Mar 4 & 5, 2023 The Second Sunday of Lent Mass Times and Intentions

Week of March 4 & 5		
Saturday	6:30 pm	For the repose of the soul of Gerald Jean
Sunday	10:30 am	For the parishioners of St. Marys and St. Thomas
Monday	6:30 pm	Mass
Tuesday	6:30 pm	Mass at St. Thomas
Wednesday	8:00 am	Mass
Thursday	*****	
Friday	8:00 am	Mass at St. Thomas /Stations of the Cross 7 pm St. Marys

Week of Mar 11 & 12

Saturday 6:30 pm No Intention Sunday 10:30 am Repose of the soul of Rosemarie Schmitt

Join us as we recite the Holy Rosary every Saturday evening at 6 pm and Sunday morning at 10 am.



† PRAYER CONCERNS †

For all our sick and shut-ins, as well as our troops. For all who have died and all members of St. Mary's & St. Thomas. For Prayer Chain requests please call Cathy Kennedy at 644 5073.

†Eucharistic Adoration†
Reconciliation

Wednesday mornings after 8:00 am Mass Wednesday's after Mass/Saturday's 6-6:20 pm

Good News Bootcamp: March 8 & 15 (Wednesdays) St. John Vianney, South Burlington 6:45 - 8:30 pm. Join us in discussing how we as Catholics can bring healing, transformation, virtue, and enthusiasm to our world. Check out our website at stjohnvianneyvt.org/good-news-boot- camp to discover what each week's topics will be. Join us for the sessions that interest you or join us for all of them! Ouestions? Contact Connie at SJVGoodNews@gmail.com.

Stewardship Committee: We are looking for individuals to join the Stewardship Committee. This committee assists with maintenance and facility needs. Anyone with familiarity or expertise in this area is encouraged to contact the parish office. Thank you!

Thank you for supporting the Cambridge Food Shelf!



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mar 6

Dn 9:4b-10 Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 Lk 6:36-38

Mar 7

Is 1:10, 16-20 Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 Mt 23:1-12

Mar 8

Jer 18:18-20 Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16 Mt 20:17-28

Mar 9

Jer 17:5-10 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Lk 16:19-31

Mar 10

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21 Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Mar 11

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11 -12 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Mar 12

Ex 17:3-7 Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 Jn 4:5-42

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St. John of the Cross, Spanish mystic and Doctor of the Church, 1542-1591, Feast Day March 5

St. John of the Cross, OCD was a Spanish Catholic priest and Carmelite friar. He is a major figure of the Counter-Reformation in Spain and is one of the thirty-seven Doctors of the Church.

St. John is known for his poetic, mystical writings. He was mentored by the Carmelite nun, St. Teresa of Ávila. Both his poetry and his studies on the development of the soul are considered the summit of Catholic mystical Spanish literature and among the greatest works of all Spanish literature. He was canonized by Pope Benedict XIII in 1726. In 1926, he was declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Pius XI and is also known as the "mystical doctor." John was ordained as a priest in 1567. In that year, in Medina he met the influential Carmelite nun, Teresa of Ávila. She was in Medina to found a new convent. She talked to him about her reformation projects for the Carmelite Order. Teresa asked John to follow her to learn about her principles of reform. In August 1568 John travelled with Teresa from Medina to Valladolid, where Teresa intended to found another convent. After time spent at Teresa's side in Valladolid, learning more about the new form of Carmelite life, in October 1568, John left Valladolid to found a new monastery for Carmelite friars, the first to follow Teresa's principles. He was given the use of a derelict house at Duruelo, which had been donated to Teresa. In November 1568, the monastery was established, and on that same day, John changed his name to "John of the Cross."

In December 1577, a group of Carmelites opposed to reform broke into John's dwelling in Ávila and took him prisoner. He was taken from Ávila to the Carmelite monastery in Toledo, the order's leading monastery in Castile. During his imprisonment, he composed a great part of his most famous poem Spiritual Canticle, as well as a few shorter poems. He managed to escape eight months later, in August 1578, through a small window in a room adjoining his cell. After being nursed back to health, first by Teresa's nuns in Toledo, and then during six weeks at the Hospital of Santa Cruz, John continued with the reforms.

St. John of the Cross is considered one of the foremost poets in Spanish. Two of his poems, the Spiritual Canticle, and the Dark Night of the Soul, are widely considered masterpieces of Spanish poetry. His theological works often consist of commentaries on his poems. All his works were written between 1578 and his death in 1591.

Scriptural images are common in both his poems and prose. The influence of the Song of Songs on John's Spiritual Canticle has often been noted. In addition, John shows the influence of the Divine Office and demonstrates how John was steeped in the language and rituals of the Church.

Young Adult Retreat: Friday, March 17 (Evening) – Sunday, March 19/Saint Anne's Shrine, Isle La Motte/Cost: \$75 (includes lodging and meals) Register at: vermontcatholic.org/2023-young-adult

This retreat is an opportunity for Catholic Young Adults (both married and single) to gather with others from around the state for a weekend of community, fun, and spiritual nourishment. The retreat will also include members of the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist and will feature time for Mass, Adoration, and Confession. Intended for ages 20 through 39. For questions please contact Nicole Hamilton at nhamilton@vermontcatholic.org or 802-658-6110 x 1131.

Our Lady: Undoer of Knots: What is the one "knot" in your life that causes you the most worry and heartache? Our Lady is waiting to help *undo* the "knots" in our lives. A pamphlet devoted to Our Lady: Undoer of Knots is available at the entrances to church. You are welcome to take one home.

YTD Actual YTD Budget Over (Under)

Last Week

= \$ 914.00 = \$ 35644.86 = \$ 37332.00

(1687.14)

Offertory Receipts for 2/25 & 26

FY23 Weekly Goal: \$1,098

= \$

PRAY THE HOLY ROSARY EVERY DAY! Jesus is coming back! Are you ready?