

March 14, 2021

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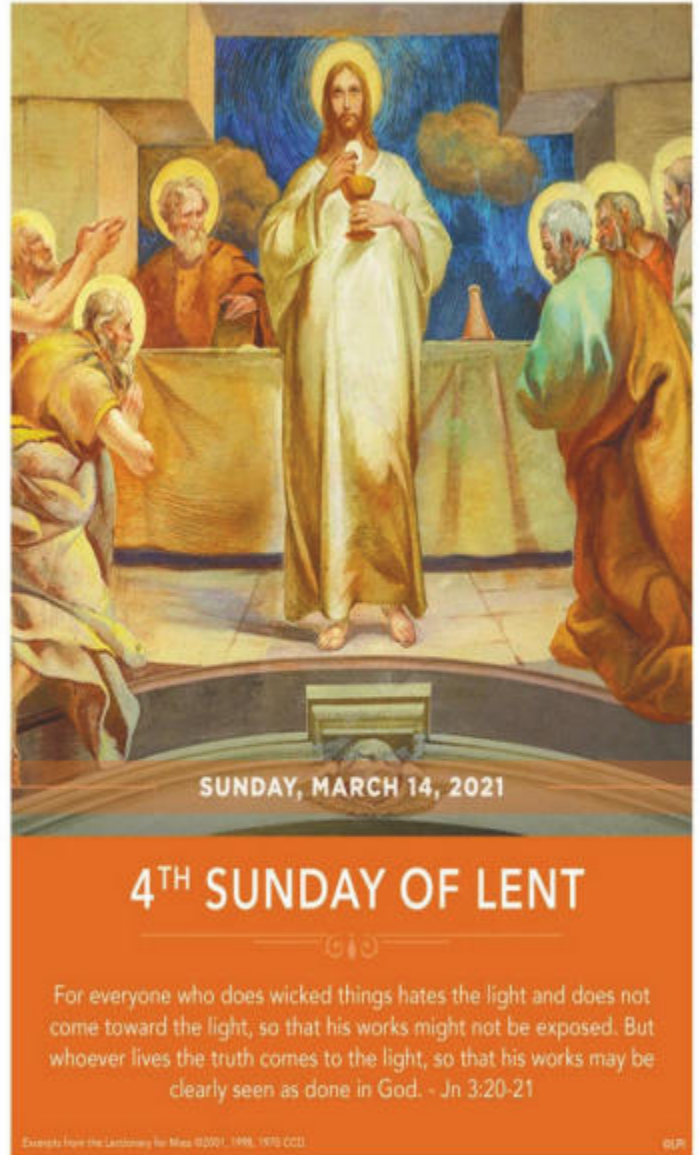
MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday	9:00 AM
Monday & Tuesday	9:00 AM
Holy Days	9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS – upon request

BAPTISMS - Contact Parish Office well in advance.

WEDDINGS – Contact Parish Office at least six months in advance to make arrangements for marriage.



OFFICE HOURS

Monday and Tuesday
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Dee Daly
Administrative Assistant

FINANCE COUNCIL

Third Tue of the month 5:45 PM

PARISH COUNCIL

Third Tue of the month 6:30 PM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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ONLINE GIVING <https://osvhub.com/st-alphonsus-liguori-parish/funds>

LITURGICAL CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

14 SUN Fourth Sunday of Lent

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21

✠ 6:00 PM Vigil **Peter Senatore** by Urbain Dupont
9:00 AM **Parishioners**

15 Mon Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54

✠ 9:00 AM **Helen Hanson** by the Crafters

16 Tue Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16

✠ 9:00 AM **Queen Family** by the Estate

17 Wed Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30

18 Thu Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47

19 Fri St. Joseph, Spouse of the blessed virgin Mary
2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

20 Sat Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53

21 SUN Fifth Sunday of Lent

Jer 31:31-34/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

✠ 6:00 PM Vigil **Martha Harrison** by Pat and Jim Harrison
9:00 AM **Jody Hale** by her family

BACKPACK PROGRAM

Saint Alphonsus has again been asked to join the Dismas House Backpack Program. They are in need of:

For Men at 103 Park Ave. **For Women at 22 Royce Street**

Deodorants
Loofahs
Socks
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Razors

Deodorants
Shampoos
Conditioners
Razors
Shaving Creams
Body washes
Loofahs
Socks
Hand/Body Lotions.

The women's home will be open late March so these items would be wonderful to have for new residents.

Please look for a bin in the back of the church in which you can place your donation.

Last Sunday's 3/7 Offertory \$ **1,145.00**

Online Giving \$ 160.00

Total \$ **1,305.00**

Last Year this Date \$ 1,792.00

Building \$ 498.00

Thank you for making up your envelopes

The Otter Valley Catholic Community Looks Forward to the Springtime of Lent

9:00am Weekday Masses

Monday & Tuesday at Saint Alphonsus, Pittsford

Wednesday & Thursday at Our Lady of Good Help, Brandon

Sacrament of Reconciliation

1:30-1:45pm – Fridays of Lent at Saint Alphonsus, Pittsford

3:15-3:45pm – Saturdays at Our Lady of Good Help, Brandon

Stations of the Cross

7:00pm – Wednesdays at Our Lady of Good Help, Brandon

1:00pm – Fridays at Saint Alphonsus, Pittsford

Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence

Catholics fourteen years of age and above must abstain from eating meat on Fridays of Lent unless health reasons dictate otherwise.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - LPi

A Thought from Tracy Earl Welliver

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Awake, O Sleeper!

This morning came a little earlier than I would have liked — Daylight Savings Time always does. Sometimes that morning sunlight seems more intrusive than illuminating. You're still half-lost in sleep, and that sun is demanding of you a lot more than you're ready to give.

I've said it, and I'm sure you've said it, too. "Just five more minutes." You hit the "snooze" button on your iPhone once (maybe twice? Show of hands?) and turn away from the window.

So many kings of the Old Testament were steadfast in their sleepy ways, rejecting the light their God tried to share with them. Likewise, John tells us that, though Light — Christ — was sent into the world, the world preferred darkness.

Sometimes it seems, when reading through Scripture, that all throughout salvation history, God has been trying to pull back the curtains, to rouse us from our defiant slumber. And we resist Him. Time and time again, we resist Him.

Light brings a certain responsibility with it. It seems to compel productivity. Furthermore, there's no hiding in the light. Any photographer worth his salt knows how to manipulate it, highlighting the good and casting some merciful shade on the bad.

As we enter into the fourth week of Lent, we're getting so close to the main event. Can we handle the light that will come on Easter morning, bursting into the tomb as the stone is rolled away? Can we keep ourselves from hitting the "snooze" button on our souls, and sit up to face the dawn of a new day?

Feast of St. Patrick - March 17th

An Irish Prayer

As I arise today,
may the strength of God pilot me,
the power of God uphold me,
the wisdom of God guide me.
May the eye of God look before me,
the ear of God hear me,
the word of God speak for me.
May the hand of God protect me,
the way of God lie before me,
the shield of God defend me,
the host of God save me.
May Christ shield me today.
Christ with me, Christ before me,
Christ behind me,
Christ in me, Christ beneath me,
Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit,
Christ when I stand,
Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.
Amen

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday, March 21st

Grades 1 & 2 3-3:45 PM
Grades 4 - 6 4 - 5 PM
Grades 7 & 8 6-7 PM

FINANCE & PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Tuesday, March 16th

Finance Meeting 5:45 PM
Parish Council 6:30 PM

Parish-based 40 Days for Life

This reflection is taken from the book Pro-life Reflections for Every Day written by Fr. Frank Pavone. It appears on January 23rd.

Dr. Alveda King, niece of Martin Luther King, Jr., serves was marching at the annual March for life, and was asked, "Does this remind you of the civil rights movement and the marches with your uncle?" Her response was, "This is the civil rights movement." The message of Martin Luther King was not just about the equality of our black brothers and sisters; it was about the equality of all our brothers and sisters. Civil rights begin with the right to life.

Solemnity of St. Joseph March 19th



THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH PRAYER

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our afflictions, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also.

Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.

PRAYER SHAWLS AVAILABLE If you would like a prayer shawl for yourself or for someone else recovering from an illness, or in need of comfort, please call the rectory (483-2301) or Elaine Ryan (770-8773).

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