Fifth Sunday of Lent
March 18, 2018

The Way of the Cross: Fridays during Lent @ 5:30 p.m.
Parish Information

Celebrations of the Holy Eucharist—Masses
Monday –Friday 8:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.
Saturday: 8:30 a.m. (includes Anointing of the Sick),
Saturday Vigils: 4 p.m. & 6 p.m.
Sunday: 7 a.m., 8:30 a.m.-Family Mass, 10:15 a.m.,
12:00p.m. & 5 p.m.-Lifeteen/Young Adult

Baptisms
Please contact the church office at least 6 weeks in advance.

Weddings
Please contact the church office at least 6 months in advance.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday — 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.
Communal Celebrations during Advent and Lent.
(Special Schedule During Holidays)

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
Every Saturday morning during the 8:30 a.m. Mass,
2nd Thursday at 11:00 a.m. during our Sick &
Homebound Mass, or you may ask the priest after any
Mass, or call the office for an appointment.

Devotions
First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament —
8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Marian Prayers: In honor of
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal —
Mondays after the 8:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Masses

Rosaries
Monday –Saturday, 8:00 a.m.
Thursday, 10:15 a.m. and following the 6:30 p.m. Mass.

Parish Staff

Church Office (727) 726-8477
Clergy and Consecrated Religious
Pastor - Reverend Father Len Piotrowski
Parochial Vicars - Reverend Father Frank Lubowa
Reverend Father Brad Reed
Pastoral Ministries - Deacon John Alvarez
Assisting - Deacon Vincent Alterio
Deacon Dominic Frisica
Deacon Steven Girardi
Deacon Greg Nash
Funeral Liaison - Sister Paulamarie Lacy, SND
Bereavement—Sister Donna Daniels, SND

Espiritu Santo Catholic School (727) 812-4650
Principal - Margaret A Penn

Clearwater Central Catholic High School (727) 531-1449
Principal - James W. Deputy (Parish Supported High School)

Pastoral Staff Office (727) 726-8477
Bulletin Editor - Jean Hart
Director of Accounting & Finance - Justine Mullaney
Director of Business Services - Terry Ness
Evangelization & Adult Faith Formation - Deacon Steven Girardi
Liturgy & Music - Jeff FitzCharles
Office Manager - Michelle Ishman
Outreach Ministries/Pastoral Council - Deacon Vincent Alterio
RCIA - Deacon Steven Girardi
Sacristan - Paulette Purvis
Sick & Homebound Visitations - Deacon Dom Frisica
Stewardship & Family Life Ministries - Tim Bergevin
Superintendent of Facilities - Rich Waddick
Website - Sonia Romero

Religious Education (727) 812-4656
Director of Religious Education - Ellen Jones
RE Administrative Assistant - Pat Roane

Mission Statement -Who We Are
The welcoming community of Espiritu Santo, inspired by the Holy Spirit, is committed to encountering Christ by
spreading the joy of the Gospel, celebrating the sacraments, serving with compassion, and embracing all on our
journey of faith together. (In a Nutshell: To proclaim and live Jesus Christ to all in love.)

Vision Statement-Who We Strive To Be
Espiritu Santo Catholic Church and School is a warm and welcoming Eucharist centered parish community reaching
out to all people in their treasured diversity. We support and encourage all people, especially our youth, to grow and
participate more fully in their journey of faith. We actively engage in parish and community ministries that transform
our words of faith into works of compassion, mercy and a commitment to social justice in the one global family. We
envision a stronger commitment to better understand, appreciate and celebrate the joy of the gospel, the grace of the
sacraments and the transformative power of prayer and God’s infinite love.
**We are a Sacramental People**

**Baptism:**
- Parents of infants and children six years of age and younger — contact the church office preferably six weeks in advance at baptism@espiritusanto.cc
- Children seven years and older, teens & adults contact: Deacon Steven Girardi for more information at deaconsteven@espiritusanto.cc

**First Holy Communion & Confirmation:**
- School aged, contact Ellen Jones, Ellen@espiritusanto.cc
- Older teens and adults, contact Deacon Steven Girardi, deaconsteven@espiritusanto.cc

**Marriage:**
- Contact Tim Bergevin at least six months in advance at Tim@espiritusanto.cc

**Holy Orders:**
- Contact Father Carl Melchior (727) 345-3452; or email spvocation@dosp.org

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**Mass Intentions**

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**Vigil Masses**

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* Please note Mass time changes for March 25th.

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**Prayer List**

*Please pray for those who are suffering from illness in our parish. Prayer list names remain on the prayer list for eight weeks, a call is needed to renew.*

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**Sanctuary Candle For this Week**

*In Memory of:* Barbara Vatrtrato
*From:* Mary Radcliffe, her sister

**Bread and Wine for This Week**

*In Memory of:* Daniell Patricia Metz
*From:* her daughter, Pam Easley
March 25
Passion/Palm Sunday

Saturday Vigil Masses: 4:00 and 6:00 p.m.
Sunday Masses: 6:30, 8:30, 10:30 a.m., 12:30 and 5:00 p.m.
Additional Mass in Parish Center at 10:30 a.m.
Daily Mass on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday
8:30 a.m., 12:15 and 6:30 p.m.

The Sacred Triduum
March 29
Holy Thursday
Morning Prayer 9:00 a.m.
Celebration of the Lord’s Supper 7:00 p.m.
Adoration of the Eucharist until Midnight in Parish Center

March 30
Good Friday
Morning Prayer 9:00 a.m.
Celebration of the Lord’s Passion at 12:00, 3:00 and 7:00 p.m.

March 31
Holy Saturday
Morning Prayer 9:00 a.m.
No Confessions
Blessing of Easter Food 9:30 a.m. Parish Center
Solemn Vigil of the Resurrection 8:00 p.m.
Lighting of the New Fire,
Salvation History in Word and Song, Baptisms,
First Communion and Confirmation for RCIA, Renewal of Baptismal Promises, celebrate our Christian discipleship in the glory of the Risen Jesus.
This IS Easter! Don’t miss it!

April 1
Easter Sunday
2 Masses at Philippe Park:
Sunrise Mass 6:30 a.m. (park at church, walk over, bring folding chair)
9:00 a.m. Mass (Parking at Philippe Park)

5 Masses in Main Church: 7:00, 8:30, 10:30 a.m., 12:30, 5:00, and 7:00 p.m.
1 Mass in Padua Hall: 10:30 a.m.
3 Masses in Parish Center: 8:30, 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m.

Chrism Mass

On Tuesday, March 27, at 11:30 a.m., Bishop Parkes will preside at the Chrism Mass celebrated at the Cathedral of St. Jude. This is also the Mass where the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of the Catechumens will be blessed and the Sacred Chrism, consecrated. These oils are used throughout the year in our parish each time we celebrate the sacraments. During this Mass, the priests of the diocese together with the Bishop renew their commitment to priestly service. As is customary during each year’s Chrism Mass, priests observing their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th, 70th and 75th anniversary of ordination are honored. This year, the Jubilarians include our very own Father Len Piotrowski who is celebrating his 25th anniversary of ordination. Please congratulate Father Len on this wonderful occasion.
All are invited to participate in this grace-filled celebration.

Blessing of Easter Food

On Holy Saturday, March 31, immediately following the 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer, we will have the traditional Blessing of Easter Food in the parish center. Breads, wines, meats, as well decorated eggs, lamb cakes, and children’s Easter baskets may be included. Tables will be provided for you on which to place your food.
Wracked by grief at the death of her brother, Lazarus, and hoping he might live, Martha shows the great faith she has in the power and love of Jesus.

“I know that whatever you ask of God he will give you,” she says.

Jesus replies: “I am the resurrection and the life.” Further, he says, “whoever believes in me will never die.”

Jesus, of course, raises his good friend, Lazarus, from death, revealing the power and promise of God to grant everlasting life.

This story from the Gospel of John (11:1-45), will be read at the noon Mass Sunday as part of the third Scrutiny for the men and women who will come into full communion with the Catholic Church during the Easter Vigil on March 31.

The raising of Lazarus heralds the resurrection of Christ and reveals the new life each of us has through Jesus. This new life is especially relevant to those who will be baptized into the body of Christ and sealed with the Holy Spirit as they proclaim their faith in their confirmation.

This final Scrutiny, part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, follows the faith experience in the meeting at the well with Jesus and the Samaritan woman, and healing of the blind man and Jesus as the light of the world.

Please continue to pray for them as they journey toward Palm Sunday, Holy Week and finally to their Easter destination.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in becoming Catholic or has questions, please contact Deacon Steven Girardi in the parish office.
Diocesan Ministry

SNAP-SHOT

Through the Annual Pastoral Appeal (APA), the People of God in the Diocese of St. Petersburg support over 50 ministries, programs and services to thousands across 5 counties. Our appeal is truly an opportunity for each and every Catholic household to help further the mission of the Church, to become a part of the everyday miracles we experience through sharing our gifts as good stewards.

Let’s take a closer look at some of the good works underway in the Office of Catholic Schools and Centers...

There are 48 Catholic Schools and Early Childhood Centers within our diocese, providing education to more than 12,000 students from all 5 counties. The professionals in the Office of Catholic Schools and Centers offer resources, expertise, support and promotion to the mission of our Catholic Schools: to provide a faith-filled community where students can grow spiritually, academically and socially. This partnership ensures our Catholic Schools reflect the richness, diversity and strength of our Catholic Church with programs and services such as:

- Professional Development for Teachers and Administrators
- STREAM Fair (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts, Math)
- Group pricing for school programs, materials, etc.
- Assistance in planning technology, emergency manuals, professional development plans
- New Teacher Training-Classroom Management, Professional Ethics, Safe Environment
- Marketing of Schools
- Promoting Catholic Schools Week
- Supporting our school programs (Christmas concerts, sports, etc.)
- Assisting schools with facility upgrades (Sensory Room at Morning Star-Pinellas Park, Multi-Purpose Room at Bishop Larkin)
- Title Funds coordination
- Optional curriculum opportunities
- Inter-school coordinated activities
- Enhanced athletics and sports programs

“We are committed to work with every family to make sure a Catholic Education is possible.”
-Chris Pastura, Superintendent of Catholic Schools,
Diocese of St. Petersburg

“We strive to educate the children, not just in the academics but in their faith and in the value of service and leadership.”
-Sister Joan Carberry, OSF, Assistant Principal, St. Paul Catholic School

“It’s through our Catholic Schools that we are sent into the world to put our faith into practice and our knowledge into good use. Catholic Education is the greatest asset we have in society today. Statistics prove that those who attend Catholic Schools are more likely to be involved in community. They will be more generous in giving to the Church and the social mission that the Church has to the world.”
-Father John Tapp, Pastor, Nativity Catholic Church & School

Be part of the blessing—make your gift today!

This information has been provided by the Diocesan Office of Stewardship & Development. To learn more about ministries, programs and services funded by the Annual Pastoral Appeal, visit www.dosp.org.
Religious Education

No Class
There will be no Religious Education classes from March 25 to April 7 for spring break and Easter. Classes will resume the week of April 8.

First Holy Communion/Jesus Day
The First Communion retreat (Jesus Day) will be on Saturday, April 21 from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. All students are asked to be at the church for check-in at least 10 minutes before. We are looking for adult help, so if you are interested, contact Ellen in the RE office.

Confirmation
All Confirmation students need to attend one of the Stations of the Cross at 5:30 p.m. in the main church.

Confirmation Retreat
The Confirmation retreat will be on Tuesday, April 10 from 5:00-9:00 p.m. Please keep an eye on your inbox for more information.

CRS Rice Bowl
Thank you to everyone who is participating in Operation Rice Bowl. Rice bowls will be collected during RE classes the week of April 8. You may also place your rice bowls in the collection box in the narthex in the church on that weekend or drop it off in the church or school office.

Easter Eggstravaganza
The eggstravaganza is coming up on Saturday, March 24 from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Bring the whole family for a morning filled with fun and excitement. There will be an Easter egg hunt by grade level with prizes given for the one who gets the golden egg. There will also be door prizes by age level, crafts, story-time, cookies to decorate, and games to play.

Youth Ministry

Middle School Youth Meeting
At our last middle school youth meeting, the students made their own pizzas and pretzels by grinding their own wheat to make the flour. They also learned all about St. Patrick and played fun games such as Leprechaun relay race, Irish hot potato, lucky charms game, who’s got the gold. A great way to learn about St. Patrick’s day and our Catholic faith!

Middle School Youth Meeting
The next middle school meeting will be on March 23 and we will have gym night in Padua Hall. We will play dodgeball and kickball and other fun active games. And we’ll go outside and play flashlight tag. Not into gym activities? We’ll also have trivia in the dining room. Come and join us and see how much fun middle school youth can be!

Good Samaritan Project
Good Samaritan Project will be the week of June 24-30. The Good Samaritan Project is an annual summer service program, run by the Office of Youth Ministry at the Diocese of St. Petersburg, designed to provide young people the opportunity to joyfully serve the needs of the community and the Church. It is a week long overnight retreat that includes quality service projects during the day, daily Mass, and spiritually focused programs and activities each evening. This is open to any youth entering 8th grade through high school. If your child is interested in attending, there will be an informational meeting on Sunday, March 18 at 12:00 p.m. in the dining room of the school.

Challenge
The Challenge group spent March 4 baking to help others. They donated their baked goods, cookies, muffins, bread, to bring smiles to others. There will be no Challenge group on April 1.
Espiritu Santo Catholic School

Open House

PreK3 - 8th Grade

Wednesday, March 28, 2018
9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Prospective families are invited to join our students, staff, and administration for a personalized tour of our school community.

Gifted Program K - 8
Performing Arts And Music Program
Tuition Assistance Available
All Faiths Are Welcome

727.812.4650

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Safety Harbor, FL 34695

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Parish Pastoral Council News

The Parish Pastoral Council is now accepting nominations for three new members. Nominees will participate in a discernment process scheduled for Sunday, April 15th. Nomination forms are located in the racks of the pews, at each of the church entrances, and in the parish office. Criteria for selection are outlined on the nomination form. Please review the Nomination Form and, especially the Criteria for Selection, very carefully before offering your nomination. Any nominee should be committed to our parish mission statement and have a concern for the good of the whole parish. Completed forms may be placed in the offertory basket or turned in at the Parish Office no later than Sunday, March 18th.

The Parish Pastoral Council serves as a consultative body to the pastor, assisting him in pastoral visioning and planning. This leadership body consists of parish clergy and religious, staff members and nine parishioners who are affirmed in a discernment process. Discerned Council members serve for a three-year term. Meetings are held at 5:00pm on the third Wednesday of each month in the church office conference room.

In order to facilitate some continuity of membership, three new members are discerned each year. We sincerely thank Jack Baralt, Larry Dewberry, and Susanna Lewalski whose term is ending this year. Discerned members continuing on the Council are: Joe Ijjas, Jennifer Pettersen, Scott McGowan, Missy Liermann, Khanh Chau, and Ana Gutierrez. Ex-Officio members continuing are: Father Len Piotrowski, Father Frank Lubowa, Father Brad Reed, Deacon Vincent Alterio, Deacon John Alvarez, Jeffrey FitzCharles, and Shaun Shea.

Around the Parish

The Nehemiah Action Assembly
Monday, March 19th @ 7 p.m.
Tropicana Field
1 Tropicana Dr., St Petersburg, FL 33705

FAST is a congregation-based community organization bringing together congregations of faith to powerfully address injustice and poverty in Pinellas County. The mission of FAST is to engage people of different faiths in a process of listening, education and action in order to address community issues in a powerful way. Our parish is actively involved in FAST and we invite you to help seniors, the poor, and disabled of our county.

All Espiritu Santo FAST network members and people interested in the ministry are invited to the Nehemiah Action. If you need transportation, please call the office by noon on Monday and leave your name, how many need a ride and your phone number with the church receptionist.

“None of us can think that we are exempt from the concerns for the poor and for social justice.” Pope Francis

Offertory Collections for week ending 3.11.18

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