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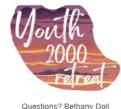
MARCH 12, 2023 THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Sun	3/12	8:00 AM	In Memory of Clayton & Duane Ebert Req by Gary Ebert			
		10:00 AM	Mass at St John's - Gary Schaumberg			
		12:50 PM	Divine Mercy Chaplet			
		1:00 PM	Stations of the Cross STATIONS of the CROSS			
Tues	3/14	8:15 AM	Mass at St John's - Rosemary Vande Hei			
Wed	3/15	8:15 AM	Mass at St John's - Delores Leininger			
		9:00 AM	Communion Service / Adult Faith Formation			
Thurs	3/16	8:15 AM	Mass at St John's - Dcn Orvell & Rose Marye DeBruin			
Fri	3/17	8:15 AM	In Memory of Florence, Walter & Duane Ebert			
	*	6:15 PM	Stations of the Cross at St John's STATIONS			
7:00 PM 'The Chosen' Series at St John's following Stations of the			'The Chosen' Series at St John's following Stations of the Cross OF THE CROSS			
Sat	3/18	4:00 PM	Mass at St John's - Adrienne Cumicek			
Sun	3/19	8:00 AM	In Memory of Ryan Socha by Dick & Darlene Stedl			
		10:00 AM	Mass at St John's - Francis Ver Voort			
		12:50 PM	Divine Mercy Chaplet			
		1:00 PM	Stations of the Cross			
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Religious Education

RE Classes Today Following Mass Parish Center 9-11 am Grades 1-11 The St Bernard Parish Library collection has been condensed to mainly religious and theological books. That means we have many books that are available for anyone interested. The library is open for anyone wanting to scan the remaining collection of books during regular parish office hours. Monday-Thursday 8:30am-5:00pm, Friday 8:30am-noon. We will have a free-will box for offerings. Come and claim your books!





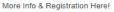
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(Practicing) Catholic - Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman -

The Long Walk - The Messiah Before You

If you would have asked me on the morning of my confirmation what the chances were of the Holy Spirit getting into my heart, I would have told you they were about the same as getting water from a stone.

My faith was fragile at this time in my life, primarily because I viewed it as exactly that — my faith. Something within my possession and subject to my own power. And I hadn't done the things I thought I needed to do in order to be the kind of Christian who knows the truth and lives it. I was waiting to be made stronger. I was waiting to be made more faithful. I was waiting for a transformation.

Little did I know, I was like the woman at the well, standing around talking about the coming of the Messiah, unaware that he was standing right in front of me. She wasn't ready; she was still living in her sin. She was caught so unawares that she left her water jar at the well, rushing out to tell what she had seen.

When I was anointed with the oil it no longer mattered that I wasn't strong enough to break open the stone that I was convinced encased my heart — God's grace gushed forth through the cracks. While I certainly didn't become a perfect Christian — and never will, in this life — I did learn that when God tells you to strike, it's probably best not to second-guess Him.

DAY/TIME	LECTOR	DISTRIBUTORS	GREETERS	SERVERS	USHERS
SUNDAY	Pat Posbrig	Den Rich Matuszak	Kassidy Vande Corput	Jackson Banker	Ron Matuszak Jr
8:00AM / MAR 19			& Family	Volunteer	Kurt Schuh

INCOME FOR WEEK:	
Church Support	\$ 1,866.19
Loose Collection	156.00
Cemetery Maintenance	240.00
Votive Candles	12.75
DISBURSEMENTS:	
Utilities	\$ 1,409.53
AON Risk Insurance	608.77
Cemetery Fees	500.00
Robinson Heating & Cooling	1,602.22
Riesterer & Schnell	262.40
St Therese of Little Flower	694.60
Other	294.26

Gospel Meditation - 3rd Sunday of Lent

When I became the pastor of a large parish, I soon found myself, for the first time in my life, riddled with anxiety, headaches, difficulty making decisions, and fatigue. I called a therapist friend and told her my symptoms and asked if she thought I needed a serious medical exam. She said, "How much water do you drink?" I told her, "I haven't had time to drink water lately." She responded, "You're chronically dehydrated. Drink eighty-five ounces a day and call me in a week." I started guzzling water and in a week all my symptoms went away. I felt great.

Like me, the people in the Exodus wanderings were dehydrated. But unlike me, they knew it. Their symptoms were bad. They fight with each other. They accuse God of being a monster who wants them and their children to die of thirst. Their thirst drives them to plot the bloody assassination of the man who rescued them. God responds by using Moses to strike a rock from which rivers of living waters flow to quench their thirst for years to come.

The Holy Spirit is the living water of love which flows from the pierced side of Jesus, the new Moses. What symptoms in your life suggest you're spiritually dehydrated? Anger at God? Cynicism at your leaders? Bitter rivalry and bickering with others? Don't panic. Of course we have those symptoms. Ask God to provide his water to quench your spiritual thirst, and he will. And all those symptoms will soon disappear.

— Father John Muir

Why Do We Do That? - Catholic Life Explained - Easter

Question: Why does the date of Easter change every year, while most other celebrations are celebrated on the same day?

Answer: Every feast is celebrated at a certain time for a reason. Saints feast days are commonly the day of their death. While we don't know Jesus' exact birthday, we celebrate the "light of the world" around the time of winter solstice, as dark, wintery days begin to lengthen again. We have a historical clue, however, to when the Easter events occurred. We know that Jesus was crucified the day before Passover. The Jews calculated the date for Passover based on both the solar and lunar calendars. It corresponds to the first full moon after the spring equinox. The early Christians maintained this connection in their celebrations of Easter on the first Sunday after the paschal full moon.

We don't re-calculate the full moon every year. As astronomy developed, so too did the forecasts of when Easter would occur in future years. The Church has created a table of calculated dates, projecting the date of Easter decades in advance. The date of Easter also determines the date of Ash Wednesday and the season of Lent, as well as the feast days following in the Easter season, including Pentecost. So these feasts move, too! This tradition may seem complicated, but it connects our Christian faith now to what has come before — our Jewish roots and the real, historical reality of Christ's suffering, death, and resurrection.

Catholic Trivia

Question:
During
what two
liturgical
seasons is
the Gloria
omitted
from the
Mass?

Answer: Lent & Advent





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Funeral Arrangements: Please call St. John's parish office.

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