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MARCH 21, 2021



**at St. Elizabeth**

Saturday, Mar. 20  
3:30-4:15 Confessions  
5:00 pm In honor of David & Pat Petruzzi's  
65th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, Mar. 21 ~Fifth Sunday of Lent~  
8:45 am Recitation of The Rosary  
9:30 am +Joe Sayers  
From His family

Monday, Mar. 22  
7:00 am Adoration  
8:00 am For the Most Abandoned Souls in  
Purgatory

Tuesday, Mar. 23  
7:00 am Adoration  
8:00 am +Dennis Reilly  
From the Parishioners of  
St. Elizabeth

Thursday, Mar. 25  
7:00 pm +Louis & Beryl Dragoone  
From Mike & Toni Morris

Friday, Mar. 26  
11:00 am Adoration  
12:10 pm Intention of the Donor  
~Stations of the Cross~

Saturday, Mar. 27  
3:30-4:15 Confessions  
5:00 pm For the People

Sunday, Mar. 28 ~Palm Sunday~  
8:45 am Recitation of The Rosary  
9:30 am +Dennis Reilly  
From Father Vince & Wendy

**Parish Development Memorial Fund**

In Memory of  
Julian Gerardy  
From Rose Campbell



**at St. Joseph**

Sunday Mar. 21 ~Fifth Sunday on Lent~  
8:00 am For the People

Sunday Mar. 28~ Palm Sunday~  
8:00 am +Father Chuck Schmitt  
From St. Joseph Rosary Society

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:**

A Special Intention, Special  
Intention, Rita Bidwell, Shelly Maybury,  
Jack & Janine Sokoloski, Dylan Lunder,  
John Crowley, Special Intention, Patti Price,  
Caitlyn Bankovich, Elijah Waite,  
Penny Duncan, Malvina Weakland,  
Special Intention, Anonymous.

Help us keep the Prayer List current. If the person  
no longer needs to be on our list, please let the  
Office know.

**Pray for The Priests of The Erie Diocese**

**St. Joseph's for the month of  
March**

**Sanctuary Light**

In Loving Memory of  
Bessie & Frank Worrell  
Raymond & Catherine Cole  
Patty Roesch  
By Cathy Himes

**Infant of Prague**

In Loving Memory of  
Dotty Ryan  
By Mary Smith



**SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER**

*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot receive you at this moment sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.*



*A Special*  
THANK YOU



Dear St. Elizabeth of Hungary Parish,

I write in gratitude for your generous support of the 2021 Catholic Services Appeal. Thank you for being willing to help fund the important work of the church.

By saying ‘yes’ with a gift to the CSA, you have joined with our Catholic community in the work of Jesus Christ. You directly aid in important diocesan ministries that feed those who hunger, educate our children, administer the sacraments and provide hope to many. The CSA reminds us that we are all part of the same Catholic family. I humbly thank you for your prayers and for your financial support of this important initiative.

You’ve also directly helped our parish community with your generous gift, putting us closer to reaching our parish goal. For this I am grateful.

Your generosity shows that you are a true steward of your gifts. As your pastor, I am inspired and grateful for your support.

Sincerely,

*Fr. Vince*

MARCH 21, 2021

## Sunday, Mar 21, 2021

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

See inside for more information

Sometimes your reputation precedes you. The prophet Jeremiah is famous for lamentations, but he is less known for the centerpiece of his message: that everything we need to know about how to live is already planted in our hearts. On this International Forest Day, let's not miss the forest for the trees on another great truth rooted deeply in our midst. Trees are friends: bearing fruit, shade, and beauty wherever they're planted. They are also necessary allies in achieving planetary sustainability, food security, and poverty eradication. Play your part in protecting God's greenery.

TODAY'S READINGS: Year B: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33 (35). "I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts."

## Monday, Mar 22, 2021

LENTEN WEEKDAY

Tap into the virtues of water

As part of its observance of the 2020 World Water Day, the Vatican published *Aqua fons vitae*. Orientations on water: symbol of the cry of the poor and the cry of the Earth. The document, meant to support the human right to clean water, reminds us that "by means of the water made holy by the Spirit," God gives us life and renews us. The way we respect water is an indicator of how we are "taking care of the early garden" entrusted to us. In observance of World Water Day, educate yourself and others about the challenges the world faces in ensuring access to clean water: the holy source of all life.

TODAY'S READINGS: Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; John 8:1-11 (251). "Go, and from now on do not sin any more."

## Tuesday, Mar 23, 2021

MEMORIAL OF TURIBIUS OF MOGROVEJO, BISHOP

To reveal Christ, go the distance

In 2018, Pope Francis met with the bishops of Peru, invoking the patron saint of Latin American bishops—Turibius of Mogrovejo. "This holy bishop is frequently portrayed as a 'new Moses,'" said the pope. "The Vatican has a picture in which Saint Turibius appears crossing a great river whose waters open before him like the Red Sea, so that he could get to the other shore, where numerous native peoples awaited him." Turibius cast aside life in Spain to live among native Peruvians. What can you cast aside so others might see Christ in you?

TODAY'S READINGS: Numbers 21:4-9; John 8:21-30 (252). "Their patience worn out by the journey, the people complained against God and Moses."

## Wednesday, Mar 24, 2021

LENTEN WEEKDAY

Be transformed by justice

This is an anniversary of martyrdom. The archbishop of San Salvador, Oscar Romero, was murdered on this day in 1980 as he presided at Mass in the chapel of a church-run hospital for cancer patients and the terminally ill. Romero, an unassuming man who in earlier years had ministered to the country's elite, experienced a late-in-life transformation that took him from quiet acceptance of the status quo to courageous critic of his government's repression of the poor. His weekly sermons championed justice, challenged the government, and eventually cost him his life: "It is not the will of God for some to have everything and for

others to have nothing," he said. "It is not enough to attend Mass on Sunday . . . God wants the garment of justice. God wants his Christians dressed in love." Begin to dress the part by questioning the "way we always do things."

TODAY'S READINGS: Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; John 8:31-42 (253). "If you remain in my word, you will truly be my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

## Thursday, Mar 25, 2021

SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

Prepare to say yes

Today we celebrate the Annunciation, that famous conversation between the angel Gabriel and Mary, in which Mary embraced what must have been the frightening prospect of bearing the Son of God. Mary's yes is seen as the model for all Christians in response to our individual callings, and in response to everyday choices to do what is most loving, moral, and just. Perhaps today you will be called to make a choice for faithfulness; prepare yourself now to say yes to God, as did Mary.

TODAY'S READINGS: Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10; Hebrews 10:4-10; Luke 1:26-38 (545). "Mary said, 'Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.'"

## Friday, Mar 26, 2021

LENTEN WEEKDAY; DAY OF ABSTINENCE

Meet violence with hope

Violence has made an all-too-comfortable home in our lives. It's in our TV shows and movies, our politics, our streets, and even our own hearts. In a pastoral message on violence in 1994, the U.S. Catholic Bishops wrote, "Hostility, hatred, despair, and indifference are at the heart of a growing culture of violence." How do we meet these experiences with compassion and offer a safe place for peace? "The path to a more peaceful future is found in a rediscovery of personal responsibility, respect for human life and human dignity, and a recommitment to social justice. The best antidote to violence is hope."

TODAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 20:10-13; John 10:31-42 (255). "[They] picked up rocks to stone Jesus."

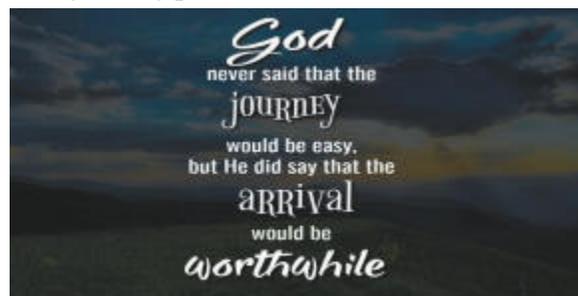
## Saturday, Mar 27, 2021

LENTEN WEEKDAY

The long history of judicial corruption

We learn more each day about inequities in our judicial system. Justice, it seems, is more often praised than practiced, especially when it comes to treatment of minorities and those who challenge authority. We could include Jesus in the long list of victims of injustice. At this moment in Lent, as we prepare to enter Holy Week, the wheels of injustice are set in motion by Caiaphas, the Jewish high priest who will play a key role in the coming execution of the prophet of Peace. Pray today for forgiveness for the injustices committed in our names, and in our hearts.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezekiel 37:21-28; John 11:45-56 (256). "So from that day on they planned to kill him."





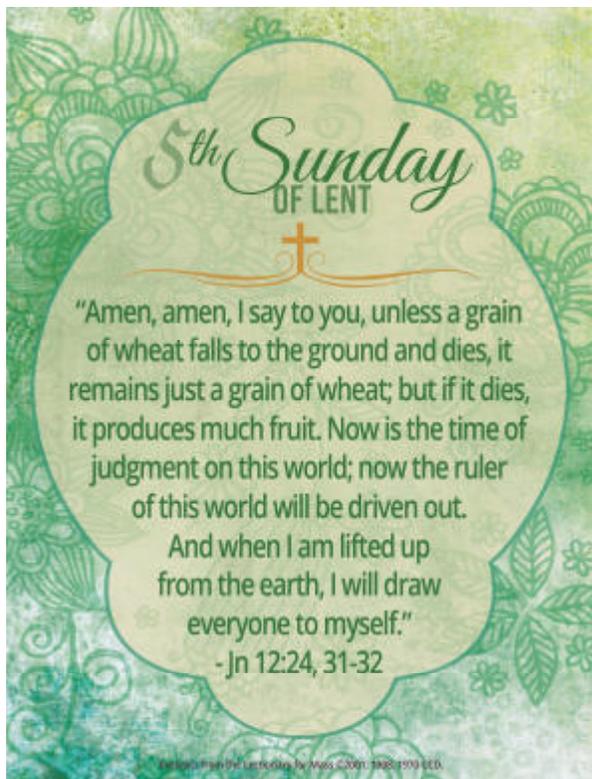
Thank you for your support of the Community Cupboard! The donated food items are most appreciated!

### Marriage Moment

It's been a long pandemic winter. Look for a surprise way to treat your beloved. Be silly. (Perhaps trace "I love you" on a stick of butter.) Be gallant. (Let the other go first or have the last piece.) Be sweet. (Leave a loving voicemail on his/her cell phone or a note of affection under their pillow.) Be creative.

### A Family Perspective

Relationships come with a price tag. We must be willing to entrust ourselves to another, to let go of our autonomy and die to our independence. It is in this type of dying that we



Applications are now being accepted for the non-renewable \$1,000 **Sharon DeLancey Memorial Scholarship**. 2021 Smethport Area High School Seniors who are members of St. Elizabeth of Hungary Church in Smethport, where Sharon was a choir member and catechism teacher, are encouraged to apply. Applicants must be enrolled in a four-year college or registered nursing curriculum. Applications are available at the parish office on Franklin Street and must be returned there by May 19th, 2021. The recipient will be announced on Senior Recognition Sunday in June.

### Spring Wreath Raffle

Coordinator, Margaret Vandermark  
Raising money for ramp access to Church office.  
Ticket sales begin Palm Sunday weekend. \$5 each, 5 for \$20. Drawing held Saturday, April 24 after Mass.  
Looking forward to your support.



Dan Reilly was installed as Acolyte on Sat., March 13th at St. Mark's Center in Erie. Dan will be ordained as Permanent Deacon on Sat, May 29th. Congratulations to Dan and his wife, Fran on this important step in their lives.

### March 14th Weekly Collection

St. Elizabeth: \$1435

St. Joseph: \$192

### **Sacramental Information**

**Baptism:** Parents & Godparents are asked to participate in a Preparation Program prior to scheduling a Baptism.

**Matrimony:** An appointment with the parish priest, needs to be made at least 6 months prior to the wedding date, before the wedding can be scheduled. Pre-Cana, Engagement Encounter, or NOVA is required.

**Sick Calls, Anointing, Communion:** Please call the parish office to arrange visits for those sick or homebound.

**New Members** are always welcome. Contact the parish office to register or use the form on back of bulletin. Moving? Please let us know.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults):** Any individual seeking information on becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic Faith should call the parish office.



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 Endowment

Please drop Membership Form into the offertory basket or mail to Rectory.

Note: Use of this form does not automatically register you with the church. You will be contacted to arrange an appointment. Thank You