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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | MARCH 17, 2024

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



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

As we come closer to the end of the Lenten Season and nearer to the Passion of Our Lord, the scripture readings on Sunday lead us up to this awesome event. We should follow along with the flow of the readings so that we enter the spirit of the Passion not as spectators, but as participants. We are all guilty of sin and we all have a need to partake of the benefits of Jesus' Passion and Death. To do or say otherwise would make Christ's sacrifice meaningless for us.

The First Reading is from the Prophet Jeremiah (31:31-34). Here, the Prophet is warning the people of Israel and Judah that because of their lack of faith and obedience to the Laws of Moses and to God Himself, God will make void His covenant with them and make a "new" one with different terms and conditions. This is referring to the New and Everlasting Covenant signed and sealed with the blood of Jesus Christ.

The Responsorial Psalm (51:3-15) is the great penitential psalm; the Miserere. It is a reflection on the sin of David, but it can and should be our prayer of contrition for any offenses that we might have committed. You are encouraged to read and meditate on the entire Psalm frequently during Lent, but particularly on Good Friday.

The Second Reading is from the Letter to the Hebrews (5:7-9). The writer of this great "letter" has summed up in this single sentence the essence of Christ's Passion and Death, both in its human form and its divine form. We must remember that although Jesus was God, He was also human. His suffering was real and more intense than we could endure, but through His sacrifice, He achieved the goal that was prophesied by Jeremiah above. He was Mankind's perfect offering and it had God's full acceptance, signified by the Resurrection.

The Gospel Reading is taken from the Gospel of John (12:20-33). At first, we might wonder why Jesus didn't invite the Greek visitors in and talk with them, but as we read on we find that this was a serious time for the Master and for the disciples. Jesus doesn't want disciples who just want to "see" Him. He wants disciples who are willing to follow Him – to the death, if necessary. This was Jesus' "Hour," a time and point of no return. As we approach the ending of our Lenten Journey, we should step back to see if we have progressed on our "road to Calvary." The question that we should ask of ourselves is: "Are we just one of the spectators watching Jesus going by, carrying His cross, or are we truly one of His disciple's begging forgiveness for our part in this scene?" **Something to think about during your prayer time this week!**

~Rev. Edward J. Smith

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MARCH 17, 2024

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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SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING: All, from least to greatest, shall know me, says the LORD, for I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more. (*Jer 31:34*)

PSALM: Create a clean heart in me, O God. (*Ps 51*)

SECOND READING: Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered; and when he was made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him. (*Heb 5:8-9*)

GOSPEL: "Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." (*Jn 12:24*)

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HAPPY
ST. PATRICK'S
DAY

READINGS FOR THE WEEK MARCH 17, 2024

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 (12a)/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33
Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

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

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

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

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

Sunday - Mar. 17th - 5th Sunday of Lent; St. Patrick

10:00 am - †Deceased Members of the Donovan Family
Requested by: Jerry Donovan

Monday - Mar. 18th - St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church / School Mass

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

Tuesday - Mar. 19th - St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 am - †Tammy Ann Csillag
Requested by: Cheryl Van Wagnen

Saturday - Mar. 23rd - St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

4:00 pm - †Clarence Skorvanik
Requested by: Friends

Sunday - Mar. 24th - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy Week begins

10:00 am - †Al & Rose Hellinger
Requested by: Their Son, Al



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, March 28th

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:00 pm at St. Anthony Church

Good Friday, March 29th

(Day of Fast & Abstinence)

Stations of the Cross, Noon at St. Anthony Church

The Lord's Passion Service, 3:00 pm at St. Anthony Church

Holy Saturday, March 30th

Easter Vigil Mass, 7:00 pm at St. Teresa of Avila Church

Easter Sunday, March 31st

Resurrection of the Lord Mass, 10:00 am at St. Anthony Church



Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, March 23rd at 4:00 pm

Lectors: Marybeth B.

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

Sunday, March 24th at 10:00 am

Lectors: Celia F.

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

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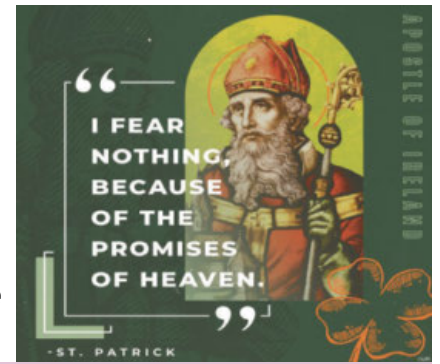
5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

OFFERTORY REPORT

AMOUNT BUDGETED WEEKLY..... \$6,240.00
 SUNDAY COLLECTION (2/25/2024) \$4,882.00
 7/1/2023 TO DATE +/(-) BUDGET..... **-(\$10,573.53)**

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.



5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Are you asleep?

Today Jesus is called to the grave of a dear friend who had recently died. Martha cries out that if Jesus were closer, her brother Lazarus would not have died.

Remember from the First Sunday in Lent that death and sin are connected and that life is seen as living a faith-filled life? That is what is happening in this Gospel. Living as a disciple of Christ can give us the ability for a life everlasting in the presence of God.

What in our lives needs to be uncovered, as Lazarus is unwrapped of his burial clothes and retuned to live with his loved ones?

As we move closer to Easter Sunday, let us ask God to unwrap or unbind that which needs to be healed so that we may live a life that is pleasing to God.



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	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
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Nick Vivens	Sherri Wedgeworth	Paul Winkler	Doris Zgola-Whitka		

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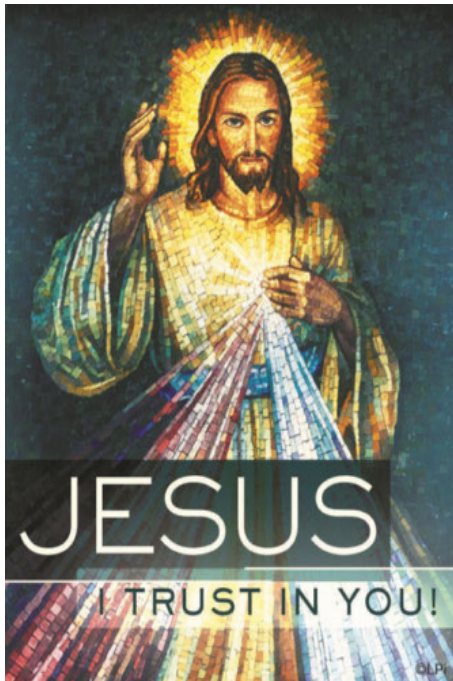
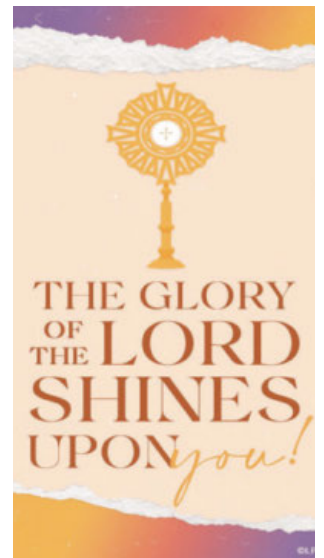
Call the "Prayer Line" for immediate prayer requests,

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

ADORATION CHAPEL

"I arise today through God's strength to pilot me; God's might to uphold me, God's wisdom to guide me, God's eye to look before me, God's ear to hear me, God's word to speak to me, God's hand to guard me, God's way to lie before me, God's shield to protect me, God's hosts to save me from snares of the devil, from temptations of vices, from everyone who desires me ill afar and anear, alone or in a multitude . . . Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down, Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of every man who speaks of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in the ear that heard me. I arise today through a mighty strength, the invocation of the Trinity; Through a belief in the threeness, Through a confession of the oneness of the Creator of creation."

~From St. Patrick's Loric



DIVINE MERCY MEDITATION - IN SECLUSION

[Sister Faustina wrote the following when she was being sent to the Sanatorium for her tuberculosis.]

When I was somewhat overcome by the fear that I was to be outside the community for so long a time alone, Jesus said to me, **You will not be alone, because I am with you always and everywhere. Near to My Heart, fear nothing. I Myself am the cause of your departure. Know that My eyes follow every move of your heart with great attention. I am bringing you into seclusion so that I Myself may form your heart according to My future plans** (Diary, 797).

**The words of Jesus appear in boldface type*

My Prayer Response:

Thank You, Jesus, for being with me when I am alone.
Help me to enjoy Your presence in my heart. *Amen!*

PRO-LIFE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK FROM PROLIFECORNER.COM

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defenseless ones; the unborn, the aged, and the handicap*

~St. John Paul II

*Lord, let us not be cowards;
give us the courage & wisdom necessary
to stand up & fight the evil
of abortion & euthanasia today. Amen!*





MANY PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

to Dick, Dana and family & friends,
upon the death of their mother
Anna Mae Ebinger on March 3, 2024.

She was 2 weeks shy of her 106th Birthday!

*May Anna Mae's soul and the souls of all the faithfully departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen*

LIFE IS CHANGED, NOT ENDED.

SENIOR SOCIABLES MEETING - 3/21

Senior Sociables will meet on Thursday, March 21st at 12:30 pm at Mezquite Mexican & Bar in Avon.

The restaurant's address is 35846 Detroit Road. It is located in the old IHOP building near Red Robin.

Call Karen Less at 440-949-2934 with your reservation by Monday, March 18th. Hope to see you there!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST & EGG HUNT - 3/23

Join us for an Easter Pancake Breakfast & Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 23rd from 9:00-11:00 am in the St. Anthony Social Hall. There will be food, crafts, photos & fun! The Easter Egg Hunt will begin at 10:15 am.

Cost is \$5 per ticket for presale by March 20th or \$6 per ticket at the door.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Erin at katricake@stanthonylorain.com.

We are also looking for donations of nut-free candy to fill our Easter Eggs.

Please drop off donations to the school by March 20th. Thank you!

LENTEN LAMENATIONS AT NATIVITY - 3/24

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church will have a special service of Lenten Lamentations (Gorzkie Zale) in English on **Palm Sunday, March 24th at 3:00 pm**. This beautiful and moving devotion, honoring the Passion of our Lord, includes Benediction, hymns and a period of reflection. *All are invited!*

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All orders must be picked up by 4:00 pm.

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Bulletins are sent to print every Tuesday!



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

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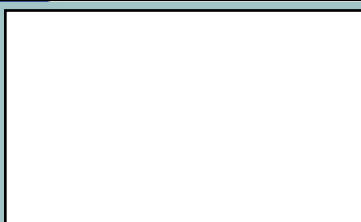
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