FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Lent is here! A time to fast, pray and give alms in a deeper way. In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus is tempted by the devil at the end of forty days in the wilderness. After fasting for forty days, one will be physically tired. Probably the devil thought that Jesus was also spiritually tired, so he tempted him. Maybe Jesus was physically tired, but He was spiritually strong. The enemy knows that when we are weak, it is when we are most vulnerable, we are easy prey. Jesus replied to the devil's attacks with God's Word. In the same way we must nourish ourselves with the Word of God so that we are spiritually strong and do not fall into the temptations of the enemy. During this Lent, let us take time to nourish ourselves by meditating on the Word of God, our spiritual food. As Jesus said, "One lives not by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God."

¿La Cuaresma está aquí! Un tiempo para ayunar, orar y dar limosna de una manera más profunda. En el evangelio de este domingo, Jesús es tentado por el diablo al final de cuarenta días en el desierto. Después de ayunar durante cuarenta días, uno estará físicamente cansado. Probablemente el diablo pensó que Jesús también estaba cansado espiritualmente, así que lo tentó. Tal vez Jesús estaba cansado físicamente, pero estaba espiritualmente fuerte. El enemigo sabe que cuando estamos débiles, es cuando estamos más vulnerables, somos presa fácil. Jesús respondió a los ataques del diablo con la Palabra de Dios. De la misma manera debemos nutrirnos con la Palabra de Dios para que estemos espiritualmente fuertes y no caigamos en las tentaciones del enemigo. Durante esta cuaresma, dediquemos un tiempo para alimentarnos meditando en la Palabra de Dios, nuestro alimento espiritual. Como dijo Jesús: "No sólo de pan se vive, sino de toda palabra que sale de la boca de Dios".



MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF FEB. 26, 2023

FEB. 26: THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

5:30 p.m. Donald Tenore 7:00 p.m. For the Parish 9:00 a.m. Svend Austin 10:30 a.m. Raul A. Molina 12:00 p.m. For the People

FEB. 27: MONDAY, LENTEN WEEKDAY

9:00 a.m. Adriana Kuch 7:00 p.m. For the Parish

FEB. 28: TUESDAY, LENTEN WEEKDAY

9:00 a.m. Sandra White 7:00 p.m. For the People

MAR. 1: WEDNESDAY, LENTEN WEEKDAY

9:00 a.m. Mass of Healing for Mindy Holley

7:00 p.m. For the Parish

MAR. 2: THURSDAY, LENTEN WEEKDAY

9:00 a.m. Eddy Saint Jean 7:00 p.m. For the People

MAR. 3: FIRST FRIDAY, LENTEN WEEKDAY

9:00 a.m. For the Parish 7:00 p.m. Arigio Perez

MAR. 4: FIRST SATURDAY, LENTEN WEEKDAY

9:00 a.m. James S. Henderson 5:30 p.m. Judith Lovenguth 7:00 p.m. For the People

MAR. 5: THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 a.m. Alice & Henry Froehlich Sr. & Family

10:30 a.m. Fr. John Grinsell, SDB

12:00 p.m. For the Parish

CANDLES

<u>ALTAR CANDLES</u> will burn this week as a Special Intention for Fran Steiner.

SANCTUARY CANDLES will burn this week in memory of Fr. John Grinsell, SDB.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2023

•	REGULAR COLLECTION	\$5,364.00
	BUILDING FUND	
	SOLEMNITY OF MARY	\$25.00
•	EASTERN EUROPE	\$356.00

THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!!!

How dear is Our Lady of the Valley to your heart? Please consider remembering her in your Will.

STEWARDSHIP SCRIPTURAL REFLECTIONS

"It is written: 'The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.'" - MATTHEW 4:10

Tempted between the riches and power of this world and service to God, Jesus chose service to His Father, If we, as His <u>Stewards</u>, wish to truly follow Jesus, we, too, must decide to turn away from worldly power and riches and put God at the center of our lives. Lent is our time to prune ourselves of earthly things, and develop and nurture heavenly things. Lent is time to repent and let go of the other "gods".

PRAYER REQUEST CORNER

For the recently deceased:

For those who are ill: Kate & Theresa Bamford, Pauline Wahlers, Victor Cirello, Edward Lightner, Al Robinson, Alena & Todd Galante, Angelina Killane-Sims, Martha Strong, Jean Barrateau, Thompson Family, Charmaine Coleman, Frances Kinsella, Llewellyn Ramos, Romano Family, Christi Lynn & Scott Nichols, Betty Anderson, Rosemarie Arloro, Fran Steiner, Chastity White, Tyler Whille, Christy Harnish, Jason Illing, Mila Dionisio, Rita Lavery, Khadijah Harden, Trinity Causey, Tina Galante, Terrance Durant, Pacita Ong, Melissa, Giana Kingsland, Anthony Yodeci, Jack McDonald, Patricia Russo, Jaxson & Jacob Rivera, James Davis, Tony Siano, Anne O'Brien, Marie Montalmant, Joanne Rooney, Rich Meravi, Nancy McDonough, Joanne Rooney, Natalie Thomas, Monsignor Edward Bradley, Frank Capron, James Schoenig, Robert Kren, Barbara Mirsky, Paula Ferraro, Catherine Trezza, Lulu Revuelta, Kathy Snell, Howard Casey, Valda Wright, Michael Guerrieri, John Gruchacz, Melanie Brown, Laura Spero, Pamela Ali, Vincent & Betty Battista, Sr. Joan O'Connor, The Loraw Family, Larry Donahue, Marty Veniero, Phyllis Racavich, Eileen Brennan, Mindy Holley.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **1.** <u>WEDNESDAYS</u> Confessions with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7:30 pm 8:30 pm.
- 2. STATIONS OF THE CROSS Fridays during Lent @ 4:45 pm in English and @ 7:30 pm in Spanish.
- 3. ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS join us in reciting the Rosary next Sunday at 8:30 am followed by 9 am Mass. We invite all parishioners to our Lenten Retreat at 11 am promptly March 5th in the Parish Center Game Room, 650 Nassau Street. Fr. Tom Ruekert will be the Presenter. Topic: Three Obstacles to Contemplation Narcissism, Pragmatism and Restlessness. All are welcome.

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Conducted By:

The Salesians of St. John Bosco

Invite You to Celebrate

The Eucharist

Saturday Evening 5:30 pm

(Spanish Mass) 7:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am, and 10:30 am (Spanish Mass) 12:00 pm

Weekdays 9:00 am

Holy Days 9:00 am and 7:00 pm

Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions

Saturday 9:30 am

Christian Initiation

Baptisms will be celebrated on Saturdays and Sundays. Arrangements should be made at the Rectory Office with the Pastor. Parents should be registered members of the Parish. An instruction class is required for the parents and godparents prior to the Baptism.

Penance

Saturday 4:30 - 5:15 pm Wednesday 7:30 pm By Appointment anytime at the Rectory.

Marriage

It is required that every couple contact the parish priests to make arrangements for the proper preparations. An appointment must be made **ONE YEAR** before the wedding.

Religious Education Oratory Program

Saturday Classes: 9:30 am-12:00 pm

Communion Calls

The Priests and Eucharistic Ministers will bring Communion to any homebound parishioners. It is the responsibility of the family to contact the Rectory.

Anointing the Sick

The Sacrament of Anointing is available for those of advanced age or anyone who is seriously ill. Please contact the parish priests.

Parish Policy

Every Catholic family or individual living within the parish boundaries must be registered. All address changes must be reported to the Rectory. You must be registered for Baptism, Marriage and Religious Education.