

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT, FEBRUARY 25, 2024

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

SECOND & FOURTH
SUNDAYS
1:15 PM ENG
2:15 POLISH

Please arrange the date of baptism through the Rectory office after the birth of your child.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please call the Rectory for an appointment at least six months prior to the desired date.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS
4:00 to 4:45 PM
and
THURSDAYS BEFORE
FIRST FRIDAYS
4:00 to 5:00 PM

Other times by appointment.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

WEEKDAYS
7:00 AM
SATURDAYS
8:00 AM
SATURDAY
EVENINGS
VIGIL MASS 5:00 PM
SUNDAYS
8:00 & 9:15 AM
10:30 AM (Polish)
12:00 Noon

RECTORY HOURS

WEEKDAYS
9 AM to 12 Noon
& 1 PM to 4 PM

EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION
TUES. 12 to 2 PM

MILLIONS
OF MONICAS
TUES. 2 to 3 PM

PL PRAYER GROUP
W/ ADORATION
2ND THURSDAYS 7 PM

LAY CARMELITE
CHAPTER
1ST SAT. AFTER
8 AM MASS

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Our Mission Statement

*Lord, God, all creation is yours, and you call us to serve you by caring for the gifts that surround us. May the example of St. Isidore urge us to share our food with the hungry and to work for the salvation of mankind. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.
Saint Isidore, Pray for Us.*

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT, FEBRUARY 25, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2024

5:00 pm + Bertha Stepnoski (A)
+ Stanley and Mary Sydlowski
+ Lina Guardino and Gary Antonietti
+ Souls in Purgatory / + Jean Reyes Carroll
+ Chester Sr. and Sophie Tyska
God's blessings for Roberta Morrissey

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT, FEBRUARY 25, 2024

8:00 am + Chester Friszolowski and Jean Tuthill
9:15am God's Blessings for Adrienne Dillingham
10:30 am The People of the Parish, Living and Deceased
(PL) + Antoni Karwowski / + Wieslaw Luniewski
God's Blessings for the Rafalowski Family
+ Jerzy (13th A), Irene, Margaret and Zbigniew
Aleksandrowicz and Family
O powrode zdrowia dla Malgorzaty Chrzanowski
12 Noon + Darla Kujawski

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2024

7:00 am + Marion Komleski-Edsall
Birthday Blessings for Grazyna Dziuba

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2024

7:00 am God's Blessings for Reina and Den Mike Bonocore
+ Jerome Thomson

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2024

7:00 am + Maria i Wacław Lendziszewski
For all of our Benefactors

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2024

7:00 am Good Health and God's Blessings for
Frank and Doris Donohue
Birthday blessings for Estefania Gutierrez Bonilla

FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 2024

7:00 am + Albert Stepnoski / + Corrine Clark

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2024

8:00 am + Health and God's Blessings for Michal,
Maciej i Monika and Family
Intentions of the Baltera and Errick Families
5:00 pm The People of the Parish, Living and Deceased
Blessings for Reina and Deacon Mike Bonocore
+ Gilber Lebron, Sr.
+ Anthony Gazzoia / + Armon Manuel

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT, MARCH 3, 2024

8:00 am God's Blessings for Karen and Mark Heppner
9:15am + Frank L., Bertha M. And Frank L. Jr. Ostroski
10:30 am + Teodora and Stanislaw Szlejter
(PL) Za Członków żywego Różańca i Rodzinę Radia Maryja
+ Edward, Zofi, Jana, Felicja, Stanisław
Gorski i Seroka
+ Terea Lul / + Stasia Grabowski
12 Noon + Dr. John V. Sawicki

IN LOVING MEMORY

Bread and Wine

Carmelo Gutierrez Garcia

THE WEEK AHEAD

Today, Sunday, February 25, 2024

Gorzkie Zale After 10:30 Mass

Tuesday, February 27, 2024

Adoration 12 to 2 PM

Millions of Monicas 2 to 3PM

Thursday, February 29, 2024

Confession 4 to 5 PM

Friday, March 1, 2024

Stations of the Cross

English 6:00pm / Polish 7:00 pm

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/ Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

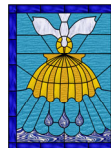
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday: 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 Scrutiny: 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



BAPTISMS

We welcome:

*Sophie Salzmann
Kaia Kabir*



PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

John Falek

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

George Janis * Richard Francis Harrison II * Maureen Booth * Ursula Mocniak * Joan Zaleski * Catherine and Charles J. Sehy * Madeline Galka * Stanislaw Andrzychowski * Grazyna Pawlak * Gillen Family * Christina Donovan * Blythe Fickenwirth * Irene Monahan * Jody Breitfeller * Benjamin Gonzalez * Dominique Tirado * Diana Perniciaro * Sammy * Brodie * Bob Rozanski * Doline Welch * Joe and William Hiskey * Sue Brooks * Cathleen Mickaliger * Joseph Stepnoski * James Kenna * Douglas Clark * Eleanor Nystrom * Margaret McCarthy * Jan Suchta * Justin * Mike Smithwick * Dakota Harmon * Courtney Altman * Cole Faller * Claire Latour * Halikias Family * Liana Forstein * Rosemary & Daniel Ambrosini * Thomas Ryall * Anne Marie Donlon * Dorothy Sousa * Anthony Naglieri * Thomas McEnany * Mary Khulman * Denise Babinski * Michael Alperti * Roseanne Murphy * Barbara Kozlowski * James West * Elizabeth Farruggia * Kelly Wine * Mary Van Duesen * Thomas DeGirolamo * William Berenger * Daria Quarlena * Eileen Borchart * Sheila Nolan * Tom Wisniewski III * Jean Reyes Carroll * Jeffrey Clark * James, George and Barbara Jaeger * Ernest and Alex Aponte * Helen Long * Michael Miglionico * Ralph Conforti * The Barauskus Family * Hope & Brittany Williams * John Marion * Emilia Andrychowski * Augie & Georgianna Lucente * Johanna Benthall * Michelle Giaccone * Gloria Keller * Howard Seifert * Ed Kennedy * Kit Z. * Dolores Contino * Agnes Brown * Connie Giordano * Krzysztof Olszowski * Anders Ryden * Kevin C. Cook * Anita Costi * Doriane Bay * David Vallone * Brittany Schacor * Karen and Kim Finocchiaro * Eleanor Koller * Grace Mary Schulteis * Victor Sechyshyn * George Angle * Marta Andreotta * Melissa Alexandra * Christian Vidal * Suzanne Thompson * Anna Grefe * Anthony Mannino * Marcella Frisen * The Huntley Family * Theresa Puglia * Brian Darmody * Leigh Anne Brown * Dan Modjeska * Judy Zakorski * Marie Miley * Marcjanna Stolarzewicz * John Shuot * Patrick Murphy * Brian Crowley * Louise Pampinello * Barbara Fenn

Please keep all those serving in the military and their families in your thoughts and prayers especially:

1st Lt. Nicholas Santorelli, Nicholas Pelosi, Christopher Drowns, Jeffrey Heppner, James Fleming, Brendan Fitzgerald, Thomas V. D'Auria, Mateusz Marzec, Andre DeRosa and Garrett Bracht

COLLECTIONS

Today, February 25th: Sunday and Debt Reduction

Next Week, March 3: Sunday and Monthly School

Thank you for your generosity!



Christ in our Hearts Saints Lenten Reflections

Sunday, Feb. 25—"O Christ, let me glorify your goodness and mercy to the last moment of my life, with every drop of my blood and every beat of my heart. I want to be transformed into a hymn of adoration of you."

~St. Faustina Kowalska

Feb. 26—"O Holy Spirit, come to us, help us, enter into our hearts. Teach us what we should do, the path to follow. Guide our decisions so that all we do may be in harmony with you." ~St. Isidore of Seville

Feb. 27—"Stay with me, Jesus, for I fear the darkness, the temptations, the dryness, the cross, the sorrows. O how I need you, my Jesus, in life with all its dangers."

~St. Padre Pio

Feb. 28—"Jesus, most merciful redeemer, friend and brother. May I know thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, follow thee more nearly, day by day."

~St. Richard of Chichester

Feb. 29—"Lord Jesus, in your mercy heal us, in your love and tenderness remake us, in your compassion bring grace and forgiveness. May your love prepare us for the beauty of heaven." ~St. Anselm of Canterbury

Mar. 1—"Lord, teach me how to pray. O Lord, in my meditation, let a fire flame out. Open my lips, O Lord, and my mouth will declare your praise."

~St. John Berchmans

Mar. 2—"O Lord, be not mindful of my many sins, but forgive me all my misdeeds, for your mercy to me is without limit. You have been my help and my protection." ~ St. Ephrem of Syria

LENTEN MISSION

Fr. Marcin Cwierz will speak at all the masses the weekend of March 9-10 and present us with our Lenten Mission on **Mon. March 11th & Tues. March 12th.**

English 12 Noon & 6:00pm
Polish 1:00pm & 7:00pm

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“40” Day Lenten “Fasting” Suggestions

There are actually 46 days in Lent.
Sundays are not counted in the “40-days” of Lent



11) Mon - Feb. 26 – STOP JUDGING

Strive today to be less judgmental about others and their actions. (Luke 6:37)

12) Tues - Feb. 27 – HEAR GOD’S WORD

How might you find more time to listen to God’s word for you today?
(Isaiah 1:10)

13) Wed - Feb. 28 – TO SERVE NOT BE SERVED

Jesus encourages to serve the needs of others, not our own. (Matthew 20:28)

14) Thurs - Feb. 29 – GOD PROBES OUR HEART

Be with Jesus as He reveals what you need to draw closer to Him. (Jeremiah 17:10)

15) Fri - Mar. 1 – FAST FROM VIOLENCE (abstain from meat ages 14 - 59)

God sent Jesus to show us how to love and do good for others. (John 3:16)

16) Sat – Mar. 2 – FATHER I HAVE SINNED

Like the prodigal son, let us go to God to ask for forgiveness. (Luke 15:21)

Meditation of the Day

(taken from the book *ARS MORIENDI -THE ART OF DYING*)



FAITH is the foundation of all salvation, and without it no one can be saved. Consider St. Augustine, who says “*Faith is the foundation of all good things, and the beginning of human salvation. Without it, no one is able to attain to the number of the sons of God, and every labor of man is empty.*” And so the devil, enemy of the entire human race, attempts with all his strength to turn the dying person entirely away from faith or at least to lead him to stray from it, saying, “You wretch! You are greatly mistaken. It is not as you believe or have heard from preaching...No one returns from the dead to tell you the truth (about the afterlife), and so your faith is nothing.” With these and similar words, the devil takes great pains to turn the dying person away from the faith, since he knows this well: if the foundation falls, everything built upon it must fall....

Against the devil’s first temptation, the angel gives good inspiration saying, “O man, do not believe the pernicious suggestions of the devil, since he is a liar—for by lying he deceived your first parents—and do not doubt your faith at all even though you cannot comprehend it by your sense of intellect...But remember the words of the holy fathers, namely Paul, who says, *Without faith it is impossible to please God* (Heb 11:6); and the words of John in the third (chapter of his Gospel), *Whoever does not believe has already been judged* (Jn 3:18); and St. Augustine, who says, “*Faith is the firstborn among the virtues,*” and again, “*Mary was more blessed in bearing Christ in faith than in the flesh.*”...

As the Lord says, *All things are possible to him who believes* (Mk 9:23), and again, *Whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you will receive it* (Mk 11:24). And so by the grace of God, the sick person will easily resist the devil. For this reason, it is also good to recite the Creed aloud in the presence of the one suffering, and to repeat it many times so that through it the sick person is roused to constancy of faith, and the demons, who detest hearing it, are driven away.

From a sermon by Saint Leo the Great, pope

Purification of spirit through fasting and almsgiving



Dear friends, at every moment the earth is full of the mercy of God, and nature itself is a lesson for all the faithful in the worship of God. The heavens, the sea and all that is in them bear witness to the goodness and omnipotence of their Creator, and the marvelous beauty of the elements as they obey him demands from the intelligent creation a fitting expression of its gratitude.

But with the return of that season marked out in a special way by the mystery of our redemption, and of the days that lead up to the paschal feast, we are summoned more urgently to prepare ourselves by a purification of spirit.

The special note of the paschal feast is this: the whole Church rejoices in the forgiveness of sins. It rejoices in the forgiveness not only of those who are then reborn in holy baptism but also of those who are already numbered among God's adopted children.

Initially, men are made new by the rebirth of baptism. Yet there still is required a daily renewal to repair the shortcomings of our mortal nature, and whatever degree of progress has been made there is no one who should not be more advanced. All must therefore strive to ensure that on the day of redemption no one may be found in the sins of his former life.

Dear friends, what the Christian should be doing at all times should be done now with greater care and devotion, so that the Lenten fast enjoined by the apostles may be fulfilled, not simply by abstinence from food but above all by the renunciation of sin.

There is no more profitable practice as a companion to holy and spiritual fasting than that of almsgiving. This embraces under the single name of mercy many excellent works of devotion, so that the good intentions of all the faithful may be of equal value, even where their means are not. The love that we owe both God and man is always free from any obstacle that would prevent us from having a good intention. The angels sang: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. The person who shows love and compassion to those in any kind of affliction is blessed, not only with the virtue of good will but also with the gift of peace.

The works of mercy are innumerable. Their very variety brings this advantage to those who are true Christians, that in the matter of almsgiving not only the rich and affluent but also those of average means and the poor are able to play their part. Those who are unequal in their capacity to give can be equal in the love within their hearts.

This time of fasting opens the gates of heaven to us.

Let us welcome it and pray:

— that when Easter comes we may share the joy of the risen Lord. In all we do let us show that we are the servants of God.



LIFE LESSONS FROM ERMA BOMBECK

If I had my life to live over...

There would have been more I love yous.....more I'm sorrys.....more I'm listenings.....but mostly, given another chance at life, I would seize every minute of it....look at it and *really* see it....try it on....exhaust it....and never give that minute back until there was nothing left of it.

Lenten Day of Prayer

"Lifting Ourselves Up in Prayer"

Sunday
March 10, 2024



9:30 am
to
3:30 pm



Rev. Patrick J. Griffin, CM
Executive Director
Vincentine Center for Church & Society
St. John's University

✧ Schedule ✧

9:30 am	Registration
10:00 am	Presentation I
10:45 am	Break
11:00 am	Presentation II
Noon	Lunch, Confession
2:00 pm	Presentation III
2:45 pm	Mass

Reflections ✧ Lunch ✧ Confession ✧ Mass

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