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MASSES

Daily: Mon - Fri : 8:00 AM Saturday 4:30PM LIVE, Sunday 10AM LIVE and ZOOM PENANCE Saturdays 2:30-3:30 PM



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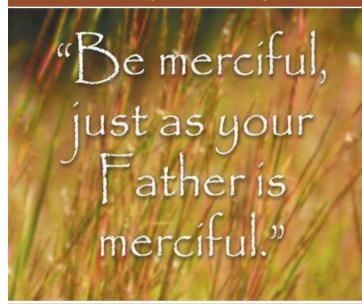
Mrs. Judy Verdini Religious Ed

Mission Statement:

"Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, disciples of Jesus Christ in Worcester, MA, reaches out with love into the neighborhoods to welcome, serve, support, and engage the community in Jesus.

In creating a welcoming relationship with Eucharistic and prayerful celebrations, we gather to make a difference by coming closer to God and one another."

Føbruary 19 2023 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you..."

MATTHEW 5:44

Love your enemies, easier said than done. But, remember, the foundation of stewardship is prayer. When we are in close communication with God, it opens our heart and it turns our attention away from "me" and moves it towards God and others. It changes my heart and actions, allowing for a little more empathy for "my enemy." When we pray for others, even our enemies, it may soften their hearts as well.

Daily Rosary-Praying of the Rosary will continue after the 8am daily mass in the church on Monday through Friday and also Sundays after the 10am mass, both Live and Via Zoom. If you need the Zoom information, please contact the rectory.

Mass Intentions & Calendar

Sat, Feb 18

4:30 pm Feola Family, Antoinetta Rossetti & Rosalba Puca reg by the D'Andrea family

Sun, Feb 19 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:00 am LIVE/Zoom Janice Barkei reg by Mary Jo Castrale

No Religious Ed today - school vacation week

Mon, Feb 20

8:00 am

Tue, Feb 21

8:00 am Joseph Monfredo req by Joe, Judy & Annina Verdini

Wed, Feb 22 Ash Wednesday

8:00 am Mass with ashes

12:00 pm Liturgy of the Word with ashes

5:30 pm Mass with ashes

Thu, Feb 23

8:00 am

Fri, Feb 24

8:00 am

Sat, Feb 125

4:30 pm Alice M. Howard anniversary remembrance req by the family

Sun, Feb 26 1st Sunday of Lent

10:00 am LIVE/Zoom

SCRIPTURE READINGS

19 <u>SUN</u> Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 (8a)/

1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

20 MON Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29

21 TUE Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37

22 WED JI 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/

2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

23 THU Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

24 FRI Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

25 SAT Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

Confirmation Cafe

is back after the 10 am Mass in the church hall. All are welcome!!



<u>Prayer Shawls</u> We have many blessed prayer shawls. If you need one or know someone that needs one, please call the rectory.

Worcester Diocesan Catholic Men's Conf:

Tickets are now on sale for the 22nd Annual Worcester Diocesan Catholic Men's Conference taking place on **Saturday March 25**, **beginning at 8:00 am** at Assumption Univ., 500 Salisbury St. Worcester. Visit https://catholicmenworc.com for speakers and more information. Adult tickets are \$50 / Student tickets are \$30. After March 13 or at the door, Adult tickets will be \$65. (Buy early and save 25%!) Student tickets are always \$30. Lunch is included with all tickets.

Are there any men interested in going to the Men's Conference on March 25th? If so, our Knights of Columbus would like to cover the cost for up to 5 men. Please contact Nick Marrier, the Grand Knight, at 774-230-1414 or nmarrier@gmail.com.

St. Joseph's Breakfast

Our Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring our St. Joseph's breakfast on Sunday, March 19 after mass. Tickets go on sale this weekend for \$10/pp. Raffle baskets and pastries are needed.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

WEEKLY OFFERING	
Sunday Offertory	\$2,515.20
Online Giving	500.00
Maintenance	373.00
Ash Wednesday-Priest Retirement	10.00
Catholic Free Press	39.00
Catholic Home Missions	108.00
Catholic Univ. of America	40.00
Church in Latin America	10.00
Candles	97.00
Easter Flowers	10.00
Fuel and Heating	50.00
Solemnity of Mary	40.00
Mass Offerings	75.00
Memorial Donations (Mary Szkutak)	250.00
Snow Removal	50.00
Thank you for your continued generous support	

Thank you for your continued, generous support. We appreciate your support of the church.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

On Ash Wednesday, February 22, we will have a collection to support the 50 priests of our diocese who have retired in good standing.

Unless illness intervened, these priests served our parishes and parishioners until they were at least 75. Some remained as pastors into their eighties. Many continue to serve. Three remain in parishes full time as senior priests. Last year two stepped in for many months to administer parishes. Another retired priest has been saying Mass six days a week for more than a year to fill a parish vacancy. Still others regularly fill in on weekends, cover vacations and serve in prison ministry and on Diocesan Boards and the Tribunal. We appreciate their efforts and regard all our retired priests with great esteem, respect and affection. They have served us well. Now we can support them.

Our expenses for retired priests include a monthly stipend, medical insurance, and, for some, assisted living and nursing home costs. Last year our total cost for priest retirement was \$2.414.764.

For decades in Advent we have asked for your support for retired nuns, brothers and religious order priests across our country. We thank you for your support of them. However, none of that collection assists our diocesan priests. Two years ago, we began this Ash Wednesday Collection to support the retired priests of our own diocese. We appreciate your past generosity and ask you, as part of your Lenten almsgiving, to consider prayerfully a sacrificial gift to support those, who through the decades have supported you and your family.

Our 50 retired priests and senior priests have served in 77 of our 91 parishes (or their predecessors). They are Bishop Emeritus Daniel P. Reilly, Msgrs. Richard E. Collette, Anthony S. Czarnecki, John E. Doran, Michael G. Foley, and Francis D. Kelly; Frs. Ernest P. Allega, Roger R. Boucher, James J. Caldarella, Paul F. Campbell, James F. Carmody, George A. Charland, William N. Cormier, Andre E. Dargis, Ralph A. DiOrio, David E. Doiron, Charles J. Dumphy, George A. Dunkley, John A. Dwyer, Thomas F. Egan, Lawrence J. Esposito, John J. Foley, David B. Galonek, Raymond M. Goodwin, Bernard J. Grochowski, J. Andre Guenette, John F. Hamm, John E. Horgan, James A. Houston, Joseph J. Jurgelonis, Theodore R. Laperle, Leo-Paul LeBlanc, Richard P. Lewandowski, Joseph A.Marcotte, Thirburse F. Millott, Chester J. Misiewicz, Charles F. Monroe, Paul T. O'Connell, Emerito Ortiz, James B. O'Shea, Conrad S. Pecevich, Andre N. Remillard, Francis J. Roach, Edward M. Ryan, William F. Sanders, Michael Sheridan, Thaddeus X. Stachura, James M. Steuterman, Paul J. Tougas, and Peter H.

On their behalf, I thank you for your prayers and support of them in their retirement years. With every prayerful best wish I remain, Sincerely yours in Christ,

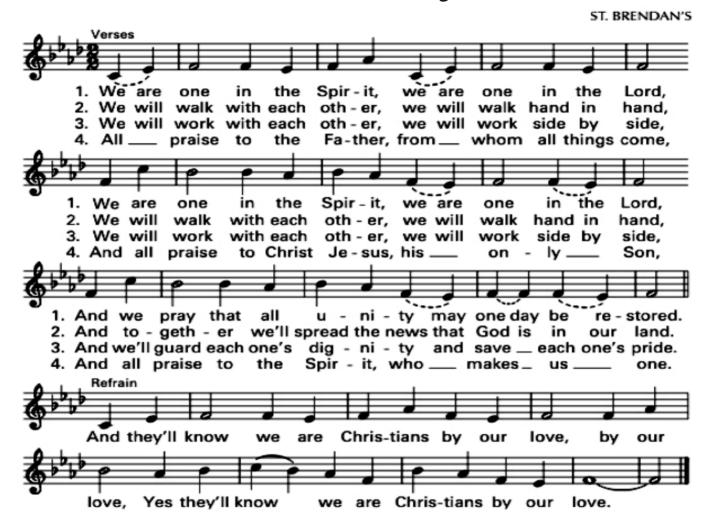
Most Reverend Robert J. McManus

Bishop of Worcester

CYCLE A

GATHERING HYMN

They'll Know We Are Christians



GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord, God, Heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord, Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us: You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer,

You are seated at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One; You alone are the Lord. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit, In the glory of God, the Father.

Amen

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

LEVITICUS 19:1-2, 17-18

The LORD said to Moses, "Speak to the whole Israelite community and tell them: Be holy, for I, the LORD, your God, am holy.

"You shall not bear hatred for your brother or sister in your heart. Though you may have to reprove your fellow citizen, do not incur sin because of him. Take no revenge and cherish no grudge against any of your people. You shall love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 103

Ricky Manalo, CSP



SECOND READING

FIRST CORINTHIAN 3:16-23

Brothers and sisters: Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person; for the temple of God, which you are, is holy.

Let no one deceive himself. If any one among you considers himself wise in this age, let him become a fool, so as to become wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness in the eyes of God, for it is written:

God catches the wise in their own ruses, and again: The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are vain.

So let no one boast about human beings, for everything belongs to you, Paul or Apollos or Cephas, or the world or life or death, or the present or the future: all belong to you, and you to Christ, and Christ to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL MATTHEW 5:38-48

Jesus said to his disciples: "You have heard that it was said, An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. But I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil. When someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one as well. If anyone wants to go to law with you over your tunic, hand over your cloak as well. Should anyone press you into service for one mile, go for two miles. Give to the one who asks of you, and do not turn your back on one who wants to borrow.

"You have heard that it was said, You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father, for he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what recompense will you have? Do not the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet your brothers only, what is unusual about that? Do not the pagans do the same? So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect."

HOMILY

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

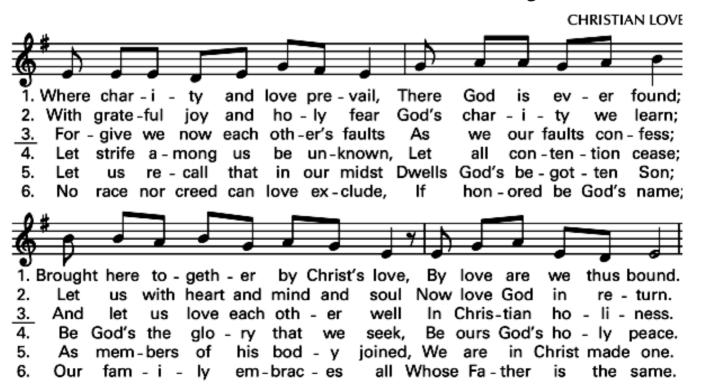
The Response is:

"Lord hear us."

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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HOLY, HOLY

MASS OF ST MARY MAGDALENE

Holy, Holy, Lord, God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

MASS OF ST MARY MAGDALENE

We proclaim your death, O Lord And profess your Resurrection Until you come again

GREAT AMEN

MASS OF ST MARY MAGDALENE

OUR FATHER

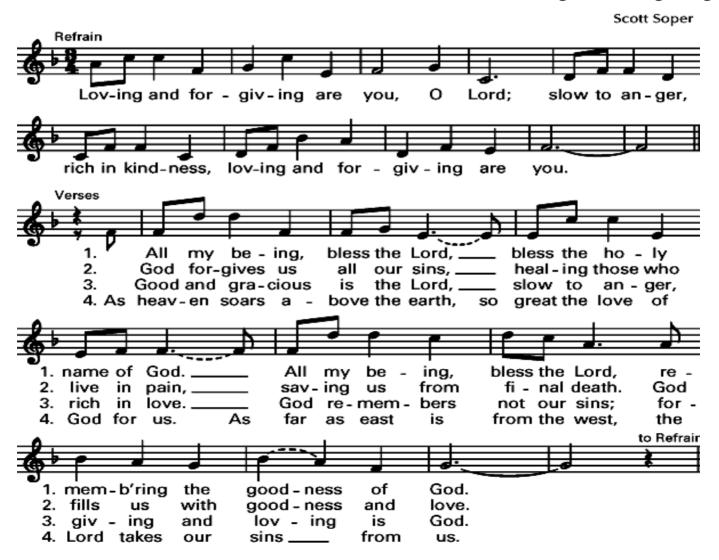
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MASS OF ST MARY MAGDALENE

COMMUNION

Loving And Forgiving





*Author's original words are "works" and "mighty."

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