St. Mary's

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Passion Sunday – The 5th Sunday in Lent



Sunday March 21st, 2021

9am Mass: Patty (Dumanski) Warner of. by Patty Temesi

Readings: Jeremiah 31:31-34; Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33

Lector - Greeters - Collectors -

- To-go coffee hour served after 9am Holy Mass
- Parish Committee (Board) meets after 9am Holy Mass

The Week Ahead

MONDAY, March 22nd

9am: Holy Mass of the Day

TUESDAY, March 23rd

7pm: PNCC Lenten Spiritual Retreat on Zoom

WEDNESDAY, March 24th

Noon: Holy Mass of the Day

4pm – Weekly Food Ministry provided

THURSDAY, March 25th

6-8pm – Women's AA meets in Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY, March 26th

Holy Mass of the Day

4:30-6pm – Lenten Dinner #3 – Pierogi!

6pm – Bitter/Sorrowful Lamentations & Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament (English)

SATURDAY, March 27th

8pm – Saturday AA Meets in the Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY, March 28th – Palm Sunday – 6th Sunday in Lent

9am Mass: Hanna Pryer of. by husband Len & family

Readings: Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11; Mark 14:1-15:47

Lector - Greeters - Collectors -

- To-go coffee hour served after 9am Holy Mass
- Palms are blessed and distributed during 9am Holy Mass

Announcements

FOOD MINISTRY NOTE— By popular demand, the weekly Food Ministry will remain at 4pm for the foreseeable future. We won't mess with success!

<u>ITEMS AVAILABLE</u> – As we continue the process of "tidying our home", we do have some items that we are taking out of storage and offering to our parishioners – please stop in the basement hall and, if something catches your eye, make a free-will donation.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER – Today, and for all of March, we use the 3rd Eucharistic Prayer on Page 84, the Canon of St. Basil.

<u>THANK YOU</u> – To Dr. Natalie Soltysiak for last week's informative presentation on vaccines.

<u>LENTEN DINNERS</u> — Our third and final Lenten dinner will be a pierogi dinner that will take place on Friday, March 26. It will once again be drivethru only from 4:30-6pm. Dinner is 4 churchmade pierogi, with a cup of vegetable soup, a side of veggies & applesauce, and dessert for \$10. Pass the word on!

LENTEN FOOD COLLECTION -Our

collection concludes this week. Food will be put

aside for our own Food Ministry and others donated to the Parma Hunger Center, located at Parma Lutheran Church. For next Sunday, March 28, please bring any non-perishable item that may help.

<u>LENTEN DEVOTIONS</u> – Friday Lenten Devotions began Friday, February 19 with Stations of the Cross and continue each Friday during Lent, alternating between Stations and Sorrowful Lamentations. They will be accompanied by a short sermon or the Benediction/Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Exposition is scheduled for March 5 at Stations & March 26 at Lamentations.

EASTER KOLACZKI – You can place your Easter Kolaczki order with the forms near the parish mailboxes, by speaking to Patti Dotson or Susan Boehnlein. Pick up is Holy Saturday.

<u>NATIONAL PNCC RETREAT</u> – The PNCC will be holding a National Lenten Retreat, in the same vein as the discipleship spiritual retreat that was held in January. This will take place on Tuesday, March 23 at 7pm. We will be holding this event in our Fellowship Hall on the big screen once again.

<u>OLD PALMS</u> – We will collect your old palms during the season of Lent so that we can burn them on Holy Saturday, preparing the New Fire for our parish. Please take note of the collection boxes over the next few weeks.

<u>ADULT CATECHISM</u> – Our next adult catechism class is scheduled for Wednesday, March 31st at 6pm. Open to all!

Prayer List

Please pray for these St. Mary's parishioners, family and friends:

Barbara Baranowski Patti Dotson John Spilka Bill Kastak Marty Bengela Ralph & June Zaun

UPCOMING

Mar 21- Next Parish Comm. Mtg. Mar 23 – PNCC Zoom Lenten Retreat

Mar 26 - Sorrowful Lamentations with

Exposition of the Sacrament

Mar 26 – Pierogi Dinner Drive-Thru

Mar 31 – Adult Catechism Class

Apr 1 – Holy Thursday

Apr 2 – Good Friday

Apr 3 – Holy Saturday

Apr 3 – Easter Kolaczki pick-up

Apr 4 – Easter Sunday

Apr 6 – Restaurant Fundraiser –

Burntwood Tavern in Brecksville

Johanna Markiewicz Anna Dawidziuk Barb & Jim Lukas Mary Ann Loschelder Bill & Pat Glatzer Tom Petrie Polly Gajda Len Prver Helen Budney Tom Putynski Ralph Crispino Chester & Ann Warzala Millie Dominik Amy Dreger Craig Atherton Jack Spilka Elaine Repede Carol Hreha John Radon Steve Wisniewski David Micka Wanda Clark Beth Chihill Keith Reynolds Helen Cummings Jane Hunter Paul S. Pam Chesar Ronald Tiffe Jay Grabowsky Ed Kidd Jennifer Kmitt Emma Freshwater Laina Dachtal Nina Braquet Paulette Lilli Bp. John Swantek Cherise Pacanovsky Cecelia Hall Chris Minch Jeremy Steinbreck Ricky Koehler Richard & Edna Samelson Cathy Pieciak Daniel Morgan Wanda Heffner **Bryson Dzuroff** Jim Giles Linda Duffy Diane Black Rich Dombrowski Patrick Kmitt John Michalczyk Renee Lucas Caroline O'Connor Mark Magda Linda Marks Marilyn Girard Jennifer Kless Doug Back Stephanie Milla **Baby Parker** Mary Cawley Shannon Alberino George & Linda Makovicka Kim Penney Loretta Baldwin Julia Badarzynski Kate Stallbaum Wendy Andrzejewski Kenny Mach Baby Layla Mike Matis Fr. Sr. Joseph Soltysiak James & Bobbi Moss Nancy Kohut Hilda Grabowski Mike Pescitelli Janice Bielecki Bill Walo Bob Bernacki

ALL WHO ARE IN NURSING HOMES OR ASSISTED LIVING ALL ACTIVE & RETIRED CLERGY NEEDING HEALING ALL SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD Bless them, O Lord. Poblogosław im, O Boże

PASSION SUNDAY - 5th Sunday in Lent - March 18, 2018

OPENING HYMN (Massbook page 13, vs. 1 & 3)

To Thee we come, O Lord, our God, before Thine altar, Father. Thou knowest best our yearning hearts; this supplication answer. Lift up from want Thy people, Lord; Bless us, O God; O Father, bless our toil.

And grant us faith, sustain our strength, As for Thy cause we struggle, And when we falter raise us up, True God and Righteous Leader. And 'neath Thy banner gather us; Renew us, Lord; O Father, bless our toil.

LENTEN PENITENTIAL DEVOTIONS

OPENING PRAYER (Stand)

C. Jesus said: "There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous who have no need of repentance." No matter how hard we try, we are a people who always stand in need of repentance, and our gathering tonight brings joy to the Lord. Let us now turn to him in prayer, humbly asking for the gift of sincere repentance.

R. AMEN.

OPENING PETITION (Sit)

C: Let us pray with confidence to Christ, the Good Shepherd, who seeks out the lost sheep and carries it back with joy.

R: Seek us out and bring us home.

C: Your mercy is our hope: welcome us to the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

R: Seek us out and bring us home.

C: Give us the will to change our lives, and the lives of others, by charity, good example, and prayer.

R: Seek us out and bring us home.

C: Make us a living sign of your love for all to see: people reconciled with you and with each other.

R: Seek us out and bring us home.

C: Through the Sacrament of Reconciliation may we grow in your peace and seek to spread it throughout the world.

R: Seek us out and bring us home.

C: In this sign of your love you forgive us our sins:

may it teach us to love others and to forgive their sins against us.

R: Seek us out and bring us home.

C: Forgive us our sins, lead us in the ways of goodness and love, and bring us to the reward of everlasting peace.

R: Seek us out and bring us home.

C: In your mercy free us from the past and enable us to begin a new life of holiness.

R: Seek us out and bring us home.

The celebrant turns to the congregation:

C. May the Lord be in your hearts and on your lips that you worthily confess your sins: in the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit.

R. AMEN.

EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE (Please kneel if possible)

C: This morning, we will examine our consciences by looking at our relationships with God, with our neighbor, and with ourselves.

My Relationship With God

C: What steps am I taking to help me grow closer to God and to others?

Do I turn to God often during the day, especially when I am tempted?

Do I participate at Mass with attention and devotion on Sundays and holy days? Do I pray often and read the Bible?

Do I use God's name and the names of Jesus, Mary, and the saints with love and reverence?

My Relationships With Family, Friends, and Neighbors

C: Have I set a bad example through my words or actions? Do I treat others fairly? Do I spread stories that hurt other people?

Am I loving of those in my family? Am I respectful of my neighbors, my friends, and those in authority?

Have I taken or damaged anything that did not belong to me? Have I cheated, copied homework, or lied?

Do I fight with others just so I can get my own way? Do I insult others to try to make them think they are less than I am? Do I hold grudges and try to hurt people who I think have hurt me?

My Relationship With Myself

C: Do I respect my own body as a temple of the Spirit?

Do I abuse myself in any way?

Do I take the opportunity to improve physically, mentally, and physical when the time arrives?

Do I love myself the way I love others?

C. Please now make an examination of your conscience and confess your sins to God.

At this time, an examination of conscience may be read by the celebrant. Also in a moment of silent, confess your sins to God, praying for His forgiveness.

C. Let us awaken in our hearts a deep sense of sorrow for the sins we have committed, resolve to amend our lives, repair any injury we may have done to others, and thus, through a worthy confession, our sins will be forgiven.

C. Let us together recite the Confiteor:

All: I confess to the Lord, God Almighty, one in the Blessed Trinity, Who by His Holy Spirit, permeates the universe, but above all, the soul of man. I confess before Him, and His Holy Church, all the sins that I have committed in thought, word, and deed. I confess, that by my sins, I have severed the ties uniting me with my Creator, I have disobeyed His holy laws. I have wandered from the paths of righteousness, and thus brought injury to myself and my neighbor. By my fault, by my fault, by my own great fault. Moved to the depths of my soul, because of my many offenses, I am truly sorry. I firmly resolve to amend my life, and with Your help, O God, I earnestly desire to follow the road of life shown me by Jesus Christ, my Lord and Savior. Forgive me, O merciful God, pardon me my sins, and you, Reverend Father, grant me absolution.

Listen carefully as the confessor assigns a penance.

Our Penance for today's Absolution in preparation for Holy Week is this: Address your relationships! Spend five extra minutes a day to improve your relationship with God, reach out to a neighbor/family member who has a relationship in need of improvement, and perform an action that improves your self worth/esteem.

As he administers the absolution, strike yourself on the breast three times saying:

R. God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

The celebrant will administer the absolution.

C. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive our sins and bring us to everlasting life.

R. AMEN.

C. May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, absolution and remission of our sins.

R. AMEN.

Imparting the absolution, the priest says:

C. May our Lord, Jesus Christ, absolve you and with His authority vested in me, I absolve you from all your sins; in the name of the Father, + and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

R. AMEN.

<u>Please continue to the Order of Service for our celebration of Mass – as we have</u>
<u>done Penance, we begin Mass on the assigned page and move directly to the</u>
<u>Introit Verse. You may be seated.</u>

We celebrate the Contemporary Rite of Mass-Pg. 63

THE INTROIT (Psalm 43:1-2)

C: Do me justice, O God, and fight my fight against a faithless people; from deceitful and impious men rescue me. R: For You, O God, are my strength. Why do You keep me so far away? Why must I go about in mourning, with the enemy oppressing me? C: Lord, for us Your wounds were suffered. R: O Christ Jesus, have mercy on us.

There is no Gloria during the Lenten Season

THE OPENING PRAYER

LET US PRAY...Father in heaven, the love of Your Son led Him to the cross of suffering that His brothers and sisters might have new life. Help us to live in the world You gave us transform it from darkness into the life and joy of Easter. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **R. AMEN.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON - book of the prophet Jeremiah (31:31-34)

The days are coming, say the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their

fathers the day I took them by the hand to lead them forth from the land of Egypt; for they broke My covenant, and I had to show Myself their master, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with house of Israel after those days, says the Lord. I will place My law within them, and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be My people. No longer will they have need to teach their friends and relatives how to know the Lord. All, from least to greatest, shall know Me, says the Lord, for I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more.

This is the Word of the Lord. R. THANKS BE TO GOD.

THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm 51:3-4,12-13,14-15)

R. (12a) Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness;

in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my offense.

Thoroughly wash me from my guilt and of my sin cleanse me.

R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.

A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me.

Cast me not out from your presence, and your Holy Spirit take not from me.

R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Give me back the joy of your salvation, and a willing spirit sustain in me.

I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners shall return to you.

R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.

THE SECOND LESSON - the letter to the Hebrews (5:7-9)

In the days when Christ Jesus was in the flesh, He offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears to the one who was able to save him from death, and He was heard because of His reverence. Son though He was, He learned obedience from what He suffered; and when He was made perfect, He became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey Him.

This is the Word of the Lord. R. THANKS BE TO GOD.

Please Stand: THE TRACT (Psalm 129:1-4)

C: Much have they oppressed me from my youth, let Israel say, much have they oppressed me from my youth; yet they have not prevailed against me. R: Upon my back the plowers plowed; long did they make their furrows but the just Lord has severed the cords of the wicked.

THE GOSPEL - according to St. John (John 12:20-33)

Some Greeks who had come to worship at the Passover Feast came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we would like to see Jesus."

Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me. "I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." The crowd there heard it and said it was thunder; but others said, "An angel has spoken to Him." Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come for My sake but for yours. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself." He said this indicating the kind of death He would die.

This is the gospel of the Lord. R. PRAISE BE TO YOU...

THE HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, Light Divine, come into this heart of mine. By Thy guidance may I live, and my life in service give. Holy Spirit, come, I beseech you! Grant your gifts of wisdom and mercy. Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit come into this heart of mine.

THE HOMILY

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit He was born of the Virgin Mary AND BECAME MAN. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in fulfillment of the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy catholic and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

5th Sunday Lent, Year B 2021– Intercessions/Prayers of Faithful

Celebrant: By dying to self, we are born to eternal life. In that spirit of selfdenial and penance, let us now come to Our Father in prayer.

Lector: For our sister Patty Warner, as we keep her memory alive through the celebration of this Holy Mass, (pause) We pray to the Lord, Lord...

Lector: That all members of the Church may profit richly from the graces that God offers them in their Lenten duties, (pause) We pray to the Lord, Lord...

Lector: That we may practice compassion to those in need by giving from our personal resources, (pause) We pray to the Lord, Lord...

Lector: That our parish may shine out as a sign of Christ "lifted up from the earth": as he draw all to himself, that we may strive to bring people to him as well, (pause) We pray to the Lord, Lord...

Lector: For the volunteers of our parish – that they continue to work for the betterment of our parish and Christ's church, We pray to the Lord, **Lord...**

Lector: For those in need of our prayers: especially Richard & Edna Samelson, Shannon Alberino, Jeremy Steinbreck, Mary Cawley, Eugene Beggin, Diane Black, Len Pryer, Emma Freshwater, Jennifer Kless, Jack Spilka, John Radon, Jim Giles, Tom Slomka, Kim Penney, Nina Braquet, Tammy Teubl, Linda Duffy, Ben Soltis, Mike Matis, Doug Back, Ralph Crispino, Thomas & Charlie Dennison, Mike Pescitelli, Nancy Kohut, Amy Dreger, Janice Bielecki, Fr. Sr. Joseph Soltysiak, Bob Bernacki _______, for all on our prayer list, for all friends and family members, for parishioners of St. Mary's, We pray to the Lord, Lord...

Lector: For all who have passed from this life i	nto the mercy of God, especially
our sister Patty Warner,	, that they may enjoy the
blessed vision of divine glory forever, (pause)	We pray to the Lord, Lord

Celebrant: Lord of all creation, as we honor the Passion of your Son, Christ our Lord, hear the prayers we unite with sacrifice as his new and eternal covenant. We ask this all through Christ, our Lord. Amen!

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY VERSE (Psalm 116:16-17)

O Lord, I am Your servant; I am Your servant, the son of Your handmaid; You have loosed my bonds. To You will I offer sacrifice of thanksgiving, and I will call upon the name of the Lord.

OFFERTORY HYMN

I hear the Savior say "Thy strength indeed is small. Child of weakness watch and pray, find in Me your All in All." Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe. Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

For nothing good have I whereby Thy grace to claim. I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calvary's Lamb. Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe. Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Heavenly Father, look kindly on our offerings and accept them. May these offerings free us from the bondage of sin and win for us Your most loving mercy. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **R. AMEN**.

THE PASSIONTIDE PREFACE AND THE SANCTUS

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER 3, PG 84

A bit after the Consecration, spoken together:

We praise You, we bless You, we give thanks to You, and we pray to You, Lord, our God.

LORD'S PRAYER: Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Deliver us Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In Your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

R: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours, now and for ever.

- C. The Cup of Blessing which we bless, is it not a participation in the Blood of Christ?
- C. The Bread which we break, is it not a participation in the Body of Christ?
- R. Because there is one bread we who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one Bread.
- C. May the union of divinity and humanity in Jesus Christ bring us sanctification and eternal life. **R.** Amen.
- C. Lord Jesus Christ, You said to Your apostles: I leave you peace, My peace I give you. Do not look at our sins, but on the faith of Your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of Your kingdom where You live for ever and ever. R. Amen.
- C. The peace of the Lord be with you always. R: And also with you.
- C. Let us pray together the first Communion Prayer:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit, Your death brought life to the world. By Your holy Body and Blood free me from all my sins and from every evil. Keep me faithful to Your teaching and never let me be parted from You.

Act of Spiritual Communion

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. Inflame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN - Solo

POSTCOMMUNION HYMN

Jesus, keep me near the cross. There a precious fountain free to all, a healing stream flows from Calvary's mountain. In the cross, in the cross be my glory ever; Till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

Near the cross, a trembling soul, Love and mercy found me; there a bright and morning star sheds its beams around me. In the cross, in the cross be my glory ever 'til my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

Near the cross O Lamb of God, bring its scenes before me. Help me walk from day to day with its shadows o'er me. In the cross, in the cross be my glory ever; Till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

THE COMMUNION VERSE (John 12:24-25)

C: Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; **R: but if it dies, it produces much fruit.**

Please Stand: THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

LET US PRAY...Almighty God, through this Eucharist, draw us closer to Your Son, that we may die and rise with Him to the glory of Your holy name. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **R. AMEN.**

CLOSING HYMN

People, My people, how have I betrayed thee? How have I grieved thee, how could I have failed thee? For I had saved thee from the might of Pharaoh, but now you lead me to the cross to suffer.

People, my people, how have I betrayed thee? How have I grieved thee? How could I have failed thee? For I have raised thee over every nation, now you would have Me bear shame and crucifixion.