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March 7, 2021

Third Sunday of Lent

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The Third Sunday of Lent

The first reading is taken from the Book of Exodus 20:1-17. When God had freed the Chosen People from the slavery of Egypt, He led them to Mount Sinai. There he made a Covenant with the Israelites through which He promised to make them His own people, to lead them into the Promised Land, and to protect them from their enemies there. The Israelites were to reverence Him and Him only as their Lord, and they were to obey the moral and cultic laws which He laid down for them.

The second reading is from the letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians 1:22-25. In these few sentences St. Paul gives us the basic reasons which motivated opposition to the gospel message on the part of Jews and Gentiles. The Jews because Christ did not fit the preconceived ideas they had formed of the Messiah and the Gentiles because they looked to philosophy or human "wisdom" for the solution of man's problems.

The Gospel is from St. John 2:13-25. If we had only the Synoptic gospels (Mt., Mk., Lk.) we could easily conclude that Jesus spent almost all his public life and did all his preaching in Galilee and its neighborhood. St. John who wrote his gospel several years later corrects this false impression by mentioning visits made by our Lord to Jerusalem, He gave the "leaders of the people" in Jerusalem plenty of opportunity of hearing his message and his claims. He also worked some astounding miracles in or near the city. For instance, the man crippled for thirty-eight years (Jn. 5); the man born blind (Jn. 9), the raising of Lazarus; who had been four days buried (Jn. 11). St. John makes it very clear that the leaders (the priests and Pharisees) in Jerusalem were given every opportunity to learn who Jesus was, and every help to believe in

him, but they would not. The fault was theirs, therefore, and the loss.

On this particular visit he made it clear to them that he was someone special, someone close to God whose house they were desecrating, and whom he even called his Father. In hidden language he told them that they would put him to death but that that would not be the end, for he would rise again. Some of them seem to

The priests and Pharisees wanted more than political freedom from Rome. They had hopes that their Messiah would give them a great world empire, and with it wealth and power without limit. Our contemporaries' aims may not go so far, but worldly aims are important enough in their eyes to make them exclude from their minds the thought of anything higher. Yet, they have more than enough reminders whichever way they turn to recall their minds to the historical facts of Christianity. This is 2006 A.D., that is 2006 years since the birth of Christ. Who was he, why was he born, why does the world divide its history into before he came, B.C., and after he came, A.D.? In every town and village of our once Christian western world there is a church or two with steeples pointing to the sky. Why? What do churches mean to men? Near every town there are cemeteries or "sleeping places," according to the meaning of that Greek

have remembered this saying of his after they had put him to death, for they asked Pilate to place a guard on his tomb lest his disciples should remove the body and pretend he had risen for: "we recall," they said, "that this impostor said while he was still living, 'after three days I shall rise again'" (Mt. 27 : 63). But even the miracle of his resurrection did not affect the majority of them. They had made up their minds and "there are none so blind as those who will not see."

The reasons for their blindness were the same as those that keep millions of the neo-pagans of today from accepting and living the Christian faith. These, like the priests and Pharisees of Jerusalem in the year 28, are so immersed in the affairs of this world that they can give no thought to their own future. Their eyes are so fixed on the earthly objectives that they have set themselves, that they can see nothing else.

word. Are those buried there only sleeping and waiting to be called, if not already called, or are they finished forever just like the ox or the unthinking cow that may be buried in the next field.

The agnostics and free-thinkers of our day should start to think about the real facts of life—the central ones of which are that Christ, who was the Son of God, took our human nature and lived for some time on this earth, so that he would raise us up to sonship with God. He suffered crucifixion, because the world was full of sin when he came. But his death made atonement to the heavenly Father for all the sins of the world. His resurrection from the dead was the prelude and the guarantee that we shall all rise to a life of glory in heaven, if only we have followed him faithfully during our years on earth.

~Excerpted from The Sunday Readings by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.



Expulsion of the Moneychangers from the Temple, Luca Giordano

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Prayer Chain:

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday, 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.
3:00 p.m. (Latin) - during Lent

Reconciliation:

Wednesday and Saturday, 5:00pm,
Sunday, 10:00 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.

Weekday Masses:

Mon., 8:15 a.m.
Wed., 6:00 p.m.
Fri., 10:15 a.m. (School Mass)

(See Weekly Schedule for any changes to times or location!)

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesday, 5:00 to 5:45p.m.

Parish Office Hours: (By Appointment)

Monday, 9 - 4
Tuesday, 9 - 4
Wednesday, 12 - 5
Thursday, 9 - 1
Friday, 9 - 1

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Attendance & Collections

Saturday 72
Sunday (10:30) 83
Sunday (Latin) 55

General \$4540

Restoration loan balance:: \$76033.45

Second and Special Collections

- March 6 & 7: Diocesan Priests’ Retirement Association

St. Patrick Church Sanctuary Lamp Sponsorship

If you would like to memorialize the sanctuary lamp in honor/memory of someone for a two-week period, please call the parish office at 304-269-3048. The donation is \$20.

Mass Intentions

Having the Holy Sacrifice of Mass offered is more effective than flowers or memorial gifts for your deceased loved ones or as a special intention for a living person or special occasion. Mass Intentions can be placed in a “Mass Intention” envelope and placed in the collection basket or mailed to the parish office. Please indicate if the person is living or deceased and the date you would like the Mass to be said. Mass dates are filled on a “first-come, first-serve” basis.

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 7, 2021

5:00 p.m. Confessions
5:30 p.m. Mass for †Shirleen Eddy

Sunday, March 8, 2021, THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

10:00 a.m. Confessions
10:30 a.m. Mass for †Chris Honaker by John & Lesley White
2:30 p.m. Confessions
3:00 p.m. **(Latin Mass) Third Sunday of Lent**
Mass for the People of the Parish

Monday, March 1, 2021

8:15 a.m. Mass for †Mary E. Hines Stout by family

Wednesday, March 3, 2021

5:00 p.m. Confessions
6:00 p.m. Mass for †Charles and Opal Garton by Deborah Garton

Friday, March 5, 2021

10:15 a.m. Mass for †Sam Aman by The Jane Lew Lions Club

Saturday, March 7, 2021

5:00 p.m. Confessions
5:30 p.m. Mass for †George Whelan by John and Lesley White

Sunday, March 8, 2021, FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

10:00 a.m. Confessions
10:30 a.m. Mass for the People of the Parish
2:30 p.m. Confessions
3:00 p.m. **(Latin Mass) Fourth Sunday of Lent**
Mass for †Faye Mullooly by Barbara Daugherty

**The Sanctuary Lamp is burning in memory of Ed Hubbs,
February 28—March 13, 2021**

During Lent, Latin Mass will be Sunday at 3:00 p.m.

Prayer List

Of your charity, please offer prayers for...

- Those who are sick:** Matt McCauley (UHC), Jim Arsenault, Nick Bakas, Sr. Jennifer Berridge, Jean Scott Chase, Brad Curtis, Rose Determan, Tom Fealy, Marsha Garton, Robert Hamilton, Courtney Heimberger, Fr. John Hollowell, Shirley Hubbs, Mary Jo Hull, Coretta Jefferson, Emyle Johnston, Ellen Ketron, Bernadette Law, Julia Marsh, Philomena Martin, Ed and Mary Ann Murray, Susan Murray, Mary Oldaker, Delores Paugh, Sr. Ellen Poche, Steve Perrine, Raylee Rahming, Catherine Ratliff, John Riley, Mike Riley, Keith Rose, Sheila Sayre, Jim Shaver, Mary Taylor, Helen Tomaro, Philip Woodruff
- Those who have died:** Agnes “Mary” Kraus, May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.
- All Military Personnel:** Alan Hamilton, Aaron Hamilton, Stephen Lindsey, R. Brody Springer, Caleb Stark, Justin Stark, Matthew Stark
- Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life**
- Former priests and religious of our churches**
- Those who are homebound, in assisted living or nursing homes.**
- All diagnosed with Covid 19**
- All health care workers, first responders, mail carriers and essential employees**

Stations of the Cross and Reconciliation

We will have Stations of the Cross each Friday of Lent at 6:00 p.m. in the church. We will not have a Lenten penance service this year. Instead, Fr. Ondeck will hear confessions following the stations on Friday evening as well as before weekend and Wednesday Masses.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fridays during Lent

(March 12, 19, 26)

- 6:00 p.m., Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 19, 2021

- 5th Annual Irish Fest (Drive Through Only) 4:30—6:00 p.m. & 6:30—7:30 p.m. Tickets are available NOW!

Our Neighbor Collection

March

- Cleaning Supplies

Items can be placed in the plastic tote on the back porch of the parish office.

Liturgical Calendar & Scripture Readings

- Sunday, March 7, THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT, Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25
- Monday, March 8, Saint John of God, Religious, 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Lk 4:24-30
- Tuesday, March 9, Saint Frances of Rome, Religious, Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35
- Wednesday, March 10, Wednesday of the Third Week of Lent, Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19
- Thursday, March 11, Thursday of the Third Week of Lent, Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23
- Friday, March 12, Friday of the Third Week of Lent, Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34
- Saturday, March 13, Saturday of the Third Week of Lent, Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14

Liturgical Calendar for Traditional Latin Mass

- Sunday, MARCH 7, THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
- Monday, March 8, Feria of Lent
- Tuesday, March 9, Feria of Lent
- Wednesday, March 10 Feria of Lent
- Thursday, March 11, Feria of Lent
- Friday, March 12, Feria of Lent
- Saturday, March 13, Feria of Lent

Here are some more pictures from our pre-kinder Dr. Seuss celebration! We hope we were able to show the kids that reading is fun!

To find out how your child can be a part of our EXCELLENT school, call 304-269-5547!



Beads for Zimbabwe

Three Sisters of the Infant Jesus at Immaculate Conception in Clarksburg are in need of religious items to send back to Zimbabwe. If you would like to donate rosaries (intact or broken) or religious medals, please place them in the box in the vestibule or drop them off at the parish office.

These items, that we take for granted, will go directly into the hands of those who cannot afford them or find them. Thank you for your help.

The deadline for this collection is May 14.

Catholic Sisters Week 2021

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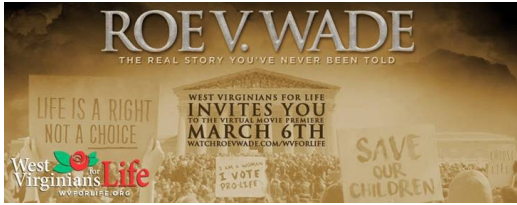
National Catholic Sisters Week (NCSW) March 8-14.

NCSW is an annual celebration that began in 2014 to honor women religious with a series of events that instruct, enlighten, and bring greater focus on the lives of these incredible women. It's a chance to recognize all that they do, with the hope that as more young women learn about women religious, more will choose to follow their example.

Roe V. Wade Movie

The Roe V. Wade movie starring Jon Voight and many others, will be released on April 2, and will cost \$19.99.

However, anyone may see it virtually via Amazon, Pay Per View, or iTunes for \$12.99 and weeks earlier on Saturday, March 6. Tax-deductible donations will be asked of viewers to benefit the Educational Trust Fund of West Virginians for Life. Visit watchroevwademovie/wvforlife for more details and to pay.



5th Annual Irish Fest in Honor of St. Joseph



We won't be able to gather in person but we can still enjoy a delicious meal of either corned beef and cabbage or chicken, and have fun at home! Irish Fest, drive thru style, will take place on Friday, March 19th in honor of St. Joseph! We can eat meat on this day because St. Joseph is the patron saint of our diocese.

Dinner Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$6 for kids and must be purchased in advance! Each ticket sold will be entered to win an Irish Fest gift basket. There will be an adult winner and a kid's winner. Additional prizes will be given for the 1st, 5th, 17th, and 19th vehicle that comes through the line.

50/50 tickets will be sold in advance and during the event. 50/50 tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. The prize amount is already over \$200.

Drawings will take place via Facebook Live at 8:00 p.m. on the church's page.

We will serve from 4:30—6:00 p.m. and 6:30-7:30 p.m. The short break is so those of us working can attend Stations of the Cross.

Dinner and 50/50 tickets will be for sale after all weekend Masses and are available in the parish office.

March Principal's Message

It is appropriate that the days slowly get longer as we anticipate the coming of the newly risen Son. Our students are preparing themselves at school for the celebration of Easter. Normally, we tend to focus our attention on removing pleasures to mortify the flesh for Lent. We realize that the Lord is forcing us to live more simply because of the pandemic. To that end, we are focusing our efforts on the other two foundations of the Lenten Fast: charity and prayer. Our efforts in charity are guided by the Lord's command to feed the poor. We are doing our annual "Saint Sweet Sixteen" project where students donate in the name of favorite saints. The money raised goes towards our local Backpack food program. Additionally, we are continuing the Rice Bowl project to help feed people in other nations. We are more involved with prayer through weekly participation in the Stations of the Cross and our devotions in the classroom. Please keep us in your prayers as we navigate a difficult and trying school year.

Pre-K Celebrates Dr. Seuss Week 03/01-03/05

This week, the pre-kindergarten had a wonderful time celebrating Dr. Seuss. On Monday the book was One Fish, Two Fish, and we all wore red and blue. We missed getting a picture that day. Sorry!

On Tuesday, the whole school could dress as a favorite storybook character. Pre-K also celebrated Green Eggs and Ham by trying green eggs and ham cookies. We joined the pre-school and kindergarten classes for story time in the gym with The Cat in the Hat.



Wednesday was dedicated to Horton Hears a Who and we all had crazy "Who" hair.



Thursday was Fox in Socks so we wore our craziest socks!



On Friday our book was Honey Bunny Funny Bunny and we could wear polka dots or dress up like bunnies. Fr. Ondeck participated by wearing his polka dot socks. No picture focusing on bunnies and polka dots would be complete without Specks the bunny, our classroom pet.