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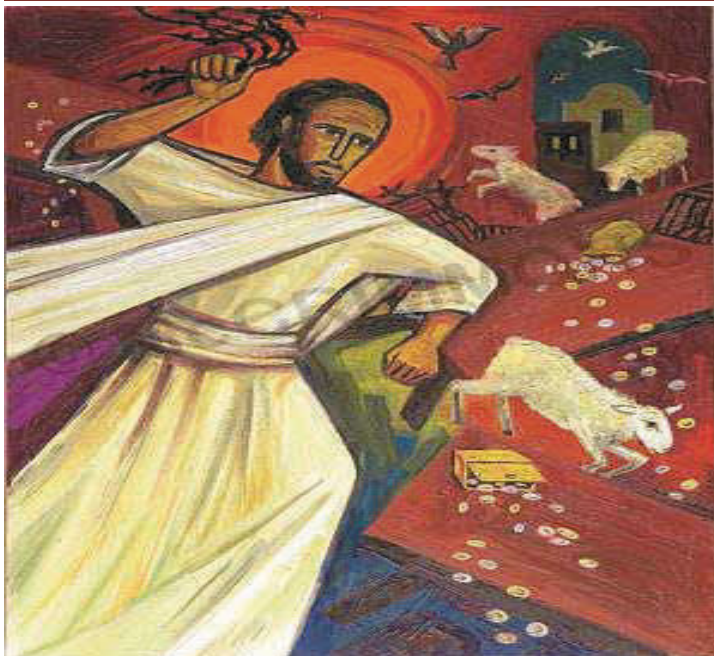


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"Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, disciples of Jesus Christ in Worcester, MA, reaches out with love into the neighborhoods to welcome, serve, support, and engage the community in Jesus. In creating a welcoming relationship with Eucharistic and prayerful celebrations, we gather to make a difference by coming closer to God and one another."

**March 3, 2024**  
**3rd Sunday of Lent**



*"You shall not carve idols for yourselves  
in the shape of anything..."*  
(Exodus 20:4)

How many "gods" do you put before God? "Idols" do not always take the shape of physical things, things we can touch and feel. Those are easy to recognize. Many times they take the form of things we cannot touch and are much harder to spot like pride, power, ego, time, comfort or health. Pray for God's help to prune our vices and to grow in virtue.

**Daily Rosary**-Praying of the Rosary will continue after the 8am daily mass in the church on Monday, Thursday and Friday and at 9:15am before the 10am Sunday Mass both Live and via Zoom. If you need the Zoom information, please contact the rectory.

### **Mass Intentions & Calendar**

**Sat, Mar 2**

4:30 pm **Alice M. Howard** 44th anniv req by the family

**Sun, Mar 3 3rd Sunday of Lent**

10:00 am LIVE/Zoom

**Mon, Mar 4**

8:00 am

**Tue, Mar 5**

**Wed, Mar 6**

**Thu, Mar 7**

8:00 am **Intention of Thanksgiving**

10:00 am **Knitting Group** meets in church hall

**Fri, Mar 8**

8:00 am

**Sat, Mar 9**

4:30 pm **Ray Trainque** b'day remembrance req by Cindy

**Mary Bartkiewicz** req by the family

**Sun, Mar 10 4th Sunday of Lent/Daylight Savings Begins**

10:00 am LIVE/Zoom **Kenneth Loiselle** req by Joe

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**3 SUN** 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

**4 MON** 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3,4/Lk 4:24-30

**5 TUE** Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab,6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

**6 WED** Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

**7 THU** Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

**8 FRI** Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/  
Mk 12:28-34

**9 SAT** Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

## STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

### Stations of the Cross during Lent

We will have Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 12:00 noon. All are welcome!

### Prayer Shawls

We have a couple blessed prayer shawls. If you need one or know someone that needs one, please call the rectory. You can join us the first Thursday of the month in the church hall or you can also work on at home and donate when completed.

### 75th Anniversary Commemorative Booklet

To celebrate our 75th anniversary this year, we will be producing a commemorative booklet highlighting our church, ministries and what we have accomplished in the last 25 years. If you would like to be a sponsor, there are different levels of sponsorship. Please see the forms on the table at the entrance of the church.

Our anniversary celebration will take place on Saturday, May 18 with a catered meal in the church hall. We will be selling tickets (\$25 per person) to attend the celebration. All are welcome!

**Fr. Brian is away and Fr. Hanlon will be the celebrant this weekend.**

### March Newsletter

The March Newsletter has been mailed and emailed to those on our list. If you have not received one and would like to, please call or email the rectory to get added to the list. If you don't wish to receive any more, please also let us know. Thanks and hope you enjoy!

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

### WEEKLY OFFERING

<b>Sunday Offertory 2/24-2/25</b>	<b>\$1,399.00</b>
Online Giving	395.00
Ash Wed/Priest Retirement	40.00
Catholic Free Press Subscriptions	89.00
Church in Latin America	68.00
Candles	74.60
Maintenance	11.00
Mass Offerings	50.00
Pay back fee charged to account	63.96
Snow Removal Donations	196.00
Funeral Stipend Rec'd	300.00

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

### Upcoming Church Events

Our **Senior Luncheons** start back up next month....**Thursday, March 7** at 11:30 am in the church hall for a light lunch and entertainment for \$5 per person. Please sign up on the board at the entrance of the church so we can plan for food.

Also, our 1st monthly event will be hosted by our very own Knights of Columbus for their membership breakfast to be held on **Sunday, March 17** after mass in the church hall. Tickets are \$10 per person and can be purchased after mass.

**Please come join us.....All are welcome!**

### *Around Town...*

**There are many events around the diocese that make it impossible to list all of them in the bulletin. Go to <https://worcesterdiocese.org/the-diocesan-dispatch> or see them in the Catholic Free Press**

### Holy Hour to Pray for Priests

On **Friday, March 8 from 7 - 8 pm**, a Holy Hour to pray for priests will take place at Immaculate Conception Church on 353 Grove St., Worcester. The Holy Hour consists of time for silent Adoration, a short reflection, the Rosary, and Benediction. Please join us to pray for our priests. Repeats every second Friday of the month.

### Catholic Men's Conference 2024

**Saturday, March 16** at the DCU Center in Worcester - Only two weeks away from this great gathering! Join hundreds of men to pray, listen, reflect and share their faith with each other. Wonderful speakers, celebration of sacraments, and a variety of booths. Jesus said where two or three are gathered in His name, He will be there! Registration fee increases this week, register as soon as possible. For more information and to register, look for the brochures in your parish or check our website: [catholicmenworc.com](http://catholicmenworc.com).

### Bus Trip to Divine Mercy Shrine

St. John's social committee is hosting a Bus trip to Divine Mercy Shrine in Stockbridge on **Sunday, April 14**. \$55.00 per person. Price includes round trip on coach bus, Dinner at the Golden Corral, Springfield (all you can eat buffet with tax and gratuities included). Leaves St. John Church in Worcester at 11:00 am and returns to the Church by 7:00 pm. To reserve seats, make checks payable to St. John's Church and mail to the attention of Judy Burke, 44 Temple Street, Worcester, MA 01604. Please include a note with your telephone number and first and last names of attendee(s). **Checks need to be received by April 1**. Any questions call Judy at 508 478-9813.

# THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT CYCLE B



## GATHERING HYMN

## *There Is A Longing*

Anne Quigley

**Refrain**

There is a long-ing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to re-  
veal your - self to us. There is a long-ing in our hearts for

**Verses**

love we on - ly find in you, our God.

1. For jus - tice,
2. For wis - dom,
3. For heal - ing,
4. Lord save us,

1. for free - dom, for mer - cy: hear our prayer. In  
2. for cour - age, for com - fort: hear our prayer. In  
3. for whole - ness, for new life: hear our prayer. In  
4. take pit - y, light in our dark - ness. We

**to Refrain**

1. sor - row, in grief:
2. weak - ness, in fear:
3. sick - ness, in death:
4. call you, we wait:

be near, hear our prayer, O God.

## PENITENTIAL RITE



I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done  
and in what I have failed to do,  
through my fault,  
through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask blessed Mary  
ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

## CONFITEOR



## KYRIE ELEISON

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

## FIRST READING

## EXODUS 20:1-17

In those days, God delivered all these commandments: "I, the LORD, am your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me. You shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything in the sky above or on the earth below or in the waters beneath the earth; you shall not bow down before them or worship them. For I, the LORD, your God, am a jealous God, inflicting punishment for their fathers' wickedness on the children of those who hate me, down to the third and fourth generation; but bestowing mercy down to the thousandth generation on the children of those who love me and keep my commandments.

"You shall not take the name of the LORD, your God, in vain. For the LORD will not leave unpunished the one who takes his name in vain.

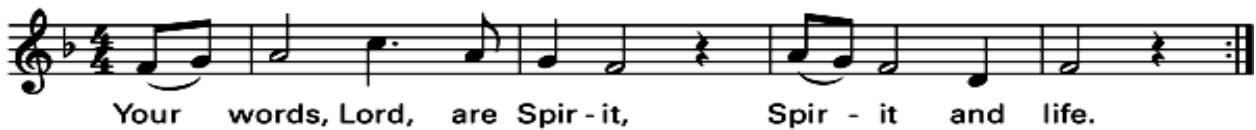
"Remember to keep holy the sabbath day. Six days you may labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD, your God. No work may be done then either by you, or your son or daughter, or your male or female slave, or your beast, or by the alien who lives with you. In six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them; but on the seventh day he rested. That is why the LORD has blessed the sabbath day and made it holy.

"Honor your father and your mother, that you may have a long life in the land which the LORD, your God, is giving you. You shall not kill. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male or female slave, nor his ox or ass, nor anything else that belongs to him."

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

## PSALM 19

Bob Hurd



## SECOND READING

## 1 CORINTHIANS 1:22-25

Brothers and sisters: Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mass of Renewal  
Curtis Stephan



## GOSPEL

## JOHN 2:13-25

Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of

Scripture, Zeal for your house will consume me. At this the Jews answered and said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the temple of his body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken.

While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, many began to believe in his name when they saw the signs he was doing. But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all, and did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well.

## **HOMILY**

### **APOSTLES CREED**

(Stand)

**I** believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I** believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting.

**A**men.

**GENERAL INTERCESSIONS    The Response is:    “Lord have mercy.”**

Lord Jesus Christ, who by your gift of your Body and Blood, are really present in our lives, hear the prayers of the Church of Worcester. Give us the faith of your Church, confident in your presence in our Masses, our tabernacles and our lives. Give us the faith to offer our lives to you, joined with the perfect sacrifice, which you offered on the altar of the Cross. Good and loving Shepherd, teach us how to lead your children home, that we might long together to glorify your name at the Supper of the Lord. For you are Lord forever and ever. Amen.


# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

*Hosea*


Weston Prior

Verses




1. Come back to me with all your heart. Don't let  
Trees do bend, though straight and tall; so must  
2. The wil-der-ness will lead you to your  
In-teg-ri-ty and jus-tice with ten-der-  
3. You shall sleep se-cure with peace; faith-ful -

Refrain



1. fear keep us a-part. Long have I wait-ed for your  
we to oth-ers' call.  
2. heart where I will speak.  
ness & you shall know.  
3. ness will be your joy.



com-ing home to me and liv-ing deep-ly our new life.

## HOLY, HOLY

## MASS OF RENEWAL

Holy, 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 RENEWAL

Save us, Savior of the World,  
For by your Cross & Resurrection,  
You have set us free

## GREAT AMEN

## MASS OF RENEWAL

## OUR FATHER

## SIGN OF PEACE

## LAMB OF GOD

## MASS OF RENEWAL

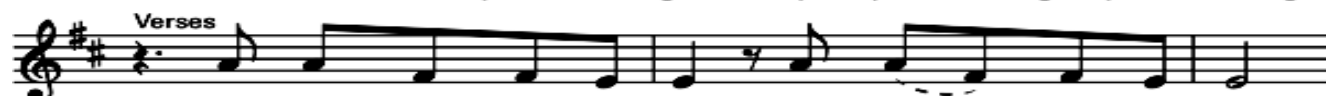
# COMMUNION

## Petition

Sarah Hart



O Lord, have mer-cy on us all, grant us your peace, bring us your heal-ing.



1. For those who tend the sick with love that knows no fear,
2. For those who teach the child with pa-tience keep-ing watch,
3. For those who serve the weak with kind-ness reach-ing out,
4. For those who free-ly give who toil with-out praise,
5. For those who point us to what's beau-ti-ful and true,
6. For those who've lost so much and fear for los-ing all,



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|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. be ev-er at their side.         | And for the suf-f'ring |
| 2. re-fresh their wea-ry minds.    | And for the hun-gry    |
| 3. O be their source and help.     | And for the lone-ly    |
| 4. lead them to rest in you.       | And we who may re-     |
| 5. breathe hope in-to their songs. | For all who can-not    |
| 6. O fill their cup with hope.     | And let us reach in    |



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|--|------------|
| 1. ones who lean in-to your care, with heal-ing now a-bide.    | to Refrain |
| 2. ones who lean on them to learn, pre-pare them in your time. |            |
| 3. ones, may ev-ery heart be found and in your mer-cy, held.   |            |
| 4. ceive, O help us un-der-stand our debt of grat-i-tude.      |            |
| 5. see the ev-i-dence of you, Lord, whis-per to their hearts.  |            |
| 6. faith, re-mind-ing those who weep that they are not a-lone. |            |

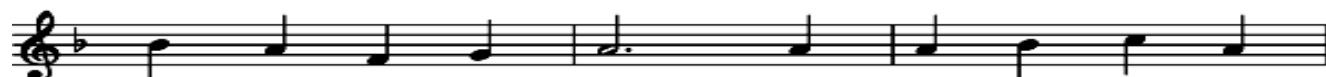
# RECESSIONAL

## Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

ST. FLAVIAN



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|---|------------------|
| 1. Lord, who through-out these                | for-ty days, For |
| 2. As you with Sa-tan did con-tend, And       |                  |
| 3. As you did hun-ger bear and thirst, So     |                  |
| 4. And through these days of pen-i-tence, And |                  |
| 5. A-bide with us that when this life Of      |                  |



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|---|
| 1. us did fast and pray, Teach us with you to     |
| 2. did the vic-t'ry win, O give us strength in    |
| 3. teach us, gra-cious Lord, To die to self, and  |
| 4. through your Pas-sion-tide, For-ev-er-more, in |
| 5. suf-fer-ing is past, An Eas-ter of un-         |



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| 1. mourn our sins, And close by you to stay. |
| 2. you to fight, In you to con-quer sin.     |
| 3. al-ways live, By your most ho-ly word.    |
| 4. life and death, O Lord, with us a-bide.   |
| 5. end-ing joy We may at-tain at last!       |



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