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## MASS TIMES:

DAILY (MON. - FRI.):  
8:30am

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS:  
4:30pm

SUNDAY:  
8:30am & 10:30am

## RECONCILIATION:

MON - FRI:  
7:45 — 8:15am

SATURDAY:  
3:30 — 4:15pm

## OFFICE HOURS:

MON - FRI:  
9:00am — 3:00pm



March 6, 2022

♦ **FISH FRY every Friday 5:00 - 7:00pm. Fish & Chips \$15.00**

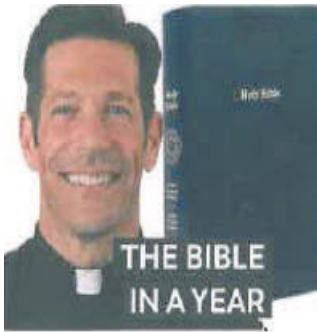
**Fish & Shrimp \$16.00 All Shrimp \$16.00 Coleslaw and French fries included**

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♦ **BIBLE IN A YEAR CHALLENGE**



Let's make the **2022 Lenten Journey** the start of renewed discovery of the Word of God. Join your fellow parishioners in reading the Bible in a Year. The Bible in a Year podcast is free and sponsored by Ascension Press and narrated by **Fr. Mike Schmitz**. The podcast guides you through the Bible in a manageable, systematic approach that is not overwhelming, leading to a greater connection to the Word of God and the Church. Bibles are available as a gift from the parish for anyone accepting the challenge to read the Bible in a Year.

The podcast, which is available on any smart phone or computer, is free and easily accessible. Each day a 20-minute episode covers chapters or verses from 2-3 different books of the Bible. For example, Genesis Chapters 2-3, Job 12 and Psalm 23 would be covered in one day, this is followed by a brief summary and explanation of the daily readings. Although it is called the Bible in a Year, it is not required to start on any particular date, the intent of the podcast is to cover the content of the Bible in 365 days.

As we begin our Lenten Journey, let's see how many parishioners take the Bible in a Year Challenge!

Just go to the podcast in the app store, or at <https://media.ascensionpress.com/all-bible-in-a-year-episodes> or follow the link on the Blessed Sacrament web site at [www.blessedsacramentcocoa.org](http://www.blessedsacramentcocoa.org) along with a personal pledge you can make to read the Bible in a Year.

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**HOURS:**  
Tues - Fri: 9AM - 4PM  
Saturday: 10AM - 2PM

## DEVOTIONS

### Monday (before Mass)

Our Lady of The Miraculous Medal

### Tuesday - Friday (before Mass)

The Holy Rosary

### Tuesday (after Mass)

Adoration of the Most Holy Sacrament

### Thursday (after Mass)

Chaplet of the Divine Mercy

## Wedding Anniversaries

Mike & Rhonda Mangione  
25 years on March 15th

*Congratulations  
and Best Wishes for  
Many More!*

Please call or stop by the parish office to reserve your Mass Intentions for 2022/2023. You may mail your check or drop in mail slot in parish office door.

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, March 5th

4:30 PM † Richard Krishock

#### Sunday, March 6th

8:30 AM † Wanda Maurer

10:30 AM † Julie Cruz Leonen

#### Monday March 7th

8:30 AM † Julie Cruz Leonen

#### Tuesday March 8th

8:30 AM † Mary Krishock

#### Wednesday March 8th

8:30 AM † Christopher Shevlin

#### Thursday March 9th

8:30 AM People of the Parish

#### Friday March 10th

8:30 AM † Fr. John Hollowell

#### Saturday, March 11th

4:30 PM † Lorraine Simpson

#### Sunday, March 13th

8:30 AM † Colonel Marvin Lee Jones

10:30 AM Sp Int for All Confirmandies

1st Sunday of Lent

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS...

...for all our parishioners who are sick  
or in need of our prayers:

Antonette Cossentino, Audry McDonald, Jean Hartnet, Thomas Wilson, Margaret Casale, Tara Rae Daniels, Rodney Champagne, Bob Boroskey, Cecile Szulkowski, Yudoria Victoria, Rudolph Bronson, Misty Bronson, John J Pool, Harper Reneé Reaves, Reneé Hatzold, Ken Carter, Annett Carter, David Phillips, Annett Fancher, Carol Barbera, Kay Shiffer, Heather Baker, Ann Madore, Gage Markoux, Cathy Boroskey, Phil Collins, Andrew Pogar, Rick Stemboriski, Barbara Sarniewicz, Laurie Hutchcraft, Richard Hutchcraft, Mary Ann Patrella, Melissa Fenlon, Carole Alvino, Carol Woodard, Richard Andres, Jackie Canton, Rory James, Linda Lajoie, Bobby Glazier, Robert Scaringe, Toni Fiori, Ngoi Pham, Jon Shiffer, Chuck Wald, Beth Woodall, Rodney Reynolds, Jill Reynolds, Alex Cash, Brett Coles, Jeremie Woodall, Jean Felton, Richard Warren, Susan Ciurzynski, Jeanne Bardsley, Long Tran, Jayne Loeb, Bruce Paster, Jack Gallie, Paul Snyder, Suzanne Ross, Roger White, Mary Collins, Marty Nowak, Shawn Nerf, Vincent Scalice, Ana Valdez-Scalice, John Taylor, Andrea Kosar, Nguyen V Xuan, Ilene Smiddy Family., Kate Wright, Carol Heinemann, Dick Heinemann, Anne Davis, Linda Moquin-Ahern, Regis Johns, Veronica Cabrera, Cheryl Comeau, Anna Garee, Angel Roquevert, Patricia Olsen

...and the deceased of our parish family

For the month of March,

the deceased priests of our Diocese are:

March 18, 1991 - Reverend Paul Kajdan

March 20, 1982 - Reverend Thomas Gross

March 22, 1972 - Msgr. Martin Brendan Power

March 25, 1978 - Reverend Sean Patrick Molloy







### FIRST READING

'We cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers,  
and he heard our cry.' (Dt 26:7)



### PSALM

Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.  
(Ps 91)



### SECOND READING

For, if you confess with your mouth that  
Jesus is Lord  
and believe in your heart that God raised  
him from the dead,  
you will be saved. (Rom 10:9)



### GOSPEL

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned  
from the Jordan  
and was led by the Spirit into the  
desert for forty days,  
to be tempted by the devil. (Lk 4:1-2)

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## WORSHIP & MEDITATION



### GOSPEL MEDITATION

#### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

One of the greatest temptations human beings face is leaving the truth of who they are, where they came from and who created them in pursuit of more personal satisfactions. When we consider all that desires our attention in a given day, there are many lures that attract us to illusions about ourselves. We can easily find ourselves distracted or tired, preoccupied with preserving our status in life, social relationships, current trends, and corporate demands, and intrigued by pursuing what we perceive to be the "path of least resistance." The daily concerns of life can quickly take our eyes off of our truth, making the empty promises of worldly accomplishments and ideologies seem so attractive. What is at risk in giving into this temptation?

We cease giving thanks to and worshipping our Creator as we pursue our own self-sufficiency, power, and prestige. We replace the true God with a "pet" one. While many do not totally dismiss the idea of God and pretend to remain at least remotely connected, they do not invest themselves heart, mind, and soul in the relationship either. That is why we are so easily swayed. If something attractive comes along, we lunge for it. After all, having a position above and over everyone else is a good thing, isn't it? In more honest moments, many have to admit that they believe this to be true. The Evil One is very convincing. But he can only gain control if we allow him to.

About temptation, St. Basil remarks, "As the pilot of a vessel is tried in the storm, as the wrestler is tried in the ring, the soldier in the battle and the hero in adversity, so is the Christian tried in temptation." And here is found the reason for Lent. It is a wonderful opportunity to get a handle on the attractive lures of illusion that easily captivate us and bring us off track. It is also a time for some honest reflection rooted in prayer, fasting, and selfless giving that can bring us to temptation's remedy: love. Love of his Father gave Jesus resistance. It can do the same for us.

SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2022 | 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

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## WEEKLY PRAYER

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 6, 2022

- Sunday:** Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13
- Monday:** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46
- Tuesday:** Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15
- Wednesday:** Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32
- Thursday:** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12
- Friday:** Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26
- Saturday:** Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48
- Next Sunday:** Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 6, 2022

- Sunday:** 1st Sunday of Lent
- Monday:** Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs
- Tuesday:** St. John of God, Religious
- Wednesday:** St. Frances of Rome, Religious
- Next Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins

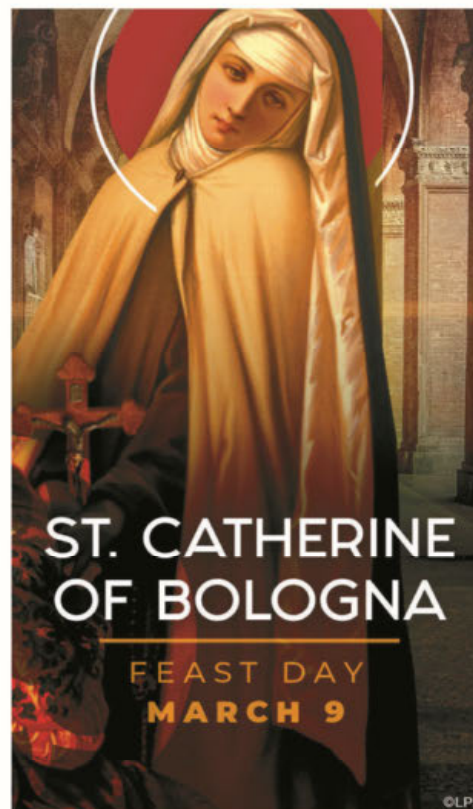
### LIVE THE LITURGY

#### Inspiration for the week

Human beings did not come to believe in God just because of someone's private testimony about him. Rather, belief in God became real when human beings understood that all of human history is being guided and lead, kept and sustained by a God who is incredibly in love with all that he has made. It is this realization that leads us to thanksgiving and gratitude for the one who gives us "this land flowing with milk and honey." It also leads us to adoration and worship as we continue to see the creative power of God's presence in all of the events of our lives. The Church stands as a living witness to all of these things and calls us this Lent to reflect and remember. There is a great temptation for human beings to leave the truth of who they are, where they came from and who created them. Falling into this temptation we cease giving thanks to and worshipping our Creator as we pursue our own self-sufficiency, power, and prestige. While having more may seem better, the only thing we really need more of is love. This fortifies us and keeps us from falling.

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SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2022 | 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT



### SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Catherine of Bologna (September 8, 1413 – March 9, 1463) came from an upper-class family in Ferrara, a city in Italy, and received an education at the court, where she learned reading, writing, singing and drawing. But despite her advantages, her heart yearned for God.

She joined a group of religious women in Ferrara at the age of 18. Four years later, that same group joined the Poor Clares, an order founded by St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi. In 1456, she and 15 other sisters were sent to establish a Poor Clare monastery in Florence.

As abbess, St. Catherine of Bologna worked to establish the new community and maintain a semblance of peace throughout. She was a model of piety and reported experiencing miracles and several visions of Christ, and the Virgin Mary.

In 1463, St. Catherine of Bologna became seriously ill, and she passed away. She was buried without a coffin and her body was exhumed 18 days later because of many cures attributed to her at her graveside and the sweet scent coming from her grave. Her body was discovered incorrupt (meaning it was not decaying) and remains so today.

March 6th, 2022

## Parish Community Life Events in March

- Mar 1 Rel. Ed. Confirmation Prep Class 7:00pm**
- Mar 1 Fat Tuesday FREE Pancake Dinner 6:00pm-8:00pm**
- Mar 2 Parish Community ASH WEDNESDAY**
- Mar 2 Mary's Helpers Long Sleeve Shirt Program Starts**
- Mar 4 Parish Community Fish Fry; Parish Hall; 5-7pm**
- Mar 6 Rel. Ed. Sunday Classes, 9:40am - 10:20am**
- Mar 11 Parish Community Fish Fry; Parish Hall; 5-7pm**
- Mar 12 Rel. Ed. Confirmation Retreat, Reconciliation, Practice**
- Mar 13 Rel. Ed. Spring Break (No Classes) Confirmation Mass; 10:30am**
- Mar 18 Parish Community Fish Fry; Parish Hall; 5-7pm**
- Mar 19/20 Knights of Columbus Membership Drive/Corporate Communion 10:30am Mass**
- Mar 20 Rel. Ed. Spring Break (No Classes)**
- Mar 25 Parish Community Fish Fry; Parish Hall; 5-7pm**



### COMMUNITY OUTREACH

#### LONG SLEEVE SHIRT PROGRAM

Lent is here and so is the Long Sleeve Shirt Program! Your generosity has been great these last couple of years,

Migrant Workers can go through a shirt a day as they work with chemicals harmful to their skin to provide us our daily bread.

Please join us again this year by bringing in your long sleeve shirts between Ash Wednesday and Holy Thursday. You can bring them to the church or the Parish Office. Thank You in advance for your help!

### Bingo Winners

**Carmella Menard Janet Eastman Carol Anderson**

**Irene Weaver**

Thursday evenings      Early Bird - 5:15      Regular Session - 6:30

**Come Join The Fun!**

**Divine Mercy Catholic Radio**, our local Catholic Radio station will be airing a special program on the Cause for Canonization for the "Martyrs of La Florida".

Tune in to "Treasures of Faith" with host Bill Gent on Tuesday March 1st and March 8th at 11:00 O'clock.

Dr. Mary Soha shares her knowledge to this amazing cause that is right in our backyard.

Tune into 920 on your AM radio or listen live stream on your computer at WDMC Divine Mercy Radio 920 or call 321 757-7717 for more info.



### Knights of Columbus

#### Did You Know????

The Knights of Columbus have long supported

Habitat for Humanity in building homes and providing hope for families with neither. Last year alone, our members have provided over 358,000 volunteer hours and \$560,000 in direct financial support for home site construction near and far. Additionally, in 2014, the Knights began partnering with the Gary Sinise Foundation, providing funding to help complete the construction of computer-equipped custom smart homes for severely wounded heroes.

**For further information about membership in the Knights of Columbus, please send an email request to [kc11348@hotmail.com](mailto:kc11348@hotmail.com) or call**

**321-544-2479**

### Food Pantry

Our food pantry is open on Fridays from 11am—1:30pm. All donations are welcome (canned goods, non perishable items, etc.). Thank you for your generous donations which can be dropped off in the back of the Church or in the Church Office.

**Households Served - 36**

**People Served - 82**





**Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, Cocoa**  
**Lent and Easter Schedule 2022**

**Fish Fry**

- ✓ During Lent, there will be Fish Fry every Friday at 5:00pm

**Stations of the Cross**

- ✓ During Lent, there will be Stations of the Cross every Friday at 12:15pm and 7:00pm

**Confessions**

- ✓ Monday through Friday at 7:45am – 8:15am (except Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday)
- ✓ Fridays during Lent 11:30am – 12:10pm
- ✓ Every Saturdays 3:30pm – 4:15pm

**Ash Wednesday (Fast and Abstinence) - March 2, 2022**

- ✓ Holy Masses at 8:30am and 7:00pm
- ✓ Ash Wednesday Service at 12 midday

**Confirmation Mass – Bishop John Noonan - March 13, 2022 at 10:30am**

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - April 9/10, 2022**

- ✓ Vigil Mass, April 9 at 4:30pm
- ✓ Sunday, April 10 – Holy Masses at 8:30am and 10:30am

**Holy Thursday – April 14, 2022**

- ✓ Holy Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm
- ✓ Adoration - The Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight (Parish Hall)

**Good Friday - April 15, 2022**

- ✓ Good Friday Solemn Liturgy of the Word, Veneration, and Holy Communion at 3:00pm
- ✓ Confessions at 6:30pm – 7:00pm
- ✓ Station of the Cross at 7:00pm

**Holy Saturday - April 16, 2022**

- ✓ Easter Vigil Mass at 8:00pm

*(Please note there will be NO Holy Mass at 4:30pm)*

**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord - April 17, 2022**

- ✓ Holy Masses at 8:30am and 10:30am

**Lent** is the penitential season of **40 days** (excluding Sundays) set aside by the Church in order for the faithful to prepare for commemoration of the Lord's Passion, Death and His Resurrection.

**Lent** begins at midnight of Ash Wednesday and officially ends at the start of the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday.

**Have a blessed Lenten season**

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