



## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT 2020

**Sunday, March 15, *Third Sunday of Lent***

8:30 BW Special Intentions of the Parishioners & Friends of St. Rose  
10:30 BW Oscar & Marie Mohr from the Mohr Family  
12:00 BW James Coogan from Bob, Judy and Family

**Monday, March 16, *St. Francis of Rome***

12:10 Lucian Potraza from George Glass

**Tuesday, March 17, *St. Patrick, Bishop***

12:10 George Abraham from Tom and Mary Ann

**Wednesday, March 18, *St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop***

12:10 Peggy Jackson from Suzie & Michael Shafitz

**Thursday, March 19, *St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary***

12:10 Dale Schoenberger from the Mike Ryan Family

**Friday, March 20**

12:10 Lucille Hamilton from The Three Daughters

**Saturday, March 21**

12:10 Barry Savage from Barbara Juengling

7:00 BW Adele Wilhelm

**Sunday, March 22, *Fourth Sunday of Lent***

8:30 BW Mary Caroline Gabriel

10:30 BW Family of Dale Schoenberger from the Mike Ryan Family

12:00 BW Special Intentions of the Parishioners & Friends of St. Rose

*Brothers and Sisters: You were once darkness,  
but now you are light in the Lord, Live as children  
of light, for light produces every kind of  
goodness and righteousness and truth.  
St. Paul*

### **From the Pastor's Desk**

In the charity of your prayers please pray for the soul of **Julie Fries** whose funeral was this past week here at St. Rose Church.

**CORONA VIRUS** - Until further notice we are not extending the sign of peace to each other. The Holy water fonts have been emptied. If you receive communion on the tongue you may consider receiving it in your hand. Our Eucharistic Ministers are using hand sanitizer before distribution. My maintenance crew have cleaned all of the pews and will continue weekly until the current epidemic is over. Thank you for your cooperation.

Fr. Barry

**THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU** - Tuesday, March 24, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Rediscover the peace of Christ found uniquely in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Visit [www.EncounterPeace.org](http://www.EncounterPeace.org) for more information. No matter how long it has been since your last Confession, no matter how great your sins may be, it's okay. Please join us . . . the light is on for you!

#### **Healing Mass**

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish  
Saturday, March 21st, 2020 at 3:00pm  
and will be a regular Sunday Mass for the 4th Sunday of Lent

**Cincinnati Catholic Men's Conference:** ATTENTION men, fathers and sons! The Cincinnati Catholic Men's Conference is Saturday, April 25th, 2020 at St. Susanna Catholic Church. . . Get your ticket today for A Faith-filled half-day where men from all over the tri-state will enjoy Catholic inspiration and spiritual growth. Speakers include Super Bowl Champ, Elvis Grbac ; National Priests for Life Founder, Fr. Frank Pavone and Ruah Woods Founder/JTM CEO, Tony Maas. Get complete information on the conference and purchase tickets at [www.CincinnatiMensConference.com](http://www.CincinnatiMensConference.com).

Join Pregnancy Center East on Monday, April 27, for the **Banquet for Life** featuring keynote speakers, Jason, and David Benham, nationally acclaimed pro-life leaders and entrepreneurs. All proceeds from this lively, inspiring evening benefit PCE's ministry. Get tickets at [SupportPCE.com](http://SupportPCE.com) or call 513-321-3100.

**GOOD FRIDAY WAY OF THE CROSS FOR JUSTICE (CINCINNATI)** - On April 10 from 12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m. at Fountain Square in downtown Cincinnati (rain or shine), join a collaboration of [Communications@CatholicCincinnati.org](mailto:Communications@CatholicCincinnati.org) March 2020 8 faith-based groups for an engaging prayer experience that connects the suffering of Jesus with the suffering brought about by injustice in our day. For more information, go to <https://www.facebook.com/events/468324317453360>.

#### **Did you know:**

There is a piece of the True Cross at **Holy Cross-Immaculata** in Mt. Adams. It is available for veneration on a side altar in the main church on Good Friday – see it when you pray the steps!

#### **Soup Supper & Speakers Monday, March 16**

6:00 p.m., Soup, Presentation at 7:00 p.m.

[Guardian Angels](http://GuardianAngels.org), 6531 Beechmont Ave., Cincinnati 45230

Speaker: Jessica Rinaudo, Editor of The Catholic Telegraph

RSVP at [gaparish.org](http://gaparish.org)

#### **Lectors/Lay Distributors for March 21st and March 22nd**

7:00 Rich Crawford, Tom Schneider, M. Luehrmann, Mike Gregorio, W. Russ

8:30 Jon Hemmer, Matt Howland, Tom Perrino, Michael Trotta, Lenny Diaspro

10:30 Michael Alfieri, Timothy McMahon, Bob Sheil, J. Sonnefeld, Robert Bruyer

12:00 Pat Burke, John Flick, Shawn Gillette, Tim Tepe

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**Lenten Penance Service • Monday, March 30th at 7:00 p.m.**

**The Way of the Cross and Benediction**

Wednesdays in Lent at 7:00 p.m.

*Beginning Wednesday, March 4th at 7:00 p.m.*

**Rev. Barry Windholtz**

*Pastor*

#### **This Weekend's Hymns**

*All hymns can be found in  
the Seasonal Missalette.*

Opening Hymn: #270

Communion: #280

Closing Hymn: #322

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### Opening Prayer

O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Reflecting on Living the Gospel

Today we accompany Jesus as he meets the woman at the well. The setting is the Samaritan town of Sychar (Shechem), noteworthy because of its association with the patriarch Jacob (Gen 33:18; 48:22; Josh 24:32), though the Old Testament never mentions the well of Jacob. Samaritans were not considered by Judeans to be truly Jewish, as they worshipped not at the temple (which was in Judea) but at Shechem ("on this mountain"). Jesus tells the woman that there will come a time (considered fulfilled at the time of the writing of the Gospel of John) "when true worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit and truth." No longer will it matter whether one is at a particular place for worship.

The woman recognizes that Jesus is a prophet, and Jesus himself eventually reveals to her that he is the Messiah, the Christ. Even so, she does not initially refer to him with that title herself. Instead, she goes back to her townspeople claiming that she met someone who could be the Christ. Because of her word, many of the townspeople believed in him. After Jesus stayed with them for some time, many more came to believe in him, hearing him for themselves. They then claim to know that "he is the savior of the world."

Thus we have a gradual coming to faith in the encounter at the well. The woman recognizes Jesus as a prophet and senses he could even be the Christ. She immediately evangelizes, spreads the good news to her townspeople. Some come to believe on her word alone, but more come to believe upon hearing Jesus for themselves. Such an encounter leads them to proclaim him as "Savior."

### Closing Prayer

Lord Jesus, you were recognized as prophet and Messiah by the woman at the well. Her testimony led many others to faith. May we have the spirit of evangelization, sharing our experience of you with others, so that this may lead others to faith. We have come to believe you are the Savior of the world. Through this belief we have life in your name. Amen.

### For Reflection:

• Through the Samaritan woman's witness, her townspeople welcome Jesus into their village and eventually come to believe he is the savior of the world. In your life of faith, who have been the witnesses who led you to a relationship with Christ?

### Suggestions for group and individual use:

1. Pray aloud the "Opening Prayer" (in *The Roman Missal* called the "collect").
2. One person read aloud the gospel.
3. Each read prayerfully "Reflecting on Living the Gospel" and spend some time in personal prayer.
4. Share together responses to "For Reflection."
5. Pray the "Closing Prayers."

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**Gospel** John 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42 (shorter form) or John 4:5-42 (longer form)

(Citation adapted for length. For full text, see your Bible.)

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. . . .

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."

### Readings for the week:

#### 3rd Sunday of Lent

Exod 17:3-7  
Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9  
Rom 5:1-2, 5-8  
John 4:5-42 or  
45-15, 19b-26,  
38a, 40-42

#### Monday

2 Kgs 5:1-15b  
Ps 42:1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9  
Luka 4:24-30

#### Tuesday

Dan 3:25, 34-43  
Ps 23:1-6ab, 6  
and 7bc, 8-9  
Matt 18:21-35

#### Wednesday

Daul 4:1, 5-9  
Ps 147:12-13,  
15-16, 19-20  
Matt 5:17-19

#### Thursday

St. Joseph  
2 Sam 7:4-5a,  
12-14a, 16  
Ps 82:1, 4-5, 27  
and 29  
Rom 4:23, 36-38, 22  
Matt 1:16, 18-21, 24a  
or Luka 24:1-51a

#### Friday

Hos 14:2-10  
Ps 81:8c-8a, 8bc-9,  
10-11ab, 14  
and 17  
Mark 12:28-34

#### Saturday

Hos 6:1-6  
Ps 51:3-4, 18-19,  
20-21ab  
Luka 18:9-14

#### 4th Sunday of Lent

1 Sam 15:1b, 6-7,  
10-13a  
Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4,  
5, 6  
Eph 5:8-14  
John 9:1-41 or 9:1,  
6-9, 13-17, 34-38