

ST. NICHOLAS OF BARI

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ADMINISTRATOR: Fr. Gustavo Campo

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The Church is open for personal prayer and meditation from 7:30am to 12:00pm (Monday to Friday)

Gruppo di preghiera di San Padre Pio
III Mercoledì del mese alle 6:45pm

Adorazione / Adoration
Tuesday to Sunday
7:00am -7:45am
1° Venerdì del Mese
First Friday of the Month
8:30am - 9:00am

MESSE DOMENICALI

9:00am: Italiano
10:30am: Inglese
12:00pm: Ge'ez Rite

MESSE FERIALI

8:00am: da Martedì a Sabato
7:30pm: Mercoledì
Messe memoriali (prenotare prima)

BATTESIMI

Chiamate in Ufficio quanto prima

CONFESSIONI

Tutti i giorni prima o dopo la Messa.
Altri giorni su appuntamento

MATRIMONI

Prenotarsi 1 anno prima

RITI D'INIZIAZIONE

Chiamate in Ufficio

SACRAMENTI PER GLI AMMALATI & ANZIANI

Chiamate in Ufficio qualunque giorno

SUNDAY MASSES

9:00am : Italian
10:30am: English (with Children's Liturgy)
12:00pm: Ge'ez Rite

WEEKDAY MASSES

8:00am: Tuesday to Saturday
11:00am Tuesday & Thursdays (Ge'ez Rite)
7:30pm: Wednesday & Friday Memorial mass (upon request)

BAPTISM

By appointment and after instruction.
Parents must be registered members of our parish community

CONFESSIONS

Every day before and after Mass and upon request

MARRIAGES

One year notice and marriage course mandatory

CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Please call the Office

SACRAMENTS FOR SICK & ELDERLY

Please call Rectory anytime

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PARISH REGISTRATION FORM

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NEWCOMER



REQUEST ENVELOPE



CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Hall della Parrocchia disponibile per affitto. Chiamate in Ufficio
The Parish Hall is available for rent – Please call the Office

Sunday Gospel

Matthew 4.1-11

The Gospel for the First Sunday of Lent takes us into the desert with Jesus. Before He begins His public ministry, before the miracles and the preaching, before the crowds follow Him — He is led by the Spirit into the wilderness.

This is important. The desert is not an accident.

It is not a punishment. It is preparation.

Lent is our desert. The first temptation is about bread:

“If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” How often we try to fill

spiritual hunger with material bread — success, comfort, recognition, distraction. Lent gently asks us: *What truly feeds your soul? The second temptation is about control and spectacle. Jesus refuses. He will not test the Father.*

True trust does not demand signs; it rests in obedience.

The third temptation is the most direct: power and glory without the Cross. But there is no Resurrection without Good Friday. Lent is not merely about giving things up. It

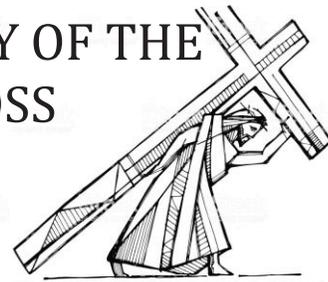
is about strengthening our spiritual muscles. Through

prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, we learn — like Christ — to depend on the Father. This First Sunday of Lent invites

us into the desert, when we feel weak, hungry, or spiritually dry, we are not alone.

The same Lord who overcame in the wilderness now strengthens us in ours.

WAY OF THE CROSS



Begins every Friday
During Lent
At 6:45pm
Bilingual

During the time of Lent before the Stations of the Cross, Confession will be available between 6:00pm-6:45pm

LENTEN RETREAT -Saturday March 7th

from 8:00am to 12:00pm



St Nichola's of Bari Hall is now available for Rent.

If you need to rent our parish hall for your special event (Baptisms, Birthdays, Anniversaries etc.) Please contact the Parish office for more information.

JOIN US!! ADORATION- Every Tuesday-Sunday 7:00am-7:45am



Praying for Peace in this New year dedicated to St Francis of Assisi

FINANCIAL CORNER

Weekly Collection: \$1,335.00

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Grazie!

Lent with St. Padre Pio



Padre Pio reminded us that **temptation** is real and constant, especially the lure of making ourselves the center of life, but Christ's love offers a way out: **the gift of ourselves**. This self-sacrifice, he said, leads to the **joy of Easter**—the ultimate fruit of dying to self for love. He encouraged a life of **prayer, fasting, and almsgiving** as tools to prune away falseness and worldliness, allowing the soul to be renewed and aligned with God's will. His own example of deep Lenten devotion—marked by prayer, penance, and a continual focus on Christ—remains a model for all who seek spiritual renewal during this sacred time.

MASS INTENTIONS

February 21-Saturday/Sabato

8:00am: Repose of the soul of Heidi Park Lafford, Israel Barahona, Gabriela Crego

10:00am-3:00 pm – Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

February 22-Sunday/Domenica

9:00am: Famiglia Calabrese; Di Bottaini Fiordaliso, Armida, Vasco, Maria, Anna, Loris, Faliero e per Le Anime Sante Del Purgatorio

10:30am: Grace Suarez & Anthony Merchan; Teresa Pace

12:00pm: Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

February 23-Monday /Lunedì

NO MASS – NON C'È MESSA

February 24-Tuesday/Martedì

8:00am: Healing of women who have lost a child; Mathlie Cabrera; Repose of the soul of Egle Judith Cova, Maria Rosa Dalsass

11:00am: Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

February 25-Wednesday/Mercoledì

8:00am: Repose of the soul of Eliseo Murillo Ruiz, Carlos Alberto Menjivar, Veronica Aristizabal

7:00pm: Memorial Mass- Giuseppe Rachiele & Bruno Rachiele

February 26 -Thursday/Giovedì

8:00am: For children waiting to be adopted; Repose of the soul of Juana, Miriam, Jose & Miguel Angel Ramos, Arturo Villanueva

11 :00am: Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

February 27-Friday/Venerdì

8:00am: Repose of the soul of Andrea Chevez, Janina, Mariam; Birthday blessings upon Jerry Rusiecki

February 28-Saturday/Sabato

8:00am: Repose of the soul of Juana Ines Venegas, Maria Fragola; Birthday blessings upon Jacqueline Marisol Gomez

11:00am-Memorial Mass – Giovanni Catricala

March 1-Sunday/Domenica

9:00am:

10:30am:

12:00pm: Catholic (Ge'ez Rite)

La Sala San Nicola di Bari è ora disponibile per l'affitto.

Se desiderate affittare la nostra sala parrocchiale per il vostro evento speciale (battesimi, compleanni, anniversari, ecc.), contattate l'ufficio parrocchiale per maggiori informazioni.

Vangelo della Domenica

Matteo 4.1-11

Il Vangelo della prima domenica di Quaresima ci porta nel deserto con Gesù. Prima che inizi il Suo ministero pubblico, prima dei miracoli e della predicazione, prima che le folle lo seguano, Egli è condotto dallo Spirito nel deserto.

Questo è importante. Il deserto non è un incidente.

Non è una punizione. È preparazione.

La Quaresima è il nostro deserto. La prima tentazione riguarda il pane:

"Se tu sei Figlio di Dio, di' a queste pietre di diventare pane".

Quante volte cerchiamo di saziare la fame spirituale con il pane materiale: successo, conforto, riconoscimento, distrazione. La Quaresima ci chiede dolcemente: cosa nutre veramente la tua anima? La seconda tentazione riguarda il controllo e lo spettacolo. Gesù rifiuta. Non metterà alla prova il Padre. La vera fiducia non richiede segni; si basa sull'obbedienza. La terza tentazione è la più diretta: potere e gloria senza la Croce. Ma non c'è Resurrezione senza il Venerdì Santo. La Quaresima non riguarda solo la rinuncia.

Riguarda il rafforzamento dei nostri muscoli spirituali. Attraverso la preghiera, il digiuno e l'elemosina, impariamo – come Cristo – a dipendere dal Padre. Questa prima domenica di Quaresima ci invita nel deserto: quando ci sentiamo deboli, affamati o spiritualmente aridi, non siamo.

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VIA CRUCIS

Inizia ogni venerdì durante la Quaresima
Alle 18:45 Bilingue, alle 7:30pm Bilingue.

Durante il periodo di Quaresima prima della
Via Crucis,
la confessione sarà disponibile
tra le 6:00pm e le 6:45pm





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