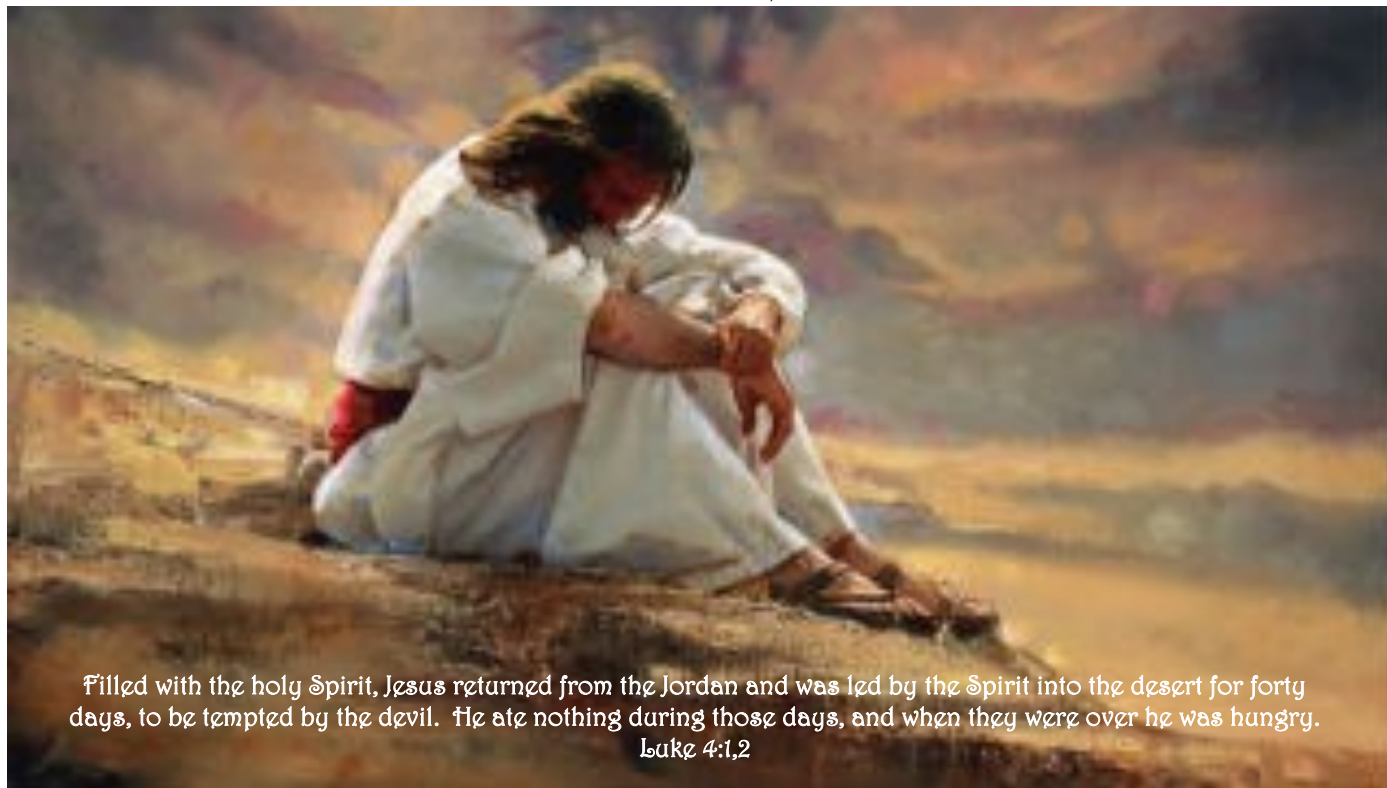


SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

MARCH 10, 2019



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. He ate nothing during those days, and when they were over he was hungry.
Luke 4:1,2

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am
Monday & Friday 5:30 pm
Tuesday - Thursday 7:00 am

Spanish Mass:

Resurrection Parish, Lexington

Sunday: 6:00 pm

Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 7:30 am - 7:30 pm
Friday: 7:30 am - 6:00 pm
Saturday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

Pastoral Care Contacts:

Ms. Kristi Reindl 419.524.2572
*Hospital & Follow-up
Nursing Homes/Assisted Living &
Prayer Pipeline*

Deacon John Reef 419.529.3694
Shut-ins/Homebound

Sacrament of Baptism:

Please contact the Parish Center to begin plans for the baptism of your baby or child.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:00 - 4:30 pm
Other times by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Arrangements should be made at the Parish Center at least eight months in advance of the ceremony. A wedding date is confirmed after the initial meeting with a priest.

Sunday Nursery:

Sunday Nursery is temporarily unavailable until further notice.

Bulletin Deadline:

Friday, 12:00 noon. All requests must be submitted in writing or email and must receive prior approval.

Parish Administrative Assistant:

Ms. Kristi Reindl 419.524.2572 ext.2122

Pastoral Staff:

Fr. Gregory R. Hite, *Pastor*
Fr. Austin Ammanniti, *Parochial Vicar*
Mr. Bill Johnson,
Director of Music & Liturgy
Ms. Lynne Lukach, *Pastoral Associate*
Mrs. Elizabeth Wurm, *Director of
Religious Ed. & Youth Minister*

Deacon:

Mr. John Reef

St. Peter's School:

Ms. Tammy Haus
High School, Jr. High School
Mrs. Madalyn Bauer
Elementary School
Mrs. Ashley Rastorfer
Montessori

Parish Business Manager:

Mr. Evan Mumea

Director of Development:

Mr. Jason Crundwell

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MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, March 11, Lenten Weekday**

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm North Central Ohio Vocations Club

Tuesday, March 12, Lenten Weekday

7:00 am Parish

9:30 am Parish, Elementary Mass

Wednesday, March 13, Lenten Weekday

7:00 am Parish

Thursday, March 14, Lenten Weekday

7:00 am Parish

9:30 am Parish, Junior High/High School Mass

Friday, March 15, Lenten Weekday

5:00 pm Stations of The Cross

5:30 pm Ted Falls (Anniversary)

Saturday, March 16, Vigil of the Second Sunday of Lent

5:00 pm Antonio and Fred Sr. Barabani

Sunday, March 17, Second Sunday of Lent

7:30 am Vincent Takos

9:30 am Nick Schemine

11:30 am Parish

LECTOR/COMMUNION MINISTER**Saturday, March 16**5:00 pm **L** J Riedl, D Creamer**D** D Falquette, V Zack, D Hipp, T Hipp,
Deacon Reef**Sunday, March 17**7:30 am **L** D Bessemer, M Santoro**D** M Collet, P Taylor, B Danuloff, L Danuloff,
K Reindl, K Reindl, K Randall9:30 am **L** R Sliney, S Vaccaro**D** S Weber, S Crundwell, T Frasz, C Merle,
D Forster, T Etwiler, J Brennan11:30 am **L** F Leitenberger, K Bird**D** K Yockey, L Strauser, S Rizzo, T Fesler,
C Mears, K Speck**MASS SERVERS****Saturday, March 16**

5:00 pm G Farragher, B Dix, G Dix

Sunday, March 17

7:30 am A Gasper

9:30 am B Ball, A Baldsare, A Saltzgeber

11:30 am J Rizzo, E Henderson, D Stanford

THE CHILDRENS LITURGY OF THE WORD

9:30 am Patti

11:30 am Tricia

RCIA Rite of Election

Today (March 10) throughout the Catholic Church in the United States (and beyond), the Church is celebrating the Rite of Election. The Rite of Election includes the enrollment of names of all the Catechumens seeking baptism at the coming Easter Vigil. Typically, on the first Sunday of Lent, the Catechumens, their sponsors and families gather at the cathedral church. The Catechumens publicly express their desire for baptism to the diocesan bishop. Their names are recorded in a book and they are called the Elect.

Here in our Diocese of Toledo, half of the parishes will gather in Toledo at Rosary Cathedral and half at St. Michael Church in Findlay. The Bishop alternates sites each year, so for those of us who choose to go to Findlay, Bishop Thomas will be with us this year. Bishop delegates another priest to preside at the other site; for example, Msgr. William Kubacki was with us last year in Findlay.

At Mass this morning you may witness the "Sending Forth" of our two catechumens: Kathee Lutes at 7:30 Mass and Jacob Poiner at 11:30 Mass. Father will call them forth, pray over them and they will sign their names in the Book of the Elect. Later this afternoon we will gather with hundreds of other catechumens, sponsors, families, and RCIA teams for the beautiful Rite of Election, the public acknowledgement that these individuals, chosen by God, are now "fit for duty" and will enter an intense period of purification and enlightenment on their journey to celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist – at the Easter Vigil. It is indeed inspiring gathering with so many of the faithful and hearing the names read aloud.

Lent is a special time of conversion for all of us. For our catechumens-turned-Elect, it is a special time within the RCIA process for them to focus and intensify their faith formation as they prepare to commit their lives to Christ and be received into the Church at the Easter Vigil. Our RCIA classes each Sunday morning will continue to allow time for intense reflection on the Gospel message and on the way Jesus is calling us to conversion.

Please lift Kathee and Jacob and all the Elect of our diocese in prayer each day this Lent. Please introduce yourself to Kathee and Jacob when you see them at Mass each Sunday – Kathee at 7:30 and Jacob at 11:30 – and let them know your prayers are with them. Please plan to attend the beautiful Easter Vigil Mass (April 20) to be drawn more deeply into the mysteries of conversion, transformation, and reception into the one, holy, catholic, apostolic Church.

*Your sister in Christ,
Lynne Lukach*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH



Mike Payton, Bill Ruhl, Jeannie Burkhalter, Krista Marshall, Aaron Blank, Don Blank, Cindy Lassen, Dina Riley, Eliana Nelson, MaKaya Butler, Mildred Corbin, Julie Krouse, Ken Kayden, John Henney, Theresa Schmidt, Paige Divelbiss, Maria Loschinkohl, Sharon Valdry, Carol Pittenger, Sherry Studer, John Ziegler, Marlene Ziegler, Kim Rucker, Jess Allred, Dorothy Trinter, Marti Selby, JoAnn Marbaugh, Baby Greyden Jack, Gwen Yockey, Louise Stegall, Tammy Dudley, Keith Combs, Mady Ziegler, Elaine Johnson, Cindy Jasnek Cartier, Mabis Strauser, Larry Barrick, Sandy Barrick, Adeline Cameron, Christopher Holt, John Kocher, Jeannine Klotz, Ellen Weirich, Jenny Galante, Steve Freer, Mary Ann and Mel Switzer, Marilyn B. Williamson.

Names will only be listed for 4 weeks. If you wish to have additional time, contact the Parish Center at 419.524.2572.

IN GOD'S ARMS...

Donna Newlon Deskins, Ben Studer,
Joseph Stanga, Stephen Futti
Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord.



2019 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Countless lives are touched by every contribution to the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal. Children, seminary students, the sick and aged, the needy—they all depend on our generosity. Faith, hope and love come alive through the Annual Catholic Appeal, which in turn fosters the Holy Disciples, Holy Families and Holy Vocations. Thank you for pledging today to help meet our parish goal of \$55,000 and assure the continuation of these programs and services. For more information on ministries funded by the appeal visit Toledodiocese.org/ACA.

LENTEN MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Come Tuesday to 7:00 am Mass, then stay for a short look at next Sunday's readings. Starting March 12, strengthen your faith, strengthen your family. Call or text Kim Randall for more information at 419.528.9856 or just show up with your Bible.

PRISON MINISTRY CORNER

A joy of prison ministry (one joy among many!) is having our brothers spontaneously share the good news happening in their lives. Prison can be a very dark place, so seeing bright eyes and smiles is a true blessing. One man was thrilled to share the news that his great-grandchild was born this week. A 30-something year old man who has had too many struggles in his life was elated to tell me he had passed his GED test...after 17 years since leaving school. Others share the good news of a visit or call or other family connections. Please keep our incarcerated brothers in prayer in a special way this Lent.

NEW PARISHIONERS IN FEBRUARY

Stephanie Reinhart
David and Rose Mary Warnecke



FEBRUARY BAPTISMS

Elliott Theodore Kossick
Cecelia Quinn Webb
Talie Ann Skeen
Andrew James Dailey



NEW DIOCESAN STRATEGIC PLAN

To view the Diocese new Strategic Plan, you can visit https://toledodiocese.org/images/uploads/page_assets/strategic%20plan%20document%20Bolder%20Final.pdf

The diocese newly defined "Core Values" will guide all our efforts at every level throughout the diocese. We also created what we call "Strategic Pillar Goals." This is where we will be concentrating our energies for the next three years.

CHURCH REGULATIONS REGARDING FAST & ABSTINENCE

Abstinence from meat (beast or fowl) is to be observed by all Catholics **fourteen years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays of Lent.** This obligation prohibits the eating of meat, but not eggs, milk products, or condiments of any kind, even though made from animal fat.

Fasting means limiting oneself to one full meal on a given fast day. Catholics who are **eighteen years of age but not yet fifty-nine are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.** On fast days, two additional smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength. However, the two smaller meals together may not equal one full meal. Moreover, eating solid foods between meals on fast days is not permitted. The exception, of course, would be those under physicians care, in which case an individual is encouraged to do another form of penance.

SUNDAY OFFERING



Year to Date
February 22, 2019

Sunday and Holy Day Collections

Sunday Collection & Holy Day Collection:	\$554,712
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date:	\$552,500
Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	\$2,212

School Collection

Total School Collection To Date:	\$94,384
Total Budgeted School Collection To Date:	\$112,000
School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$17,616)

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL UPDATE



Total Pledged:	\$2,730,824
Amount needed to reach challenge goal:	\$269,175
Payments to Date:	\$2,252,207

As of March 4, 2019



ST. PETER'S SCHOOL

VISIT OUR SCHOOL ANY DAY WITH APPOINTMENT

Parents, if you are considering St. Peter's School for your child's education, you are invited to spend part of a school day here at St. Peter's with your child to experience all the activities and classroom instruction that take place.

Please call the school administrators to arrange a visit that is convenient for you and your child.

- Mrs. Ashley Rastorfer – Montessori Director
419.524.2572 ext. 4113
- Mrs. Madalyn Bauer – Elementary Principal
419.524.2572 ext. 4101
- Ms. Tammy Haus – High School & Junior High Principal
419.524.2572 ext. 3100

St. Peter's School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs and athletic and other school-administered programs.

2019 EASTER BAKE SALE



Our Easter Bake Sale is on April 16-17 in the Church basement. We will be making pierogis this Friday, March 15, beginning at 8 am in the High School cafeteria. Pierogi sales will be this Saturday, March 16 from 9 am-Noon in the cafeteria. We need lots of helpers and have many sit down jobs.



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419.756.2040

LENT & EASTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

- ◆ **St. Peter's**—Confession times are on Saturdays from 3:00-4:30 pm.
- ◆ **Tri-Parish Communal Penance Service at St. Peter's**—Mansfield, Sunday March 24, 3:00 pm.

DEANERY LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

- ◆ **Bucyrus, Holy Trinity**—Wednesday, March 20, 6:30 pm.
- ◆ **Lexington, Resurrection**—Wednesday, March 20, 6:30 pm
- ◆ **Mansfield, St. Mary**—Tuesday, March 26, 7:00 pm.
- ◆ **Shelby, Most Pure Heart of Mary**—Wednesday, March 27, 7:00 pm.
- ◆ **Galion, St. Joseph**—Thursday, April 4, 6:30 pm
- ◆ **Bethlehem, Sacred Heart**—Sunday, April 14, 3:00 pm.

HOLY WEEK LITURGIES—ST. PETER'S

- ◆ **Palm Sunday**—April 19, 2019
Blessing and distribution of palms and Proclamation of the Lord's Passion at all Masses.

SACRED TRIDUUM

- ◆ **Holy Thursday**—April 18, 2019
7:00 pm—Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, Presentation of the Holy Oils, Washing of Feet, Eucharistic Procession
8:00 pm—Midnight, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
11:30 pm—Compline (Night Prayer) for Holy Thursday
- ◆ **Good Friday**—April 19, 2019
3:00 pm—Celebration of The Lord's Passion
7:00 pm—Stations of the Cross
- ◆ **Holy Saturday**—April 20, 2019
9:00 am—Morning Prayer, Blessing of Easter foods, RCIA Anointing with the Oil of Catechumens
8:30 pm—Easter Vigil (Blessing of Fire & Water and reception of RCIA & Elect into the Catholic Church)
- ◆ **Easter Sunday**—April 21, 2019 Masses at regular times:
7:30 am. in Church
9:30 am. (Masses in Church **and** High School Auditorium)
11:30 am. in Church

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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| March 8 at 5 pm | March 15 at 5 | March 22 at 5 pm |
| March 29 at 5 pm | April 5 at 5 pm | April 12 at 5 pm |
- April 19 at 7 pm**

SORROWFUL MYSTERIES ROSARY ON MONDAYS AT 5:00 PM.

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| March 11 | April 1 |
| March 18 | April 8 |
| March 25 | April 15 |

ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT

Please take advantage of these opportunities for spiritual growth during Lent:

1) **Each Thursday evening of Lent Adult Faith series - 6:30** in 4th floor Assisi Hall - **NO GREATER LOVE: A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH CHRIST'S PASSION.** This new series from Ascension Press presents the Biblical background to each scene in Christ's passion as we ponder many questions, including What was Jesus going through at each moment? How did the Old Testament foretell of Christ's death? Why did Christ die for us? No fee or registration.

2) Online Lenten series **Genesis to Jesus** - go at your own pace. This series presents the whole sweep of salvation history and helps us make sense of the Bible from Genesis to Jesus. By the end of Lent, we will understand the importance of Easter in light of God's unified plan for our salvation. **Go to stpaulcenter.com and register for FREE streaming of this series.**

ADULT-SIZED WHEELCHAIR NEEDED

The Jr Hi/High School is need of a wheelchair. The one currently in use is old and worn out. If you are looking for a suitable home for a wheel chair that is no longer needed, would you please consider donating it to the school? If so, please contact the HS office 419.524.2572 ext.3100. Thank you kindly!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY



Ushers are needed at 11:30 Mass. This is a great way to serve the church and greet parishioners. Contact Harry Baker at 419.756.2699 or Dave Barber at 419.884.7127 for more information.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FRIDAY DINNERS 5:30—7:30 PM

Please RSVP at 419.529.5532 or sign up at the club for Friday dinners.



March 15, 22, 29 & April 5, 12—FISH DINNERS

RECYCLING—NEXT DATE: APRIL 12, 2019



10:00 am—11:00 am & 2:00 pm—4:00 pm

(Every 2nd Friday of the month) in the FAC parking lot

BLUE BARRELS: April 13 & 14

ST. PETERS CHILDREN AND YOUTH CHOIR

The St. Peter's Children and Youth Choir was re-established in October 2018 under the direction of Bill Johnson and Shannon Ball. At present we have 15 children and youth of St. Peter's parish and community that are members of the choir. We are excited and overjoyed with the response thus far and that is why we want to encourage ANY child/youth ages 5-18 from all area schools and parishes to join us. The only requirement is that all involved want to have fun singing and worshipping the Lord. Rehearsals are on Monday evenings from 5:30—6:30pm and we have Masses scheduled to sing in March, April, May and June. Feel free to contact Bill Johnson (Johnson.bill@myspartans.org) or Shannon Ball (shannonball80@yahoo.com) with any questions.

"Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." Mark 10:14

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Catholic Charities is seeking volunteers for various work areas: volunteer guardians, H.O.P.E. Food pantry, clerical/office/reception. If you are available for a couple of hours a week your help is greatly appreciated! Without our volunteers, we would not be able to serve the many needs of the community. We appreciate any amount of time you are able to give and we thank you for your support. Please contact Pam Sellards at 419.524.0733 x 235 or psellards@toledodiocese.org.

INTER CHURCH COUNCIL

Thank you to our parishioners who have shown interest in learning more about the Inter Church Council and who are considering serving as our parish representatives with Ron Stevens. St. Peter's will host the next ICC meeting this WEDNESDAY, March 13, from 10 to 11 am. Please call the Parish Center office if you are interested in attending with parishioner Ron Stevens to learn more about this group and their ecumenical efforts among the downtown Mansfield churches.

MANSFIELD DOWNTOWN CHURCH LENTEN NOON SERVICE

First United Methodist Church, 12 N. Diamond Street, call 419.522.8623, ("Downtown on the Square") will host the 51st Year Wednesday Noon Lenten Service each Wednesday of Lent. Time: 12:05 to 12:30; lunch available at 12:30, \$3 donation.

North Central Ohio Vocations Club will welcome Byron Wynn, volunteer coordinator Catholic Charities for the Toledo Diocese as our guest speaker. His topic will be about Helping Hands of St. Louis. We will meet Monday evening, March 11th, after the 5:30 evening Mass in the Franciscan Center. Guests are welcome. Dinner is \$7.

Catholic Womens Club. The next luncheon will be Wednesday March 13. Luncheon will be at Brown Derby in Ontario at 12 noon. All members of parishes in the St. Juan Diego Deanery are invited. If you are new, we encourage you to join us and get to know the Catholic women in the area. Call Kathy Wukela 419.522.5321 or Sue Konz 419.756.512. Reservations must be made by March 8 before 12 noon. Looking forward to meeting new members.

Crestline Knights of Columbus Fish Fry Season! Come and enjoy deep fried or baked fish served with a baked potato, two sides, dinner roll, and drink. Dine In or Carry Out. Adults-\$9; Children 12 & under-\$4. Fridays in Lent—March 15, 22, 29 and April 5 and 12, 5:00-7:00 pm. St. Joseph Catholic School, 333 N Thoman St., Crestline OH 44827. Proceeds benefit St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School, phone 419.683.1284 for more information

Choosing To Be Catholic Retreat Young adults aged 22-19 join us for an overnight retreat to encounter & reflect on the Catholic faith on March 23 at 10:00 am—March 24 at 4:30 pm. Immaculate Conception Parish Center, 189 Church St., Ottoville, OH. Cost is \$43.50, please register at https://www.charis.org/ctbc_2019_toledo.html. For more information send message to charisdioceseoftoledo@gmail.com or call Sr. Teresita Richards, Vocation Director for the Sisters of Notre Dame at 419.277.5184.

St. Joseph Catholic Church, Altar & Rosary Society located at 117 Sandusky St., Plymouth will be serving a spaghetti dinner on Sunday, March 17 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. The menu includes: spaghetti, homemade meat sauce, garlic breadsticks, salad, dessert and Beveridge. Take out orders are available. A free will offering will be accepted. Please contact St. Joseph Plymouth at 419.687.4611 for more details.

"Lent comes providentially to reawaken us, to shake us from our lethargy."

~~ Pope Francis

ALMSGIVING, PRAYER, FASTING, AND TEMPTATION

As we begin our season of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving, the reading from Deuteronomy reminds us of our duty of almsgiving, that we “set [our offerings] before the Lord, [our] God, [and] shall bow down in [God’s] presence” (Deuteronomy 26:10). The reading from Romans refers us to our prayer, reminding us that “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart . . . For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved” (Romans 10:8, 13). These are comforting words, and encourage us to ask God for what we need and to aid us in our prayer. Finally, the Gospel of Luke shows us a fasting Jesus, who was tempted as we are, and who knows what it means to be human. Someone once said that temptation arises when you’re tired and weary, and the devil comes along and makes a perfectly reasonable suggestion. Jesus shows us that, with his help, we too can overcome our temptations, reasonable as they may sound.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Often, when a family keeps vigil around a person who is preparing for death, they may notice three interwoven activities. First, the dying person may become more prayerful and reflective than ever before, reviewing life’s journey in gratitude to God, or seeking forgiveness and making amends for wrongs. Second, as death approaches, the need to eat and drink is lessened until even an ice cube brushed against the lips is satisfying. Third, persons who are dying often make plans to give their possessions away, making bequests, handing treasures down, providing for favorite charities.

Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving: with these three “pillars” of Lent, we rehearse our death every year in this season, and anticipate the final work we will do in this life. And every year, at the end of our journey, is the joy of Easter and the experience of the victory of Christ over death’s darkness and power. Annually, we remind ourselves that the Christian experiences the same power and presence at the end of life’s journey: Christ to the rescue and the lasting joy of heaven.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God brought us into this land flowing with milk and honey (Deuteronomy 26:4-10).

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

Second Reading — The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart (Romans 10:8-13).

Gospel — Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was led into the desert for forty days (Luke 4:1-13).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; 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 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12

Friday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-9, 13-14;

Phil 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36

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