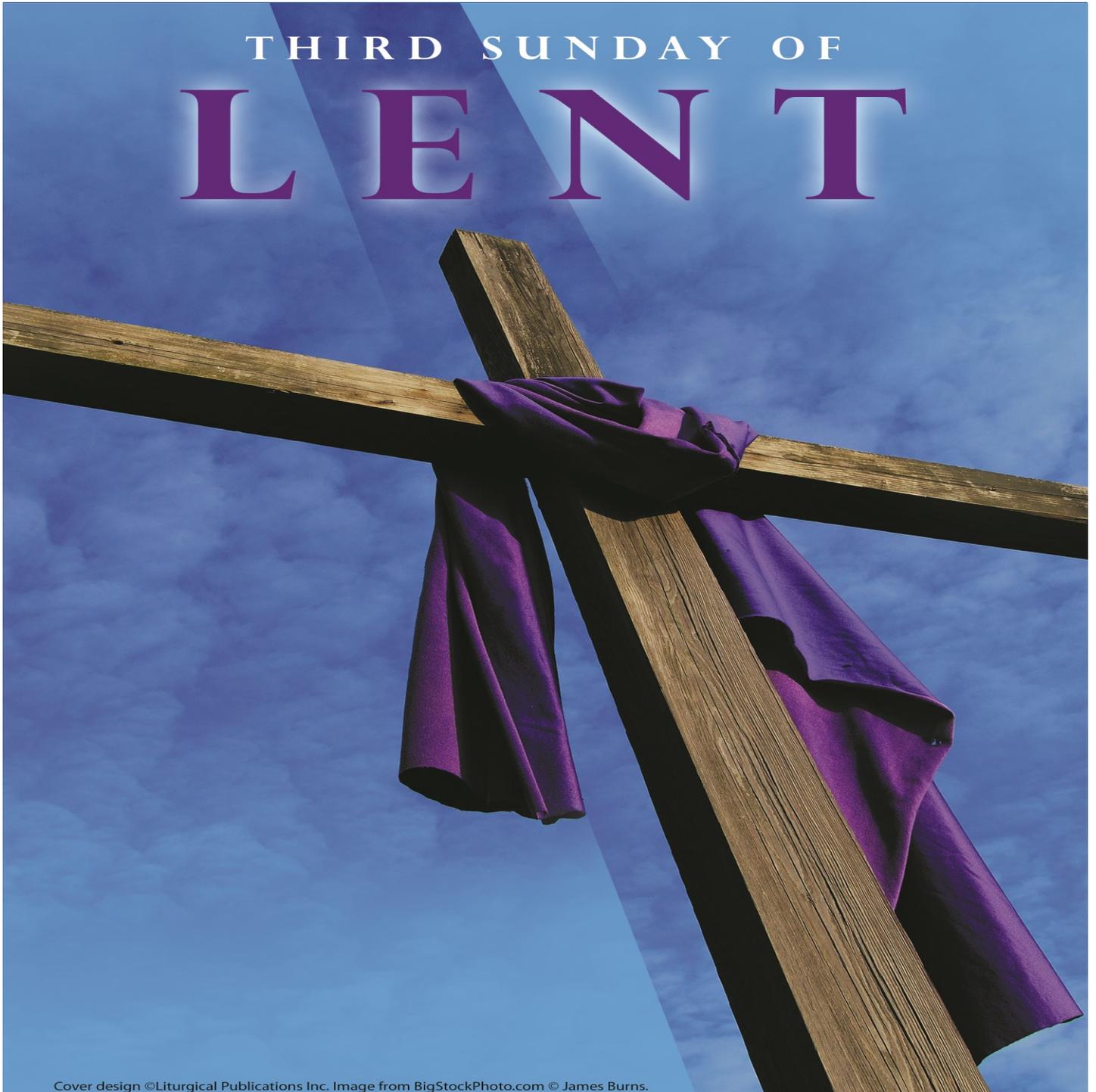


THE GOOD NEWS

PRESENTATION OUR LADY OF VICTORY PARISH
DETROIT, MICHIGAN

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 7, 2021

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LENT



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sunday @ 10:45 am

Inside the Chapel

**LENTEN RESOURCES**

Are you looking for something more this Lent? If so, here are a few websites to check out.

"**PRAY MORE NOVENAS**" website: <https://praymoreretreat.org/> offers a Lenten Retreat along with many Novenas throughout the year.

AND / OR

Another wonderful resource is Dynamic Catholic's **BEST LENT EVER** with Matthew Kelly.

Beginning on Ash Wednesday and continuing through all forty days of Lent, you will receive a daily email with a short video to help you reconnect with yourself and your God.

If you choose to throw yourself into this experience, we promise you that you will be surprised by what God can do in your life with just an email, a short video and an open heart

It's not what you give up this Lent. It's who you become!
<https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent/best-lent-ever.html>

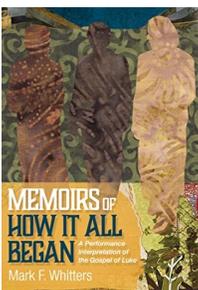
I'M ON VACATION

This is to inform you that the office will be closed from Tues, March 3 - Wed, March 11 and will re-open on Thurs, March 12. In the event of an emergency, you can call 313.330.1332 or 586.596.2089.

Please keep me in your prayers while I spend some time with my Mom down in the sunny state of Florida. I'll do my best to bring some of the warmer weather back with me! *Jeanine*

**CONGRATULATIONS**

We congratulate Mark Whitters on receiving the Silver Medallion for 2021 Illumination Award in biblical studies. You can check out the link at: [2021 Medalists](#)

**THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTION**

Sunday, March 7, 2021

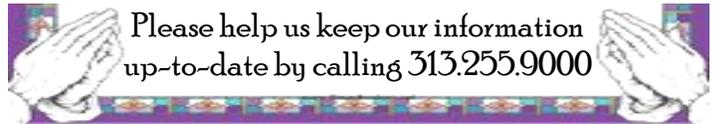
For the Special Intentions of
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Requested by Melanie Holland

† PRAYER LIST †

Maeola Blackmon, Wayne Bradley, Fr. Burr, Sarah Diggs, Ruth Donaldson, Marjorie Greene, Darlene Harris, Caldonia Ingram, Jerree Martin, Emily McGhee, Marsha Price, Priscilla Propson, Nellie Richards, Doris Robinson, Deacon Sanders, Alexander Stubbs Jr., Edward Sutton, Arline Timbers, Monika Uriel, Marilyn Worde, Mark Worde, Gwendolyn Worthy



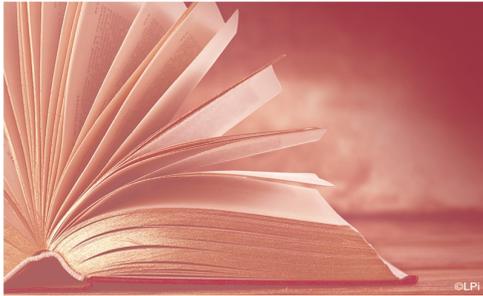
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BIRTHDAY

*Rhea Sanders
Pocahontas White
Roy Harris*



If you have a March birthday and we missed you, please let us know by calling 586.596.2089 or email sisjeanine@aol.com.



WORSHIP & MEDITATION

FIRST READING

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. (Ex 20:11)



PSALM

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life. (Ps 19)



SECOND READING

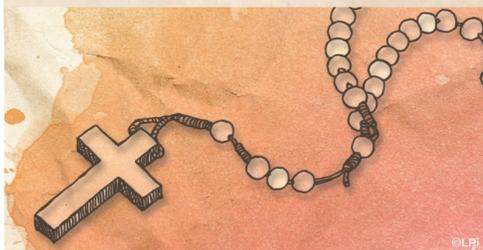
For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength. (1 Cor 1:25)



GOSPEL

"Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." (Jn 2:19)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Many prefer a "create as you go" approach to life where laws and protocols primarily exist to secure and protect liberties rather than dictate and outline proper and right behavior. There are no real benchmarks for acceptable ethical and moral behavior, with a "you can't tell me what to do" attitude prevailing. Parents are even limited in what they can request of their children, and dealing with threatening behaviors, especially from adults, are a challenge as well. Acceptable and expected conduct seems to amount to safeguarding each other's space rather than increasing awareness of necessary relationships that require a more refined and higher response.

We have lost our axis to the world of "anything goes" and no longer see the Ten Commandments as practical and wise guideposts to effective living. We live on "relativism island" where only a possible suggestion to "love and do not harm" may be the only standard able to be preached. While Jesus most certainly emphasized love above anything else, it was never about warm fuzzy feelings or halfhearted humanitarian efforts. The love of which Jesus spoke establishes an intimate connection with God, neighbor, self, and creation. Because this love, who is God Himself, is at the foundational core of our lives, it demands actions and attitudes that serve to build up, increase, and free up those relationships. Love requires proper conduct. Preserving and enhancing these love centered relationships is at the heart of the Ten Commandments (and the Beatitudes) and the reason for Jesus' display of anger in the temple. The Ten Commandments can save the world from turmoil and conflict by instilling basic moral and relational principles within us. They also hold a healthy sense of sin in balance and always remind us of our relationship with God and the freedom God offers. Our faith preserves these jewels of truth that we often look beyond, dismiss altogether, or seek to remove from public view. Human beings can be so arrogant at times. Our Lenten journey, especially when embarked upon with sincerity and resolve, can restore all of our essential relationships. When we get absorbed in life's preoccupations and demands, things can quickly get distorted and we can find ourselves way off track. In short, we find ourselves in sin. Humanity is losing a sense of both grace and sin. We need both to understand what is real and true. Until we do, the oppressive systems and ideologies that hurt so many will never change. We will never change. We are grateful for those courageous souls who willingly embrace the conversion and hard work Lent demands and stand against antiquated systems and ideologies. They give us hope that all is not lost.

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 7, 2021

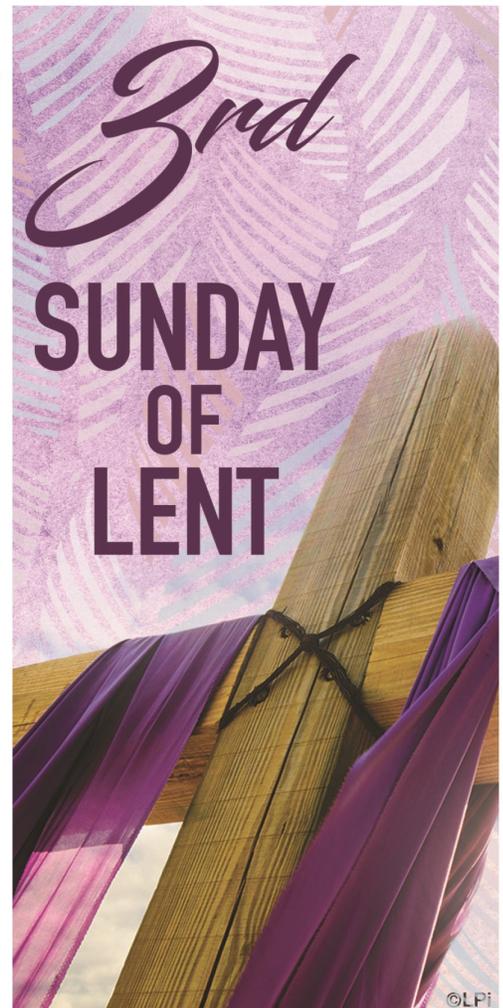
- SUN 3/07** Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 or Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
- MON 3/08** 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 [cf 42:3]/Lk 4:24-30
- TUE 3/09** Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [6a]/Mt 18:21-35
- WED 3/10** Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20]/Mt 5:17-19
- THR 3/11** Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Lk 11:14-23
- FRI 3/12** Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 [cf. 11 and 9a]/Mk 12:28-34
- SAT 3/13** Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab [cf. Hos 6:6]/Lk 18:9-14
- SUN 3/14** 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 or 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4m 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 7, 2021

- Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Lent
- Monday:** St. John of God, Religious
- Tuesday:** St. Frances of Rome, Religious
- Sunday:** 4th Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins

LIVE THE LITURGY Inspiration for the week

With our world in such constant turmoil and conflict, it makes such good sense to return to the simple directives given in the Ten Commandments. God's unassuming guidelines provide the perfect recipe for ordering our relationships with God, others, and even ourselves. But yet, we are so quick to glance beyond them and even remove them from public view because we foolishly believe we can create something better. Arrogance runs far deeper in the members of our society than we can ever imagine. Lent is a perfect time to call ourselves back to our foundations and the basic relationships that comprise our lives. It is also a time to remember that Jesus is the true sign of God's presence. Everything he says and does, including his suffering and death, is a sign of the God who sent him. The anger we witness when Jesus exhorts those in the temple to stop making his Father's house a marketplace can equally be seen in his anger and frustration over humanity's constant mission to turn God's creation into a secular world. We have a lot of work to do for sure.



*Your words are
everlasting
life.*

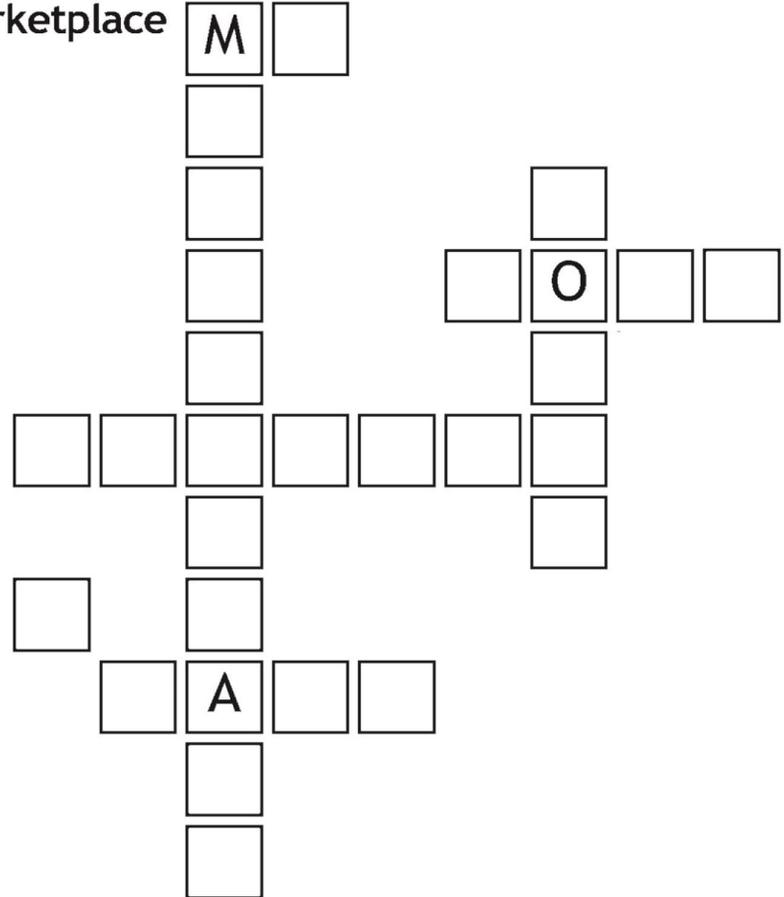
— PSALM 19 —

KIDS CORNER

READ THE GOSPEL AND COMPLETE A PUZZLE!

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

Don't make my Father's house a marketplace



SHARING THE GOSPEL

Imagine coming to your church to pray. All around your church, you see people selling animals. It smells like a barn. The animals are loud. The people are shouting. You cannot even pray with all the noise and activity going on around you. That is what Jesus found in today's Gospel. It broke his heart and made Jesus angry. God's house is not supposed to be turned into a barn or a store. It should be special place where people can meet with God and talk to him. Jesus cleaned out his Father's house. He turned it back into a place of prayer.

PRAYER

God, my church is a place for prayer. Help me to remember that always.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Read John 2:13-25 with your family. Ask God to help you keep your church clean. Church should never be a store or a barn. It should be a special place to pray.



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† Catholic Connection—Teresa Tomeo
Monday-Friday 8am-10am† Christ is the Answer-Fr. John Riccardo
Monday-Friday 11am† Kresta in the Afternoon-Al Kresta
Monday-Friday 4pm-6pm† EWTN Global Catholic Radio Open Line
Monday-Friday 3pm† Catholic Answers
Monday-Friday 6pm-8pm
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