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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | MARCH 3, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY OF
LENT



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 10:00 am

WEEKDAYS

Monday & Tuesday:
8:30 am

HOLY DAY MASSES

Consult the bulletin

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MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Carrying Our Cross

When we have renounced ourselves in order to do the will of God in every detail, we must embrace our cross every day. We must carry it with resignation and love in the footsteps of Jesus. Each of us has his cross. It might be ill health or financial distress. It might be some person whom we feel to be intolerable and with whom we have to live. It might be humiliation or calumny. It might be some temptation which we find hard to fight and which is continually causing us to fall. It might be all these things together. Whatever it is, it is our cross.

To rebel would be to make things far worse. Our cross would only become heavier and more unbearable. Jesus tells us to embrace it as He did. He tells us to bow beneath its weight and follow Him. If we accept His invitation, at once our cross will seem lighter. A man who is in love does not feel fatigue. We must carry our cross out of love of God and in the hope of a heavenly reward. Then we can say with St. Francis de Sales: *"Suffering passes, but the experience of having suffered for the love of God remains."* We shall understand how true were Our Lord's words: *"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."* (Mt. 11:28)

The cross which we accept from the hands of Jesus and out of love for Him is a sweet burden.

There is only one way to become holy and to win Heaven. This is the way of the Cross. *"The Imitation of Christ"* contains some moving thoughts on the subject of the royal way of the Cross. We shall summarize them here.

The words of Jesus seem hard to many: *"Renounce yourself, take up your cross and follow Me."* But it would be much harder to hear on the last day those terrible words: *"Depart from Me, you cursed, into everlasting fire."* Those who listen now and accept the message of the Cross need not be afraid of hearing this irrevocable sentence on that day. Why avoid the way of the Cross if it is the only road which leads to Heaven? In the Cross there is salvation; in the Cross there is life; in the Cross there is protection from our enemies. If we carry our cross with submission and love, we shall find peace of soul. If we intertwine our cross with the Cross of Jesus, we shall obtain energy of mind, joy of spirit and perfect holiness. If we die on the Cross with Jesus, we shall live with Him in eternal happiness. If we are His companions in suffering, we shall also be with Him one day in glory. (Rom. 6:8)

Everything depends on our dying on the Cross with Jesus. There is no other way to life and to true interior peace but the way of the holy cross and of daily mortification. (*Imitation of Christ, Bk. II, Chapter 12*)

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SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:00 pm or by appt.

BAPTISM

At least one parent must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling the Office.

Baptisms will be held on the 3rd Sunday of the month.

MARRIAGE

At least one member of the couple must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling

Couples need to make arrangements at least 6 months in advance

No date may be reserved until discussion with the pastor of the parish.

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Call the Parish Office

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SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING: In those days, God delivered all these commandments: "I, the LORD am your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me." (Ex 20:1-3)

PSALM: Lord, you have the words of everlasting life. (Ps 19)

SECOND READING: We proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. (1 Cor 1:23-24)

GOSPEL: Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." (Jn 2:19)

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass



READINGS FOR THE WEEK MARCH 3, 2024

Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 *Scrutiny:* Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3,4/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 *Scrutiny:* 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

THIRD WEEK OF LENT

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Sunday - Mar. 3rd - 3rd Sunday of Lent

10:00 am - †Living & Deceased Members of the Marian Guild
Requested by: The Marian Guild

Monday - Mar. 4th - St. Casimir / School Mass

8:30 am - †Living & Deceased of the Parish

Tuesday - Mar. 5th - Lenten Weekday Mass

8:30 am - †Helen Haller

Requested by: Carol Potter

Saturday - Mar. 9th - St. Frances of Rome, Religious; St. Catherine of Bologna

4:00 pm - †Fred Churchill

Requested by: Joanne Churchill

Sunday - Mar. 10th - 4th Sunday of Lent

10:00 am - †Angel White

Requested by: Terry & Wendy Kushinski

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - EVERY FRIDAY

1:15 pm Children's Stations with the School
&

7:00 pm with Deacon Paul

March 8th

March 15th - *No School Stations,*
March 22nd



St. Anthony & St. Teresa Lenten Mission

Temptation: The World, The Flesh, The Devil

March 10th at St. Anthony

March 11th at St. Teresa

March 12th at St. Anthony

6:30-7:30 pm



Liturgical Ministers

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Saturday, March 9th at 4:00 pm

Lectors: Marybeth B.

Eucharistic Ministers: Pam W., Laura P., Patty R.

Sunday, March 10th at 10:00 am

Lectors: Celia F.

Eucharistic Ministers: Hilaire T., Dan L., Karen L.

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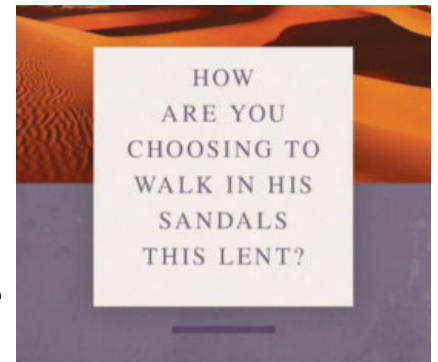
3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

OFFERTORY REPORT

AMOUNT BUDGETED WEEKLY..... \$6,240.00
 SUNDAY COLLECTION (2/11/2024) \$5,857.00
 7/1/2023 TO DATE +/-) BUDGET..... **-\$8,311.53**

MY GIFT TO GOD REFLECTS HIS GENEROSITY TO ME

If you are unable to contribute, please submit your envelopes all the same as it is our most clear indication of active participation for Mass.



3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Paul reminded the Corinthians, *"We proclaim Christ crucified."* **Christ's weakness is stronger than any human strength. The power of the cross is greater than anything the world or evil has to combat it.**

The Lenten season is one of repentance, self-denial, almsgiving, and prayer. Many in our modern world do not see any wisdom in denying themselves anything. Those swept away in a consumer culture want more and they want it faster, bigger, and better. They also are looking for easy and quick satisfaction, unwilling to wait long.

Paul speaks of the *"foolishness of God"* and how it is wiser than any human wisdom. **Lent is a time to put aside that which we feel and think as humans and put on the attitude of Christ.** The cross of Christ is neither easy nor fleeting, and it will ask us to deny our very selves for him. To the human mind it makes no sense. However, by putting on Christ and seeing with his eyes, we see reality with clarity. Our sacrifice can lead to riches that only a *"foolish"* man would covet. But it is exactly there that we are satisfied and fulfilled.



PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Gloria Badillo	Janet Baxter	Joanne Bilancini	Maryann Boylan	Tim "Swampy" Burton	Lynn Coscho
Pat Costello II	Ann DiFrancesco	Jerry Donovan	Anna Mae Ebinger	Denise Ellis	Deacon Jose Flores
Norma Jean Flores	Scott Friges	Bea Giacobbe	Virginia Glass	Barbara Glick	Brian Grace
Dan George	Renee Golowenski	D'Arie Gonzalez	Delores Gonzalez	Jose Gonzalez	Jose Gonzalez Jr.
Juan Gonzalez	Vicky Herrmann	Clara Hodorowski	Kevin Holley	Phyllis Holomuzki	Jennifer Humphrey
Baby Jackson	Al Jacobs	Devin Jarvis	Sylvia Johnston	Johnna Kuhar	Amanda Jacobs-Leadbetter
Deacon Luis Maldonado	Dean Martin III	Rita McConley	Dolores Melley	Sandra Merkly	Jen Mitterholzer
Ellen Morgan	Frank Murphy	Mary Nazario	Luci Payne	Elizabeth Raddell	Emily Raddell
Joe Rizzo	Amy Schmidt	Jack Tocchi	Audali Torres	Rosa Torres	Nanette Truffin
Peter Uies	Stacie Velasquez	Nick Vivens	Sherri Wedgeworth	Paul Winkler	Doris Zgola-Whitka

Call the Parish Office if you would like to add someone to this list. Please notify us when to remove the name.

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Call the "Prayer Line" for immediate prayer requests,

Linda: 440-667-9050 from 9 am - 3 pm or Terri, 440-320-3272 from 3 - 9 pm

St. Anthony & St. Teresa Parishes Combined Lenten Mission

Temptation: The World, The Flesh, and The Devil

**Presented by The Very Reverend Sean Ralph,
Rector of the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist**

**When: March 10th (St. Anthony Church), 11th (St. Teresa Church), and
12th (St. Anthony Church)**

What Time: 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM

As we enter the Holy Season of Lent, our parish mission will focus our attention on a topic that affects us all: Temptation. Fortunately, for three evenings we have a wonderful mission speaker to aid us in our fight against our adversary. Father Sean Ralph will expertly guide us in an examination of the topic from three different perspectives: worldly temptation, bodily temptation, and the activity of the Devil.

Please prioritize our Parish Mission as part of your Lenten spiritual activities. Come and listen to what God wants you to know about temptation in your life.



PASTOR'S COLUMN CONTINUED

We also read in "The Imitation of Christ:" "No man hath so heartfelt a sense of the Passion of the Christ as he whose lot it hath been to suffer like things." If you carry your cross willingly, it will lead you to your longed-for destination, where suffering ends and everlasting joy begins. If you carry it unwillingly, the weight will become unbearable, and you will have to carry it in any case. If you fling away the cross which you are carrying, immediately an even heavier one will be laid upon you. So be prepared to put up with whatever trials God sends you. Look upon them as wonderful consolations, because the sufferings of this life cannot be regarded as the measure of that glory which will be ours in Heaven... (Rom. 8:18) We are fortunate if we deserve to suffer a little for the name of Jesus... Only when we begin to die to ourselves can we begin to live in God... Nothing is more acceptable to God and more helpful for us in this world than to suffer willingly for love of Christ. (Imitation of Christ, Bk. II, Chapter 12) -Antonio Cardinal Bacci

~Rev. Edward J. Smith

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MARCH PRAYER INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER

FOR THE MARTYRS OF OUR DAY, WITNESS TO CHRIST

Let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage & missionary drive.

ACCEPTING NEW STUDENTS

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Spaces are limited. Enroll today!

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The St. Vincent de Paul Society here at St Anthony's continues to collect donations for the Saint Elizabeth Shelter.

Our mission is to collect breakfast food - oatmeal, cold cereals, & breakfast bars.

There are donation boxes located at the church entrances.

We would also like to thank you for your generous donations to our food pantry, which makes you are a part of our mission to help needy parishioners & neighbors who reside on the east side.

God bless you for your generosity and thoughtfulness.

PARISH MISSION: FINDING JESUS IN THE EUCHARIST

Searching for more? Come explore the deeper meaning of the Eucharist and WHY we believe what we believe. **Join us at Holy Spirit Parish, 410 Lear Rd., Avon Lake for 2 days, March 14th & 15th, at 7:00 pm for a Parish Mission by Catholic Speaker, Author an Podcast Host, Greg Wasinski.** This event is for EVERYONE, no matter where you are on your faith journey. You will walk away changed and with a more profound love of the Eucharist.

For more information about Greg, go to www.FaithandRealLife.com.

UNBOUND...A DAY OF HEALING PRAYER - 4/6

Catholic Renewal Ministries is hosting, UNBOUND...a day of Healing Prayer with Matt Lozano, Director of Training - Heart of the Father Ministries. Come learn what Unbound can do in your life.

Experience God's love & healing grace through Unbound prayer.

Join us at St. Peter Catholic Church, 35777 Center Ridge Road, North Ridgeville, on Saturday, April 6th.

Praise & worship the goodness of God. Doors open at 8 am, program runs 9:00 am - 4:30 pm.

For more info, call Marge Zampino, 216-990-0919 or Mary Cusack, 330-687-8843.

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LENTEN Fish Fry

St. Teresa of Avila Parish
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All Fridays of Lent
4:30-7:00pm

DINE IN & DRIVE THRU

DINNERS

All dinners include coleslaw, dessert, roll, and your choice of: fries, cabbage & noodles, mac & cheese, or pierogi.

Lake Perch 3 pieces of perch	\$20
Shrimp 10 pieces of shrimp	\$20
Combo 2pc perch & 6pc shrimp	\$20
Pierogi 6 pieces	\$12
Mac & Cheese	\$12

Dine in dinners receive your choice of: coffee, tea, lemonade, or iced tea

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