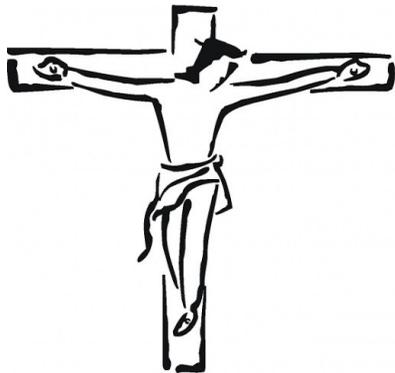


COMMUNITY COMING EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 03/15 (Today) Adult Catechism questions #8-21
- 03/20 Stations of the Cross at 5pm.
- 03/21 (Saturday) POLISH FOOD SALE 9am-12pm. Different kinds of Pierogies, Golabki, stuffed red bell peppers, Polish Soups 32 oz...
- 03/22 (Sunday) Singing of "Bitter Lamentations" before the Holy Mass on every Sunday of Lent at 9.40am. Come and join us as we meditate the Passion of Jesus and the sufferings of His Blessed Mother. No Mass intention so far!
- Big THANK YOU to Mitchell, Diane, Jacqueline and Nancy for volunteering at the BINGO NIGHT at St. John's. We are blessed to have such a good Bingo Team! It was very nice evening with people who declared to come back for the next BINGO game at St. John's.
 - If the situation with Coronavirus is stable, we're going to keep our Polish Dinner on March 28 (Saturday) at 5pm. We need some volunteers to help in the kitchen before and during the Dinner. Please, contact Fr. Adam for further details.



LENTEN DEVOTIONS

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Fridays of Lent at 5pm.

BITTER LAMENTATIONS
Sundays of Lent at 9.40am.

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PARISH BULLETIN

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MASS INTENTION - 10am

For people affected by the Coronavirus and for all our nation to be saved from this disease.

INTROIT

C: As the deer longs for streams of water, so my soul longs for You, O God. My being thirsts for God, the living God. When can I go and see the face of God?

R: O God, You are my God - for You I long! For You my body yearns; for You my soul thirsts like a land parched, lifeless, and without water.

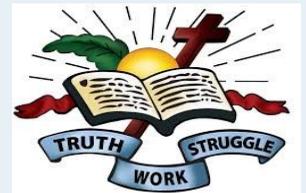
C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.



HOLY MASS

. 10.00 am



MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass said for a particular intention, you must stop by the Parish Office or the sacristy in the Church before/after Sunday mass. Masses can be said for a deceased person or as a special intention for the living. You may reserve a Sunday of your choice, and your intention will be published in the parish bulletin.

We encourage you to offer a Mass on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or special personal (family) need.

READING 1

A reading from the Book of Exodus.

In those days, in their thirst for water, the people grumbled against Moses, saying, "Why did you ever make us leave Egypt? Was it just to have us die here of thirst with our children and our livestock?"

So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? a little more and they will stone me!" The LORD answered Moses, "Go over there in front of the people, along with some of the elders of Israel,

EX 17:3-7

holding in your hand, as you go, the staff with which you struck the river. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock in Horeb.

Strike the rock, and the water will flow from it for the people to drink."

This Moses did, in the presence of the elders of Israel. The place was called Mas-sah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled there and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD in our midst or not?"

The Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

GOSPEL

JN 4:5-15, 19B-26, 39A, 40-42

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory be to You, Lord.

Jesus came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of land that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there. Jesus, tired from his journey, sat down there at the well. It was about noon. A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?" —For Jews use nothing in common with Samaritans.—

Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink, ' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you do not even have a bucket and the cistern is deep; where then can you get this living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us this cistern and drank from it himself with his children and his flocks?" Jesus answered and said to her, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst;

the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water. "I can see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain; but you people say that the place to worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem.

You people worship what you do not understand; we worship what we understand, because salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when true worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit and truth; and indeed the Father seeks such people to worship him. God is Spirit, and those who worship him must worship in Spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming, the one called the Christ; when he comes, he will tell us everything." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking with you." Many of the Samaritans of that town began to believe in him. When the Samaritans came to him, they invited him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. Many more began to believe in him because of his word, and they said to the woman, "We no longer believe because of your word; for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the savior of the world."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS 95

„If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.“

READING 2

A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans.

Brothers and sisters:
Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in hope of the glory of God.

And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

ROM 5:1-2, 5-8

For Christ, while we were still helpless, died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.