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Second Sunday of Lent



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WELCOME TO ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH February 24, 25 Second Sunday of LENT.



"I rejoiced when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

We welcome all visitors and parishioners who have come to worship here today on the Second Sunday of LENT! To our visitors, you may have come as a stranger to us, yet you are known to Our Lord, Jesus Christ. In His name, we pray you will find peace, hospitality, and friendship with us. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, we are glad you're here and hope that you come back again. The doors of our parish and our hearts are open to you. Please be in touch.

If you are a resident in this area, we hope that you will continue to grace us with your presence and register with us. You may call 705-652-3231 or stop by the parish office to register. If you are a visitor, we thank you for participating in worshipping with us and we hope to see you again.

St. Joseph's Parish Mass Intentions

Tuesday Feb 27 8:30 am # John Allen by Mike & Rosemary Towns

Wednesday Feb 28 8:30 am # Cassie Meade by Bernard & Lise Leahy

Thursday Feb 29 6:30 pm # Laverne LeMoire by John & Laureen Murphy

Friday March 1 8:30 am # John Allen by Carl & Mary McKeiver

Saturday March 2 5:00 pm People of the Parish

Sunday March 310:00 am # Cassie Meade by St. Joseph's CWL

John Moher by Shelley Ryan and Family

We are currently booking masses in March.

Please watch the bulletin for changes in weekday mass times due to unforeseen circumstances.

LECTORS	SAT – 5:00 PM	SUN -10:00 AM
Feb 24, 25	Kelly Towns	Brian Moloney
Mar 2, 3	Larry Carlow	Sharon Moloney
EUCHARIST		
Feb 24, 25	Rosemary Towns	Loretto Coones
Mar 2, 3	Bob Condon	Paul Yasyszczuk
USHERS		
Feb 24, 25	Gerald Heffernan	Mike Moloney
Mar 2, 3	Murray Carlow	John Sullivan
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Week of Feb 26	Dorothy Perdue	Bernice Heffernan
Week of Mar 4	Joyce Manser	Jill Scott

Parish Stewardship

Feb 18, \$3,308including \$834 of pre-authorized offering We thank you for your continued support of our Parish!

QUILTING in the hall Monday & Tuesday **February 26/27**. All are welcome, bring your thimble; lunch provided.



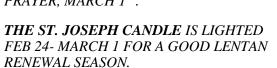


PRAY FOR THE NEEDS OF PARISHIONERS AND LOVED ONES.

Health of David Rundle, Joe Ross and Patti Simmons. For all who are Shut-ins or in Nursing Homes and Retirement

Residences. If you know someone that you would like to have included in our prayers, please contact the office or Fr. Randy.

THE BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE BURNS FEB 24-MARCH 1 FOR WORLD DAY OF PRAYER, MARCH 1ST.



WORK CONTINUES on the Accessible Washroom.



The church bathroom will not be available during this period of construction. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Please be mindful of the construction on the side of the altar. A step has been taken out and a railing guard will soon be installed. The work is going along very well.

The Holy Eucharist: Did you know?

Did you know that it takes about 15-20 minutes for a consecrated Host to dissolve in your stomach? For those few minutes, you literally have the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus, the Son of God, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, the Savior and Redeemer within you.

Reflection: One day a lady approached St. Teresa of Avila and said, "If only I had lived in the time of Jesus... If only I had seen Jesus....If only I had talked with Jesus..." St. Teresa replied, "But do we not have in the Eucharist the living, true and real Jesus present to us?" Why not take advantage of the precious few minutes that Jesus is residing within you.

Message from Fr. Randy



So often we complain that merchants begin advertising much too soon for Christmas. Labor Day seems like the kickoff day for the holidays. "Jumping

the gun" might really be the right term to use. But it's our readings this Second Sunday of Lent that might lead us to think that we are "jumping the gun" and anticipating the Easter Season. Barely have we begun Lent when our readings lead us to celebrate the transfiguration of Jesus. Our readings make it look like Easter and not like Lent! Elijah and Moses appear talking to Jesus who is robed in majesty and splendor. From the heavens a voice declares, "This is my beloved Son, listen to Him." Today's readings seem like a preview of Easter with all is splendor and glory. The ever-impetuous Peter is all for "jumping the gun" when he desires to remain with the Lord in His glory. This is the same Peter who rebuked Jesus when He told the disciples what was awaiting Him. Our Lord's response was to become very angry with Peter. Peter wanted Jesus to be a victor, not a victim. However, it was God the Father's plan that Jesus would manifest His true glory only after Calvary. He had to first fulfill God's plan before He could reveal Himself in His real glory. Jesus gave Peter a glimpse of His divinity, almost to apologize for having called him a "Satan." Jesus wanted His disciples to put away any romantic notions they might have had about Him. Instead, He wanted them to focus clearly on His mission. A mission which we focus upon as we celebrate Lent. We are called to live by faith. Jesus is revealed to us through our sacraments beginning with the Sacrament of Baptism through which Our Lord comes to live in us and make us His "tent." Within us is the same glory that was shown Peter on "the mountain." In Baptism we are "transfigured" in a real way. This Second Sunday of Lent invites to recognize the power within us through

Baptism. Given the presence of Our Lord in us through the Sacraments and in His Church, it is right for us to say as Peter did, "Lord, how good it is for us to be here!"

THINGS TO REMEMBER DURING LENT: 1.

Remember the formula. The Church does a good job capturing certain truths with easy-to-remember lists and formulas: 10 Commandments, 7 sacraments, 3 persons in the Trinity. For Lent, the Church gives us almost a slogan—Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving—as the three things we need to work on during the season.

2. It's a time of prayer. Lent is essentially an act of prayer spread out over 40 days. As we pray, we go on a journey, one that hopefully brings us closer to Christ and leaves us changed by the encounter with him.

3. It's a time to fast. With the fasts of Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, meatless Fridays, and our personal disciplines interspersed, Lent is the only time many Catholics these days actually fast. And maybe that's

why it gets all the attention. "What are you giving up

for Lent? Hot dogs? Beer? Jellybeans?" It's almost a

game for some of us, but fasting is actually a form of

penance, which helps us turn away from sin and toward

Christ.

4. It's a time to work on discipline. The 40 days of Lent are also a good, set time to work on personal discipline in general. Instead of giving something up, it can be doing something positive. "I'm going to exercise more. I'm going to pray more. I'm going to be nicer to my family, friends, and coworkers."

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