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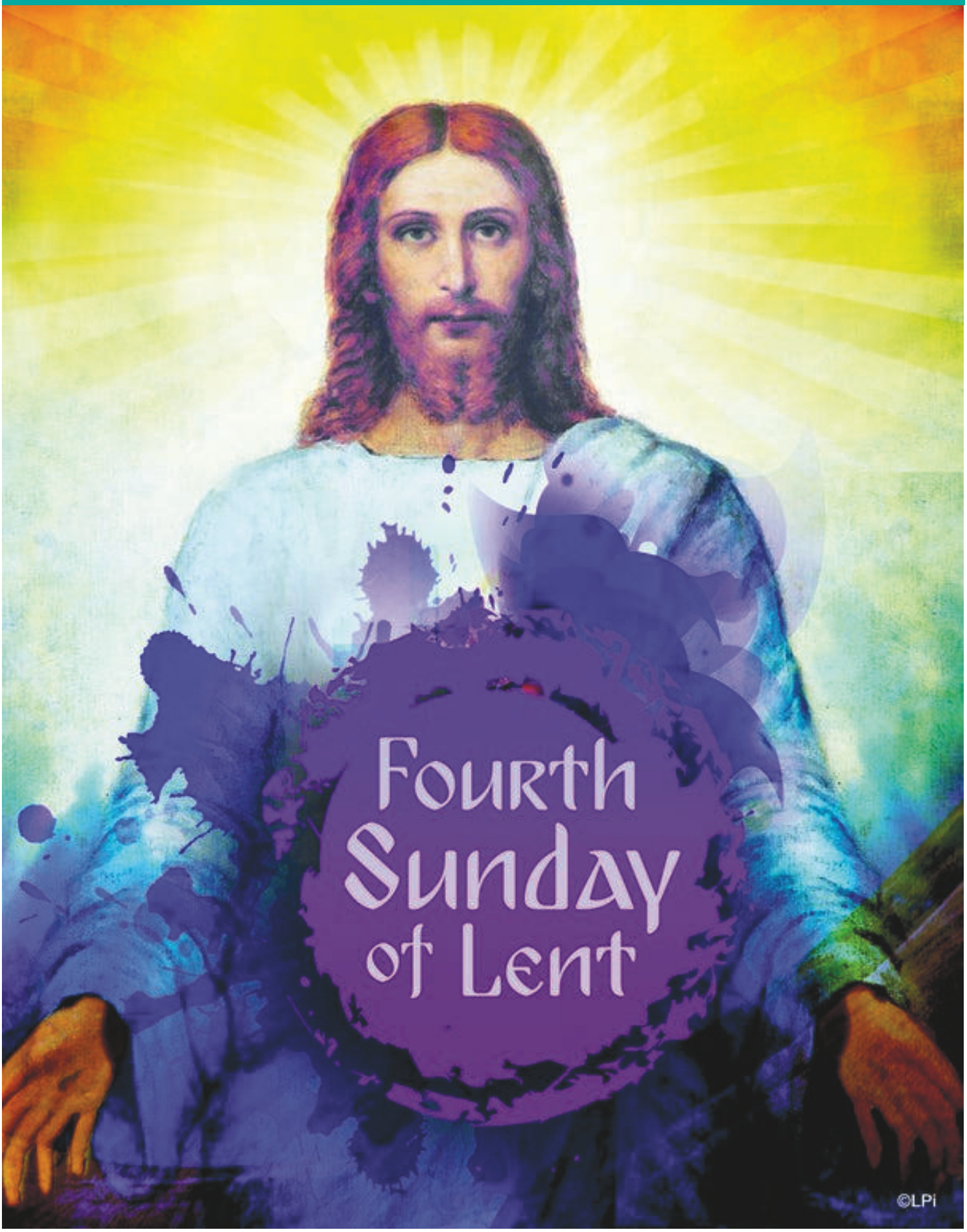

And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come toward the light, so that his works might not be exposed. — Jn 3:19-20

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 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 [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 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

March 14, 2021
Fourth Sunday of Lent

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

Even during Lent we remain a joyful people, for we believe that God loves us despite our sinfulness, loves us so much that Jesus Christ sacrificed himself so that we may be redeemed and born into eternal life. Today on Laetare ("Rejoice") Sunday, we anticipate the joy we will feel on Easter. Let us give thanks to God for the grace and mercy we have regularly received and trust we will continue to receive throughout our lives.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

The readings today begin with a chronicle of the downfall of Judah, though it does have a note of hope at the end. Saint Paul teaches the Ephesians that Jesus Christ is proof positive of God's rich mercy. In the Gospel, Jesus tells Nicodemus that he will be lifted up by his Father, bringing eternal life to all who believe. God's unending love is a source of hope, mercy, and life. Let us rejoice!

In Loving Memory

Please pray for the deceased members of our Parish Family:

Pray For...

Please pray for the following parish family members who are sick; Annabelle Alexander, Conor Berry, Lawrence Berry, Albert Blecich, Marianne Bobrowski, Jack Brennan, Dolores Carron, Michelle Cercone, Gail Chodkowski, Mary Crusberg, Jessica K. Dalton, Julie Davis, Gino Delmaro, Steven Dinello, John Dooney, Mary Dube, Edward Dymon, Richard Egan, Mary Ellen Evans, Sylvester Falkowski, Jenie Filipek, Rick Filipek, R. Filipek, Kristen Fitzgerald, Brandi Gorley-Hawver, Angela Gurczynski, Alice Hepp, Broderick Imbro, Dorothy Kachnowski, The Keets Family, Kathy Kogut, Carol Kozak, Carly Jo LaPointe, Jody Leary, Debbie Lein, Ala Llas, Ann Lonczak, Pat Lynes, Thomas Markowski, Joan McCollor, Joan McFarlin, Cyndi Miller, James Moore, Rose Mordarski, Dolores Nessing, Joseph Pasinski, Gloria Polick, Donna Ricker, Melissa Rodgers, Stephanie Roldan, Paul Rood Jr., Celeste, Tommy Maguire, Gina Scalzo, Florence, Jeremy Scalzo, Tom Scalzo, P. Stempien, Sarena Szymaszek, Ann Tall, Alexander Tubis, Wendy Vining, Connie Wache, Adeline Welchek, Martin Woronick, Andrew, Joanna

Please call the Parish office if you would like to add anyone to our Prayer List.

Parish Support

St. Faustina Parish

March 7th Offertory Collection—$ 6,162.00
Annual Eucharistic Exposition—$714.00

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Covid Donation Drive

The 9th Grade Confirmation class has set up a Covid Donation Drive! We need your help!!

Please Donate: Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Deodorant (Men and Women), Shampoo (Men and Women), Body Wash, Hand Wipes, Soap, Lysol, Sanitizer, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper

All donations will be given to the local Meriden homeless shelter, Shelter NOW
Donations will be collected at the Olive Street Entrance of St. Stanislaus Church and at SS. Peter & Paul Church until March 28th

The **Rosary Society** invites you to join us after the 9:00AM Mass on March 21, 2021 for a recitation of the Most Holy Rosary, as we pray for our faith, all people and the intersession of Mary to put an end to this pandemic. You must wear a face mask and please practice Social Distancing at all times.

Further Extension of the Dispensation from the Obligation of Sunday Mass

With the continuation of limitations on Mass attendance and our responsibility to ensure the health and safety of our Catholic people, the Archbishop is extending the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days up to and including Sunday, May 23rd, which is Pentecost Sunday.

2021 Mass Book

Please call the Parish Office to schedule masses. If you have special anniversaries, please call as soon as possible to reserve your date.

The Blessed Sacrament Chapel is opened from 8:00A.M. - 8:00P.M. daily
Please come and spend some time with Jesus for your private Prayer.

Please remember **WEAR A MASK,**
SOCIAL DISTANCE,
STAY HEALTHY,
AND GOD BLESS YOU

Religious Education

CCD and Confirmation Program
will now be remote learning classes.

If you have any questions please contact:
CCD Director: Mary Dube, 203-443-3576
mdube10551@aol.com
Barbara Besitka - dwbesitka@comcast.net
Rebecca Wronski - becca8490@att.net

CONFIRMATION NEWS

On March 7th the Confirmation class participated in a Covid safe virtual retreat on Zoom. It was led by a UCONN senior focusing on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Even though it was virtual, students were engaged by some of the powerful thought-provoking messages that were shared. Please continue to keep Angela, Isabella, Kuba, Mia, and William in your prayers on their journey to the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Please call the Parish Office if you need a print out of your 2020 Contributions. Thank you
203-235-6341

Meriden Soup Kitchen is in need of canned Olives. Please leave the Olives at the door of the Church.
Thank you again for your support!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- At all times practice Social Distancing by staying at least 6 feet from people who do not live in your household. Do not congregate before or after Mass.
- You must wear a face mask or cloth face covering.
- Space will be limited due to Connecticut guidelines.

We appreciate your understanding, and Thank you for your support during this time.

Sanctuary Candles

St. Stanislaus Church

Giuseppina Privitera—
Birthday Remembrance
from, Loving Family

SS. Peter & Paul Church

2021 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

The 2021 Archbishop's Annual Appeal is now underway in our parish. Your support of this year's Appeal ensures that essential charitable, educational, and pastoral ministries of the Archdiocese of Hartford are carried forward.

We hope you can help meet our parish goal of $53,000. If you would like to make a gift, please mail in your pledge card. You may also visit the Archdiocesan website at www.archdioceseofhartford.org or call the Appeal Office at (800) 781-2550. Keep in mind that an early pledge will allow you to best use the monthly payment plan.

All funds contributed to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal are used exclusively for the purposes outlined in the Appeal literature, which can be found at https://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/. No Appeal funds are ever used for legal fees or settlements.

St. Stanislaus Cemetery Rules & Regulations

Winter Season

Cemetery Grave blankets are not allowed.

Monument Lots - Christmas boxes must be placed at the monument not at the footstones.

Non Monument Lots - For Single Graves, you may place a Christmas box on the footstone.

All winter decorations will be removed on Feb. 1st.

If you have any questions or doubts, please call the Rectory at (203) 235-6341 and we will be very happy to help you.

Thank you for your cooperation

March 14, 2021

SAT/SOB 13 March: *Lenten Weekday*
8:00AM (St. Stans Church) Stephanie Knell—Anniv Remem fr Tony, Marie & Brian
4:00PM vigil (St. Stans Church) Donald Antonio fr Sunshine Club

SUN/NIE 14 March: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
9:00AM(St. Stans Church) Our Parish Family
10:30AM (SS Peter & Paul) Bertha Erazmus fr Polish Women's Alliance Group 185
12:00Noon(St. Stans Church) Wanda & Antoni Akier fr od Syna z rodzina

MON/PON 15 March: *Lenten Weekday*
8:00AM (St. Stans Church) For the Intersession of Blessed Michael J. McGivney fr Knights of Columbus, Silver City Council No. 2

TUE/WTO 16 March: *Lenten Weekday*
5:00PM(St. Stans Church) Adolf Albrycht fr Roman Czernik

WED/SRO 17 March: *Lenten Weekday*
8:00AM (St. Stans Church) Michael Carta—Birthday Remem fr Daughters Elizabeth & Ann

THU/CZW 18 March: *Lenten Weekday*
6:00PM (SS. Peter & Paul) The Besitka Family fr Besitka Family

FRI/PTK 19 March: *St. Joseph, Spouse of The Blessed Virgin Mary*
8:00AM (St. Stans) Saint Joseph

SAT/SOB 20 March: *Lenten Weekday*
8:00AM (St. Stans Church) Josephine Doron—Birthday Remem
4:00PM vigil (St. Stans Church) Trish Gregg fr Family

SUN/NIE 21 March: FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
9:00AM(St. Stans Church)(living) Aurelia Mierzejewski—Happy Birthday!! fr Loving Family
Bertha Erazmus fr Friend Zofia Glowacki
10:30AM (SS Peter & Paul) Deceased members of the Sevas Family fr Donald & Loretta
12:00Noon(St. Stans Church) Zofia Marszalek—5th Anniv Remem fr Daughter Jadwiga & Vaclav Filar

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SS. PETER & PAUL CEMETERY:

Please clean up and take all trash, weeds, debris (etc.) with you when leaving the cemetery. Thank you

From the Pastor's Desk

Rev. Edward Ziemnicki

During Lent at SS. Peter & Paul Church, Thursday evenings after 6:00PM Mass we will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction from 6:30PM-7:00PM. Confession will also be available during this time.

Confession Thursday Evening
at SS. Peter & Paul
From 6:30PM– 7:00PM during Lent

All are invited to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 9:50AM and the Rosary at 10:00AM before the 10:30AM Sunday Mass every week at St. Peter and Paul Church

LENTEN Schedule

Stations of the Cross
Friday Evening at 6:00PM

March 19th — St. Stanislaus Church
March 26th — SS. Peter & Paul Church

Lent Regulations: **Good Friday is a day of fast and of abstinence.** All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. ***Fasting*** means to refrain from eating foo between meals and to eat only one full meal with the other two being lighter meals. It is required of those who are age 18-59. Liquids are permitted between meals. ***Abstinence*** **means to refrain from eating meat. It is required of those 14 years of age and older.**

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