

# ST JUDE

CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Third Sunday of Lent

March 7, 2021



## *Third Sunday of Lent*

He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. - John 2:15

# PARISH UPDATE

## CATCH UP ON THE LATEST NEWS

### What's on the Menu This Week?

#### March 8 Zoom Lunch - "Hearts Ablaze with God's Love"

March 8th, Deanne Short will host the session and Tom Pelger will share briefly how his experience in the Society has impacted his faith and spirituality. There will also be time for sharing and fellowship in small groups. The theme for this week is "Hearts Ablaze with God's Love". All sessions will use Zoom and last no longer than 45 minutes.

To register and receive the Zoom invitation, send your name and email to [stjudehvladers@ncr-svdp.org](mailto:stjudehvladers@ncr-svdp.org) with Lenten Reflection Series in the subject. For more information, email [EileenSteed@sbcglobal.net](mailto:EileenSteed@sbcglobal.net) or call (630) 699-7215.

### Caterpillar Matching Program Expands

#### Gifts to nonpublic schools now eligible for matching

We recently learned that the Caterpillar Foundation modified their matching gift program guidelines which now allow local area nonpublic schools to receive matching gifts from the Foundation. All current or retired Caterpillar employees are eligible to participate in this program. Charitable donations made directly to St. Jude Catholic School or St. Jude's Sister's Scholarship Fund, and those made indirectly to St. Jude through the Empower Illinois/Invest in Kids scholarship program, are eligible to be matched by the Caterpillar Foundation.

The Caterpillar Foundation's match is distributed to the schools on a quarterly basis, rather than only annually. Donations must be made to the schools for educational purposes. Donations made to churches and for religious purposes are not eligible. More information may be found at Caterpillar Matching Gifts.

More details on how to make the most of your contributions will be provided in upcoming bulletins.

### A Statement Regarding the Janssen/Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine

#### For your information, from the Archdiocese of New Orleans

There has been much discussion of late over the COVID-19 vaccines becoming available to the public as a means of bringing the pandemic under control. For Catholics in particular there has been much discussion and debate about moral and ethical questions around the development of the vaccines in regards to their use of morally compromised cell lines created from two abortions that occurred, one in the 1970s and one in the 1980s.

The Archdiocese of New Orleans, in light of guidance from the Vatican, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, and The National Catholic Bioethics Center affirm that though there was some lab testing that utilized the abortion-derived cell line, **the two vaccines currently available from Pfizer and Moderna do not rely on cell lines from abortions in the manufacturing process and therefore can be morally acceptable for Catholics** as the connection to abortion is extremely remote.

It is under the same guidance that the archdiocese must instruct Catholics that the latest vaccine from Janssen/Johnson & Johnson is morally compromised as it uses the abortion-derived cell line in development and production of the vaccine as well as the testing.

**We maintain that the decision to receive the COVID-19 vaccine remains one of individual conscience in consultation with one's healthcare provider.** We also maintain that in no way does the Church's position diminish the wrongdoing of those who decided to use cell lines from abortions to make vaccines. In doing so, we advise that if the Moderna or Pfizer vaccine is available, Catholics should choose to receive either of those vaccines rather than to receive the new Johnson & Johnson vaccine because of its extensive use of abortion-derived cell lines.

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# HOW WE WORSHIP

## LITURGICAL UPDATE

### From the Committee on Divine Worship

#### Note on a change to the translation of Collect prayers

In May of 2020 the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments wrote to the English-speaking Conferences of Bishops regarding the concluding doxology of the Collects in the Roman Missal (which also appear in other liturgical books).

Specifically, the Congregation pointed out that the current translation – which concludes “[...] in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever” – is incorrect. There is no mention of “one” in the Latin, and “Deus” in the Latin text refers to Christ. Therefore, the correct translation, which is already reflected in the Missal in other languages (including our own USCCB Misal Romano) is simply: “[...] in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.” The Cardinal Prefect has pointed out the importance of affirming this Christological truth amid the religious pluralism of today’s world.

*“God, for ever and ever”*

English translations of the Missal for use by the faithful prior to the Second Vatican Council reflected the correct translation, as for example the St. Joseph’s Missals of the 1950’s. However, when the post-conciliar texts were published in English, the word “one” was added.

It should be noted that when the translation of the Missal currently in use was in progress, ICEL pointed out the discrepancy to the Congregation in Rome, but was told to retain the use of “one God” in the new translation.

In light of the Congregation’s most recent direction in this matter, the Latin Rite Bishops of the USCCB have voted to amend no. 54 of the U.S. text of the General Instruction of the Roman Missal to reflect the change, and the Congregation has confirmed this decision, as it already has for the Episcopal Conferences of England and Wales, Ireland, and Canada.

This change to the concluding doxology of orations is to be implemented on Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2021. The words “one God, for ever and ever” are simply replaced with “God, for ever and ever.”

## CELEBRATING OUR FAITH PARISH SCHEDULE

### Church Hours

M-F Noon - 6 PM, and During Weekend Mass

### Mass Times

#### Monday-Friday Daily Mass:

8:30 AM - Mass (also available to live stream)

#### Wednesday:

5:00 PM - Mass - North Parking Lot

#### Saturday:

4:00 PM - Mass

6:30 PM - Mass

#### Sunday:

7:00 AM - Mass

8:15 AM - Parking Lot Communion Service

9:30 AM - Mass (also available to live stream)

Noon - Mass

### Adoration

Tuesdays & Thursdays - 3:00 to 6:00 PM

Fridays - Noon to 4:00 PM

### Stations of the Cross (Lent)

Fridays - 5:00 PM

### Confession Times

Wednesdays: 5:00 PM - South Parking Lot

Saturdays: 9:00 AM

### Sacraments

#### Baptism for Infants

Call for an appointment to schedule Baptism preparation for your family.

#### Holy Matrimony

Please arrange an appointment with a priest at least eight months prior to wedding date.

#### Anointing of the Sick

Call the Parish Office any time day or night.

### Please Pray for Our Sick

If you or a loved one has a serious illness, please contact the parish office. It is both our duty and privilege to administer sacraments and pastoral care.

Dorothy Barrath

Joan Button

Jacques Elloye

Bill Kraft

Denny Lowe

Len Nevitt

James Tucker

Marilyn Wargo

Rollie Wilson

# MASS INTENTIONS CELEBRATING OUR FAITH

## The Third Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 6

- 4:00 PM In Honor of Bill & Dorothy Thorne's  
Anniversary [Michael Thorne]  
6:30 PM + Judy Strother [Jeff & Maria Shanine]

Sunday, March 7

- 7:00 AM + Ruby Bodtke [Bob & Carolyn Nault]  
9:30 AM Our Entire Parish  
12 NOON Margie Hughes Joyce [Oscar & Joan Weber]

### Weekday Masses

Monday, March 8

- 8:30 AM + Tom Donlan [Oscar & Joan Weber]

Tuesday, March 9

- 6:30 AM + Judy Stickelmaier [George Warner, Jr.]  
- Sisters' Private Mass at Convent  
8:30 AM + Barbara Woodward [Terry & Kathy Tate]

Wednesday, March 10

- 8:30 AM + Ruby Bodtke [Women of St. Jude]  
5:00 PM + Gianna Stoia [Stoia Family]

Thursday, March 11

- 6:30 AM + Jim Bartek [Magner Family]  
- Sisters' Private Mass at Convent  
8:30 AM + Tom Kleppe [Barb & Dave Smith]

Friday, March 12

- 8:30 AM + David Doyle [Bob & Carolyn Nault]  
10:00 AM + Mary Jo Tsokolos [Anne & Paul Horst]  
- Private School Mass

## The Fourth Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 13

- 4:00 PM + Michael Faley [Flaherty Family]  
6:30 PM + Geraldine Becker [Denny & Sue Smith]

Sunday, March 14

- 7:00 AM + Theresa Day [Marilyn Wargo]  
9:30 AM + Ken McGarvey [Bob & Nancy Franzwa]  
12 NOON Our Entire Parish

# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



## SVDP SOCIETY UPDATE

### Local Agencies Working Together

At the very end of today's Gospel, we hear, "(Jesus) did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well." We often ask ourselves what Jesus would do in some of the situations we find ourselves. Would He pay rent for someone who, in our opinion, was irresponsible and put other priorities ahead of shelter for their family? Sometimes those decisions are especially difficult when they live in subsidized housing and their monthly rent is a reasonable percentage of their income. As you may remember, we try to find a way to have those in need have some "skin in the game" in solving their problem. It isn't always feasible to have them pay a part of the amount due, but if their housing is through Peoria Housing Authority (PHA), their skin in the game can be becoming an active member of the Family Self Sufficiency program (FSS). This program is available to all PHA residents and provides a mentoring type of relationship – helping them set goals and suggesting resources to help them achieve those goals. Incentives are available to encourage them to keep setting higher goals. It requires keeping in touch with their "mentor" for encouragement and ideas. Often we will offer to help financially IF they will join FSS, and we tell them that if they call back at a later date and haven't been active in the program we will not consider help again. Collaboration with other programs helps us to help others more fully. We received the following note from a FSS coordinator.

*"It is programs like St. Vincent de Paul that have been a beacon of light to our PHA families when they have been faced with uncertainties about their financial livelihood. I appreciate the fact that St. Vincent de Paul makes the attempt to try and help not just on the financial end, but you take in account the wholistic approach of trying to heal the whole man and/or the whole woman with your substance of resources and your compassion towards hoping one day that such individuals and their families can grow up and become productive members of our society. Again, we are thankful for this local blessing known as the St. Vincent de Paul Society."*

Thank you so much for your donations of laundry detergent last week. This week we are asking for pasta sauce – an easy way to put a meal on the table. Thank you in advance for helping us to help others. It has been good to see some of you at our virtual Lenten Refection Series – at noon on Mondays. If you haven't joined us yet, why not start tomorrow? You can get a link to join us by calling or emailing Eileen Steed – (630) 699-7215 or [eileensteed@sbcglobal.net](mailto:eileensteed@sbcglobal.net).



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## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

### Recognizing God in Ordinary Moments

#### Parents Just Don't Understand

Anybody remember the old rap song by the Fresh Prince, aka Will Smith, "Parents Just Don't Understand?" As we grow up, it is sometimes a struggle for us to imagine that our parents understand us. It can seem impossible that Mom and Dad remember the stress of exam week or peer pressure. We never saw them as children; we never saw their disappointed faces when they weren't invited to a party, or their dashed hopes at a bad test grade. We never saw them homesick their first week of college or nervous to ask their crush to Homecoming.

*"He is sometimes  
simply a man at a well,  
asking for a drink."*

We're often the same way about God. We gripe about what He asks of us. "He doesn't understand sin — he's all-good," we think. "He doesn't understand temptation — He is perfect."

In Scripture, God can be very much a father, telling us what we can and cannot do. And yet, in His divine genius, He is sometimes simply a man at a well, asking for a drink.

For me, it turns out I didn't need to tell my parents anything about what I was going through as a kid — they knew already. What I needed was for them to tell me what to do, and how to do it.

Similarly, we don't need to tell God about human nature. We need God to tell us about His nature. He's good enough to ask us for a drink, to enter into our humanity. But we have to remember, for our own sakes, to have the humility to ask Him for something, too — the water that will quench our eternal thirst.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

## SHARING IN THE WORK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

Thank you for your generosity in support of our mission. Our parish is dependent upon your weekly financial gifts to continue its ministries, and we can't thank you enough!

### Gifts From Our Parish Family - February 28

	Weekly	YTD (35 Wks)
<b>Amount Needed:</b>	<b>\$ 21,154</b>	<b>\$ 740,390</b>
<b>Sacrificial Gifts:</b>	<b>\$ 15,031</b>	<b>\$ 722,296</b>
<b>Difference (+ or -):</b>	<b>-\$ 6,123</b>	<b>-\$ 18,094</b>

## NO-FEE DONATION OPTION

Many of our parishioners have been taking advantage of the free Bill-Pay at their banks where they send the checks directly to us. This option charges no fees to St. Jude and is an easy way to make your donation. If you have any questions about this option, please reach out to Linda Boone, our accountant, at [lboone@stjudecatholic.com](mailto:lboone@stjudecatholic.com) or call the parish office at 309-243-7811.

### 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT



# DIOCESAN UPDATE

## NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

### Position Open at Women's Care Center

Make a difference! Women's Care Center Peoria, a pro-life pregnancy center, is seeking compassionate individuals for a position as a nurse and/or sonographer. Must believe in our mission. Part-time. Training will be provided. Please email resume and cover letter to Connie McClure, Director: [wccconnie13@gmail.com](mailto:wccconnie13@gmail.com) or send to: 7319 N. University Street, Peoria, IL 61614.

### Have Graphic Design Experience?

The Catholic Post has an immediate opening to assist in the production of the award winning bi-weekly newspaper of the Diocese of Peoria. Approximately 25 hours per week, including some clerical duties. Must be proficient with InDesign and Photoshop. Send resumes to [tdermody@cdop.org](mailto:tdermody@cdop.org) or Tom Dermody, The Catholic Post, PO Box 1722, Peoria, IL 61656.

### Marriage Classes

There are classes scheduled for marriage prep in 2021. For more information please visit: <https://cdop.org/evangelization-and-faith-formation-old/marriage/>

### Campaign for 22 Million Rosaries

Join Our Campaign for 22 Million Rosaries for Peace in the Family, Nation, & World. Visit the website to register how many rosaries you have prayed. <https://www.praytogetherstaytogether.net>

### St. Andre Bessette Center

Living in the Greater Peoria Area and interested in making a difference in people's lives? Consider volunteering at the Bessette Lunch Kitchen. This Catholic Charities ministry, located at the St. Andre Bessette Center on NE Adams Street in Peoria, is in need of extra help on Fridays from 10:30-1:30 serving and preparing sack lunches. Visit [www.cdop.org](http://www.cdop.org) and select Peoria County for more information or select volunteer to submit a volunteer request.

# PARISH UPDATES

## CONTINUED

### PND Youth Baseball and Softball

Registration is open through April 1.

Registration is now open for the 2021 PND Youth Baseball and Softball leagues. Registration goes until April 1st. PND Youth Baseball and Softball offer leagues from 6U to 15U in baseball, as well as 6U to 18U in softball. Any skill level is welcome and we look forward to seeing you this upcoming season! For registration and information on the PND Youth Baseball and Softball, please visit our website at [ndyouthbaseball.com](http://ndyouthbaseball.com). If you have any questions, please contact Nick Anderson at 309-472-5573.

### Women's Book Club

Zoom Meeting on "In the Time of Butterflies" March 13 at 9AM

Any women of the parish are welcome to attend the monthly Well-Read Mom book group—virtually this year! Our goal is to provide a monthly structure for reading high quality literature and grow in friendship in the process. The year includes great books, spiritual classics (during Advent and Lent), worthy reads, poetry, and selected essays from the Catholic and Western Tradition. **Our April book will be "The Hiding Place"**.

If you are interested in being part of this, please send an email to Nancy Piccione at [nancy.m.piccione@gmail.com](mailto:nancy.m.piccione@gmail.com).

### Drive-up Confession Times

Saturdays at 9:00 AM, Wednesdays at 5:00 PM

### Lenten Adoration Changes

Tuesdays, 3-6 PM, Thursdays, 3-6 PM, Fridays, Noon-4 PM

On Fridays, adoration will end at 4pm instead of 6pm due to Stations of the Cross. This new schedule will be in effect through 3/26. We are adding adoration on Thursday from 3pm-6pm. If you would like to sign up as a regular adorer during Lent please contact Maria Marstall (309) 838-9323 or [adoration@stjudecatholic.com](mailto:adoration@stjudecatholic.com)

### Do You Have Time To Serve?

We are in need of many volunteers each week to make our services safe. If you are not at risk and would be interested in helping with seating at masses, or cleaning after masses, please call the parish office, email Donna at [stjude@stjudecatholic.com](mailto:stjude@stjudecatholic.com), or go to: [www.signupgenius.com/go/70A094AACAA2BABFE3-usherlectorclean43](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A094AACAA2BABFE3-usherlectorclean43) to sign up.

# GOSPEL MEDITATION

## LOOKING DEEPER INTO SCRIPTURE

### Third Sunday of Lent

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.

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