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Sunday, March 14, 2021

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Mass Times

Immaculate Conception

Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 9:00am
Tuesday, Thursday 9:00am

Saint Jerome

Sunday 7:30am, 10:30am and 5:00pm
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00am

Confessions

Immaculate Conception
Saturday 3-3:45pm



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

MASS *Intentions*



Saturday, March 13

Paschal McCafferty and Edward Cheever
Robert Schiffmann, 1st Anniversary

Sunday, March 14

Salvatore John Ippolito, 7th Anniversary
Concetta and Joseph Malfa, Birthday Remembrance

Tuesday, March 16

James Garner

Thursday, March 18

Donald Gillis

Saturday, March 20

Peter and Loretta Fleming

Sunday, March 21

Sean Daly, 1st Anniversary
John Fucci, Memorial

Sunday, March 14

Catherine and John Gilboy, Memorial
Joseph Halpin, Birthday Remembrance
Vincente Tran Kim Oanh

Monday, March 15

Robert Tufts

Wednesday, March 17

Mary Elizabeth Gruszka

Friday, March 19

Alfred Feroli

Sunday, March 21

Rosemary MacKinnon
Teresa and Christopher Byrne, Patrick Shanahan
George ‘Mickey’ Lyons, Denise Fleming
Bridget Gallagher, 1st Anniversary



*William and Bessie L. Perrault
Martin J. Joyce*

***Memorial Gifts for the Week
March 14, 2021***

*The Sanctuary Light has been donated
in loving remembrance of
Christopher and Teresa Byrne
Mickey Lyons*

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS



Easter Flower Offering Envelopes are available in your monthly packet. If you do not receive envelopes, you may donate online from our website (choose Easter Flowers from the drop down menu) or place your flower offering in an envelope marked for Easter Flowers. Please include on the envelope names of your loved ones whom you would like remembered. These names will be placed on our Altar for all of the Masses at Easter. We are very grateful for your help in adding to the beauty of our Altars this season!



**Lá Fhéile Pádraig sona duit!
(Happy St. Patrick's Day!)**

Financial Stewardship

Offertory - March 7, 2021

*Immaculate Conception: \$5,210 Online: \$1,010
Saint Jerome: \$5,713 Online: \$3,082*

Sincere Thanks for your Generous Support

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Listening and Learning



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, “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 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, “we are workers, not master builders, 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. ©LPi



2021 Catholic Appeal

Last weekend, we launched the annual Catholic Appeal along with all the other parishes throughout the Archdiocese. The Catholic Appeal provides the faithful with a way to help support the ministries that support our parishes, our schools, and our communities. This is our Church, and every gift makes a difference. Please consider making your gift today by visiting bostoncatholicappeal.org, scanning the QR code above or picking up a Catholic Appeal envelope on your way out of the Church today. You may also call the parish office and request one be mailed to your home. Your gift has an immediate impact on our parish and the work of our Church. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

2021 Catholic Appeal Goals for our Collaborative

Immaculate Conception Parish	\$37,334
Saint Jerome Parish	\$40,233

Forming in Faith...

YOU MUST HAVE A TICKET FOR EASTER MASSES

Tickets will be available in the vestibule of our Churches beginning this weekend. Please write your name and telephone number on your ticket and present it as you enter the Church for Easter Mass.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST

Stations will be prayed at Immaculate Conception Parish every Friday evening at 7pm during Lent.

Prior to praying the Stations, one of our parishioners will give a short reflection on one of the Seven Last Words of Christ. Come and listen to Christ's words as He suffers on the cross.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions will be offered on Friday evenings at Immaculate Conception from 6-7pm, just prior to Stations of the Cross and the Seven Last Words of Christ. (In addition to Saturday at IC 3-3:45pm.)



Palm Sunday, March 28

Regular weekend Mass schedule
(Palms will be handed out following communion)

Holy Thursday, April 1

Morning Prayer, 9am at Immaculate Conception
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7pm, St. Jerome
Adoration to follow with Night Prayer until 9pm

Good Friday, April 2

Morning Prayer, 9am at Immaculate Conception
Solemn Service, 7pm, Immaculate Conception

Holy Saturday, April 3

Morning Prayer, 9am at Immaculate Conception
Easter Vigil Mass, 7pm, Immaculate Conception

Easter Sunday, April 4 Masses

Immaculate Conception 9:00am
Saint Jerome 7:30 and 10:30am

There will be no 5pm Mass at Saint Jerome on Easter Sunday.

COLLABORATIVE LENTEN PARISH MISSION - FATHER CHRIS O'CONNOR

Join us at Saint Jerome Parish March 21-24 at 7pm for our Lenten Parish Mission led by Fr. Chris O'Connor. Fr. Chris has been a priest for 22 years, currently pastor of St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Winthrop (formerly the parishes of Holy Rosary and St. John the Evangelist). Fr. Chris is the Chaplain to Logan Airport as well as the Saturday Chaplain to Mother Teresa's Sisters, the Missionaries of Charity, Dorchester.

Fr. Chris received a Philosophy degree from Catholic University as well as a Theology degree from Boston College. He was Vice Rector at St. John Seminary and President of the Theological Institute. He is a professor of theology, teaching at the Theological Institute and for the Permanent Diaconate Program. Fr. Chris is also an adjunct professor of homiletics for the Permanent Diaconate Program in the diocese of Providence.

Fr. Chris was former cohost of the Tuesday radio program on 1060am "The Good Catholic Life."

We hope you will be able to join with us in person or via our livestream on facebook.

LENTEN GIVING PROGRAM



In 2020, Father Bill's & MainSpring housing served over 561 households. Many individuals and families continue to struggle financially. At Catholic Weymouth we have been working with Father Bill's & MainSpring to develop a giving program for the Lenten season to help people in Southeastern Massachusetts move from homelessness into new housing. Together, we have come up with a list of much needed essential Kitchen and Bath items these individuals and families need as they move into their new homes. Below you will see the list of these items if you wish to donate one or more:

Paper Towels	Kitchen Trash Bags	Dish Towels	Dish Soap
Laundry Detergent	Toilet paper	Two towel bath sets	Face cloths
Bathroom Rugs	Shower Curtain	Bar Hand Soap	Cleaning Products.

Bins will be available for your donations until Holy Thursday in the vestibule of Saint Jerome and at the main entrance of Immaculate Conception, before/ after Masses. Thank you for your generous donations!



READINGS: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: In those days, all the princes of Judah, the priests, and the people added infidelity to infidelity, practicing all the abominations of the nations and polluting the LORD's temple which he had consecrated in Jerusalem. Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers, send his messengers to them, for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place. But they mocked the messengers of God, despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets, until the anger of the LORD against his people was so inflamed that there was no remedy. Their enemies burnt the house of God, tore down the walls of Jerusalem, set all its palaces afire, and destroyed all its precious objects. Those who escaped the sword were carried captive to Babylon, where they became servants of the king of the Chaldeans and his sons until the kingdom of the Persians came to power. All this was to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah: "Until the land has retrieved its lost sabbaths, during all the time it lies waste it shall have rest while seventy years are fulfilled." In the first year of Cyrus, king of Persia, in order to fulfill the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah, the LORD inspired King Cyrus of Persia to issue this proclamation throughout his kingdom, both by word of mouth and in writing: "Thus says Cyrus, king of Persia: All the kingdoms of the earth the LORD, the God of heaven, has given to me, and he has also charged me to build him a house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Whoever, therefore, among you belongs to any part of his people, let him go up, and may his God be with him!"

Responsorial Psalm: *Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!*

Second Reading: Brothers and sisters: God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ - by grace you have been saved -, raised us up with him, and seated us with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast. For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them.

Gospel: Jesus said to Nicodemus: "Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life." For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. 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. But whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.



Trying New Foods in Timor-Leste

Timor-Leste has the highest rate of child malnutrition in Asia, and many children suffer from stunting, which makes a big impact on a child's growth and future. Home gardens and fishponds are helping families provide better nutrition for their children. What do you eat to stay healthy? What can you do to ensure children have enough food to thrive?

Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.



ADULT FORMATION

*No Greater Love:
A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion*
by Edward Sri

You may email your thoughts on the three chapters you have read this week and we will post them!
adultformation@catholicweymouth.org

Chapters **March 14** Chapter 10,11,12
March 21 Chapters 13,14,15

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