



1ST SUNDAY OF LENT



After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." - Mk 1:14-15

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

St. Oscar Romero said, "Aspire not to have more, but to be more." These powerful words provide the perfect framework for a conversion oriented Lenten experience. God is giving us this Lenten sign to stop being concerned about what you have and focus on who you are. This requires that we create a desert space and listen more attentively for God to reveal His presence. It is all so wonderfully simple on the one hand and so incredibly challenging on the other. The message is simple: love God, neighbor, and self. Those simple words make great sense, but we struggle translating them into reality. Our attachments, compulsions, obsessions, addictions, routines, and busyness all anchor us to the "idol of the self," keeping us mired in our compulsive need for self-aggrandizement. It's not about us!

God vowed, long ago, to nurture, sustain and protect the relationship He has with His people. He called us into being, nurtures us in being, and sustains us in being. Without the Loving Divine Presence, all life would cease. Once we slow down a bit and clear away some of the clutter, we can see how the journey of our life is unfolding. We can see what brings us in and out of tune with God's love and how we can better imitate God's loving fidelity in our relationship with Him. In short, we will see our myopic short sightedness and figure out how we can better share the Divine Fire within with others. Lent isn't just about giving stuff up for forty days and indulging again at Easter. We need to push things much farther and wrestle with the question of how we can be more. "Being more" means becoming more fully alive and in touch with the holiness of life and the divinity that lives in and empowers all beings and things. It is realizing that the "quality" of our presence is crucial to being an effective witness and herald of God's unconditional love.

The illusion we have bought into causes us to believe that the wrong things and systems matter. We tirelessly fight to keep things the way they are, to return to the former ways of doing things or restore some nostalgic fantasy memory of "life in the good old days." Lent isn't about maintaining what we have or returning to something that is gone. It's about becoming something new. It's about being more focused, centered, convicted, and grounded so that we can be a person who truly loves and treasures being made in the image of God. The secret to Gospel living is not found in accumulating anything for ourselves, even merit points for heaven. Gospel living means learning how to live with less so that others can live with more. The thought of permanently giving something up makes us feel uncomfortable. Truth often does.

A MESSAGE FROM FR. GABRIEL....

Today's Gospel comes from the first chapter of Mark. Mark's is the shortest of the four and is the fastest moving of them. It does not include the birth story but opens right away with John the Baptist announcing the arrival of the adult Jesus.

We notice that Mark tells us Jesus came preaching "the good news of God." That news comes in two parts—the first "the time is fulfilled." This is a way of saying that the waiting period is over which we have been waiting has come. The time is fulfilled, and your new life is about to begin.

The second part "the kingdom of God has come near." This is a critical piece of the announcement because if Jesus had only said that the time was fulfilled, that by itself could just as easily be the beginning of worse news.

In the case of Jesus' message, it is pure good news. Not only is the time of waiting over, but the kingdom of God has drawn near. God's new day is about to dawn. Something fresh was beginning with the appearance of Jesus. Jesus was saying something like "The kingdom of God" meant that God was entering human history in a way that offers us new opportunities, new hope, new joy, new ways of thinking and new ways of living.

That leads to the two acts people need to do to take advantage of the opportunity the kingdom of God coming near provides. The first of these, says Jesus, is to repent. Jesus says that the approach to the kingdom of God is for all of us, not just those conscious of their sins. Repentance is a direction for our lives. Jesus says a new order is at hand. Get a new mind that fits it.

But, know two things: First, that the fullness of the kingdom doesn't come until the end of time. Second, the kingdom is present in an inward way right now. People who commit their way to Jesus Christ experience a sense of joy, peace and hop that often seems not warranted by outward circumstances but which in the realm of the heart and mind—the regions where peace, joy and hope matter most—the table is set, and we are invited.

My dear friends, the season of Lent is upon us. For almost a year, we have all been faced with life challenges, but we are still here. Let us reflect on our difficulties and triumphs during this pandemic, and remember God's love for us and the blessings he has bestowed on us. Let this Lenten season allow us to make sacrifices which in no way can compare to the sacrifice Jesus made for us—his death so we can have salvation.

We welcome Bishop Michael Saporito next weekend as he will be the celebrant of the 12nn Mass.

All are welcome to join us every Friday during Lent for Stations of the Cross beginning at 7pm in the Church.

Pre-registration is now open for our Lenten Solace Concert with Fr. Jim Worth on March 24th. Hope to see you there.

God Bless,
Fr. Gabriel

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February 14

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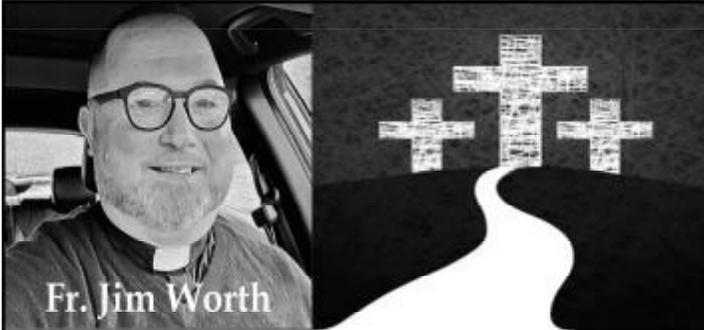
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent at 7pm in the Church. All are welcomed and invited to attend.

BISHOP MICHAEL SAPORITO...

Sunday, February 28: Bishop Michael Saporito, Regional Bishop for Bergen County, will preside at the 12nn Mass.



Fr. Jim Worth

solace

A Musical Meditation

Corpus Christi Church Chapel

215 Kipp Ave Hasbrouck Heights, NJ

Thursday, March 24, 2021 at 7:00pm

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Registration is open for the Lenten Solace Concert. Either call Mary Beth at the Parish Center or email mbviviani@optonline.net with your name, contact phone number and number of attendees. All are invited to attend!



Adoration has resumed. Please note the following:

- ◆ Adoration will be held in the Church
- ◆ Adoration will be held on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1pm to 11pm.
- ◆ Face coverings **MUST** be worn, and social distancing seating is to be maintained.
- ◆ **Adorers are needed for the following times: Mondays 3pm & 7pm; Tuesdays 4pm, 6pm & 9pm; Thursdays 3pm & 4pm**

If you would like to become an Adorer and spend an hour in prayer, please contact Diane Calabrese at (201) 288-7732.

THE IMPORTANCE OF REGISTERING

Registering is a very important part of being a parishioner of Corpus Christi. Our communication with you is made easier once we have your information in our database. **In order for families to receive a tuition discount at Corpus Christi School, they need to be registered and using their envelopes/electronic giving as proof of their support for our parish.**

The occasion may arise when you are asked to be a sponsor for Baptism and/or Confirmation. The church in which the sacrament is being held may ask you for **proof that you are a registered, practicing Catholic.** We can only provide such documentation if the priests or staff recognize you as a regular Sunday attendee and registered in the parish. Please use your contribution envelopes or electronic giving to indicate your participation.

Formal registration is the best way of communicating with you and showing that you wish to be a part of our parish family.

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LENTEN REFLECTION...

Pray: Jesus, focus my heart and my mind on what you endured for me. Everything you did, you did for the salvation of all mankind—I am eternally grateful. I am in awe of you, Lord. Thank you for the cross.

MASS INTENTIONS

ANTICIPATED MASS, FEBRUARY 20

5:00 PM Theresa Kressaty

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

8:00 AM Julia Berhain

10:00 AM Miriam Feliciano

12:00 NN Miriam Feliciano

6:00 PM Mildred Butto

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

6:30 AM John Anderson

8:00 AM Donald P. Rodriguez

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

6:30 AM All Parishioners

8:00 AM Joseph Mini

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

6:30 AM Fred Calbert Baxter

8:00 AM Timothy Cappadona (Living)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

6:30 AM All Parishioners

8:00 AM All Parishioners

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

6:30 AM All Parishioners

8:00 AM All Parishioners

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

8:00 AM Joanne Faustini

ANTICIPATED MASS

5:00 PM Manuel P. DeLeon & Saveno Urgo

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

8:00 AM Rev. Raymond Holmes

10:00 AM Dominador & Rosela Salim

12:00 NN Murray Mascis

Rev. Raymond Holmes

6:00 PM God's Blessings for Fr. Kajetan Klein

CANDLES FOR THE WEEK

The candles to be burned on our altars this week were donated in loving memory of **David DeFedele** from Ginny Senzon.

WINE FOR THE WEEK

The wine to be consecrated at all the Masses were donated in loving memory of **David DeFedele** from Deacon Paul & Carroll Carris.

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

Please remember the deceased members of our families, friends and community, especially Anthony Niosi

2021 MASS BOOK

The 2021 Mass Book is open. There are open weekday Masses in the upcoming months. Stop by the Parish Center during business hours to remember your loved ones.

Morning Prayers

Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Rosary take place prior to weekday Mass beginning at 7:30am. Come join fellow parishioners. All are welcome!



May the Holy Spirit sustain those who are poor and oppressed, the sick, suffering, and sorrowing of all ages, especially, Justin Duffy, Margaret Marchetta, Antonio Salcines, Albert DeBenedictis, Mary Nichols, Cosmelina Cammarata, Fred Baxter, Baby Adrian Victor Sanfilippo, Paul Giordano, Debbie Murphy, Gary Ryan, Dee Sullivan, Bonnie Poznar, Danielle Delfino, Patricia Kunzmann, Christine Ryan, Patricia Casey, Noreen Ryan, Joseph Cooney, Mishelle Kittlinger, Raimunda Martins, Joseph Marino, Michael Toscano, Jack Coneys, Josey Munez, Frank Sambucini, Gail Abbate, JoAnne Piccarreto, Dennis Buttacavoli, Natalie Caulfield, Elizabeth Semencz, Nora Lindquist, Catherine Groarke, Barbara D'Amato, Phyllis Mink, Mary Lynne Seitz

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Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

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