

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 4 ~ Vigil/2nd Sunday of Lent 5:30 PM Mike Hurd/healing Sunday, March $5 \sim 2^{nd}$ Sunday of Lent 9:30 AM Allen E. Murphy Monday, March 6 9:00 AM Janet Murphy & Rob Brosnan/ healing Wednesday, March 8 9:00 AM The People of the Parish Friday, March 10 Julie Oparski/healing 9:00 AM Saturday, March 11 ~ Vigil/3rd Sunday of Lent 5:30 PM Sunday, March 12 ~ 3rd Sunday of Lent 9:30 AM

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, March 11 ~ Vigil/3rd Sunday of Lent Joe Herschel 5:30 PM Sunday, March 12 ~ 2rd Sunday of Lent AnnMarie Minerly 9:30 AM

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, March 11 ~ Vigil/3rd Sunday of Lent Barb Cinque (a), Jen Zupetz (c) 5:30 PM Sunday, March 12 ~ 3rd Sunday of Lent Sue Schmaus (a), Lisa Dyer (c) 9:30 AM

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, 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)

Sunday, March 5 "No Greater Love" Passion Play by the Xavier Group ~ 4 PM in Church Followed by a light supper in the Parish Center lower level. Free Will Offering

Tuesday, March 7 Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

> Friday, March 10 Stations of the Cross \sim 7:00 PM

> > Saturday, March 11 **NO** Food Pantry

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, March 17 Stations of the Cross \sim 7:00 PM



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Today's Scripture 2nd Sunday in Lent

Genesis 12:1-4a 2 Timothy 1:8b-10 Matthew 17:1-9

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!

Visio Divina

This week's subject for the Standard Visio Divina display is a painting by Raphael. It took him 4 years to paint it. He died at the age of 36 in 1520 just as he was putting on the finishing touches. His painting is considered one of the greatest in all the art world. Raphael was a contemporary of Michael Angelo.

Visio Divina — "sacred seeing" — is an ancient form of Christian prayer in which we allow our hearts and imaginations to enter into a sacred image, in silence, to see what God might have to say to us.

The art changes weekly to correspond with Scripture from ther weekend's Masses. Pamphlets with an in-depth description of Visio Divina are available by the display.





Transfiguration by Raphael

Mass Attendance/Collection # at Mass on February 25 & 26: 104 Weekend's Collection: \$1,284.00





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