

MARCH 14, 2021

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

READINGS: 2 Chronicles 36.14-17a, 19-23
Psalm 137, Ephesians 2.4-10 John 3.14-21

SATURDAY MARCH 13, 2021 4:00 PM

Offered for: Rudy Hart, 36th Memorial anniversary requested by Debbie and family
Eucharistic Minister/Sacristan: Caroline Peters
Lector: Liz Sunday

SUNDAY MARCH 14, 2021 10:00 am

Offered for: Deceased Sisters of St. Joseph requested by Sister Christine Taylor
Eucharistic Minister: Bernice Lazore
Sacristan: Mildred White **Lector:** Lori Thompson

TUESDAY MARCH 16, 2021 7:10 PM

Offered for: Lawrence Delormier requested by family

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2021 12:10 PM

Offered for: Mose Herne family requested by Vernie and Toni Herne

THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 2021 12:10 PM

Offered for: David Michael Thomas and Abraham Scott Thomas requested by family

FRIDAY, MARCH 19, 2021 12:10 PM

Offered for: Lila Caldwell 6th Memorial Anniversary requested by Harold Caldwell

SATURDAY MARCH 20, 2021 4:00 PM

Offered for: Marjorie King requested by Brenda King
Eucharistic Minister/Sacristan: Caroline Peters
Lector: Caroline Peters

SUNDAY MARCH 21, 2021 10:00 am

Offered for: Irene Ann McDonald requested by Wayne McDonald
Eucharistic Minister: Bernice Lazore
Sacristan: Mildred White **Lector:** Jamie Ross

POPE FRANCIS: Our God is a God of surprises.

COLLECTIONS: There are many high-cost winter expenses that need to be paid especially heat and electricity. Your donations are greatly appreciated. You can drop them off at the Rectory mailbox or mail them to P.O. Box 429, Hogansburg, NY 12655. God Bless!

COLLECTION TOTALS UPDATE:

March 6-7, 2021 US \$ 517.30 CDN \$ 761.55
NIAWEN:KOWA for your loving generosity! God Bless.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - LAETARE SUNDAY

A young gang member in a state prison told the priest who came to visit him about a dream he had in which the two were together in a completely dark room. However, the priest had a flashlight that he shone on the switch. He didn't go over to turn it on, but simply showed the youth where it was. The youth had to go and turn on the light himself. And his comment to the priest was, "The light is so much better than the darkness." The light of Christ is so much better than the darkness of selfishness and sin. But Christ cannot force that light upon us. As the Gospel tells us, we have to come to the light. We have to choose to allow the light of Christ to shine in and through us. Sometimes we need a little help to find it because we don't know where to look. But once we find the light of God's loving presence in our life and embrace it, life looks a whole lot better. May the light of Christ, lifted up for our salvation, shine brightly in us so that all we do may be done in God and be a witness to the power of God's love.

CHRISTIANITY IN THE PHILIPPINES: Christianity came to the Philippine Islands 500 years ago on March 16, 1321. In September 1319, Portuguese explorer Ferdinand Magellan sailed westward to the "new world" searching for a westward route to the Far East and the wealthy prospects of the Spice Islands (now Indonesia). As he neared the Spice Island, he became the first European to visit the Philippines, landing on the southern island of Cebu. Magellan introduced his Catholic faith to the people, and later presented the chief with a small figure of Santo Nino de Cebu, the country's oldest religious icon. The first Mass was celebrated on Limasawa Island on Easter Sunday, March 31, 1321. While under Spanish rule, the Philippines were evangelized by Dominicans, Augustinian and Franciscans. The Dominican established the University of Santo Tomas, which is Asia's oldest university. In 1987, Lorenzo Ruiz became the first Filipino saint. Today, about 81 percent of the country's 100 million people are Catholic, Asia's largest Catholic population.

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP: "... a sober look at our

Fast from Buying



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world shows that the degree of human intervention, often in the service of business interests and consumerism, is actually making our earth less rich and beautiful." Laudato Si #34 Consider a buying fast this week and commit to not buying anything. You can do it! Start by looking at ways you can repair what you have instead of buying something new. The stuff we buy and consume has a taxing effect on the planet. The world produces more than two billion tons of waste, and 99% of the stuff we harvest, mine, and transport is trash within six months. Learn more by watching [The Story of Stuff](#) on YouTube. Feast on the abundance you already have and share your saving with a charity that touches your heart.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in Mohawk)

Ta kwa ien ha, ne, ka ron hia ke, te si te ron, a ie sa sen na ien, a ie sa wen ni ios ta ke, a ie sa wen na ra kwa ke, non wen tsia ke, tsi ni iot, ne, ka ron hia ke, kie sa wen na rak wa. Ta kwa nont, ne, ken wen te, ia kion he kon, nia te wen ni se ra ke, sa sa ni konr hen, ne ion kwa ri wa ne ren, tsi ni iot, ni, i, tsi on kwa ni konr hens. O the non, ion ki ni konh rak sa ton, non kwe; to sa, a ion kwa sen ni, ne ka ri wa ne ren, ak we kon, e ren, sa wit, nio tak sens. NE NE KA NA KE RAH TSHE RA, NE NE KA SATS TENH SE RA, KA IA TA NE HRA KWAH TSHE RA, SA WEN'K NON:WA NOK TSI NEN:WE – E THO E THO NA IA WEN.

FEAST OF ST JOSEPH: The feast of St Joseph commemorates Joseph, the husband of the virgin Mary and stepfather of Jesus. Joseph married Mary and later discovered that she was pregnant. Knowing that this child was not his own but not wanting any harm to come to her, he sent her away. Joseph only brought her back when an angel came to him in a dream explaining that the child Mary carried inside of her was conceived from the Holy Spirit. It is believed that Joseph died before Jesus began his public life as an adult as there is no mention of Joseph in the bible after Jesus' childhood. The feast of St. Joseph is celebrated annually on March 19th.

LAETARE SUNDAY is the Roman Catholicism's Fourth Sunday of Lent. *Laetare* is the first word — meaning "rejoice" — in the Latin text. On Laetare Sunday the Church expresses hope and joy in the midst of our Lenten fasts and penances. The change in color from purple to pink indicates a glimpse of the joy that awaits us at Easter, just before we enter into the somber days of Passiontide. During Lent, the General Instruction of the Roman Missal forbids flowers adorning the altar. But on Laetare Sunday there's a temporary halt to these penitential observations! Laetare Sunday is the Church's way of giving us a "shot in the arm" as we approach the darkness and horror of the days through Good Friday and Holy Saturday. It's an opportunity to savor and keep in the back of our minds what awaits us on Easter Sunday — the reality that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead, and that our hearts will always be filled with joy!



AN IRISH PRAYER As I arise today, may the strength of God pilot me, the power of God uphold me, the wisdom of God guide me. May the eye of God look before me, the ear of God hear me, the word of God speak for me. May the hand of God protect me, the way of God lie before me, the shield of God defend me, the host of God save me. May Christ shield me today. Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit, Christ when I stand, Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me. Amen

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING

Lord, look with compassion on the sick and suffering, especially those at TSIIONKWANONHTSO:TE AND IAHKIHHSOTHA and all our homebound Akwesasronon Elders during these pandemic times. Lord, if You will, heal Jolene Adams, Delena Arquette, Alexina Auger, Lily Benedict, Hazel Bero, Jimmy Bero, Marie Casey, Danielle Cole, Laurie Connors, Ashley Cook, Jerome Cook, Jimmy Cook, Francis Cree, Julia David, Marita Francis, Dewey Garrow, Leonard and Carol Garrow, Daniel George, Martha George, Bernadine Herne, Vernie and Toni Herne, Brian Jacobs, Carlos Jacobs, Christian Jock, Felicia and Hubert Jock, Joyce Kelso, Matthew Lamesse, Elizabeth Lazore, Hattie Jackson Lazore, Loran Lazore, Viola Marshall, Mose R. McDonald Jr., Raymond McDonald, Memphis Pyke Mitchell, Norman and Nancy King, Herbie Oakes, Charles Peters, Lucille Peters, Richard Peters, Lori Phillips, Richard Phillips, Larry Pyke, Gordon Ransom, Sheila Ransom, Troy Skidders, Greg Snyder, Mariella Stehlin, Marilyn Tarbell, Roy Tarbell, Mary Taylor, Ashley Thompson and Donald Thompson. **Console the grieving family of Dalton Lazore, O Lord, and grant him eternal rest. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen**

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION During Lent, Father Jerome will be available at the St. Regis Mission Church to hear confessions on Saturday afternoons from 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM and on Sunday mornings from 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM. Social distancing and wearing a mask is required.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS We will have the communal praying of the Way of the Cross, a half hour before each Mass on the weekends: 3:30 PM on Saturday and 9:30 AM on Sunday. **Come early** to meditate on the passion and death of Jesus Christ.

PREPARE FOR THREE SPECIALFEASTDAYS IN MARCH: MARCH 17 – FEAST OF ST. PATRICK -Christ as a Light, illumine and guide me. **MARCH 19 - FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH**, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Good St. Joseph, guard our families. **MARCH 25 – THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD** Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.

MEMORARE TO ST. JOSEPH Remember, O most pure spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, my great protector, Saint Joseph, that no one ever had recourse to your protection, or implored your aid without obtaining relief. Confiding therefore in your goodness, I come before you. Do not turn down my petitions, foster father of the Redeemer, but graciously receive them. Amen.



