



Our Lady of the **WAYSIDE PARISH**

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OLW's Faith Into Action Ministry joyously making Project Linus blankets last Sunday. Scan the QR code for more photos.

February 18, 2024
First Sunday of Lent



Lenten Reflection

First Sunday of Lent



Deacon Jerry Brennan

In the first reading this Sunday, God tells Noah of God's covenant that he will never again destroy the world by flood. God made the rainbow in the sky as symbol to remind us of this promise. Earlier God had destroyed almost everything because of great sin and corruption. Almost everyone had turned from God.

God had destroyed all but those few who had escaped on the Ark. People had turned away from him. God covenants how he will act in the future. This is remarkable. God is not saying you will be safe if everyone is good. Rather, he is saying that there will not be a general punishment by flood even if everyone or almost everyone is bad.

Sometimes we confuse the word *covenant* with *contract*. In some cultures, and in some contexts, a covenant may be like a contract. But in Jewish and Roman Catholic tradition the two words are quite different, and we are blessed by what God promises us.

We abuse God's covenantal promise if we act as if this is a one-sided contract which does not require anything of us. If we assume free will permits us to do anything, if we act as if there is no sin and if we assume that there is no one in hell and no punishment, then we miss the point of the covenantal relationship that God is offering.

God will reveal his full covenant over time: Abraham will be the father of great nations, from David will spring a king who reigns forever. Eventually the covenant is fully revealed in Jesus, the Christ. The covenant is fulfilled in Jesus because God offers us mercy and love if we are repentant for our sins.

God is a constant. Everything he says and every act is a constant; "I am who am," as he later reveals to Moses. Eventually Moses and the people will be freed from slavery by the flood that destroys Pharaoh's pursuing army. If we follow the *contract* model instead of the *covenant* model we do not have to do anything; that may sufficient if all we are trying to do is to avoid drowning in the flood. But if we want to be cleansed in the waters of Baptism and receive God's love and mercy, we must repent.

Blessings,

Deacon Jerry



Lenten Regulations for Fasting and Abstinence

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on **Ash Wednesday** and on all **Fridays** of Lent.

Fasting is to be observed on **Ash Wednesday** and on **Good Friday** by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 60.

Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

LENTEN MISSION

Great for the whole family!

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Joy!

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Multi-Parish Lenten Mission

St. Mary, St. Edna, Our Lady of the Wayside, St. James and St. Colette Parishes

March, 3rd, 4th and 5th at 7pm

Location: Saint Mary Church 50 N. Buffalo Grove Rd.
Buffalo Grove, Illinois

Free will offering

Luke: Stories on the Road



Sunday
March 3rd, 7pm

Sermon on the Mount



Monday
March 4th, 7pm

Hollywood vs. Faith



Tuesday
March 5th, 7pm

EMMY-NOMINATED FRANK RUNYEON has starred in over 1,000 TV shows in the last 30 years...opposite Meg Ryan on *AS THE WORLD TURNS*, on *SANTA BARBARA*, *FALCON CREST*, *GENERAL HOSPITAL*, *LA LAW* and *MELROSE PLACE*. Frank is Catholic, an honors graduate of Seminary and Princeton University.

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DEACON'S BEACON

by Deacon Tom Corcoran



"You are the light of the world. Do not light a lamp then put it under a bushel basket... your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Heavenly Father." Matthew 5:5-16

Please email your comments to: irenetomc@hotmail.com

Our Valentine To God

This year, St. Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday are celebrated on the same day. At first, I thought what a strange coincidence. Then, I thought that it seemed very appropriate. **Love** is the main theme of St. Valentine's Day – and God is **True Love**.

As we give gifts of love to our family and friends, what then can we give to God? Everything that we have comes from God. **God is love**. We show our love for God by the way we use the gifts that He has given us. Our *thanks* start with our presence at Mass to share in His Eucharist banquet.

We thank God in a special way when we share what we have with others. How do we do that? We gain some insight from the Letter of James (James 2:14) "What good is it if someone says he has faith but does not have good works? Faith without (good) works is dead."

How do we know where to direct our works? Here are some thoughts. *What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. ... It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the people's sighs and sorrows.* That is what love looks like.

We have already started our Lenten journey; how should we proceed? Our gospel readings are a good place to start.

In the Ash Wednesday gospel, Jesus starts us off in the right direction as He says: "Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may see them, otherwise you will have no recompense from your heavenly Father." In other words, Do our prayer and good works for love of God – not for love of self.

In today's gospel Jesus proclaims the message of God as He ministers to the people. How are we called to proclaim the message of God (in prayer and deed) in our world? By our actions. In addition to our Mass schedule, OLV provides **Stations of the Cross** (every Friday during Lent at 7 pm, preceded by soup at 6 pm in the Gathering Place); **Recitation of the Rosary** (at 8 am prior to 8:30 daily Mass, and at 11 am on Sundays, preceding the 11:30 Mass); **Adoration of**

the Blessed Sacrament (on Saturdays at 4 pm, preceding 5 pm Mass); and **Multi-parish Reconciliation Services** (from Monday, March 18 through Thursday, March 21); to name a few.

We show our love for others through our sharing ministries with ***Our Lady of Unity***; ***Faith into Action***; and the many wonderful ministries offered through ***Knights of Columbus*** and ***St. Vincent DePaul***. All these and more are listed in our bulletin and on our website.

"We've started our Forty Day journey that concludes on Easter Sunday, but our Faith Journey continues for the rest of our life."

The challenge for all of us is to make our changes permanent, not a mere forty day detour. What can we do to make the changes last? Each day brings new challenges and opportunities – we need to make those changes a part of our "memory bank."

As a starting point, I reflected on Robert Frost's poem – ***The Road not taken...***

The first two lines are;
Two roads diverged in a yellow wood
And sorry I could not travel both

And the last two are:
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.

What Frost is saying is that each day will bring different choices for us. Our challenge is to make the right choice – and to make it last. If we're able to make these changes and make them a part of our daily life, I'm sure God will be very pleased with our "Valentine" to Him.

For more information about our ministries or Lenten activities, please email me at: irenetomc@hotmail.com

Deacon Tom Corcoran

O.D. CORNER



Top of the list – **Thank you** to all who generously supported OLW during the past year. Our Sunday collections were up 7% over 2022. Second, we benefited from an 8.7% increase for the last quarter of the year vs the same period in 2022. We thank you.

Moving forward –

- The contract for the second-floor windows in the rectory is signed, a deposit paid and the measurements have been sent to the manufacturer.
- We have chosen an Architect and a Contractor for the updating of the Middle school bathrooms. Keep in mind, this work will mean the middle school will be off limits from June 17 to August 3, while the work is being performed.
- Final bids for the new Front Doors of the Church are pending. We hope to issue this contract in the next 30 days.
- We are currently reviewing a bid to change all exterior campus lighting to LED to enhance our nighttime visibility and safety. ComEd is offering very attractive incentives that make this possible.
- The facilitators/leaders who gave us the great Celebrate 70 parties have agreed to help plan and execute this year's parish activities: Parish Picnic, Golf Outing and of course our own Polish Oktoberfest! (You don't get that in Munich.) If you would like to be a part of any of those committees feel free to email me or watch the coming bulletins and Wayside Wednesdays for sign-up details.

As we enter the season of Lent, I hope you will avail yourself to the many opportunities to celebrate this special time in our liturgical year:

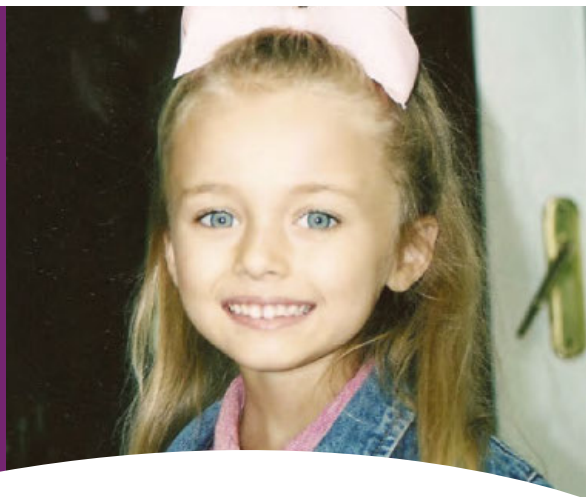
- Ashes on Ash Wednesday
- Eucharistic Adoration; 40 hours 2/14-2/17 and all five Saturdays of Lent
- Stations of the Cross & Soup supper, each Friday, led by the lay people of the parish.
- Tuesdays Together, Mass, Adoration and Confessions
- Rosary; Monday – Saturday @ 8:00 AM and before the 11:30 mass
- Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit, March 2-5th in the Gym

Finally, Lent is a time of **Almsgiving**. While our collections increased in 2023, we are far from where we were *pre-Covid*. I ask you to prayerfully consider increasing your weekly giving by the amount you may have spent on the things you are offering up for Lent. My list of projects and things needing attention continues to grow each week. I promise, any additional offerings you can send our way will be put to immediate good for our Parish. If you would like to discuss giving strategies for upcoming projects here at OLW, please reach out to me at operations@olwparish.org or 847-253-5353 x229.

Thank you.

Vivat Jesus,
Patrick J. Fitzgerald, OD

Emily Holum Memorial Blood Drive



Sunday, February 25
8 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Our Lady of the Wayside Gym
435 S. Ridge, Arlington Heights

To make an appointment, [CLICK HERE](#),
or use the QR code. Questions contact
Kathy O'Neill at parishnurse@olwparish.org.

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TO SCHEDULE



Appointments Recommended.
Walk-ins welcome.
Prepare: Eat well, hydrate, and bring ID.

Emily Ann Holum was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia at the age of four. She bravely fought her battle for two years with grace, dignity and determination. She was small but mighty, earning her the nickname Mighty Mite. During her fight, Emmy needed numerous transfusions of blood products. For the many times Emmy needed some type of blood product and it was there for Emmy, her family would like to give back. In true Emmy spirit, this blood drive is a way that Emmy can continue to help others.

**The family thanks you for your endless support and tireless efforts
to keep Emmy's name and spirit alive.**
Emmy always loved to help people, especially those in need.



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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

REP Schedule for the Weeks of February 18 & 25, 2024

Tuesday, February 20

- 5:00 pm, Grades 1–4 meet
- 6:00 pm, Grades 5–6 meet
- 6:30 pm, 5th & 6th Grade Reconciliation, in Gathering Place
- Grades 7–8, no classes

Saturday, February 24

- 12:30 pm, 2nd Grade First Reconciliation make-up in church

Tuesday, February 27

- 5:00 pm, Grades 1–4 meet
- Grades 5–8, no classes

Sunday, March 3

- 10:30 am, 2nd Grade First Holy Communion Retreat make-up in the Elementary Building, Room 221
- 5:00 pm, Online REP 7th & 8th Grade in Middle School

JOIN US FOR LENT!



Join OLW's Men's Group in the Gathering Place for food, fellowship and faith discussions this Saturday at 7 am.

VIDEO: *A Heart Bound by the World*

Session 19 dives into the second step in authentic male leadership: Use Money for Other People. Helping men view money as a tool to be used for the formation of the human person, especially the members of our own family. Understand how the drive for success can choke the human heart.

More Info? Email mensgroup@olwparish.org

OUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sunday Collection for February 11, 2024



	This Week	Budget	Variance
Sunday Masses	\$8,818		
Mail and Walk-up	\$16,740		
eGiving	\$14,794		
Total Sunday	\$40,352	\$34,135	(\$6,217)

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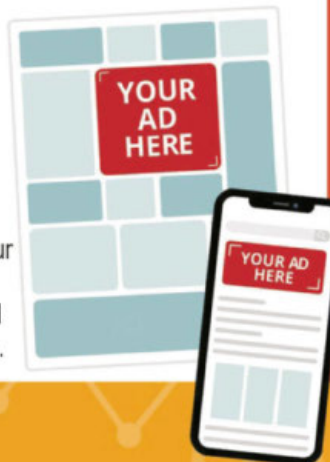
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THE EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD

Our Lady of the Wayside — Fr. Mackin Center, March 2–5
and **SPEAKER MICHAEL O'NEILL**, March 5



The Eucharistic Miracles of the World is coming to Our Lady of the Wayside and can be seen in the Fr. Mackin Center from March 2 through March 5. The exhibit is a well-documented presentation of Eucharistic miracles that have taken place throughout the ages in various countries around the world. They are recognized by the Catholic Church as truly worthy of belief. The exhibit was created by **Blessed Carlo Acutis**, a 15-year-old Roman Catholic from Milan, Italy, who was beatified on October 10, 2020. It was his desire for the exhibit to draw others to love the Blessed Sacrament. The exhibit is comprised of poster-size panels, each featuring a Eucharistic miracle with historic documentation, photos and illustrations. By means of the these panels, one can "virtually visit" places where the miracles took place.



Michael O'Neill, author, EWTN host, and creator of the popular miracle hunting website MiracleHunter.com, will talk about the Eucharistic Miracles on Tuesday, March 5 in the Church. He will show a 20 minute video during his presentation that he produced for EWTN. This will take place at 1 pm in the afternoon and then again at 7 pm, following the 6 pm evening Mass. There will be a book signing in the Gathering Space adjacent to the Church, after both of Mr. O'Neil's presentations. Books may be purchased with cash or a check.

	Saturday, March 2	Sunday, March 3	Monday, March 4	Tuesday, March 5
Exhibit Hours	6 pm – 8 pm	8:30 am – 5:30 pm	3:30 pm – 8 pm	3:30 pm – 5:30 pm
Adoration in Church		3 pm – 5:30 pm	3:30 pm – 7 pm	3:30 pm – 5:30 pm



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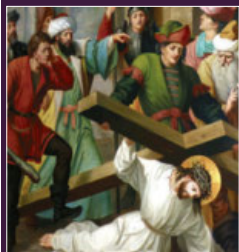
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Soup & Stations



Every Friday
during LENT



Our Lady of the Wayside Gathering Place
6:00 – 7:00 pm

Soup & Stations are Back at OLW!

All are welcome to enjoy a simple but substantial supper of meatless soup, pasta and bread, served on Fridays (February 16 and 23, March 1, 8, 15 and 22) at 6pm in the Gathering Place, followed by Stations of the Cross in the Church at 7pm.

There is no charge but donations for Our Lady of Unity's (formerly St. Mark's) Food Pantry are certainly appreciated.

Many hands make light work (and great soup)! If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please contact Ann Marie Tarczon at ann.tarczon@gmail.com.

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Friday Fish Fries are Back!

The KC Hall | 15 N Hickory Avenue | Arlington Heights

Hall located 6 blocks east of Arlington Heights Road
and 2.5 blocks south of Euclid.

FAMILY, FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS ARE INVITED

**The following Fridays
during Lent: March 1,
March 8, March 15,
March 22**

Adults: \$16.00

Children 5–12: \$8.00

Children Under 5: Free

Carryout: \$15.00

Hours: 5:00 – 7:30 PM

Cash, Credit & Debit Cards
accepted.

Fish Dinner includes: deep fried cod, baked cod, tater rounds, coleslaw, mostaccioli, garden salad, cornbread, French bread, and complimentary coffee and tea. Full cash bar. Free refills on soda.

Proceeds benefit: St. Colette, St. Edna, St. James and Our Lady of the Wayside parishes.

Hall is available for rent. Call 847-255-4483

COOKS WANTED!



OLW is starting a **"Meals Ministry"** to provide meals to members of our parish experiencing challenges.

No commitment or regular volunteering schedule is required, just a willingness to cook and/or deliver meals as your schedule permits.

If you are interested in volunteering, please scan the QR code or visit tinyurl.com/olwmeals for more information and to sign up, or call (224) 310-9443 and leave your contact information.

**Make Tuesdays Together part of
your Lenten preparation.**

Tuesdays Together

MASS @6 PM

followed by

ADORATION & CONFESSION

**Our Lady of the Wayside Church
(Through May 30th)**

Tuesdays Together is an opportunity for OLW parishioners and visitors – including those who cannot attend Daily Mass – to come together, receive the Holy Eucharist, Adore the Blessed Sacrament, and receive Confession.

Mass is celebrated every Tuesday at 6:00 pm, followed immediately by Adoration and Confession.

One hour per week might just change your life.

JOIN OUR NEW WOMEN'S STUDY!



Mulieris
DIGNITATEM

Study Guide to John Paul II's
Apostolic Letter on the Dignity of
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COME AND JOIN

Mulieris Dignitatem

This study explores the theological and philosophical underpinnings of Pope St. John Paul II's understanding of woman and her vocation. This study introduces important tenets of our Catholic faith, including the anthropology of man and woman, God's intention for human relationships, woman's vocation to motherhood and the Church as Bride of Christ. This exploration of the feminine genius can help women to see how their particular feminine genius can influence their families and communities.

Mondays from 7–9 pm, February 19 through May 13 (except March 25)

We'll meet in the Parish Center's Neumann Room

Email: Elizabeth Wilk at eekwilk@gmail.com

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



2024 Annual Catholic Appeal

Together at the table



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Bible Study

In Person & Online / Friday Morning 9:30



Join us for lively discussion of
next Sunday's readings:

Genesis 22:1-18

Romans 8:31b-34

Mark 9:2-10

Join us in the Cabrini Room of the Parish Center
or email biblestudy@olwparish.org for a sign-in code.

For a sample video, visit: <https://bit.ly/49jjNl0>

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



QUIGLEY DAY FEB. 24: Shrine of Christ's Passion

High-school-age men are invited to join us on a visit
to the **Shrine of Christ's Passion in St. John, IN**, with
transportation and lunch included.

Pick up is at **9 a.m.** and drop-off is at **2 p.m.** at two locations:

- Mother of the Americas Parish
- Mary, Seat of Wisdom Parish

For details and to register, visit

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SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH
4-6PM



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KATHY O'NEILL, R.N. ❤️
COORDINATOR OF PASTORAL HEALTHCARE

Should You Donate Blood?



You might be considering giving blood, whether you are a first-time donor or a regular lifesaver. Dr. Ajay Sahajpal, a transplant surgeon and executive medical director of the Global and Executive Health Program at Advocate Health Care and Aurora Health Care, shares five reasons why you should donate blood now — and throughout the year.

1. To help save lives

Your donation can help save up to three lives. A small sacrifice of your time makes a true difference for a child needing a transfusion to help them through their cancer journey, or a young woman after a car accident or the many others facing life-threatening situations.

2. In honor of a loved one

Perhaps a friend or family member received units of blood during an illness, providing healing or extra time to make more memories. **Please support the Emily Holum Memorial Blood Drive. Refer to the flyer in this bulletin for all the details.**

3. To give back or pay it forward

Perhaps you have or will need blood in the future for your own healing.

4. To continually replenish inventory

Did you know that most blood products last only 42 days (about 1 and a half months), with some lasting as few as five days? That's why blood centers can't accumulate vast reserves of donations, and there's no "factory" where we can manufacture blood.

5. For a fully gratifying feeling

Dr. Sahajpal says many people feel a great sense of fulfillment in helping others by giving blood and often are repeat donors. A healthy person can give blood every eight weeks.

So, who can give blood?

- You can donate blood if you:
- Are in good health and feel well
- Are at least 16 years or older, in most states
- Weigh at least 110 pounds
- Have not donated blood in the last eight weeks

Reasons you might not be able to donate:

- You have a cold or the flu
- You have low iron levels
- You are on certain medications
- You recently traveled outside of the country

Article contributed by: Advocate health enews Staff

Our Lady of the Wayside will be hosting **Emily Holum Memorial Blood Drive**, Sunday, February 25, in the gym from 8am to 2pm. Please see the flyer in this bulletin for more information.



Invest time each week to
expand your vocabulary and
deepen your faith.

18 February 2024

WORD OF THE WEEK

Papacy 'pā-pə-sē\

The office of the bishop of Rome, familiarly known as the pope; the term of a pope's reign; a succession of popes; the church's system of government with the pope as first among equals with authority over all other bishops.

Pronunciation: <https://tinyurl.com/Take5-papacy>

CONTEXT

One of the main challenges of the **papacy** is to judge all tasks in the light of the gospel to avoid transforming ecclesiastical jurisdiction into political power.

—Father Jean-Marie Tillard, *O.P.*

We cannot dispute that the **papacy** itself, purely as a human institution, is unique.

—Paul Johnson in *The Papacy*

Since God has given us the **papacy**, let us enjoy it.

—Attributed to Pope Leo X, known for lavish living, patronage of the arts, and abuse of papal power

WHY IT MATTERS

Since the first century, the bishop of the local church in Rome has been understood to possess the "Chair of Peter," which endows great authority and carries the role of special keeper of the church's mission.

The power of the **papacy** stems from Jesus' choice to set Peter in authority over the rest: "You are Peter and upon this rock I will build my church." (Matthew 16:18). Papal primacy and the role of the pope as Vicar of Christ and pastor of the whole Church, with "full, supreme and universal power over the Church" was confirmed at numerous ecumenical councils, including Vatican II (*Lumen gentium*, 22).

RELATED WORDS

Pope | Pontiff | Vicar of Christ | Curia | Hierarchy

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What are the qualifications for being pope?

The vast majority of popes were ordained. Priesthood is a plus, topped off with a hearty Roman education at a pontifical institute. Doing time in highly visible chanceries in large cities increases your chances. Attaining the status of bishop and cardinal tremendously increases your odds even though neither position is canonically required.

Medieval and renaissance popes had the advantages of coming from princely or aristocratic Roman families, but never mind if you don't have a fine pedigree. Sixtus V was the son of a laundress, and Pius X the child of a seamstress. A few popes were renowned preachers like the Franciscan Sixtus IV, and others were lawyers, professors, and poets. But just as many had their beginnings as monks, anchorites, and even a hermit (Celestine V, but he abdicated to return to his hermitage after six months).

Though being extraordinarily wicked hasn't always been a deal-breaker, more than a few popes were martyred or popularly acclaimed as saints. Holiness is a great asset. Wanting to be pope probably isn't.

—Alice Camille, from *Questions Catholics Ask* <http://tinyurl.com/QCA-papal-qualifications>

REFLECTION OF THE WEEK

CHAIR OF PETER, APOSTLE (FEBRUARY 22)

Power well exercised

The feast of the Chair of Peter honors the unity of the worldwide church and its teaching authority. This authority has given popes the ability to speak out for human rights and against injustice, which they have done with increasing frequency in the past century.

READINGS: 1 Peter 5:1-4; Matthew 16:13-19 (535 <https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/022224.cfm>). "Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven."

FAITH IN ACTION

Dip into the social teachings from recent popes <http://tinyurl.com/social-encyclicals> and be amazed by their thinking on labor, preferential option for the poor, human dignity, economic justice, and care of creation.

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY:

5:00 pm Saturday, February 24, 2024

Presider: Fr. Gilbert Mashurano & Deacon Peter LeTourneau*

7:30 am Sunday, February 25, 2024

Presider: Fr. Arthur Marat & Deacon Jerry Brennan*

9:30 am Sunday, February 25, 2024

Presider: Fr. Arthur Marat & Deacon Paul Onischuk*

11:30 am Sunday, February 25, 2024

Presider: Fr. Gilbert Mashurano & Deacon Jerry Brennan*

6:00 pm Sunday, February 25, 2024

Presider: Father Gilbert Mashurano

*Homilist

GOSPEL MEDITATION:

February 18, 2024

1st Sunday of Lent

When I feel down, I sometimes watch the famous “Double Rainbow” video on YouTube to feel better. It’s hilarious. A young man camping in Yosemite Park sees two rainbows stretching across the sky. He bursts into a kind of ecstasy. “Double rainbow, all the way! Oh my God!” he announces. Then he starts to weep. He cries out, “What does it *mean*?” Beneath the humor of his glorious overreaction is the deep intuition we all have, I think, when we see the colorful bow in the sky. This Sunday, God sends a rainbow to Noah, and to us. What *does* it mean?

Long before YouTube had the double rainbow, Dante’s medieval poem *The Divine Comedy* featured one in his image of paradise. Seeing two rainbows, he muses that one is born of the other. The bow is God’s promise of peace. For Dante, it’s even more: nature’s encrypted image of the Trinitarian God. One visible rainbow (God the Son) is begotten of another usually invisible one (God the Father) united by invisible light between them (God the Spirit). Like invisible light, Trinitarian glory surrounds us in every moment — but Jesus has made it visible in his glorious body.

Lenten challenge: This might seem silly, but this Lent I invite you to find a rainbow and meditate on it. You might have to make one yourself, like this current desert-dweller will. Gaze on it. See there a natural gift from the Creator, saying to you, “Here I am! I will love and protect you, surrounding you in My glory.” This Lent let’s embrace that with confidence, rain, or shine.

— Father John Muir ©LPi



SACRED LITURGY:

Monday, February 19, 2024

8:30 am – Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

Tuesday, February 20, 2024

8:30 am – Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

6:00 pm – Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

8:30 am – Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

Thursday, February 22, 2024

8:30 am – Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

Friday, February 23, 2024

8:30 am – Rosalie Palmer, Kathleen Freiburger, Joanne Cass, Elsa Rosales

Saturday, February 24, 2024

8:30 am – Elvira Sanzon Calcaterra

5:00 pm – Casey & Virginia Davidson, Kathy Freiburger, Kurt Schuldt, Bill Doland, Josephine Nagy, Elizabeth Rowland-Foley

Sunday, February 25, 2024

7:30 am – Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

9:30 am – Stacey Scott, Gary Spitz, Ron Martin, Christina Maciasz

11:30 am – Kelly Trecka, Maureen Lavin, Edward Madejczyk, Agnes Thelin

6:00 pm – The Living and Deceased Members of Our Lady of the Wayside

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 18, 2024

Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (see 10)/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

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

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 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10



Pray for the Sick

Gloria White Bonomo, Helene Bottalla, Bill Brewer, Susan Cardinale, Marie DeSanto, Donna Hames, Theresa Hansen, Valerie Lund, Mary Mader, Daniel & Delores McCloy, Larry McKone, Cherie Miskey, Frances Pitzer, Marianne Saas, Fr. John Topper



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Pray the Rosary

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Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

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