

March 7, 2021

3rd
SUNDAY
OF LENT
"His disciples
recalled the words
of Scripture, Zeal
for your house will
consume me."
- Jn 2:17

We have lost our axis to the world of "anything goes" and no longer see the Ten Commandments as practical and wise guideposts to effective living. We live on "relativism island" where only a possible suggestion to "love and do not harm" may be the only standard able to be preached. While Jesus most certainly emphasized love above anything else, it was never about warm fuzzy feelings or halfhearted humanitarian efforts. The love of which Jesus spoke establishes an intimate connection with God, neighbor, self, and creation. Because this love, who is God Himself, is at the foundational core of our lives, it demands actions and attitudes that serve to build up, increase, and free up those relationships. Love requires proper conduct. Preserving and enhancing these love centered relationships is at the heart of the Ten Commandments (and the Beatitudes) and the reason for Jesus' display of anger in the temple.

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WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 7, 2021

SUN 3/07	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 or 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
MON 3/08	2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 [cf 42:3]/Lk 4:24-30
TUE 3/09	Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [6a]/Mt 18:21-35
WED 3/10	Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19
THR 3/11	Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Lk 11:14-23
FRI 3/12	Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 [cf. 11 and 9a]/Mk 12:28-34
SAT 3/13	Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab [cf. Hos 6:6]/Lk 18:9-14
SUN 3/14	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 or 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4m 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

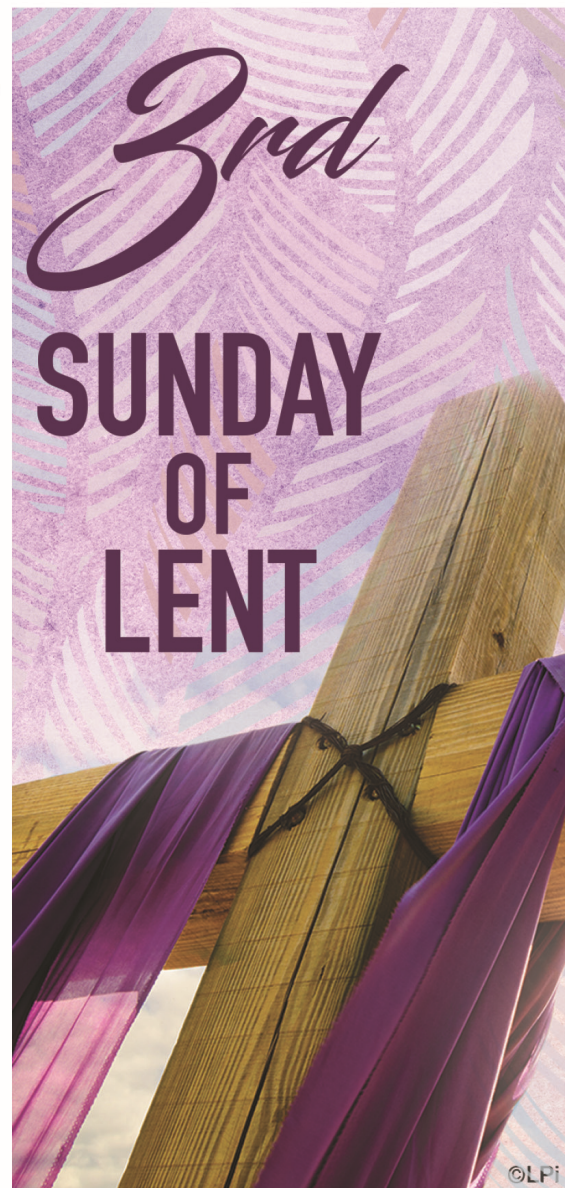
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 7, 2021

Sunday:	3 rd Sunday of Lent
Monday:	St. John of God, Religious
Tuesday:	St. Frances of Rome, Religious
Sunday:	4 th Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

With our world in such constant turmoil and conflict, it makes such good sense to return to the simple directives given in the Ten Commandments. God's unassuming guidelines provide the perfect recipe for ordering our relationships with God, others, and even ourselves. But yet, we are so quick to glance beyond them and even remove them from public view because we foolishly believe we can create something better. Arrogance runs far deeper in the members of our society than we can ever imagine. Lent is a perfect time to call ourselves back to our foundations and the basic relationships that comprise our lives. It is also a time to remember that Jesus is the true sign of God's presence. Everything he says and does, including his suffering and death, is a sign of the God who sent him. The anger we witness when Jesus exhorts those in the temple to stop making his Father's house a marketplace can equally be seen in his anger and frustration over humanity's constant mission to turn God's creation into a secular world. We have a lot of work to do for sure.



*Your words are
everlasting
life.*

— PSALM 19 —

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday
8 a.m. | Convent Chapel

Sunday Masses

Saturday (Vigil) 4:00 p.m.
Sunday (Gospel Mass) 10:00 a.m.
Livestreaming available on our website,
Facebook and YouTube

Baptisms: 4th Sunday of the month except
during Lenten Season

Weddings: Contact the rectory six months prior
to desired wedding date

Confessions: One-half hour before Sunday Mass



"Somebody prayed for me, had me on their mind..."

Saturday, March 6, 2021

In Memory of: Elodie Gabriel, Darrell Gabriel and Bruce Gabriel

Sunday, March 7, 2021

For Jaden Banks, First Responders and Victims of COVID-19



Please remember in your prayers: The intentions of the Holy Father and for:

Our Parish Family Sick and Shut In: Patricia Adam, Leonard Anderson, Evangeline Thompson Antoine, Marie Alexander, Diane Austin, Nathaniel Banks, Nancy Barabino, Hazel Barnes, Barbara Blanchard, Lorraine Burke, Barbara Butler, Virginia Butler, Virginia Butler, Herman Cade, Augustine Cain, Jessie Caston, Sr., Jessie Caston, III, Joyce Coleman, Honora Curry, Lamar Davis, Souleymane Diop, Elaine Ewell, Leo Francisco, Cameron Fritz, Beverly R. Gilmore, Gilda Griffin, Wanda Haydel, Tammi Lynn Howard, Olga Jackson, Hubert Jarrow, Jr., Ruth Jerome, Anna Jones, Elton Johnson, Evelyn Johnson, Virginia Johnson, Fern Kern, Ruth Kennedy, Shanna Lucien, Felicia Meyers, Arizona Moore, Germaine Nash, Thomas Phillips, Audrey Pierce, Janice Picou, Bernice Pinkney, Albert Poree, Gertrude Powell, Mildred V. Prudeaux, Joyce Randolph, Nakeisha Rhea, Scott Rivera, Kim Roby, Matilda Romero, Janice Sawyer, Lula Mae Schexnayder, Carrie M. Shedd, Scott Schryver, Jane Silva, Angela Simon, Enjoli Sims, Kaila Sims, Kira Sims, Geraldine Small, Alma M. Smith, Bill Starr, Marquerite Stepter, Glenda Stewart, Annie Stoot, Eugene Stoot, Diane Sims Tillman, George Tillman, Perry Tillman, III, Sherman Todd, Betty Williams, Jace Williams, Nedra Wicker and Mandi Young

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

How do I profane the temple
of the Holy Spirit within me?
Within others?

Prayer Line

508.924.5792

Noon Prayer

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Bible Study

Thursdays | 6:00 p.m.

Rosary

First Monday of Month | 6:00 p.m.

IMPORTANT PARISH Announcements

- **GET READY TO VOTE:** Election Day is Saturday, March 20th. Early voting runs, March 6 - 13. If you need a free and safe ride to the poll, MICAH Voter/Free Ride Service will be available. EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE. LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!
- **Adoration:** As we celebrate the Year of the Eucharist, please join us in the edifice or on livestream for Adoration on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 beginning this Wednesday, March 10 through November 10.
- **Stations of the Cross:** Join us on each Friday of Lent at 6:00 pm in the edifice or livestream. Mass will follow.
- **Novena to St. Joseph:** As we celebrate the Year of St. Joseph, please consider praying the 30 days Novena to St. Joseph. Our faith community will recite the novena during the month of March. Prayer link 2019-30-Days-PrayerPamphlet_V4.pdf (josephites.org); hardcopy attached to email.

SUPPORT OUR PARISH FUNDRAISERS

- **OUR PARISH FUNDRAISER - DOUBLE GOOD POPCORN FUNDRAISER:** Our Parish Fundraiser was held this past week. Thanks to all who supported by selling and purchasing popcorn. The total sales were \$17,342 and the parish profited \$8,671. Final fundraising activity funds will be provided. Special Thanks to those who participated on the Fundraising Team: Patrick Anthony, Josh Bartholomew, Arnel Cosey, Trenice Davis, Ge Ellis, Rich Kelly, Bridget Lassere, Leatrice Latimore, Greg & Twyla Rattler, Jerry Settle, Shannon Sims, Terence Sims, Troy Thomas and Johnnie Tillman.
- **DRIVE BY FISH FRY:** POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

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