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Weekend Masses

Saturday	4:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am

Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday & Friday .. 8:00 am

Office Hours

Monday—Wednesday		
	8:00 am—12:00 pm	
Thursday	12:00 nm-3:00 nm	

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday—after 8:00 am Mass to 9:00 am 1st Friday—after 8:00 am Mass until 10:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday......11:00 am
And by appointment

Sacraments of Baptism and Marriage, or RCIA

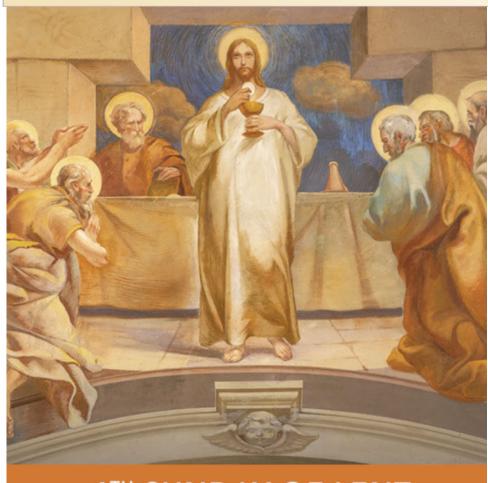
Contact the parish office to make arrangements.



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4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

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

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OLP

4th Sunday of Lent

Our national pastime isn't baseball. It's what the Bible calls "condemning the world." We generally enjoy pronouncing curses upon those whom we see as trouble, wrong, or evil. Don't believe me? Listen to almost any podcast, cable news network, or social media platform to hear it. It will be some version of: "We all agree that if they are eradicated, things will be great." Condemning is



almost always clothed in virtue. It basks in its good intentions. That's why it is so attractive. Condemning seems like our best path to saving what is good.

What a shock, then, to hear Jesus announce: "For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him" (Jn 3:17). He comes to save the world, as we all want, but he will accomplish it without an act of condemnation. How hard it is to accept this! Condemning feels godlike. I judge who and what must be lost to protect the good. But in the light of Jesus' endless mercy and love, this is the *least* godlike thing we can do.

Lenten challenge: This week, I invite you to give up the delicious experience of condemning whomever in the world you most would like to see gone. Perhaps write down their names. Secondly, I invite you to consider fasting from any media that feeds the tasty but deadly tendency to condemn.

-Father John Muir

Parish Support

Contributions from the week of **February 25**General Fund: \$3,924.00
Capital Improvement: \$85.00
Church Maintenance: \$5.00
Education Endowment Fund: \$30.00



THANK YOU for supporting YOUR Parish; every contribution helps, no matter the amount!

All that we have and all that we are comes from the Lord. "We are truly his handiwork," says St. Paul in the second reading, "created in Christ Jesus to lead a life of good deeds which God prepared for us in advance."



Sanctuary Candle Sponsorship

March 10th-March 16th

† Dan, Len, Fran and Gerry Walczyk

Sponsored by Rosie Walczyk

The Sanctuary Lamp burns constantly to proclaim the real presence of Jesus in the Tabernacle. You may honor your loved one by sponsoring the Sanctuary Lamp on the week of your choosing.

For more information, please contact Anastasia at the Church office—920-437-1979.

Our Donut Sunday video today is titled "Who is Jesus?":

Some people say that Jesus was just a myth. But there is an abundance of historical evidence for the truth of the Gospels, and serious historians do not question Jesus' existence. Looking at the Old Testament, God shaped the history of the Jewish people to announce and predict the coming of Jesus. God came to earth looking for us, seeking to heal us and draw us close to Him.

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 11

8:00 am † James VanSchyndle

Tuesday, March 12

8:00 am † Carol Johanski

† Betty Kelleher

Wednesday, March 13

8:00 am NO MASS

Thursday, March 14

NO MASS

Friday, March 15

8:00 am † Lilianna Bock Nelson

Saturday, March 16

4:00 pm For All of God's Blessings

Sunday, March 17

9:00 am For All Our Parishioners Living & Deceased

† deceased ♥ Intention of • In honor of

Scrip News

Many Thanks to the 6 people who purchased \$1649 worth of Scrip from February 19th to February 25th, giving the Parish \$63.15 in profit.

This Week in the Parish

Monday, March 11

1:00 pm Altar Society

Tuesday, March 12

6:00 pm Education Endowment

Fund Mtg—Choir Rm

6:00 pm Lenten Reconciliation

service

Friday, March 15

8:00 am Mass—Parish Book of

Healing
In the Chapel

Noon Stations of the Cross

Sunday, March 17

10:00 am Donut Sunday

w/video

Quilters will gather on **Saturday**, **March 23** from 10:00 am to Noon in St. Clare Hall. We have enough supplies to get started, but bring anything you'd like to donate or use, and your ideas! Any questions, call Anastasia at 920-423-2747.

Readings for the Week

Readings for the week of March 10, 2024

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

Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9,

13-17, 34-38

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and

4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/

Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3,

5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9,

13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-

30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-

20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-

47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps

34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and

23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3,

9bc-10, 11-12/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 Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27,

33b-45

March Intentions of the Pope and the Bishop

Pope Francis' Intention

FOR THE MARTYRS OF OUR DAY, WIT-NESSES TO CHRIST Let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive.

Bishop Ricken's Intention

FOR A GREATER APPRECIATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: May we, during this Season of Lent, encounter Jesus more deeply in the Sacrament of Reconciliation where we are freed from the burden of sin and are reconciled to God our Father.

St. Ann Fraternity of The Secular Franciscans

We invite all parishioners to Bible Study (Lectio Divina), Prayer and Reflection at 10:00 am in the Adele Brise room off the school Cass Street entrance on the **Second** and **Fourth** Saturdays of the month. The next meeting will take place on & **March** 23rd. All are welcome.

The regular 3rd Saturday of the month meeting will be held on **March 16**th from 8:30 am to 10:30 am.

This Week's Birthdays— 75 or more years young

Alvin Schroeder (3/13) Clara Kaus (3/13) Bob Jonet (3/15) Helen Denil (3/16) Pat Biersteker (3/17)



Bishop's Appeal 2024

Our Bishop's Appeal goal is \$11,659.00

Donated to date: **\$10,000.00**



Thank you to all who have already given to the 2024 Bishop's Appeal. To those who have not yet returned their Bishop's Appeal envelope, please do so as soon as possible.

The parish will be refunded 50% of the amount collected in excess of our goal amount! Again, thank you to all for your generosity. Deacon Paul

Folks—Stop in after Sunday Mass and check out the "Abandoned Book Classroom". There are many books to adopt. I am sure you will find something you can adopt. If not, Fr. Finian will help you.





Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available to you **each Saturday** at 11:00 am and this **Tuesday, March** 12th at 6:00 pm.

During the Holy season of Lent we should take advantage of this Sacrament to prepare us to be better people by Easter Sunday.

Altar Society

Our next meeting will be held tomorrow, **March 11**th at 1:00 pm. The speaker will be Ellen Tilleman from the Alexandrina Pregnancy Resource Center.

Lent Parish Project

We will again be participating in St. John's Ministries Wish List. Please place your donations in the box in the back of church. Thank you.

A "wish list" of needed items can be seen taped to the lid of the collection box (and was an insert in a previous bulletin). Please donate only items that are new or gently used and in good condition. There are also wish lists on Amazon & Walmart. Lastly, monetary donations can be mailed to the shelter.

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