

3rd Sunday of Lent March 12, 2023



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 11 ~ Vigil/3rd Sunday of Lent 5:30 PM Barbara Ceriale/healing Sunday, March 12 ~ 3rd Sunday of Lent

9:30 AM Rosemary Osborn/healing

Monday, March 13 9:00 AM

Wednesday, March 15 9:00 AM

Friday, March 17

9:00 AM The People of the Parish Saturday, March 18 ~ Vigil/4th Sunday of Lent

5:30 PM Dave Barbuti Sunday, March 19 ~ 4th Sunday of Lent

9:30 AM Mike Hurd & Janet Murphy/healing

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, March 18 ~ Vigil/4th Sunday of Lent 5:30 PM Al Ceriale Sunday, March 19 ~ 4th Sunday of Lent

9:30 AM John Drumm

Saturday, March 18 ~ Vigil/4thSunday of Lent
5:30 PM Jen Zupetz (a), Kim Grzybek (c)
Sunday, March 19 ~ 4th Sunday of Lent
9:30 AM Ann Clouse (a), Sue Schmaus (c)

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE

Alexandria Baker-Bonitz (Navy) Dylan Bonitz (Navy)
Sarah Bowen (Navy) Juan Gonzalez (Navy)
Kaila McGowan (Marines) Anthony Pagano (Navy)
Joseph Ruize (Navy) Carissa Tironi (Army)
Elliott Weidel (Marines)

PRAY FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOMES

Gina Lempka, Regina Parthesius, Robert Wise

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Marion Andersen, Bridget Auer, Joanne Bach, Rob Brosnan, Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke, Peter Cavalier, Barbara Ceriale, Brian Cross, Nicole Dawson, Marie DiMare, Tina DiMare, Mary Donnelly, Agnes Ferrone, Anna Gallo, Joe Gallo, Lenore Giansanti, Margaret Hale, Brandon Hriniak, Mike Hurd, Ninette Kondratowicz, Regina Lempka, Jon Miller, Janet Murphy, Rosemary Osborn, Julie Oparski, Marianna Oparski, Helen Ryan, Frances Salewski, Chris Strobl

LOOKING AHEAD

Helping Hands Food Pantry

Every 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday by Appointment (9 AM start)

Monday, March 13

Parish Council Meeting ~ 7:00 PM

Tuesday, March 14

Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

Wednesday, March 15

Mamakating Knights of Columbus at OLA 6:00 PM dinner; 7:00 PM meeting

Friday, Mar. 17 (St. Patrick's Day) Stations of the Cross ~ 7:00 PM



Saturday, March 18

Helping Hands Food Pantry by Appointment ~ (9 AM start)

Saturday, March 18

1st Reconciliation ~ Level 2 ~ 10:00AM

Sunday, March 19

Baptism ~ Peyton Zajac, infant daughter of Audrey Pooley-Zajac and Jamison Zajac During 9:30 AM Mass

Tuesday, March 21

Religious Education Classes $\sim 6:30-7:30$ PM

Friday, March 24

Stations of the Cross ~ 7:00 PM

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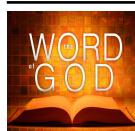
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Today's Scripture 3rd **Sunday in Lent**

Exodus 17:3-7 Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 John 4:5-42

About Prayer: Beginning to Pray

Since prayer is an integral part of Lent, along with almsgiving (service to others) and fasting from what we don't really need, it seemed appropriate to focus some time looking at how to improve our prayer.

Usually when people take on a new prayer regimen for Lent, they look for books containing prayerful words to recite as they spend time with God. This is a good practice because it opens people up to a prayerful attitude and helps them to be aware of how God is present to us in all things. There is a temptation, however, to think that by saying the words just right, as if they were a magical incantation, we would get God to do something for us. That is not a good attitude for prayer.

In prayer, we are talking with God, but we also allow God the time and space to talk with us. The curious thing is that this dialogue between God and us can only be done in silence, strange as that may sound. Even such a simple thing as spending 10 minutes in this silent exchange helps us to deepen our relationship and reliance on God.

In the next few weeks, we will be looking more at ways to pray, so that our Lent may be truly fruitful!



Last Sunday the Xavier Company from Manhattan presented a Passion Play to an audience of more than 80 people from OLA, St. Paul's, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, and other area churches. A well-deserved standing ovation greeted the actors, musicians and director at the conclusion. A delicious meal followed for the Troupe and those who attended. A big THANK YOU to Ted and Colleen Wall for organizing the event and the meal, much of which was prepared by Ted (with help from Rocco Gallo). Thank you, too, to the Mamakating Knights of Columbus who made a significant contribution to this awe-some event, and to all who volunteered to help.

Mass Attendance/Collection

at Mass on March 4 & 5: 98
Weekend's Collection: \$1,810.00

Can we eat meat on St. Patrick's Day this year ~ Fri., Mar. 17th?



YES! His Eminence, Cardinal

Dolan, has given a dispensation from the obligation of abstaining from eating meat on Fridays during Lent, explicitly for St. Patrick's Day. Instead, you are encouraged to make a special penance, e.g. be extra kind to someone, or go out of your way to help someone in a special way.



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