THIRD SUNDAY OF Lent

Jesus said, “Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up.”

John 2:19

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Mon. - Fri.
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Sat. 8:00 am
Sat Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday:
7:30 am, 9:00 am,
10:45 am, & 5:00 pm
Confessions:
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SUNDAY, MARCH 4
7:30 AM  For Henry Inserra, Jr.  
by John & Jo Ann Gintoli
9:00 AM  For Jeanette Marino  
by Patti & Tim Wengierski
10:45 AM For Louise Nicolini by the Bruno Family
5:00 PM  For the intentions of our parishioners

MONDAY, MARCH 5
8:00 AM  For Rose Corrado
5:30 PM  For Daniel McCurdy by The McMillan Family

TUESDAY, MARCH 6
8:00 AM  For Thomas Quinn by Peggy & Richard Lake
5:30 PM  For Al Strok by Wanda Ihrig

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7
8:00 AM  For Joseph Merk by John Stonitsch
5:30 PM  For Henry Inserra, Jr. by Matt & Ann Scurry

THURSDAY, MARCH 8
8:00 AM  For Jay Alberto by The Seifel Family
5:30 PM  For Miguel David De La Cruz by his family

FRIDAY, MARCH 9
8:00 AM  For the intentions of Joseph Trotta  
by his mom, Theresa
5:30 PM  For Flora DeRosa by The DeRosa Family

SATURDAY, MARCH 10
8:00 AM  For Ellen Geary by The Bandy Family
5:00 PM  For the intentions of our parishioners

SUNDAY, MARCH 11
7:30 AM  For Daniel J. O’Leary by Ann O’Leary Kerley
9:00 AM  For Ida DiCosimo  
by The DiCosimo & Filippelli Families
10:45 AM For Henry Inserra, Jr.  
by Joe & Jo Ann Augustyn
5:00 PM  For Nicholas Rojo by his wife, Pat
Baptisms
Celebrated on the second Sunday of each month at 12:00pm. Parents are encouraged to attend instruction class prior to the birth of their first baby. Please call the office to register.

Baptism Class is Next Saturday, March 10th

FOR MARCH 10/11
Sat., 5:00 PM - Nancy Anderson
Sun., 7:30 AM - Mark Hopper
9:00 AM - Ann Scurry
10:45 AM - David Ancona
5:00 PM - Emma Garret & Hannah Garrett

FOR MARCH 10/11
Sat., 5:00 PM - Adult Server
Sun., 7:30 AM - Anthony & Grace
9:00 AM - Parker
10:45 AM - Matthew & Ella
5:00 PM - Carter

Marriages
Arrangements should be made at least six months prior to the wedding date. Please call the Parish Office.

Our beautiful Ave Maria Banquet Room (capacity 325) and our Parish Hall (capacity 175) are available for rental for approved adult receptions and gatherings for occasions connected with church events.

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Mon. - Fri. 10am-4pm & Sat. 9am-3pm
There’s no better way to deepen our Lenten practice than to review the Ten Commandments. The first three, having to do with our right relationship to God, get the most ink. The one we busy people probably have the most problem with is keeping holy the Sabbath.

If we take this commandment literally, babies will go undiapered and dishes will stay on the table, or perhaps meals will not be served. The sick will go unattended and nothing that has anything to do with physical labor will be done. Is mental labor really work? How about changing that dirty diaper (poor baby!)?

We need to depend on God to discern how to observe real Sabbath time in our lives. The point of this commandment is that God has given us a great gift: one whole day per week when we are free to rest, worship God, sing, feast, love, and rejoice. As Psalm 19 proclaims: “The law of the Lord is perfect, / refreshing the soul” (19:8). Our Sabbath rest is a great gift, to be received from God with joy, not with nitpicking.

**SANCTUARY LIGHT**

—We offer the opportunity to those who would like to dedicate our Sanctuary Light in memory of a loved one or for a special intention. This candle burns over the tabernacle 24 hours a day. You may sponsor a light for $25 per week and the name will be published in the bulletin so that your intention can be prayed for by everyone during the week. Please call the Parish Office to reserve your date.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- **Monday:** 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2; 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
- **Tuesday:** Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
- **Wednesday:** Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
- **Thursday:** Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
- **Friday:** Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
- **Saturday:** Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

**KEEP HOLY THE SABBATH**

To prepare for the Readings of Mar. 10/11

- **First Reading** — The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of the Chosen People (2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23) or 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a.
- **Psalm** — Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Psalm 137) or Psalm 23.
- **Second Reading** — God, who is rich in mercy, brought us to life with Christ (Ephesians 2:4-10) or Ephesians 5:8-14.
- **Gospel** — The Son of Man must be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.

**SANCTUARY LIGHT**

for the week of March 4th

in loving memory of

*Ginny Uggccioni*

by her husband, John

Our special Mass Intentions book has been filled for 2018. The 2019 Book, for Masses to be celebrated in our Church, will be available beginning Monday, April 2nd, the day after Easter. You may continue to book “unannounced” Masses to be celebrated by a missionary priest.

**DEATHS**

Bob Lombardo, Vito Bucella, Michelle Ferlita, Payton Young, Charlie Augustine, Elsyve Davis, Mary Spofforth, Lee Ann Cervelli, Joe Lally, Kathy Smith and Warren Leichter

May they rest in God’s peace and may their family be strengthened in faith.
Why Do We Call it a Fast, When it Seems to Go SOOO Slow?

Fasting can be difficult, but the effort can be life-changing. In the next two columns I would like to discuss answers to the following questions: What is fasting? Why do we fast? Why should we fast? How can fasting change our lives and the lives of others?

What is fasting? There are at least two answers to this question. First, the Church prescribes fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. The Church also prescribes abstinence from meat (a type of fast) on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent. However, fasting can also be a personal decision. This is the most common type of fast that is practiced during Lent. For example, some people will choose a complete fast from all food on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and other days, instead of the modified fast that the Church prescribes. Others may fast from a particular food or activity for the duration of Lent. (i.e. What are you giving up for Lent?)

When we consider what type of fast is appropriate for us, we should also consider why we fast? While “because the Church says we have to” is a perfectly valid reason, it doesn’t seem like the kind of reason that would inspire a desire to fast. When obligation is the only reason to do something, our hearts are not in it. For example, when my parents told me to clean my room, “because I said so” didn’t seem like a good enough reason, but when I tripped over some toys in the middle of the night and injured my foot, I began to see the wisdom. Am I saying that if we don’t fast we are setting ourselves up to get hurt? Kind of. We fast for two basic reasons – to help ourselves and to connect with others. For example, there are many people who fast for health reasons instead of religious reasons, such as those who fast from foods to which they are allergic and those who fast from unhealthy foods.

But our Lenten fast should reach deeper than this. One of the reasons that people fast from chocolate, coffee or alcohol is because they fear that these substances may have some control over them. They fast to regain that control. In addition, people fast in order to delay gratification or pleasure. Why delay gratification? Some of the most important things we do in this life require us to delay gratification. We don’t get a doctorate in the first grade. Why would athletes train all those hours for an Olympic gold medal when a blue ribbon at the Palm Beach 5K would do? More importantly, delaying gratification teaches us to work and to hope for an even greater prize than these. I may never win an Olympic medal, but I certainly hope to win the prize of Heaven. If we are so focused on the pleasures (and treasures) of this life, we risk losing the treasures of Heaven. [1 Cor 9:24-27] Fasting helps us look toward Heaven.

In the next column, we will explore additional reasons to fast and how fasting can change our lives and the lives of others.
**OUR LADY’S GROTTO**

We welcome you to spend time in Our Lady’s Grotto; in peaceful meditation or to pray the Stations of the Cross.

We welcome donations of any orchid plants that you no longer want. God bless you!

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**CIA (Religious Education)**

1st - 5th graders, Sundays, 10:15 am - 11:45 am

*March 4th First Sunday 9 AM Mass and Service Project, March 11, April 8*

**Lenten Project** - Each session of CIA we will FILL OUR PANTRY with food items best for those who find themselves homeless or unable to prepare food. So far we asked for pop top (no can opener needed) SOUP, PASTA, (ravioli, beefaroni, spaghetti-o’s), VIENNA SAUSAGE and TUNA, and small jars of peanut butter.

Next week is pop tarts

THANK YOU for your participation!!

**Middle School, 6th & 7th graders, Confirmation I & II Sundays**

5 PM Mass followed by dinner and class until 8 PM

Mar. 4 & 11th: Confirmation II only - Mar. 18th, Confirmation I and Middle School - Mar. 25th

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**FAITH FORMATION - RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES ANNUAL RICE BOWL collection has begun!**

Get your collection box and bring your donations to class!!

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**STORY KEEPERS**

Children, infant to age 5 are welcome to come to the Parish Center during the 9 AM Sunday Mass. Hope you can join us!

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**MARCH Intention: Formation of spiritual discernment**

That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.

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**FAMILY EGG DYEING**

**BRING YOUR HARD-BOILED EGGS! WE’LL BRING THE REST!**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 25TH**

**St. Joseph Hall**

10:15 AM

(after 9 AM Mass)
March 1, 2018

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

We hear in the scriptures, “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has chosen me to bring good news to the poor” (Isaiah, 61:1, Luke 4:18). As young men answer “yes” to the Holy Spirit and discern a call to the priesthood, the Diocese needs your assistance in their priestly formation. The annual collection for the Education of Seminarians and the Formation of Priests will take place on the weekend of March 10 and 11.

The formation of our seminarians includes the costs of tuition, housing, education, and pastoral training. Your spiritual and financial support is of great assistance to these young men in their discernment. By your generosity you walk the journey of faith with many future priests and ensure that the sacraments will continue to nourish the faithful for generations to come.

In the Diocese of Palm Beach we are blessed by those who are on a journey to become dedicated priests. Your support of this collection will assist those currently in seminary formation, especially at St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary in Boynton Beach and St. John Vianney College Seminary in Miami.

Thank you for all that you have done and continue to do to support priestly formation in the Diocese of Palm Beach. I greatly appreciate your generosity and continued prayers for our priests, seminarians, and those still discerning their call to the priesthood.

With gratitude for your continued generosity and every prayerful wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito
Bishop of Palm Beach

Your donations assist the poor in many ways.
- Poor boxes are located near the doors of the church. Please drop your dollar bills and loose change and help us help others.
- Thank you!
- Your donations of non-perishable foods and pop tops containers are always needed, especially canned meats, vegetables and fruit.

2nd Sun. Lunch Bunch Group 17-18 Season
Grande’s Bella Cucina 4580 Donald Ross Rd. Suite 119
March 11th @ 11:30 AM $20
Ed, Qi Gong Master

RESERVATIONS & Information please contact
Annette Law Beverly  561-389-0985 or annette.beverly@gmail.com
**RELIGIOUS SHOP**

Stop by the Religious shop for a fine assortment of Easter, Confirmation and First Communion gifts and cards. There is also a large selection of books and videos to help you during this Lenten Season.

Easter is April 1st
Confirmation is April 29th
First Communion is May 6th

**Caritas VIII**
**NEXT WEEKEND**
March 9, 10 and 11, 2018

Applications are available for our inspiring Parish Retreat!

Join us on a spiritual journey at St. Paul’s 8th annual Caritas Weekend Experience. Experience time for contemplation, joyful fellowship, laughter, live music, great food and beautiful waterfront accommodations.

This encounter with Christ will enliven your faith relationship and could even change your life.

When & Where: March 9-11 at Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center
Make your reservation NOW.

Pick up an application at the Church Welcome Desk, Parish Office or at paulcross.org

Treat yourself to a joy-filled weekend with fellow parishioners or give the gift of a retreat to someone you love!

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**MINISTRY OF THE MONTH**

**MARCH**

GOD BLESS YOU for your Stewardship as you make sandwiches for the hungry!
(At home or at church-Mon. at 5 PM)

Thanks for sharing your time, talent and treasure with our parish community!

**Join Us!**

The Kairos OCI #75 Kickoff BBQ will be held Tues., Mar. 6th at 6 PM St. Joseph Hall

Guest speakers, fellowship, information and good food!

Please RSVP, so we have enough BBQ, to bobscarmazzo@gmail.com or call Bob at 561-628-4128.


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Please prayerfully consider your ability to support the 2018 Diocesan Services Appeal. PLEASE HELP US MAKE OUR GOAL!!!

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City________________________            Check#_______            Cash________

Please make checks payable to: Diocesan Services Appeal

Phone number ___________E-mail_________________ Local Parish____________________

Donor’s Signature_________________________________________ Date________________

Make online donations www.diocesepb.org

THANK YOU!
Columbiette meetings are on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, the next meeting is Mar. 21st at 7 PM in the Coffee House. Refreshments begin at 6:30 PM.

If you are interested and would like to become a Columbiette, please contact Carol at 561-818-0342 or Wanda at 718-877-9100.

Knights of Columbus general meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday of the month; the next meeting is Wed., Mar. 14th (officers meet on the 1st Wed.; the next meeting is Wed., Mar. 7th) at 7 PM in the Coffee House.

Please consider joining the Knights of Columbus at St Paul of the Cross Parish. Contact Jonathan Knaus @ 561-603-8303 or email kofc12322@gmail.com

Do You Think God is Calling You to the Priesthood? If you are a junior in high school or older, come join other men who are looking to answer that question. On March 9-11, 2018 St. John Vianney Seminary in Miami is hosting a weekend. If you need more information about the weekend, contact the Office of Vocations: 561-775-9552 or vocations@diocesepb.org

AN EVENING of SPIRIT and TRUTH
Reflecting Jesus in the Muslim World and Beyond
presented by Donna Downing
Monday, March 12th
7 PM
St. Joseph Hall
A presentation designed to enrich our spirits with the witness of faith.
Please RSVP to the Parish Office at 561-626-1873.

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Are you or a loved one in need of a CARING FRIEND to take you to Mass, shopping, or a doctor’s appointment, etc.? Please contact Lee Vaughan at 561-309-3692 or the parish office at 561-626-1873. There are parishioners who are in need of a ride to and from Mass on Sunday, for the 9 and 10:45 Masses. If you are able and willing to help, please call Lee!

Our Prayers Are Working!!!
We will be present Mon.-Sat.: 7:30am-5:30pm and Sun: 3pm-5pm.
Pray for 1 – 2 hours each week for 6 weeks www.40daysforlife.com/westpalmbeach
Call/Text Susan at (561) 255-1534
Whether or not we are present at Church, we remain one in the Lord. Please keep the following members of our parish family in your prayers: Bob Quig, Kathleen Shea and…

Diana Antell  Austin Barnes  Clare Bellucci  Peggy Black  Beau Bloomquist  James Boyer  Philip Brennan  Sandy Budd  Bill Cahill  Coralie Cahill  Ida Campisi  Rusty Canant  Mary Carroll  Bill Cheriee  Cecilia I. Cheves  Kimberly Chorniewy  Jeannine Chosson  Wayne Clark  Rose Colombo  Kristin Snyder Costa  Don Crawford  Eileen Crawford  Lenny D’Agostino  Rick De Blasio  Ena Elias De Galvez  Mike De Souza  Richard Dalesio  Rita Dickson  Lou DiCoco  Gina DiDonato  Kristina DiDonato


PLEASE NOTE: Please call the Parish Office if you are being admitted to the hospital or know of someone in our parish who requests a visit from a priest or Eucharistic Minister. Names will remain on the prayer list for two months, unless notified.


Merciful Father, You desire the welfare of all your children. Stretch out Your protecting arm over our men and women in the service. Shield them from every danger to body, mind and soul. Comfort them in loneliness, sustain them in hardship, give them the courage they need to fulfill their duty and so do Your will in all things. Bestow on our leaders and the leaders of the world the wisdom and prudence which will bring peace and justice to all.

This we ask through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord. Amen. Mary, help of Christians, pray for us.