

March 12th, 2023

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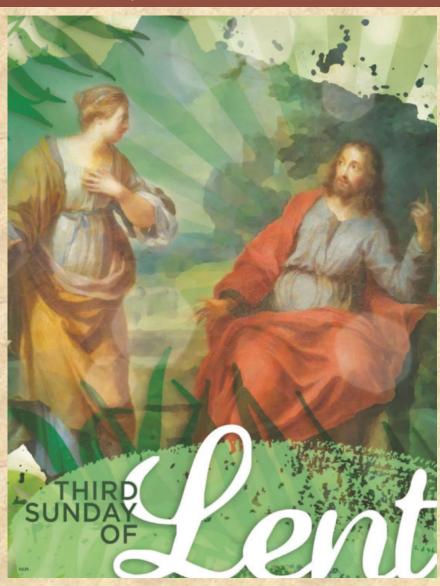
Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri.: 9:00AM—3:00PM Wed.: 12:00PM—3:00PM

Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM 1st Saturday of Month - 9:00 (with Anointing of the Sick)

Saturday (Vigil)
4:00 PM
Sunday
October—May
8 AM & 10:00 AM
June—September
9:00AM
Holy Days
Vigil 7:00 PM, 9:00 AM

Confessions1/2 hour before weekend Masses



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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursdays After 9:00 AM Mass - 12:00 PM

Sacraments

Baptisms

Last Saturday of the Month or by appointment

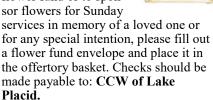
Weddings Contact Parish Office

Anointing the Sick & Homebound

Please contact the parish office at least 2 days prior to admission to hospital, if possible.

Altar Flowers

To contribute to the flower fund or to sponsor flowers for Sunday



Holy Water

The holy water dispenser is located in the vestibule of the church.

Votive Candles

Votive candles are located in the church and in the chapel.

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Readings for the week of March 12th

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10 /Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1 -3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6 -9. 13-17. 34-38

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Please Pray for:

Petrelle Family Georgia Eshelman Olivia, Vicki, Steve, Ioe **Todd Krunich** Veronica & Emily Jack Jinu, Rita, Stallis, David, John, Jim Thomas Ted Phalen Velma Nagel Joan Welsh Walter Nagel Linda Waldt Vonnie Scott Maxine Henderson **Bob Zhawred** Nicky Drury John Morrison We are in need of people to join the

prayer chain. If you love to pray for people who need it, please contact Charlotte at 561-315-6943

Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday, March 13th, 9:00 AM

†Alton "Ted" Brown, by his family

Tuesday, March 14th, 9:00 AM

†Gerardo Hernandorena, by Vilma Ros

Wednesday, March 15th, 9:00AM

†Gerardo Hernandorena, by Vilma Ros

Thursday, March 16th, 9:00 AM

†Lloyd Lueken, by Norm & Lorraine Pekar

Friday, March 17th, 9:00 AM

†Gerardo Hernandorena, by Vilma Ros

Saturday, March 18th, 4:00 PM (Vigil)

†Ellie Baer, by Stan & Carol Lisiecki

Sunday, March 19th, 8:00AM

†Paul Ganci, by Joseph & Rita DiEmmanuel

10:00AM

†George Boucher, by Fran Rolston



My Dear People,

Today Paul's message to the Corinthians parallels the message of the Gospel. The Jewish people after seeing Jesus overthrow the money changers in the temple, were seeking a sign, to show by whose authority Jesus did this. Jesus did not give them a sign but said, instead:

"Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." He was not speaking, of course, of the actual temple in Jerusalem but of the temple of His body.

In its place, Paul stresses the message of the cross and Jesus Crucified which is a stumbling block for the Jews and foolishness to the Gentiles. After stressing the importance of the message of the cross, St. Paul now contrasts the wisdom of God and the wisdom of the world.

By wisdom of the world Paul means the attitude of man when he is not pursuing his proper goal. The term "world"

has various meanings in Sacred Scripture. Paul uses the pejorative meaning of "all sinful men," people estranged from God. This human wisdom cannot attain knowledge of God (cf. Rm. 1:19-25) either because it demands external signs or because it accepts only rational arguments.

For the Jews, only signs will do—miracles which prove God's presence (cf. Mt 12:38ff; Lk 11:29). They want to base their faith on things the senses can perceive. For people with this attitude, the cross of Christ is a scandal, that is, a stumbling block, which makes it impossible for them to gain access to divine things, only because they have in some way imposed limits as to how God may reveal Himself and how He may not.

The Greeks, (St. Paul is referring to the Rational-

ists of his time) think they are arbiters of truth, and anything which cannot be proved by logical argument is nonsense. "For the prudent of the world," their wisdom turned into blindness, and could not lead them to see God. Therefore, since the world had become puffed up by the vanity of its dogmas, the Lord set in place "the faith" whereby believers would be saved. What seemed unworthy and foolish, and, all human conjecture being of no avail, it is noted only

through the grace of God it might reveal what the IF TODAY human mind cannot take in" (St. Leo the Great, YOU HEAR Fifth Nativity Sermon). Christians, whom God his voice. called out from among the Jews and the Gentiles, do HARDEN attain the wisdom of God. which consists in faith, "a **NOT YOUR** supernatural virtue." By that faith, with the inspiration and help of God's grace, we believe that calm 95 what he has revealed is true-not because it is intrinsic truth seen by the

natural light of reason, but because of the authority of God who reveals it, who can neither deceive nor be deceived." (Vatican I, Dei Filius, chap 3) The same council goes on to teach that faith is in conformity with reason (cf Rom 12:1) and that, in addition to God's help, external signs—miracles and prophecies—and rational argument do act as supporting faith.

"In the wisdom of God" this has been interpreted in two ways (which complement one another.) Roughly, the first interpretation is this: according to God's most wise design, since the world could not attain knowledge of God by its own effort, through philosophy, or through those elaborate systems of thought the Greeks were so proud of, God decided to save believers through the preaching of the Cross, which to humans' eyes

seemed to be foolishness and a stumbling block. The second interpretation, favored by many Fathers and by St. Thomas Aquinas, contrasts divine wisdom—as manifested in creation and in the Old Testament—with human wisdom. It runs on these lines: since the world, because of its distorted view of things, failed to attain knowledge of God, despite the way He manifested Himself in creation and Holy Scripture, God has decided to save man in a remarkable, paradoxical way which better reflects divine wisdom— Penance Service. We will have the Lenten Conthe preaching of the Cross.

In both interpretations it is clear that the Apostle is trying to squeeze into one expression a number of truths—that God's salvific plans are eternal; that human wisdom, which is capable, on its own, of discovering God through His works, has become darkened; that the cross is the climax of the all-wise plan of God; and man cannot be truly wise unless he accepts the "wisdom of the cross," no matter how paradoxical it may seem.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Vincent Clemente

fessions on March 15th, this Wednesday. Confessions will begin after the Mission talk. There will be a number of priests to hear confessions. This is a great opportunity to make Lent more profitable by participating in a Lenten penance service, and an opportunity to clear your conscience.





UPCOMING EVENTS

Lenten Stations of the **Cross and Soup Suppers:** Fridays in Lent at 5:30PM in the Social Hall. Free.

40 Cans for Lent. Drop your donations of non-perishable foods in the white basket in the vestibule.

Fish Dinners. St.

Catherine's will be hosting Friday fish dinners. 4:00-6:00PM. \$15 gets dinner, dessert, coffee and tea.

Parish Mission. March 13-16, during 9AM Mass and evenings at 6PM.

St. James Lenten Penance Service: Wednesday, March 15th at 6:30PM.



Mondays at 6 PM in the Social Hall.
All are welcome to attend!

Mar. 13-16. Parish Mission.
Mar. 20. The Lord's Prayer
Mar. 27. The Meaning of Holy
Week.

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Don't miss our Parish Mission this week with Father Simeon Gallagher! Monday-Thursday evenings at 6:00PM.



Monday: "Sustaining Good Relationships: Faith as Foundation"
Tuesday: "Communication in Relationships: Prayer as Model"
Wednesday: "Breaking Relationships: Sin as Interpersonal"
Thursday: "Building Better Relationships: Graces for Growth"

Parish Advisory Board Candidates

You, the parish, will be asked to help choose 4 of 9 candidates to serve on our Parish Advisory Board. We'll be introducing them in groups of 3 over the next three weekends.

Stay tuned for how to place your votes!

Mary Louise
Pushcar has been a
member of St.
James for six
years. A frequent
visitor to Medjegore,
Mary Louise fervently brings her love



and devotion of the Blessed Mother into any conversation you are lucky enough to witness. She passionately aspires to help awaken the laity to the supernatural and sacred experiences of worship in order to serve Our Lord in mind, body, and spirit.

Mary Louise is a member of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, C.O.O.L., and is a devoted attendee to daily Mass. With a lifelong career in nursing, Mary Louise is willing to put all her helpful skills to good use in serving fellow members of St. James.

John Gray is a familiar face to the parishioners of St. James. Married to Joan for the past 48 years, they hail from Wisconsin where John was Chairman

of the Renovation Committee while serving on the Advisory Board in his home parish in Tupelo Falls.

Joan and John have been here at Saint James for six years, and John is well entrenched in the community. He is on the Board for Manna Ministries and Saint Catherine's School. He serves as Deputy for District 54 of the Knights of Columbus and is an active member of KOC here at Saint James, utilizing his past talents as a Grand Knight. He is currently a member of C.O.O.L., and you can catch him ushering at St. James whenever the need arises.

Jean Warren has been an active member of Saint James since locating here permanently in 2005 with husband Bud (deceased). She



served as President of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for three years and is currently serving as Vice-President. Very active in the CCW, other ministries include Sacristans, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Arimathean Group, where she serves as Funeral Reception Coordinator.

She has enjoyed (since 1st grade in Catholic School) singing in the Choir. Always busy with church duties, you can find her attending C.O.O.L. meetings on Tuesday mornings, decorating the altar for the different seasons, as well as sewing altar linens to adorn the altar.

Misión Católica Santiago Apóstol

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En la aridez del desierto es donde se puede experimentar con más realidad la necesidad del agua. La sed y el calor del agobiante sol mata. El agua es esencial para la vida. Las lecturas de hoy nos revelan a Dios como fuente de agua que salva a su pueblo, haciendo que brotara agua de la roca en medio del desierto por medio de Moisés. "Golpearás la roca y de ella saldrá agua, y el pueblo tendrá para beber. Moisés lo hizo así, en presencia de los jefes de Israel" (Éxodo 17,6). El agua tan esencial en

aquellos tiempos y en los de ahora. En muchas partes del mundo hay sequía extrema. Cuidemos el agua actuemos con responsabilidad para que llegue a todos los que la necesitan.

Pero, más importante que el agua que da vida al cuerpo, es el agua viva que da Jesús en el Espíritu a la mujer samaritana. "Señor, dame de esa agua, y así ya no sufriré la sed ni tendré que volver aquí a sacar agua" (Juan 4,15). La promesa de Jesús para todos se sigue cumpliendo. Basta que le pidamos agua para nuestras sequedades de la vida. Y responderá: "El agua que yo le daré se convertirá en él en un chorro que salta hasta la vida eterna" (Juan 4,14). Egoísmos, infidelidades, injusticias, falta de compasión y de entrega a los necesitados. Es lo que podemos pedir hoy al Señor, para que nos lave y quedando limpios salgamos como la mujer samaritana a proclamar. "Vengan a ver..." todo lo que he cambiado, gracias a Jesús, para bien de todos. ©LPi



Horario de Misas Domingo: 10:00am Jueves v Viernes: 7:00PM Primer viernes del mes- Misa a las 7:00pm y la exposición del Santísimo Sacramento desde las 5:00pm hasta las 7:00pm

Confesiones: 9:30am domingo Bautismos: 4o sábado del mes a las

4:00 pm

Platicas del bautismo: 3o viernes del mes a las 7:30pm después de la Misa Quinceañeras: hablar con el sacerdote





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CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

Sunday 10:00 am Mass and Class Connie Rollins/863-465-4361

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COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (CCW), LAKE PLACID

1st Thursday of the Month 10:00am Maxine Henderson/517-944-0990 PO Box 1955, Lake Placid FL 33862

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2nd Friday of the month 3:00 pm, Social Hall

Mary Webb/863-273-4495

EMMAUS (MEN)

3rd Sunday of the Month

2:00 pm

Bob Muir/863-441-4754

EMMAUS (WOMEN)

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Elsie Howe/863-633-8142

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Wednesday 6:00 pm/Social Hall Connie Rollins/863-465-4361

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PARISH HAPPENINGS

MARCH 12th— Sunday.

Faith Formation, 11AM-Noon, Social Hall.

Women's Emmaus, 2PM, Social Hall.

MARCH 13th— Monday. RCIA, attend Parish Mission. Parish Mission, 6PM-7PM MARCH 14th— Tuesday.

Child. of Our Lady, 10AM, Social Hall. Parish Mission, 6PM-7PM

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MARCH 15th— Wednesday.

Bible Study, 10AM, Social Hall.

Confirmation Class, 6PM, Social Hall.

Parish Mission, 6PM-7PM Penance Service 6:30PM MARCH 16th— Thursday.

Legion of Mary, 1PM, Social Hall. Bible Study, 7PM, Social Hall.

Knights of Columbus, 7PM, Social Hall MARCH 17th— Friday.

Kraft Korner, 10AM, Social Hall. Video Stations of the Cross and Soup Supper hosted by Knights of Columbus and the Council of Catholic Women of Lake Placid, 5:30PM, Social Hall. Free! All Welcome!



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