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WEEKEND MASSES

SATURDAY..... 4:00 pm
SUNDAY..... 10:00 am

CONFESSIONS

FRIDAY..... 11:00 am-NOON
SATURDAY..... 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

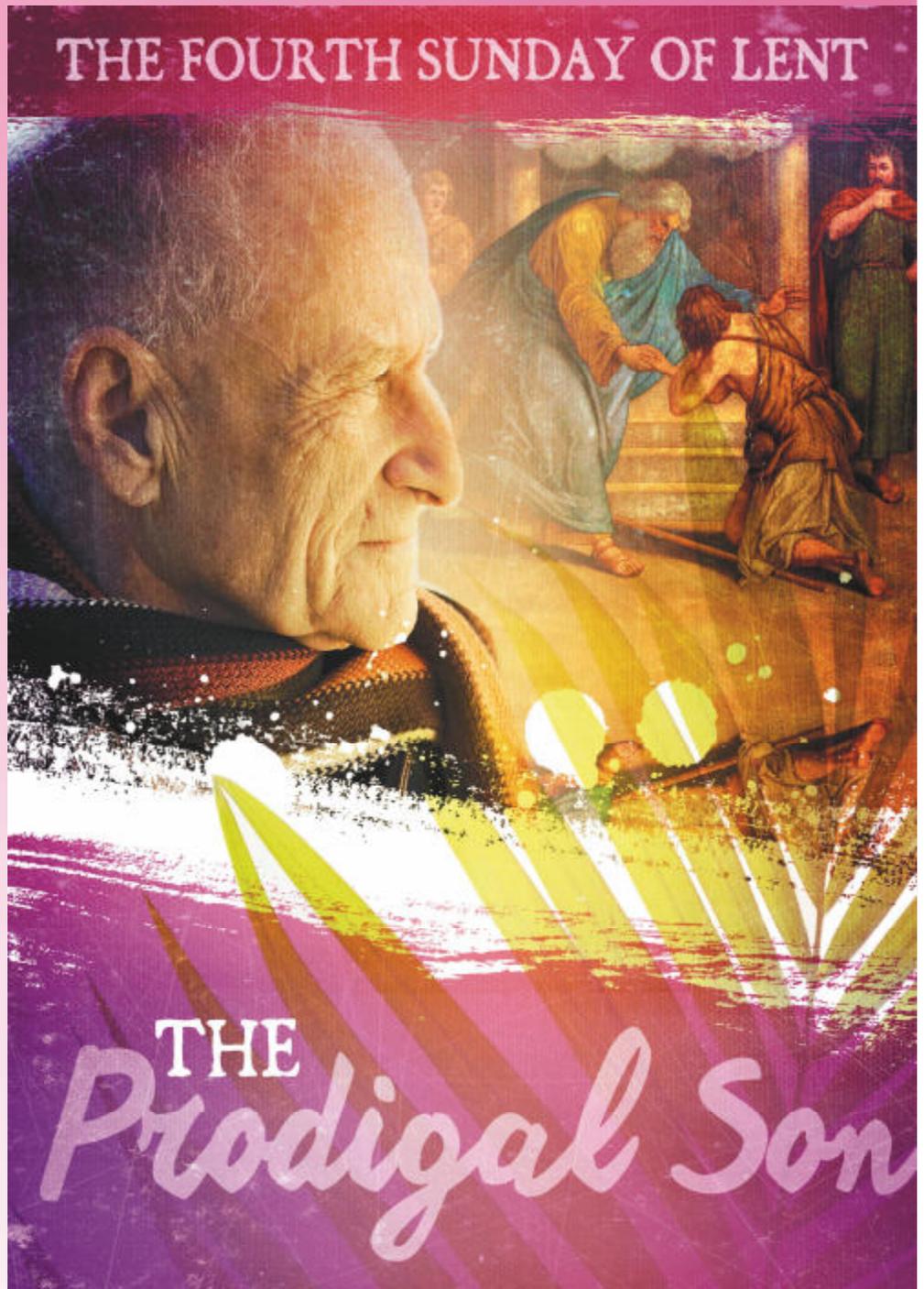
ADORATION

TUESDAY..... 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

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Weekend Mass..... Sunday 12:00 Noon
Confessions..... Sunday following Mass



Liturgies for the Week



MARCH 14 - MARCH 21

4th Sunday of Lent

Sun 10:00 am Henry "Zank" Negilski - Diane Virta
 Mon 12:10 pm Clare Prunick - Dick and Mary Bowerman
 Tue 12:10 pm Don Corp - Debbie Johnson

St Patrick, bishop

Wed 12:10 pm Mark LaCombe - Family
 Thu 12:10 pm NO Mass

St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Fri 12:10 pm Carrie Peters - The Ryan Family

5th Sunday of Lent

Sat 4:00 pm Ed and Lorraine Vertz - Family
 Sun 10:00 am Don Corp - John, Trina and Arthur

SACRED HEART 4:00 O'Clock	SACRED HEART 10:00 O'Clock
Ushers Romaldo Nevarez Bob Beauchine John Carr Don Pawelski	Ushers David Martin Phillip Martin Paul Nayback
Communion Ministers Trina Carr	Communion Ministers Tom Ferzacca
Lector Don Pray	Lector Heather Nayback
Altar Servers Mike Beauchine	Altar Servers Mark Arrieri

The Elements of Worship for this week are being donated in memory of **HENRY "ZANK" NEGILSKI** by Toni Cowell.

This Week's Calendar

SACRED HEART PARISH

March 15 - March 21

Mon	Pray the Rosary	Church	11:30 am
Tue	Pray the Rosary	Church	11:30 am
	Adoration	Church	9 am - Noon 1:00 pm - 6:pm
	Benediction	Church	6 pm
Wed	Pray the Rosary	Church	11:30 am
Fri	Confessions	LaMothe Hall	11 am - Noon
	Pray the Rosary	Church	11:30 am
	Stations of the Cross	Church	6:00 pm
Sat	Confessions	LaMothe Hall	2:30 - 3:30 pm
	Pray the Rosary	Church	3:30 pm
Sun	Pray the Rosary	Church	9:30 am



SACRED HEART

Fridays at 6:00 p.m.
Benediction following

Stewardship

Stewardship is what we do after we say "WE BELIEVE!"

Our monetary response last week	\$6,320.85
Adults	\$4,954.00
Visitors	\$230.50
Fuel	\$167.00
Parish Improvement	\$425.00
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St. Vincent de Paul	\$235.00
St. Theresa's - AuTrain	\$155.00
Adults	\$155.00



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The Liturgical Ministers schedule for April is now being prepared. If there is anytime you will be unable to serve **PLEASE** call Patty at 387-5803. A reminder that once the schedule is made it will be up to you to find a sub if you can't serve. Thank You!

FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

God's messengers always seem to get mocked. They speak a truth that some folks do not want to hear. While on the one hand we admire them, we also are quite happy keeping them at a distance. After all, they are not referring to me but someone else, aren't they? We often wrongly conclude that because we may be more avant-garde, contemporary, politically sensitive, and untraditional, we are somehow more in the light than others. People tend to prefer darkness more than light, even the most spiritually sensitive among us. The light always carries with it the richness of God's mercy and compassion which see beyond and compassion which see beyond ideologies and concepts to relationships that cultivate life, earthly and eternal. Every hand of compassion and mercy extended to a human being must always point back to God. The call always involves ordering our lives in accord with our truth and essence of being. As God never forgets us, we must never forget God. Now is the time to take stock of our infidelity and return to the light, even though it is difficult to look at.

Happenings In Our Parish



“For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.”—Jn 3:20-21



“Our Father’s Infinite Mercy” Jesus’ actions in today’s Gospel manifest God’s mercy - He receives sinners in order to convert them. “Although the word ‘mercy’ does not appear, this parable nevertheless expresses the

essence of the divine mercy in a particular way” ([Dives in Misericordia](#), 5, Pope John Paul II). In the parable of the prodigal son, Jesus describes the infinite, fatherly mercy of God and his joy at the conversion of a single sinner. So much does God desire the conversion of sinners that this parable ends with great joy over one sinner who repents. “Human life is in some way a constant returning to our Father’s house. We return to our Father’s house by means of that sacrament of pardon in which, by confessing our sins, we put on Jesus Christ again and become his brothers, members of God’s family” ([Christ is Passing By](#), 64, St. Jose Escriva).

WORDS OF WISDOM FROM BISHOP FREDERIC BARAGA

Prayer to St. Joseph from Baraga’s notes: “St. Joseph, I place myself under thy protection; look on me as your child, keep me from sin; lead me in the path of virtue; assist me at death.”



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En Theos

Why do priests wear a Roman collar?

The practice of priests wearing the Roman collar developed in the mid-nineteenth century as an alternative to wearing the cassock which in some places was seen as impractical or which was even outlawed by anti-Catholic legislation. Since its introduction, it has taken different forms, and if you visit different countries today, you will see variation in what priests wear.

The Code of Canon Law simply observes that priests wear “suitable ecclesiastical garb” according to the judgments of the national bishops conferences and local custom (no. 284). The US Bishops have instructed that outside of liturgical functions, a “black suit and Roman collar are the usual formal attire for priests. The use of the cassock is at the discretion of the cleric.” Priests who are members of religious communities are to follow the rules of their institute regarding the habit or other approved clothing.

In the end, whether a priest wears the Roman collar, a religious habit, or, as is the case in many European countries, a suit and tie (to distinguish them from Protestant clergy who wear a collar) the goal of their clerical clothing is to serve as a sign of their commitment to guide and to serve, and to also allow them to be truly public figures because they are ordained for the service of all.

Suggested daily penances for Lent:

- Sunday:** Do something loving for someone who is sick.
- Monday:** Do something constructive to rescue someone ensnared in sin.
- Tuesday:** Give counsel to the doubtful.
- Wednesday:** Instruct the ignorant.
- Thursday:** Pray with special devotion to your patron saint(s).
- Friday:** Bear wrongs that you experience today patiently.
- Saturday:** Give comfort to someone who is afflicted.

—The Magnificat Lenten Companion



Readings



FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 14, 2021

- Sunday:** 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
- Monday:** Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]; Jn 4:43-54
- Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [8]; Jn 5:1-16
- Wednesday:** Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 [8a]; Jn 5:17-30
- Thursday:** Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]; Jn 5:31-47
- Friday:** 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
- Saturday:** Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]; Jn 7:40-53
- Next Sunday:** Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33 or Ez 37:12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]; Jn 11:1-45

✂ SPIRIT LIFTERS

April 14 - Our home is—heaven. On earth we're like travelers staying in a hotel. When you're away, you're away, you're always thinking of going home.

—St. John Vianney

April 15 - There is a human splendor and a celestial splendor. The splendor that can be attained on earth is temporary and limited, while that of heaven lasts forever, which will be shown when the corruptible becomes incorruptible and the mortal, immortal.

—St. Basil the Great

April 16 - Blessed are you, my Lord, my God, for you are unchangeable in all eternity! Whoever faithfully serves you until the end shall enjoy life without end in all eternity.

—St. Teresa of Avila

April 17 - Our rest will be in heaven. O heaven, heaven, whoever thinks on you will not suffer from weariness!

—St. Joseph Cafasso

April 18 - The pleasant companionship of all the blessed in heaven will be a companionship replete with delight. For each one will possess all good things together with the blessed, because they will love one another as themselves, and therefore will rejoice in the happiness of others' goods as well as their own.

—St. Thomas Aquinas

April 19 - In heaven, the soul is certain that she loves God, and that he loves her; she sees that the Lord embraces her with infinite love, and that this love shall not be dissolved for all eternity.

—St. Alphonsus Liguori

April 20 - And what can one say of all the other blessings of heaven? There will be health, and no sickness; liberty, and no servitude; beauty, and no unsightliness; immortality, and no decay; abundance, and no want; repose, and no cares; security, and no dread; knowledge, and no error; satiety, and no feelings of revulsion; joy, and no sorrow; honor, and no contention.

—St. Peter of Alcantara

Cycles of Faith



4th Sunday of Lent

Is there something to Lent that goes beyond our own spiritual house cleaning and spiritual refinement? Yes, there is! It has to do with listening and learning so that we can take up the task of the Gospel with greater clarity and fortitude. While the spiritual refocusing of Lent is necessary, the fruit of this Lenten conversion has much more to do with learning how we can be a better Church than it does about our eternal salvation. Salvation is a gift that flows out of God's unconditional Mercy and cannot be merited. The spiritual maturity we can experience as a result of our Lenten disciplines serves to reduce the anxiety and apprehension we may experience as messengers of good, but very challenging, and unsettling, news.

St. Oscar Romero said that, "a church that doesn't provoke any crises, a gospel that doesn't unsettle, a word of God that doesn't get under anyone's skin, a word of God that doesn't touch the real sin of the society in which it is being proclaimed, what gospel is that?" When we listen to those descriptive and provocative words, do they resonate with anything in our experience? As messengers of the Gospel, we are called to bring an unsettling message to the world. If our main concern is protecting our self-interests, then we are missing something huge! Many really struggle with being rejected, dismissed, or perceived as someone who is speaking out of turn. There is a counter cultural message that must be preached that clearly sides with the poor, marginalized, victimized, oppressed, neglected, disregarded, and lost souls throughout the world. There is a widespread misery among the peoples that is all too often allowed to fester with no one coming forward to offer a change or resolution.

The Church can speak to the needed structural changes that will allow people to earn just wages, feed their families and share abundantly and equally in the gifts of God's good earth. Such a vision is not some optimistic fairy tale, but the vision of the Creator himself. Lent reminds us, as St. Oscar Romero also states, that, "we are workers, not master builder, ministers, not messiahs. We are prophets of a future not our own." We are not called to labor simply for the benefit of the here and now but of the "what is to come." Our myopic vision can be replaced by a more far reaching Lenten vision that is much greater and deeper in scope. As long as we are carrying the right blueprints with us and our thoughts extend beyond ourselves, then even the little things we do and the simplest prayer we utter go a long way. They give witness to our preference for the light of Christ and not the darkness of error and sin.

Sacraments

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Baptism

Please call Father Mike to schedule Baptisms. Parents are required to attend a pre-baptism meeting.

Marriage

Initial pastoral assessment is required before the wedding date is set. Minimum prenuptial period is six months throughout Michigan.

Funerals

The Mass of the Resurrection is the preferred Catholic liturgical celebration. Please contact your funeral director to make arrangements.

Nursing Homes

Holy Mass is celebrated at the MediLodge facility on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 2:30 p.m. Fr. Mike or Communion Minister will bring Holy Communion upon request of the family.



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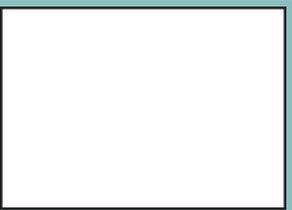
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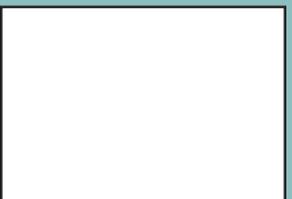
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