

MARCH 10, 2019

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

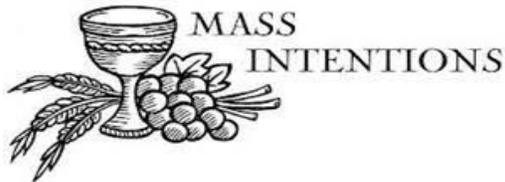
DEUTERONOMY. 26: 4-10. God brought us into this land flowing with milk and honey.

PSALM 91. Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

ROMANS. 10: 8-13. The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart.

LUKE. 4: 1-13. Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was led into the desert for forty days.

A THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.... Deuteronomy: 26 is all about “first-fruits giving”. Moses rehearsed all that had happened to the Israelites, and how they were strengthened and preserved, and tells them, “to set your gifts down before the Lord, [and then...] celebrate with all the bounty the Lord has given to you and your house.” Good advice for modern-day stewards as well!



INTENTIONS FOR OUR WEEKLY LITURGIES

SAT. 4:00 P.M. Anthony & Eleanor Nietupski (Arlene Kissolovege)

SUN. 8:00 A.M. Barbara Serniak (The Family)

SUN. 10:30 A.M. People of the Parish

SUN. 4:00 P.M. LENTEN HOLY HOUR BEGINS

SUN. 5:00 P.M. HOLY HOUR CONCLUDES WITH BENEDICTION

DAILY MASS IS HELD IN THE CHURCH

MON. 8:00 A.M. Rosemary Gryzwacz (Ann M. Kitchura)

TUES. 8:00 A.M. Catherine Dick (Angel, Mark & Matthew)

WED. 8:00 A.M. Ron Rupp (Judy Hine & Fam.)

THU. 8:00 A.M. Mary Mullally (The Family)

FRI. 8:00 A.M. Aldona O'Boyle (Annette O'Bell)

FRI. 8:30 A.M. MARY'S WAY OF THE CROSS

FRI. 7:00 P.M. STATIONS OF THE CROSS

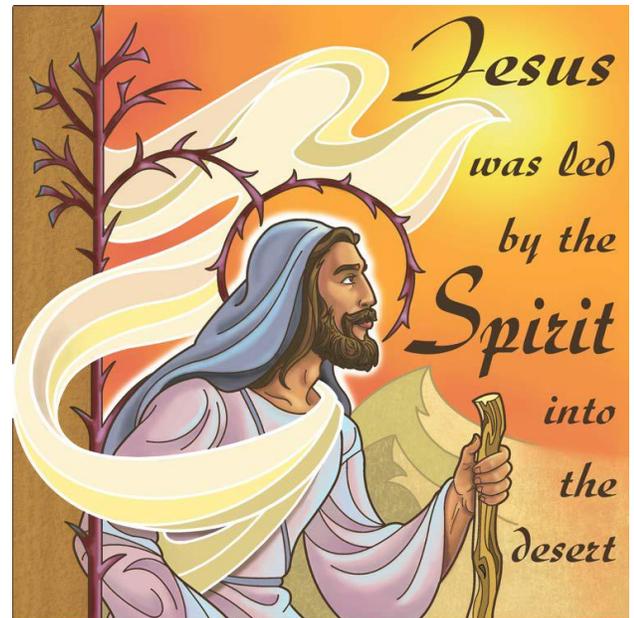
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WORD OF LIFE: “Maya discovered she was pregnant six months into her freshman year of college. when her son was born, she placed him in a very kind adoptive family; she ‘just knew they were the right choice.’ Now, years later, Maya emphasizes the importance of offering ongoing support to expectant mothers considering adoption.” Learn how at www.usccb.org/women-considering-adoption.

~USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

“Accompanying Expectant Mothers Considering Adoption”

FIVE MINUTES WITH THE WORD: Now in the Season of Lent, we have available at the entrances of the Church the booklets from the Word Among Us “Five minutes with the Word”. Please feel free to take one.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING: The Stewardship Committee will meet on Wednesday, March 13, at 7:00 P.M. in the Parish Center. All are welcome to attend!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE

SOUL OF: Paul Carachilo, a parishioner who died

this past week. *Eternal rest grant unto*

him O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon him.

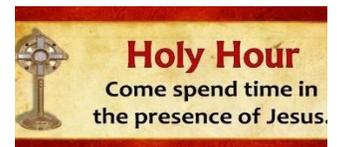
May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.



LENTEN HOLY HOUR BEGINS

TODAY:

Today Sunday, March 10th, we will begin our Parish's long-standing tradition of Liturgy of the Hours-Evening Prayer, along with praying the Rosary, time for reflection and quiet prayer and concluding with benediction. Please consider spending some time with the Lord this Lenten Season.



OPERATION RICE BOWL:

ENCOUNTER NORMA

In Guatemala, we encounter Norma, who as a young mother supports her family and shares her skills with her community. Reflect on the importance of family in your life. How can you contribute to support families in your community?



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 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.



TRINITY CLUB PROMOTES AND SUPPORTS CATHOLIC

EDUCATION: The value of Catholic education has long been recognized but economic conditions make it difficult for many families to afford. To help meet this need, the **Carbondale Trinity Club** is offering **two scholarships, each valued at \$500.00**, to the General 8th Grade student Body of Upper Valley School Districts. Applicants will be judged by criteria which include scholarship, citizenship, and leadership. Applicants must be residents of the Upper Valley (Archbald to Forest City and Dalton to Waymart), an 8th Grade student and must be continuing their high school education in a Catholic High School (Holy Cross, Scranton Prep, etc.). Applications must include an essay of approximately 100 words explaining what Community means to them. Essays should include a definition of what constitutes a community and what is important in a community. A list of involvement in community activities (volunteer work, etc.) should be a part of the application, as well as notation of participation in extra-curricular activities. Two letters of recommendation must also be provided. Applicants can gain additional consideration by highlighting any achievements in leadership, athletics, community service, etc. Applications may be obtained by contacting **Price Insurance, 57 Salem Avenue, Carbondale or Saint Rose Office. Please return completed application along with other requirements by April 16, 2019 to same address.**

SAVE THE DATE: The Fifth Annual Catholic Men’s Conference for the Diocese of Scranton will be held **on Saturday, April 27, 2019, from 8 A.M. to 3 P.M. at Holy Redeemer High School, 159 South Pennsylvania Avenue, Wilkes, Barre.**

PARISH SAVINGS ACCOUNT: Donations have been made to this fund in memory of Frank Ryczak, Sr. by: M/M Harold Newberry and M/M Jim Perry. Thank You!!

MARY’S WAY OF THE CROSS:

With the beginning of Lent on Wednesday, we will begin a new way to pray the Stations of the Cross. “*Mary’s Way of the Cross*”. Mary, the Mother of Jesus, made that first Way of the Cross. These Stations attempt to present that viewpoint. We will see through Mary’s eyes what Jesus was going through on the way to Calvary. So, during the Friday’s of Lent, we will recite Mary’s Way of the Cross. Join us during the Friday’s of Lent.



VNA HOSPICE LENTEN BIBLE STUDY “JOSEPH DREAMER/REDEEMER”:

In this 4 week series, we’ll examine the parallels that occur in the lives of Joseph and Jesus, demonstrating God’s loving and all-wise providence. We’ll study the jealousy, deception, betrayal and rejection that led them both to redeem their people. Joseph—beloved by his Father Jacob, Jesus-beloved by his father, God. Dates: March 11, 18 & 25 and April 1. Time: 6:30-8:30 P.M.



Where: VNA Hospice Home Health
301 Delaware Avenue, Olyphant. Phone: 570-383-5180.
Bring family and friends to this engaging story as we hear perspectives from various denominations. To get a head start—read Genesis 37 and the story of Joseph (The Righteous One), his family and his journey from betrayal to forgiveness and greatness. Light refreshments will be served. Please park in the lot behind our building off Church Street and enter through the rear door.

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE:

This week our special collection supports the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Your donation today helps restore the Church and build the future in more than 20 countries still struggling to recover in the aftermath of communist rule. Funds from this collection help support reconstruction, education, formation, and outreach to alleviate poverty. Please be generous to the collection today. For more information, please visit www.usccb.org/ccee.



SIGHT AND SOUND THEATER PERFORMANCE OF “JESUS”:

Carl’s Tours is sponsoring a bus trip to Sight and Sound Theater in Lancaster Pa. for a matinee performance of “Jesus” **on Wednesday, April 24, 2019.** The bus leaves from Eynon, Pa. (the old Burlington parking area). The trip includes dinner at Shady Maple Smorgasbord and the cost for all (bus trip, Theater performance and dinner is \$115.00 per person payable in advance). Phone 570-347-5687 or 570-347-4284 for reservations and further information.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

MARCH 16/17

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
E. MINISTER
LECTOR
ACOLYTES

SAT. 4:00 P.M.

Deacon Pat Massino (Host)
Mr. Michael Serniak (Host)
Mr. Joseph Smith (Host)
Mrs. Arlene Hemak (Host)
Mrs. Mary Fran Smith
Ryder Clark

SUN. 8:00 A.M.

Deacon Pat Massino (Host)
Mrs. Marie Spataro (Host)
Mr. Tony Spataro (Host)
Mrs. JoAnn Massino
Jessie Cunningham
Olivia Cunningham

SUN. 10:30 A.M.

Deacon Pat Massino (Host)
Mr. Vince Bullet (Host)
Mrs. Ann M. Kitchura (Host)
Mrs. Sue Baka
Grace Fawcett
Bella Martin

PRESENTERS OF GIFTS

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SUN. 8:00 A.M.

OPEN

SUN. 10:30 A.M.

McDermott Fam.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

MARCH 15TH

FRI. 7:00 P.M.

Thomas & Michael Pidgeon



DEANERY AND LOCAL LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES-

PLEASE NOT THE TIME AND LOCATIONS:

Saturday, March 23-11:00 A.M.-Sacred Heart of Jesus, Peckville
 Wednesday, April 3-6:30 P.M.-Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, Jermyn
 Thursday, April 4-6:30 P.M. Queen of Angels, Jessup
 Wednesday, April 10-6:30 P.M. Visitation of the BVM-Dickson City
 Thursday-April 11-6:30 P.M.-Holy Cross-Olyphant
 Friday-April 19-5:30-7:30 P.M.-St. Thomas Aquinas-Archbald
 Saturday, April 20-9:30-10:30 A.M.-St. Mary's-Eynon

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS AND CELEBRATION

JUNE 30, 2019: His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph C. Bambera, D.D., J.C.L., Bishop of Scranton, and the Office for Parish Life wish to invite couples celebrating their 25th or 50th wedding anniversary in 2019 to a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 30. The event includes a 2:30 P.M. Mass at St. Peter's Cathedral followed by a reception. Requests for an invitation, with a mailing address, should be made through Annette at the parish Office before April 2.

SACRED HEARTS ADULT FAITH FORMATION LENT, 2019:

The *Activated Disciple* Based on the book by noted bible scholar, Jeff Cavins, the *Activated Disciple* class will teach you how to *imitate* God, so you can become an instrument for Him to transform the world. If you yearn for a life that moves beyond believing and practicing, if you yearn to become an "activated" disciple, then this 6-week study is for you. Join us each Monday of Lent-beginning March 4-at 6:00 P.M. in the Parish Center if you want to

- Take your faith to the next level.
- Transform every area of your life to become more like Christ.
- Learn how to overcome the obstacles that keep you from being the disciple you are called to be.
- Move beyond believing and practicing your faith, and begin radically *living* it.
- Learn how to become an instrument of transformation in the lives of others.

What: Activated Disciple Lenten Study

When: 6:00 P.M. each Monday of Lent, beginning March 4

Where: Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary Parish

Cost: Free!!

For more information feel free to contact Brendan Murphy @ murph50@hotmail.com

2ND ANNUAL CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE:

The Second Annual Catholic Women's Conference will be held on **Saturday, June 22, 2019**. This year the Conference is again hosted at the University of Scranton and the focus is "Come to the Well". The day will be filled with faith, hope and joy for Catholic women of all ages. Included in the program for the day will be: Speaker Teresa Tomeo, syndicated Catholic talk show host; Jill Metz, artist and personal faith witness; and Sr. Mercy Marie, Sister of Life. The Nashville music group, His Own, will be providing music ministry again this year. More detailed information and registration is available at Catholic Women's Conference.



Come to the well. Refresh your faith!

2nd Annual Catholic Women's Conference NEPA-2019

LENTEN EVENING OF REFLECTION FOR MUSIC MINISTERS:

The Scranton Chapter of the National Association of Pastoral Musicians will hold a meeting on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 beginning at 6:00 P.M. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish located at 116 Hughes St., Swoyersville. The topic for the evening will be "*Making Music in a Beautiful yet Wounded World: An Evening of Reflection on the Season of Lent*" led by Sr. Christine Koellhoffer, IHM. The Season of Lent invites us to accompany Jesus as he lives today in a world both beautiful and broken. He calls us to create with our lives new art, songs that speak to both the pain and the promise of our times. Join us this evening with Sr. Chris as we reflect together on being bearers of hope and healing in a world full of madness and mayhem, but also music. The meeting begins with dinner at **6:00 P.M. followed by the presentation at 7:00 P.M. and concludes with Nigh Prayer**. All are welcome to attend. There is no cost for the event, but a free-will offering will be taken up to help offset the cost of dinner. **To register, please contact David Baloga at 570-207-2213 ext. 1158 or at ScrantonNPM@outlook.com.**

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION:

Your baby is making progress developing all of his external features and internal organs. His brain is functioning at 40 days.



SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

His mother can hear his heartbeat now on an ultrasonic stethoscope. His milk-teeth buds are present at 6 ½ weeks. And it has been reported that a two-month old baby can suck his thumb. From this moment onward, your spiritually adopted baby grows and refines his body. But everything he needs to survive once he is born is already present by the end of the eighth week.