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Our Mission Statement

The Cathedral Community is a Roman Catholic parish of the Diocese of Rochester that gathers and worships at Sacred Heart Cathedral. We are an ethnically, racially and economically diverse community with unique gifts and challenges within an urban neighborhood.

Our mission is to reach out with hope to all in our community, neighborhood and beyond, to proclaim the Gospel with joy and enthusiasm, and to prepare disciples who will go forth to serve God and others, especially the poor, with mercy and compassion.

MASS AND CONFESSION TIMES

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday 4:00 pm — by reservation only
Sunday 7:00 am — by reservation only
9:15 am — by reservation only

Celebration of Penance

Friday 4:45 - 5:15 pm
Saturday 2:30 - 3:30 pm



Pastoral Perspectives

“Now is the time of conversion, the reign of God is at hand.” Now is the time for conversion.

Some people are world class procrastinators. They even have their own club. The club hasn't met yet, but they are planning on it.

When we procrastinate, we put pressure on ourselves to complete a task at the last minute. We are also assuming that nothing will happen to prevent our finishing or even starting our work. As a result, we often never get around to it.

How are we helping to realize God's Kingdom --- today?

There are lots of remedies for procrastination. Pick one specific area where procrastination plagues you and conquer it; learn to set priorities; give yourself deadlines; don't duck the most difficult problems.

But best of all let our Good News – the Word – Jesus be our incentive.

Life is wonderful. Life is precious. Life is short. We have got to make the best use of every day that we are granted. The Spirit is the gift that we have which will attract others. But we have free will. It is up to us to choose to bear fruit for the Lord ---- now!

As we look at our lives during Lent thus far, we ask ourselves: Are we bearing fruit? “Now is the time of conversion, the reign of God is at hand.”

- *Thought for the week:* Don't get comfortable with mediocrity.
- *Smile for the week:* What did the frog order at McDonald's? Flies and a diet croak!

God bless! Have a wonderful week!
Fr. Kevin McKenna

March 7, 2021
Third Sunday Of Lent

Masses at The Cathedral

RESERVATIONS WILL BE REQUIRED FOR THE 4:00 pm mass on Saturday and for the 7:00 and 9:15 am masses on Sunday. Reservations may be made on our website cathedralcommunity.org or by calling the designated reservation line at 254-3221 ext. 107, starting Monday's at 8 am.

DAILY MASS: Daily Mass will be celebrated at 12:10 pm, Monday through Friday, during Lent. Reservations are **NOT** required for daily mass. Stations of the Cross will take place on Fridays during Lent following the 12:10 pm mass.

The church will be open for private devotion during Lent, Monday through Friday from 1:00—3:00 pm. Safety precautions are required.

Requesting Parish Council Members

The Parish Council is a consultative body to the pastor and helps in the pastoral planning of the Cathedral Community. This year we have been exploring new and renewed opportunities to enhance the parish's outreach to our families. The terms of several Council members are expiring this May. If you share a willingness to help shape our pastoral planning for the next years and have the time to make a serious commitment to the Cathedral, please call the office at **585-254-3221 x104 by March 31**. There will be an opportunity to meet with officers of the Parish Council who can assist in your discernment. Thanks for your consideration!



PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

In your charity, please pray for all of our deceased.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon them.

Sustainability In El Salvador



Drought has become a big problem across El Salvador, making it difficult for farmers to produce enough crops to support their families. But new farming techniques—and a new generation of young farmers—are making a difference. What would you do if your livelihood was threatened? How can you support young people in your community and around the world? Visit csrcricebowl.org to learn more.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK



Bernie Beisheim, Bishop Matthew Clark, Ann D'Amato, Margaret Fien, Marilyn Hare, Pat LaPlaca, James Maier, Lucas Marone, Joseph Muller Sr., Jeff Piazza, Rosemary Piazza, Nancy Prinzing, Jorie Marie Pucillo, Jim Schell, Julie Schell, Beka Schieff, Richard Snell, Mary Stanley, Bentley Vega

**Parish Offertory Support
February 27 & 28, 2021**

Actual \$6,467	Goal \$10,229	Variance \$-3,762
Year to Date \$317,633	Year to Date Goal \$308,833	Variance \$8,800



Scripture Study for Next Sunday

. Next Sunday, March 14, 2021, is the Fourth Sunday of Lent. The readings will be: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16;19-23; Ephesians 2:4-10; and John 3:14-21.

The beginning of next Sunday's second reading from St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians sums up the theme of all of the readings for the Fourth Sunday of Lent when it says, "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 he saved us – raised us up with him, and seated us with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus."

Our Old Testament reading from the Book of Chronicles reveals one of numerous times when God's chosen people had turned from him and "...added infidelity to infidelity, practicing all the abominations of the nations and polluting the Lord's temple which he had consecrated in Jerusalem."

The reading recounts God's faithfulness. Though the people suffered the consequences of their actions, God did not abandon them. God inspired King Cyrus of Persia, where the Israelites were living in servitude, to build God a new temple in Jerusalem and to say, "Whoever...among you belongs to any part of [God's] people, let him go up, and may his God be with him."

Both of these readings prepare us for the Gospel in which Jesus is having a conversation "by night" with Nicodemus, a Jewish leader and Pharisee. Many Pharisees considered Jesus a problem because he challenged their faith and practice, but Nicodemus had perceived in Jesus the presence of God's power and mercy. In the passage just before this one, the two discuss the need to be 'born again' of water and the Spirit in order to understand and enter the kingdom of God. Jesus refers to a time when God instructed Moses to make a bronze serpent and mount it on a pole. The unfaithful Israelites who had been bitten by serpents in the desert would be healed when they looked at the bronze serpent. "So must the Son of Man be lifted up," Jesus tells Nicodemus, "...so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life." Jesus foreshadows his own crucifixion and then goes on to teach Nicodemus that God sent his only Son to save the world, to bring the world out of darkness and into light. Nicodemus was encountering that same Light as he spoke to Jesus in the darkness.

Rose Davis



Daylight saving time begins at 2 a.m. on **Sunday, March 14** which means you will want to turn your clocks forward an hour when you go to bed on Saturday night, March 13.

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“Cross” Project

During this Lenten Season, we invite you to participate in the Cathedral Community’s “Lenten Cross Project,” a program similar to our on-line Christmas Creche presentation. To take part we ask you to:

1. Send us a photo of the cross/crucifix of your choosing. Our presentation will include all of the photos along with musical pieces recorded by members of our choir.
2. Please include a brief explanation of why you chose this cross/crucifix, eg. given by a family member, wedding present, etc. Also include your family name. Email the photo and description to Joe Muller at: **Joseph.Muller@dor.org** by **March 15**.
3. There is also an anonymous segment of the project. As we enter our second unusual Lent, we have each endured challenges and are more aware of the crosses that we carry. If you are willing, we invite you to name, and write a few words about, the unique cross that you carry this year. We hope that sharing these crosses with one another will help us carry them together and to reflect on how they are all connected to the cross of Jesus. You may participate in Part 3 of the Cross Project by including it in your email to Joe (that part would be kept anonymous) or by mailing your response to the office or dropping it in the collection boxes at church, please mark the envelope “Cross Project Part 3.” Remember, the description of the special cross that you are carrying will appear anonymously in the presentation. We look forward to your participation!!!!



MASS INTENTIONS

Consider requesting a Mass for a deceased loved one. The offering is \$10. Weekend and weekday masses on Monday, Wednesday and Friday are available for 2021.

Make a \$10 donation to have a sanctuary lamp burn in honor of your loved one. The name of the honored person will be listed in the bulletin. Cards are available with this donation. Please call the office at 254-3221 to request this memorial.



Saturday, March 6, 2021

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

4:00 pm For those who are homebound

Sunday, March 7, 2021—Third Sunday Of Lent

Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17, 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

7:00 am Margaret Fenlon-Steiner—Family
9:15 am Rosemary Hahn—Dcn. Lynn & Peggy Kershner
David Proud—Proud Family
John Appleby—Family
For the people of the Cathedral Community

Monday, March 8, 2021

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Lk 4:24-30

12:10 pm For all deceased priests and nuns—Patty Fredericks

Tuesday, March 9, 2021

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35

12:10 pm For family relationships

Wednesday, March 10, 2021

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19

12:10 pm For peace with justice

Thursday, March 11, 2021

Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23

12:10 pm John Appleby—Family

Friday, March 12, 2021

Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34

12:10 pm For the youth of the world

Saturday, March 13, 2021

Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-4

4:00 pm Lorenzo Tedisco—Robert McGinity
John Maxwell—Sonia & Rachel

Sunday, March 14, 2021—Fourth Sunday Of Lent

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23, Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21 (32)

7:00 For the people of the Cathedral Community
9:15 am John Bamann—Joyce Meyers



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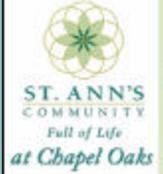
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