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2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Schedule of Masses

Saturday Night Vigil Mass 4:00p.m. Sunday

Vigil of Holydays Holydays

8:30a.m., 11:00a.m.

5:15p.m. 8:00a.m., 12:00 & 5:15p.m.

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Weekdays & First Friday

Saturday

Sacrament of Baptism

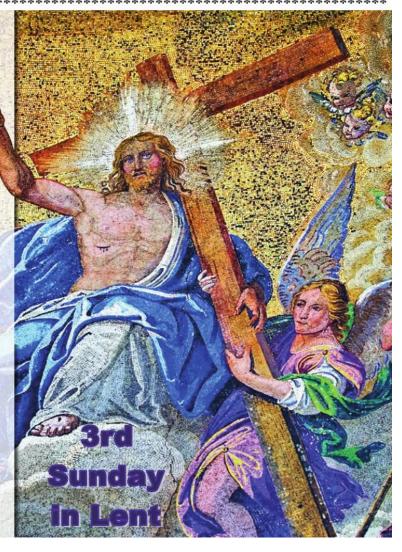
Sacrament of Penance

Make arrangements at Rectory in advance.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Make arrangements with priest at least nine months in advance.

Unless You REPENT, You Will ALL PERISH As They Did.



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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

"In today's Gospel, the owner of the fig tree tells his gardener to chop it down. But the gardener, even after three years with no fruit, wants to give the tree one more year to produce.

"Patience is more than just waiting. Patience means we continue to struggle long after others have walked off the job. Such patience was one of the qualities of Thomas Edison when he was inventing the light bulb. He kept working on perfecting the bulb until it burned for 600 hours. Edison coined the phrase 'Genius is 1 percent inspiration and 99 percent perspiration.' He also famously said, 'I have not failed. I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work.'

"When we present ourselves for the sacrament of reconciliation, we rediscover how patient Jesus is with our failures." (Preaching Resources: Celebration; Sermon Starters, Deacon Dick Folger; 2/28/16, p.3.)

See That You Also Excel in This Grace of Giving DSA – 2016, Report #1:

With the tabulation of your gifts and pledges to this year's DSA following weekend One, donors so far have provided \$9,817 toward our goal of \$52,349, or 18.7%.

Thank you to the 32 households who have shared the many blessings they have received through your generosity to our Diocesan Services Appeal.

Our gifts to DSA will support adoption services, counseling services, ministries for the aging and the blind and the sight impaired, as well as a variety of other services, programs and ministries to other groups.

In order for us to meet – and perhaps even to exceed our parish goal – we will need you to join the other faithful of our parish community who have taken an active role in the mission of the Church.

Please remember, no gift or pledge is too small, nor is any gift of pledge too big! (Much more is asked of those to whom much more has been given.)

One thing we all need to do is to pray for the success of this year's DSA. This too is a vital way we show support.

LENTEN REGIONAL PENANCE SERVICES

Next Sunday, March 6, there will be two Lansing Region Penance Services provided to assist the faithful in their Lenten resolve and Easter preparations.

Both services will begin at 2:00 pm, and will provide a brief preparation and reflection time as well as ample time to confess your sins individually. Each site will have 10 - 12 priests available for confession in order to help things move along.

St. Thomas Aquinas on Alton Rd. in East Lansing is one site. St. Gerard on Willow Hwy on the West side is the other.

Please consider taking advantage of this opportunity rather than waiting until the last minute.

Individual confessions are scheduled on every Saturday from 2:00 – 3:30 pm, except Holy Saturday, March 26, and on most Thursdays from 11:30am until all are heard (except Thursday, March 10, Priests' Lenten Day of Recollection, and Holy Thursday, March 24).

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES APPEAL

(I know it seems like I'm trying to reach into all your pockets.)

Next weekend, St. Mary Cathedral, will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. This collection supports six Catholic agencies that touch more than 100 million lives around the world. The funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and Christ's love and respect to all people.

There is a special CRS envelope in your bi-monthly packet and I invite you to consider a gift of whatever size you can make to The Catholic Relief Services Collection and help Jesus in disguise.

~Fr. B

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a pancake breakfast in the Parish Hall next Sunday, March 6, following both the 8:30 and 11:00 AM Masses. The cost is by donation only. It is a great opportunity to spend some time in parish fellowship while enjoying a breakfast of eggs, sausage, and of course, pancakes. We look forward to seeing you in the Parish Hall next weekend.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & VESPERS

Stations of the Cross are prayed every Friday during Lent at 11:30am.

Vespers are prayed each Sunday during Lent at 5:15pm. Please join us in these Lenten prayers and include them as part of your prayer and preparation during this Lenten Season.

LENTEN TAIZE SERVICE

A Lenten Taizé Prayer Service will be held at St. Mary Cathedral on Sunday evening, March 6 at 7 pm in the church. As is typical in the Taizé tradition, there will be times of contemplative silence punctuated by chants and responses from the Taizé repertory lead by the cathedral choir, and scripture readings. This service is ecumenical in nature and all are welcome to come and pray together during this holy season of Lent. More information on the Taizé movement can be found at http://www.taize.fr/en.

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT February 28, 2016

Mass Intentions

Monday, February 29

12:05 +Rick Dombrowski by Foti Family

Tuesday, March 1

8:00 +Josephine Viselli by Joe Mahoney

12:05 +Silvio DeLuca by DeLuca Family

5:15 +M.A. Kromenaker & Family

Wednesday, March 2

8:00 +James Pecora

12:05 +Gloria Spagnuolo by Roseann Zumbrink

Thursday, March 3

8:00 +Anthony LaForgia

12:05 +David Duda

Friday, March 4

8:00 +Harry C. Lawrence

12:05 +Ann Peirce by Arlene R. Davis

Saturday, March 5

8:00 +Teresita Murphy

4:00 +Herman Reyes by Liz Reyes

Sunday, March 6

8:30 +Robert Cardoza

11:00 People of the Parish

March 6, 2016 +4th Sunday of Lent+ Joshua 5:9A, 10-12 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

2 Corinthians 5:17-21 Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

OUR WEEKLY COLLECTIONS Weekend of 2/21/16	
Envelopes	\$6,656.82
E-Giving	\$692.00
Non Envelopes	\$1,221.28
Candle	\$184.05
Youth	\$0
Total	\$8,754.15
Capital Improvements	\$637.00
Lent/Ash Wed.	\$2011.74

FIRST FRIDAY

Friday of this week, March 4, is First Friday. We will be bringing Holy Communion to those who are ill or shut in. Please call the office at 484-5331 by 11:00am on Thursday if you or a family member would like a visit.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place after the Noon Mass on Friday, March 4. Benediction will take place at 3pm.

WEDNESDAY POTLUCKS

St. Mary's Wednesday night Potlucks have begun! Join us at 6pm in the Parish Hall each Wednesday. Who is invited? EVERYONE—young and not so young, single and married, families. Why should I attend? Good food, great company, a night out, visit with parishioners you know, meet new people. What do I have to do? Bring yourself and invite others to join you (maybe a friend or fellow parishioner who doesn't drive could ride along with you). Bring \$2 per person for the main course, table service and dish to pass. Do I have to be a good cook? Some people make side dishes or desserts from scratch and others just purchase something. Either is OK! Do you have questions? Call Mike or Terri Hecksel 482-3196. Hope to see you on the 17th and beyond.

THE ASSOCIATON OF CATHOLIC WOMEN...

....Will have their monthly meeting on Saturday, March 12 at 12 Noon, St. Mary Cathedral Parish Center, Seton Room. The cost of the meal is \$12. Please contact Jeanette at 627-5370 before Tuesday, March 8th to register. The topic will be book reviews by members or guests, reviewing books recently read. Everyone is welcome to bring a book or books for the book exchange.

ROSE MASS-SATURDAY, MARCH 5

The Catholic Medical Association is hosting their annual Rose mass on March 5th in Ann Arbor, to celebrate vocations in healthcare. Bishop Boyea will be joining for 4:30pm Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church at 530 Elizabeth St, Ann Arbor. Dinner will follow at Weber's Inn a 3050 Jackson Road, with an interactive panel of healthcare experts. All are welcome, especially clergy, healthcare students, and all those involve with healthcare (not just physicians). Dinner tickets can be purchased online at: CMArose2016tickets.eventbrite.com

Email CMAlansing@gmail.com for more information.

REMINDER ABOUT MASS INTENTIONS

Within a calendar year, an individual may only schedule (4) weekday Masses and (1) weekend Mass OR Holy day.

Additional Masses will be accumulated in the Mass Intention Register and scheduled when possible.

Mass Intentions are perfect for our deceased loved ones and are great to offer as gifts for birthdays and anniversaries. Perhaps you would like to schedule a Mass for your own personal intentions. Stop by the office or call to schedule your Mass Intentions today.

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