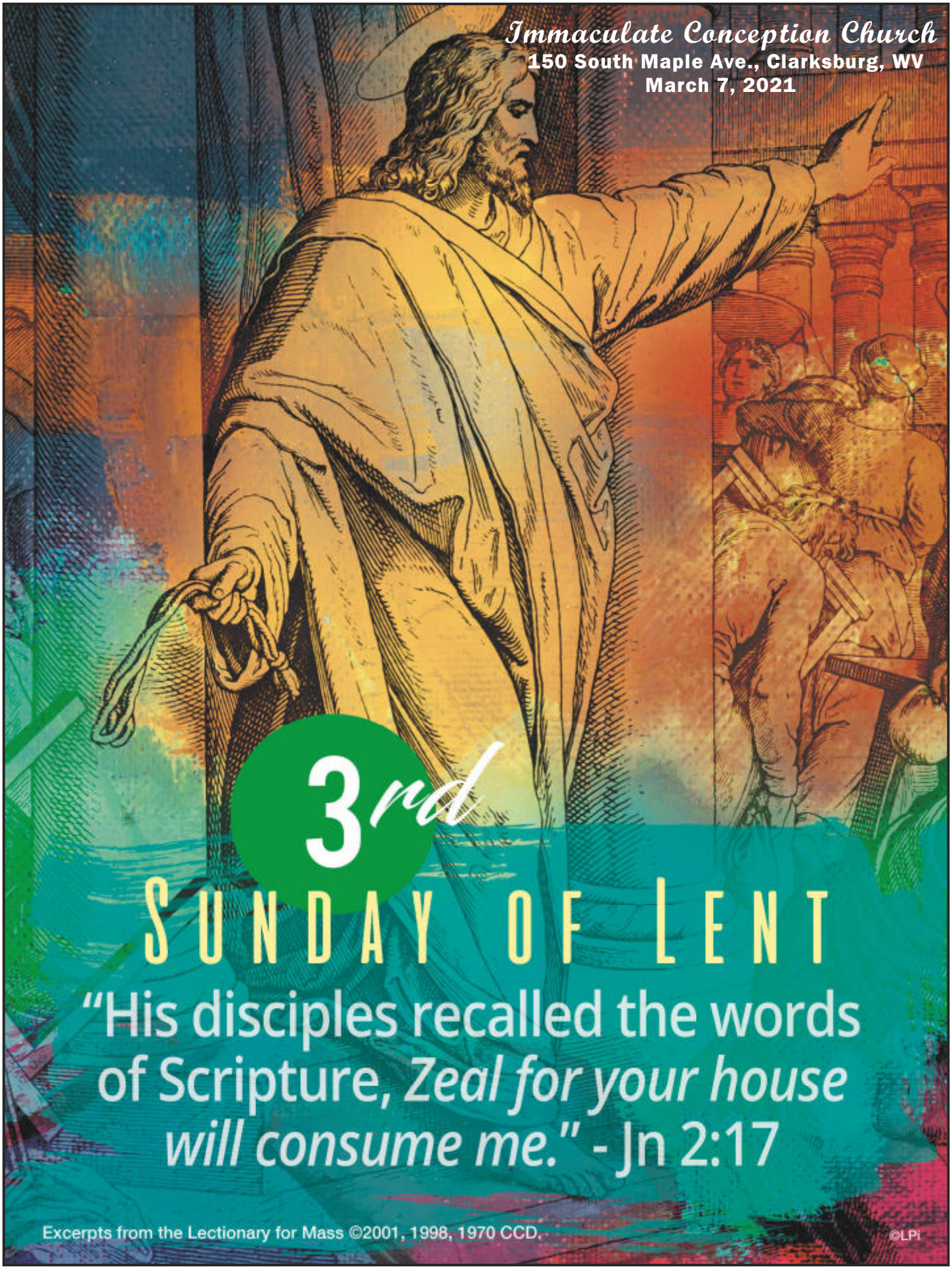
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March 7, 2021
3rd
SUNDAY OF LENT
"His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, Zeal for your house will consume me." - Jn 2:17
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Baptism: Instruction prior to Baptism. Contact the Parish Office at 304-622-8243.
Reconciliation: Saturday 3-4 pm. Other times by appointment.
Marriage: Make arrangements with the Parish at least 6 months before desired date. Must be a registered member(s) of the Parish and in good standing with the Church.
Sick & Shut-Ins: Let us know when you or a family member is unable to attend Mass.
New in the Parish, not registered, or an adult member not receiving envelopes? Call or come to the Parish Office to register. Forms are also available at the Church entrances.

Memorial Easter altar flower donations will be taken until March 28. Envelopes can be put in the baskets at Mass or in the drop box at the Parish Center. Donations can also be mailed. The list of those who contributed will be published at a later date.

The Parish Nurse Ministry will again be sponsoring **Bonnie's Bus** to provide mammograms for women regardless of insurance status or ability to pay. **The Bus will be here on Friday March 26 from 9AM to 5PM.** Call Theresa White at **304-669-6063** to schedule an appointment. Due to stricter COVID cleaning protocols used between appointments, there are only 20 appointment slots available this year. Please call early as appointments are limited. Please try to obtain an order from your provider prior to the test. Masks and social distancing will be required.

MASS INTENTIONS

March 6 & 7, 2021
Third Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 6 @ 4:30 pm
Eloise Jurick
Sunday, March 7 @ 8:00 am
Pete & Carmina Oliverio
Sunday, March 7 @ 11:00 am
People of the Parish
Monday, March 8 @ 8:00 am
Adam & Anne Skasik
Tuesday, March 9 @ 8:00 am
Suetta Virginia Brockleman
Wednesday, March 10 @ 7:00 pm
Anna & Joe Veneziano
Thursday, March 11 @ 8:00 am
Linda Maseda Pike
Friday, March 12 @ 8:00 am
Anthony Fugo

Stations of the Cross @ 6:30 pm
Every Friday during Lent

Fourth Sunday of Lent
Saturday, March 13 @ 4:30 pm
Gene Randolph
Sunday, March 14 @ 8:00 am
People of the Parish
Sunday, March 14 @ 11:00 am
Anthony Cody

Mass Times: Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 8 am; Wed. 7 pm
Saturday 4:30; Sunday 8 am and 11 am
Confessions: Saturday 3-4 pm
Spanish Mass: Sunday 9 am in the Parish Center

The faithful of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston are still dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass until further notice.

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Hymns for March 6 and March 7 cantor: Victor Folio

Opening Hymn: The Kingdom of God
The kingdom of God is justice and joy; for Jesus restores what sin would destroy.
God's power and glory in Jesus we know; and here and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.

The kingdom of God is mercy and grace; the captives are freed, the sinners find place,
The outcast are welcomed God's banquet to share; and hope is awakened in place of despair.
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Psalm response: Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.
Psalm 19:8,9,10,11; Text and music: David Haas, Copyright 1983, GIA Publications, Inc. Hymnal: Gather, Second Edition, GIA Publications

Communion: Wisdom's Feast (refrain)
We eat the bread of teaching, drink wine of wisdom, are given here a taste of the kingdom.
Together joined, the greatest and the least, we all are one at Wisdom's holy feast.
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Closing Hymn: Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone;
Chosen of the Lord, and precious, Binding all the Church in one;
Holy Zion's help forever, and her confidence alone.

Grant, we pray, to all your people, all the grace they ask to gain;
What they gain from you forever with the blessed to retain,
And hereafter in your glory evermore with you to reign.
Text: *Angularis fundamentum,* 11th C; Tune: WESTMINSTER ABBEY, adapted from Henry Purcell, 1659-1695
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Next Meeting March 11, 2021

The class will meet at
150 S. Maple Ave., Clarksburg.
The topic is "Christian Destiny: The Last Things."
If you'd like more information,
Email Father Casey at kcinwv89@gmail.com.
All are welcome!

Usher for Stations of the Cross
March 12 Mark Bonamico

Priests' Health and Retirement Association
(PHRA) Collection March 6-7, 2021

A special second collection is scheduled for **March 6-7, 2021,** to support the **Priests' Health and Retirement Association (PHRA)**, a fund that provides health insurance and retirement benefits to retired priests of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston. Please take a moment to reflect on the many years of service by our priests and how we can take this opportunity to thank them in a very particular way with a gift to the PHRA collection.

Volunteer Ushers for Weekend Masses

Beth Fitch*
Dave Fitch*
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Cathy Tricase

Cathy Fisher
Dan Fisher
Mike DeMaria
Mark Schumacher*
Joe Kolodziej*

Bill Manly*
Mark Ziecina*
Martin Carleton
Paul Dupont
*Sanitize church after mass.

Lectors for March 6-7
Saturday, 4:30 pm Jim Malfregeot
Sunday, 8:00 am Alexa Rinschler
Sunday, 11:00 am Patty DuPont

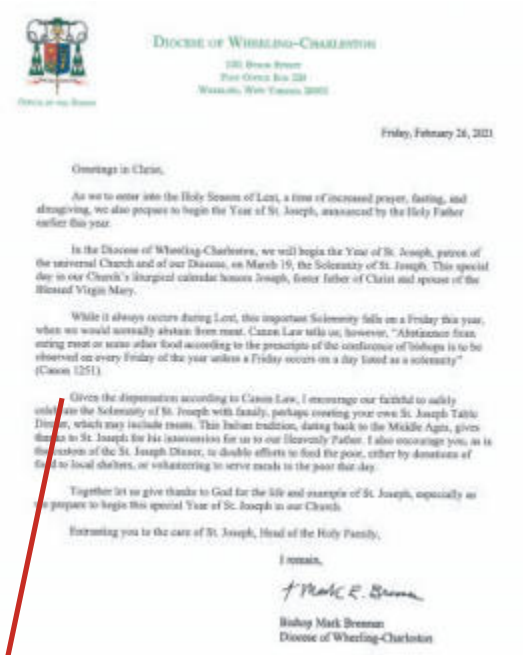
Lectors for March 13-14
Saturday, 4:30 pm Christian Arnold
Sunday, 8:00 am Joan Smith
Sunday, 11:00 am Iggy Scott

CCD Parents,
Zoom Classes on Sunday, March 7 are for grades 1 & 2. The session will be from 9:30 am until 10:00 am. Zoom Classes will allow the teacher to instruct the children as they would in class.

"Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belong to such as these". Mark 10:14

First Communion Class

will meet through Zoom on Tuesday, March 9 from 6 pm - 7:15 pm.



DIOCESE OF WHEELING-CHARLESTON

Friday, February 26, 2021

Greetings in Christ,

As we to enter into the Holy Season of Lent, a time of increased prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, we also prepare to begin the Year of St. Joseph, announced by the Holy Father earlier this year.

In the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston, we will begin the Year of St. Joseph, patron of the universal Church and of our Diocese, on March 19, the Solemnity of St. Joseph. This special day in our Church's liturgical calendar honors Joseph, foster father of Christ and spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

While it always occurs during Lent, this important Solemnity falls on a Friday this year, when we would normally abstain from meat. Canon Law tells us, however, "Abstinence from eating meat or some other food according to the prescripts of the conference of bishops is to be observed on every Friday of the year unless a Friday occurs on a day listed as a solemnity" (Canon 1251).

Given the dispensation according to Canon Law, I encourage our faithful to safely celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph with family, perhaps creating your own St. Joseph Table Dinner, which may include meats. This Italian tradition, dating back to the Middle Ages, gives thanks to St. Joseph for his intercession for us to our Heavenly Father. I also encourage you, as is the custom of the St. Joseph Dinner, to double efforts to feed the poor, either by donations of food to local shelters, or volunteering to serve meals to the poor that day.

Together let us give thanks to God for the life and example of St. Joseph, especially as we prepare to begin this special Year of St. Joseph in our Church.

Entrusting you to the care of St. Joseph, Head of the Holy Family,

I remain,

Bishop Mark Brennan
Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston

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Second Collections

Good Friday, April 2, 2021
Holy Land Collection

Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021
Education of Seminarians

The Mustard Seed

The volunteers of the Mustard Seed again thank you for the blessings of your prayers and donations. Food insecurity is ever increasing.

The needs include: Peanut Butter, Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce, Toilet Paper, Pots & Pans Flatware (any spoons, forks, knives, etc.)

Your support keeps Mustard Seed open to the public 4 days each week. Your food, clothing & household item donations may be made during the hours we are open. To volunteer or to arrange donations, phone Dolores Yoke at 304-624-6077.

The *Seasons of Hope* Program began on Saturday, March 6 and will continue on Saturdays from 10AM to Noon in the Parish Center. This is a 6-week session. Our Lord assured us that those who mourn are blessed and that they shall be comforted. Seasons of Hope can help us to cope with a loss that we have experienced in our lives. This can include the loss of a loved one, a job, divorce, etc. *Seasons of Hope* offers the bereaved an opportunity to come together and share in God's love with the support of the faith community. We are blessed to have Judy Labdik, a Licensed Social Worker who has facilitated this program before for helping us. Please call Theresa White at 304-623-1302 or Mary Jo Flaherty at 304-622-4147 to register. We look forward to welcoming back previous members and meeting new members. Masks and Social Distancing are required. The Parish Nurse Ministry will meet on Monday March 8 at 6:00 PM in the Parish Center. All health care professionals who would like to help with this ministry are invited to attend.

Men's Group will meet on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 6 pm in the Parish Center. All men are welcome.

Easter Week Mass Schedule 2021

Holy Thursday — April 1, 7 pm

Good Friday — April 2
Stations of the Cross , 2:30 pm
Passion & Veneration of the Cross, 7 pm

Easter Vigil — April 3, 8 pm
Easter Sunday — April 4
8 am, 10 am and Noon

Pastor's Pondering

We give thanks to God for the safe return of Sr. Beritha to Clarksburg. "Sr. B." travelled home to Zimbabwe for her every-other-year vacation. Travelling within Zimbabwe was also somewhat restricted because of the virus but she was able to visit some of her family and religious community. In keeping with the CDC protocols Sister Beritha will first be quarantined before returning to the office, masses, and "nunly fraternization," BUT **WELCOME HOME Sr. B!**

Sr. Maria will make an abbreviated visit to Zimbabwe after Easter (April 4th) to celebrate her 25th anniversary with her novitiate class or "group mates." She hopes to be back and be done with quarantine before the celebration of First Communion on May 8th.

Plans are underway for Holy Week, which of course will be modified in various ways to cooperate with the proper Covid-19 protocols and precautions. At least it looks like we will be able to safely celebrate Holy Week this year, unlike 2020! Stay tuned as further instructions unfold. We know at this point that we will change our Easter Sunday mass schedule, add a mass and take reservations as we did at Christmas. **The Easter Vigil will be Saturday, April 3rd at 8PM. Masses for Easter Sunday will be at 8, 10 and 12.** We will soon begin taking reservations for all the Holy Week celebrations and with livestreaming capabilities be able to accommodate whatever comes. Thank you again for helping by cooperating with all the necessary adaptations and change!

We have had a very nice socially distanced turnout for the **Stations of the Cross** on Friday evenings. Please remember that the "compromise time" for Stations for the rest of Lent will be **at 6:30 PM on Friday evenings.**

Bishop Brennan has announced a **$1.2 million dollar grant** to families of currently enrolled **Catholic School Students.** It will also be granted to any student who had to leave Catholic schools this past year because of the pandemic. Each student will receive $250 towards their tuition and fees for the 2021-2022 school year. Thank you to all of our Catholic School teachers, employees, students and families for their continued support of a Christ centered education. We also received word of the **passing into eternal life of Mr. Del DeLong,** who has been a Math teacher at Notre Dame for years. An excellent teacher, beloved and kind, Mr. DeLong was also a man of faith and a minister in the Church of God. He will be sadly missed by family, friends and students at Notre Dame. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.

Please remember **Fr. Chuck McGinnis** in your prayers, formerly an associate here under Fr. Federico and most recently Pastor at Harrisville and St. Mary's WV. Fr. Chuck is in Encompass Rehabilitation Hospital in Parkersburg following a "below the knee" amputation necessitated by complications of diabetes.

Let us all continue to support one another in prayer, word and deed as we continue to wind our way through this pandemic and all of its consequences and effects upon us. Our precautionary measures have been working. Stay the course! Keep the faith!

Blessings,

Fr. Casey

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, to report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact one of the Bishop's designees at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880: Mr. Bryan Minor, ext. 263; Mr. Tim Bishop, ext. 353; Fr. Dennis Schuelkens, ext. 270 or call the Office of Safe Environment at 304.230.1504. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

If you would like to have flowers on the altar in memory of a loved one or for a special occasion, contact the Parish Office at 304-622-8243.
This is not available during Lent.

Prayer Line Request—Call one of the **Team Members**

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