org](http://www.thecarolinehouse.org) contact Christine Paine at [cpaine@thecarolinehouse.org](mailto:cpaine@thecarolinehouse.org)

Caroline House is a sponsored ministry of The School Sisters of Notre Dame

Parish Registration: We welcome you to Notre Dame Parish. Please stop by or call the Rectory office (203 268-5838) to officially register. Our hours are 9am to 3:30pm – Monday thru Friday.

The Women of Notre Dame News!



Thank you to everyone who made the Shamrock Bingo parish social such a huge success! Check out the photos on the Notre Dame parish Web site:  
<https://www.notredameofeaston.com>.

Blessed Sacrament  
 Food Pantry Collection

The next collection for the Blessed Sacrament Food Pantry will is being held this weekend March 9 & 10 after each Mass. Items requested are soap, pasta sauce and canned fruit.

Save the Date!

The Women of Notre Dame will hold their  
**Annual Lenten Luncheon**  
 Wednesday – March 20<sup>th</sup>  
 more details in next week's bulletin

Attention High School Seniors

The 2019 application for the Liam A. Baker Memorial Scholarship will be available soon; check the bulletin in the coming weeks for details.

Good Works for Lent

**Loaves and Fishes Spare Change Collection**  
**Fasting during the Lenten** season is one of several penitential practices that is part of our Catholic tradition. **Voluntary fasting from food** creates in us a greater openness to God's spirit and deepens our compassion for others. **As you fast during Lent, please consider dropping your spare change into the Loaves and Fishes collection jars in the vestibule of the church.** Together we can enhance our Lenten fasting practice by giving up meals and donating the cost of those meals. **If you prefer, you can drop in a check payable to Notre Dame of Easton with "Loaves and Fishes" in the memo. Thank you!**



# Religious Education

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 10am-4pm  
Other times by appointment: (203)261-5596  
[ndore@optonline.net](mailto:ndore@optonline.net)

After 2:00pm Tuesday afternoons  
during the school year:  
(203)751-7253 or (203)837-0734



## RECONCILIATION

*Our second graders  
received the  
Sacrament of Reconciliation on  
Saturday, March 9th.  
Congratulations!*

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|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>Abigail Becker</i>     | <i>Brady Lynch</i>        |
| <i>Margot Beckerlegge</i> | <i>Bella Maisano</i>      |
| <i>Brooke Cameron</i>     | <i>Amanda Masone</i>      |
| <i>Leo Chiaramonte</i>    | <i>Manuela Mejia</i>      |
| <i>Tyler Collins</i>      | <i>Mia Muscarelle</i>     |
| <i>Liliana Coppola</i>    | <i>Miles Papageorge</i>   |
| <i>Amelia Drabczynski</i> | <i>Lorelei Robertson</i>  |
| <i>Luke Faustini</i>      | <i>Claudia Santangeli</i> |
| <i>Joseph Foley</i>       | <i>Tyler Sogofsky</i>     |
| <i>Katherine Johnson</i>  | <i>Alexander Valko</i>    |
| <i>Camden Kaldawy</i>     | <i>Clare Zuanelli</i>     |

### Third Grade Sacrament Dates:

First Holy Communion Class:  
Saturday, March 30th, 2019 from 2:30pm  
until 4:45pm. Both child and parent are  
required to attend.

### Family Supper:

Friday evening, April 26th, 2019, 6:30pm  
until 8:30pm. We will meet in the Upper  
Church.

Rehearsal: Thursday, May 2nd, 2019,  
6:30 pm until 8:00pm in the Upper  
Church. At least one parent must  
accompany their child.

First Holy Communion will be  
celebrated on Saturday, May 4th, 2019 at  
11:00am. Please check your email for the  
mandatory Child/Parent classes,  
Rehearsals and the Family Supper .

## IMPORTANT REMINDER:

If Religious Education classes are to be cancelled due to weather conditions, please refer to Channel 8 or 12. We will follow the lead of the Easton Public School District. If schools are closed, there will be NO Religious Ed classes.



## LENT

### Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross will alternate between  
7:00pm and 12:00noon.

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Stations will be held on Fridays at 7pm on:  
3/8, 22 & 4/5, 4/19

Stations will be held on Fridays at 12noon on:  
3/15, 29, & 4/12,

Confessions are held on Saturdays from 4:00 to 4:45pm

### Our Lenten Sacrifices

\*Days of Abstinence: Ash Wednesday, all Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday for all who have reached their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday, no meat can be taken.

\*Days of Fast: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for all who have reached their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday and have not as yet reached their 60<sup>th</sup> birthday, a limit of one full meatless meal.

\*Weekdays of Lent: No Obligation to fast, however, voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

\*Easter Duty Obligation: Must be made from the First Sunday in Lent through Trinity Sunday

\*Self Denial: is encouraged on a voluntary basis. Acts may include daily Mass, spiritual study, Lenten Devotions, the Rosary, Stations of the Cross and deeds of mercy and kindness.

\*Eucharistic Fast: 1 hour from foods and liquids. Water and medicine never break the fast.

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### Suggested things to give up

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| Give thanks              | Give up complaining             |
| Give compliments         | Give harsh judgements           |
| Give forgiveness         | Give up revenge                 |
| Give encouragement       | Give up negativism              |
| Give hope                | Give up despair                 |
| Give attention to virtue | Give up sin                     |
| Give time to prayer      | Give up wasting time            |
| Give respect             | Give up prejudice               |
| God help                 | Give up selfishness             |
| Give help                | Give up selfishness             |
| Give time to God         | Give up what keeps you from God |



### Story time with famous author at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School

Award-winning author-illustrator, Grace Lin, will visit St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School on Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019. All local preschoolers and their care takers are invited to a special story time and book signing from 8:45 to 9:30 am in the Parish Center. Ms. Lin will present her 2019 Caldecott Honor book, *A Big Mooncake for Little Star*. The event is for children up to 6 years old. A story-related craft activity will follow the reading.

The event is free, but space is limited. Please contact Julie Wallace, [JuWallace@stasonline.net](mailto:JuWallace@stasonline.net) by 3/22 to register. Advance copies of her books for signing may be ordered through the Fairfield University Bookstore, 1499 Post Road, Fairfield

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### 2019 Wedding Jubilee Mass and Concert

On Sunday, May 5, 2019 at 3:00pm at St. Theresa Parish in Trumbull, Bishop Caggiano will be celebrating the 2019 Wedding Jubilee Mass. This Mass is for couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 and 50+ year wedding anniversaries. As a special gift to those celebrating anniversaries, the Mass will be immediately followed by a concert by the Diocesan Choir 4 Youth. To register, please contact the parish office or go to:

<https://www.bridgeportdiocese.org/faith-formation> to register directly. There is no cost to attend. Space is limited, please RSVP by April 25, 2019.

