

3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF  
**LENT**



Return to God

Refrain

Re - turn to God with all your heart, the source of grace and  
 mer - cy; come seek the ten - der faith - ful - ness of God.

Hosea

Gregory Norbit

VERSES

1. Come back to me with all your heart. Don't let  
 1. Trees do bend, though straight and tall; So must

REFRAIN

1. fear keep us a - part. Long have I wait - ed for your  
 1. we to oth - ers call.

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

3<sup>o</sup> DOMINGO DE  
**CUARESMA**

**MISSION STATEMENT**

*Called by Baptism, nourished by the Eucharist, and inspired by the Holy Spirit, our mission is to live the Good News of Christ through Worship, Evangelization, Service, Spiritual Formation, and Stewardship.*

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, March 6**

4:00—5:00 p.m. Confessions

**7:00 p.m.** People of the parish (en Español)

**Sunday, March 7**

**9:00 a.m.** † Gerald Sherman

**11:00 a.m.** † Autumn Jackson, 18th anniversary

**Monday, March 8**

**9:00 a.m.** † Richard Zelasko

**Tuesday, March 9**

**9:00 a.m.** † Deceased members of the Gazi family

**Wednesday, March 10**

**9:00 a.m.** People of the parish

**Thursday, March 11 No Mass**

**Friday, March 12**

**5:00 p.m.** † Dan Moritti

**Saturday, March 13**

**7:00 p.m.** People of the parish (en Español)

**Sunday, March 14**

**9:00 a.m.** † Cindy Shelters

**11:00 a.m.** † Shirley Hill

**OFFERTORY GIVING**

All have felt the financial impact of COVID 19 in one way or another. Everyone's situation is very personal to them. Our offertory has dropped significantly with the limitations of capacity for participation at Mass.

**Average weekly contribution needed to meet budget \$11,050**

**Offering for February 28 weekend: \$8,455**

Please consider giving any amount that you are able to share so that we can continue the ministry of the church and help those in need. Contributions may be mailed in or made electronically via the church website. If you are interested in regular automatic giving, please contact the office for an ACH form or download at <https://www.saintbasilcatholicchurch.org/parish-forms>

**Our Generosity to God for the weekend of February 28**

Envelope Offering (40) .....	\$7,473.00
Electronic/Online Contributions .....	\$690.00
Loose Offering .....	\$282.00
<b>Total Collection.....</b>	<b>\$8,455.00</b>

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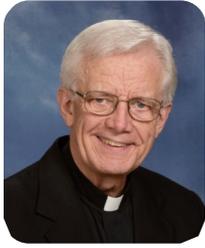
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Well, have you noticed? There has been another change in the English translation of the Mass. We've been using it since Ash Wednesday. Nope, we haven't been trying to include the word "consubstantial" in new places, no matter how much you might have enjoyed that. It's actually about removing a word that shouldn't have been there in the first place.

What? You haven't noticed? I hope it isn't because I keep forgetting to change it and you haven't actually heard the new form yet. True, the word involved is just a little one, in fact, it IS the word "one." A common ending of the opening prayer at Mass, the Collect, used to be: "Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen." Now it's just like that but without the word "one." The original Latin, of which this is supposed to be a translation, does not include it. The Spanish translation does not include it. I don't think it was included in any other translation. Somehow that extra little word got into the English translation way back in the 1970s and held on through the more recent revision.

What difference does it make? It obscures the meaning in a subtle but important way. To be honest, without thinking carefully about the words, I always thought it was an affirmation about the Trinity, that the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are the one God, but that's not what it actually says. The sentence is structured in such a way that it is referring to the Son "who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit." So, with the word "one" in there, we would be saying Jesus is "one God for ever and ever." What??? Does that mean Jesus is one God out of three? Or does it mean that Jesus is the one God while the Father and the Holy Spirit don't count? Both of those interpretations violate our belief about God in major ways. What we ARE doing is making one of the fundamental Christian affirmations that the Son, who dwelt among us in Jesus, is God in union with the Father and the Holy Spirit.

Little things can make a big difference.

Fr. Jim



Please pray for  
Jon Zurek,  
longtime parishioner

that he may now enjoy the great blessings of eternal life. We pray also for his family and friends, that they find peace in the promises of Christ.



### BETTER MEALS IN MADAGASCAR

In Madagascar, half of all children are undernourished. That means 50% of kids won't grow to reach their full potential. But communities are changing this by focusing on improving health and nutrition. What role has food played in your life? How can you help those who lack access to enough nutritious food? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more.

**You may still pick up your Rice Bowl on the table in the South Lobby any time the church is open.**

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



### March Confirmation Sessions

First-year candidates will meet on Zoom this Sunday, March 7 at either 4:00 p.m. or 7:30 p.m. to discuss the power and purpose of the sacraments. Contact Sylvia Verdonk if you did not receive an email or text with the Zoom invitation.

March 14 - Virtual NET Confirmation retreat from 12:30 - 4:00 p.m. for all Confirmation candidates

March 21 - Zoom session for all candidates at 4:00 p.m. or 7:30 p.m.

Lesson 10 - "Why tell my sins to a priest?"  
(The Healing Power of Confession)

No Confirmation sessions will be held on Palm Sunday, March 28, or Easter Sunday, April 4.

*"With outstretched arms He begs us to turn toward Him, to weep for our sins and to become servants of love, first for ourselves, then for our neighbors.*

*Just as water extinguishes a fire,  
so love wipes away sin."*

- St. John of God, feast day March 8

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Eventually we would like to return to offering a Saturday evening Mass at 5:00 p.m. In order to do that, we will need volunteers to help with the check-in table as well as serving as ushers and cleaners. Please visit our website [www.saintbasilcatholicchurch.org/clean-church](http://www.saintbasilcatholicchurch.org/clean-church) and see what's involved. Contact the parish office if you can volunteer on Sundays or Saturday. We can't do it without your help!



Our parish office remains closed. You may still contact us at 269-637-2404. Your call will be automatically sent to our personal phones. If we don't answer immediately, your call will be forwarded to a voicemail which we are able to retrieve from home. We remain available for you, just not in the office. Just about everything you need from us can be handled via phone and email.

*If today you hear his voice,  
harden not your hearts.*

### IN OUR DIOCESE

This weekend all parishes and missions in the Diocese of Kalamazoo are holding a special collection to support our diocesan priests' retirement fund. This collection directly benefits priests of the Diocese of Kalamazoo and is separate from the annual December collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious, which supports retired clergy and sisters of religious orders across America. Special envelopes are located on the bulletin shelves for your convenience.

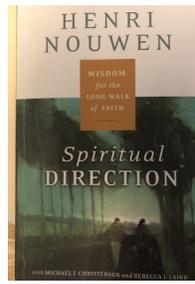
**ST. BASIL CATHOLIC SCHOOL**



St. Basil Catholic School kicked off National Reading Month on March 1st and we have so many fun activities planned out to engage and motivate our students in reading! From decorating lockers, book-marks, and book-themed dress up days, to the many fun activities that will support our school's reading goals, our students will celebrate the joy of reading. Throughout the month each class has designated parents, grandparents, friends, family, or other members of the community to read to their classes. Although things are different this year, St. Basil teachers are doing an awesome job getting creative and keeping students engaged while creating a love for reading! Throughout the month of March we will continue to share pictures and updates about our wonderful students' achievements.



*Students in Ms. Willenborg's class share the joy of reading. Most popular book these days with 3rd and 4th graders: Nate the Great, with Harry Potter running a close second. Read on!*



**A GOOD LENTEN READ**

To accept that we really are the "Beloved" comes with many challenges as Nouwen continues, "Coupled with the temptation of doubting who you truly are is the temptation of compulsiveness. That is, hoping that some person, thing, or event will come along to give you that final feeling of inner well-being...We hope that another book, idea, course, trip, job, country, or relationship will fulfill my deepest desire. But as long as you are waiting for that mysterious moment, you will go on running, always anxious and restless and angry, never fully satisfied. This compulsiveness is the way to spiritual exhaustion and burn out. It is the way of spiritual death."

But, Nouwen says, we need to continue to recognize that we are the Beloved and listen to God's voice that says, "I have called you by name, and you are mine and I am yours... I knitted you in your mother's womb; wherever you go, I go with you and whenever you rest, I keep watch; nothing will ever separate us; We are one."

May we continue to listen God's voice this Lent which calls you by Name.

**MASS RESERVATION REMINDERS**

Just a reminder, when you use SignUp Genius to make a reservation to attend weekend Mass, please be sure to include the number of people in your group AND list the names of all who will be attending Mass.

You may place your information on the Priority List for the following weekend only if there is not enough space for you and your family at the current weekend Masses.

Reservations via SignUp Genius are not required for weekday Masses.

**GROTTO PAVER BRICKS**

St. Basil Parish offers you an opportunity to order a grotto paver for installment in May. A contribution of \$100 entitles you to a standard 4x8 paver brick engraved with your name, your family name, or a personal message or intention. Forms are available at the church outside the office window and also on our website under the Info tab, then Links. You may mail in your form and payment. Call Cecilia at the parish office for more information, 269-637-2404, ext. 1103.



**JOIN OUR SCHOOL FAMILY!**

We are currently enrolling students in all grades, K-8. Please contact the office via email or phone for more information.

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To enroll, go to our website, [saintbasilcatholic.com](http://saintbasilcatholic.com), and click on Admissions, then Prospective Families. Come be a Basil Bear!

## IN OUR COLLABORATIVE

MASS AT ST. PETER PARISH, DOUGLAS SATURDAY 5:00 P.M., SUNDAY 8:00 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.  
 DAILY MASS MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY, & FRIDAY 8:30 A.M.  
 MASS AT SAN FELIPE, FENNVILLE THURSDAY 6:30 P.M.

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**MONDAY, MARCH 8**  
 9:00 a.m. Mass  
**TUESDAY, MARCH 9**  
 9:00 a.m. Mass  
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10**  
 9:00 a.m. Mass  
**THURSDAY, MARCH 11**  
 NO MASS  
**FRIDAY, MARCH 12**  
 5:00 p.m. Mass  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 13**  
 7:00 p.m. Mass—Español  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 14**  
 9:00 a.m. Mass  
 11:00 a.m. Mass

### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday and Sunday Mass attendance requires advance registration: <https://www.saintbasilcatholicchurch.org/sign-up-for-mass> We are grateful to the volunteers who have offered to check-in our Mass participants, usher, and clean the church after each Mass. Please contact Andrea at the parish office if you can help, 269-637-2404, ext. 1102.

### Scripture Readings for the Week of March 7

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Third Sunday of Lent</b> Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17; Ps 19: 8, 9, 10, 11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25 <b>Scrutiny</b> Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4: 5:
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Saint John of God, Religious</b> 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Saint Frances of Rome, Religious</b> Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8 and 9; Mt 18:21-35
<b>Wednesday</b>	Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
<b>Thursday</b>	Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23
<b>Friday</b>	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17; Mk 12:28-34
<b>Saturday</b>	Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

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