



Mass Intentions For 03/03/2018 Through 03/11/2018  
**Third Sunday of Lent**



**Saturday: March 3, 2018** Mic 7:14-15,18-20; Lk 15:1-3,11-32

**St. Katharine Drexel - Virgin**

9:00 am St Mary: Forgotten Souls in Purgatory †

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**Saturday: March 3, 2018** Ex 20:1-17; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

4:00 pm St. James: Leo & Claudette Chaput †

4:00 pm St. Mary: Maurice † & Jack † Nadeau

6:00 pm St. Edward: Peter D. Place †

**Sunday: March 4, 2018** Ex 20:1-17; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

8:30 am St Edward: Deacon John Gratton †  
 St. Benedict's Wreathmaker

10:00 am St Mary: Deacon John Gratton †

10:10 am St James: Arthur & Mary Leontine Belisle †

11:30 am St Benedict: Health of Dolores Letourneau

7:00 pm St. Mary: Dianne Therrien †

**Monday: March 5, 2018** 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Lk 4:24-30

9:00 am St. Mary: Claude Desrochers †

5:30 pm St. Edward: Therese Metras †

**Tuesday: March 6, 2018** Dan 3:25,34-43; Mt 18:21-35

9:00 am St Mary: Winston Hammond & Danielle Carpenter †

11:00 am Bel-Aire: Intentions of the Residents

5:30 pm St. Edward: Maurice † & Jack † Nadeau

**Wednesday: March 7, 2018** Rom 8:31b-39; Mt 10:34-39

**Saints Perpetua and Felicity - Martyrs**

9:00 am St. Mary: Intentions of Rev. Leo Bilodeau

2:00 pm N.S.C.F.: Intentions of the Residents

5:30 pm St. Edward: Will Strouse † & Celeste Isabelle †

**Thursday: March 8, 2018** 1 Jn 3:14-18; Mt 25:31-40

**Saint John of God - Religious**

9:00 am St Mary: Parishioners of St. Mary's

**St. James Lenten Masses held at Sunrise Manor**

3:30 pm St. James: Holy Rosary

4:00 pm St. James: Deceased Parishioners of St. James †  
 Stations of the Cross following 4:00 pm Mass

5:30 pm St. Edward: Msgr Joseph Dussault †

**Friday: March 9, 2018** Prov 31:10-13,19-20,30-31; Mt 22:34-40

**Saint Frances of Rome - Religious**

9:00 am St Mary: Rose Ange & Jose Perrault †

3:30 pm St. Benedict: Stations of the Cross

4:00 pm St. Benedict: Parishioners of St. Benedict's

5:30 pm St Edward: Parishioners of St. Edward's  
 Stations of the Cross following 5:30 pm Mass

6:00 pm St. Mary: Stations of the Cross

**Saturday: March 10, 2018** Hos 6:1-6; Lk 10:9-14

9:00 am St Mary: Forgotten Souls in Purgatory †

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**Saturday: March 10, 2018** 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Eph 2:4-10  
 Jn 3:14-21

4:00 pm St. James: Lorraine Caouette † & C.M. Daniels †

4:00 pm St. Mary: Richard Lloyd †

6:00 pm St. Edward: Past & Present Altar Servers

**Sunday: March 11, 2018** 2 Chr 36:14-16,19-23; Eph 2:4-10;  
 Jn 3:14-21

8:30 am St Edward: Louis † & Tillie † Fugere

10:00 am St Mary: Deacon John Gratton †

10:10 am St James: Adelard & Claire Riendeau † & Theresa

11:30 am St Benedict: Intentions of Pope Francis Lavoie †

7:00 pm St. Mary: John † & Agnes † Fedele



If you would like to have your home blessed, or if you know of anyone in the parish who is sick, homebound or hospitalized, and would like to receive the Sacraments of Communion, Confession or the Anointing of the Sick, please call the parish office at (802) 334-5066 with their name, address and telephone number. We will contact them and arrange for a Priest to visit them.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO OUR PARISH**

*Week of February 24 & 25, 2018*

Offertory	\$6,252.00
Insurance	1,614.00
Repairs & Maintenance	98.00
Latin America	23.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,987.00</b>

**THERE IS A SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND FOR FUEL. COLLECTION BASKETS WILL BE PASSED TWICE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO MATER DEI PARISH.**

**2018 PRAYER LIST**

<p>♥ Dan Barry</p> <p>♥ Tanner Blais</p> <p>♥ Mary Ann Blake</p> <p>♥ Rita Bouffard</p> <p>♥ Yolande Brasseur</p> <p>♥ Mary Dunbar</p> <p>♥ Irma Bowen</p> <p>♥ Jacob Callaway</p> <p>♥ Raymond Choiniere</p> <p>♥ Alice Collins</p> <p>♥ Birdena Collins</p> <p>♥ Lisa Collins</p> <p>♥ Thomas Collins</p> <p>♥ Lise Comeau</p> <p>♥ Raymond Curtice</p> <p>♥ Jean Coutu</p> <p>♥ Regis Dagesse</p> <p>♥ Sue Dagesse</p> <p>♥ Paul Diette</p> <p>♥ Donna</p>		<p>Phil B. Mesina</p> <p>Purie G. Mesina</p> <p>Rita Monfette</p> <p>Mercedes Patenaude</p> <p>Leo Patenaude</p> <p>Marcel Poulin</p> <p>Beverly Poutre</p> <p>Roger Raboin</p> <p>Leonard Richardi</p> <p>Bob Risicato</p> <p>Norman Rivard</p> <p>Beverly Robitaille</p> <p>Gisele Seymour</p> <p>Gary Sykes</p> <p>Claudette Schoolcraft</p> <p>Ron Tetreault</p> <p>Denise Turner</p> <p>Daniel Westlake</p> <p>Westlake Family</p> <p>Lucille Wing</p>
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**BE HEALED IN JESUS' NAME!**



We pray in a special way for the soul of **Loretta Hunt †** who has entered into eternal life and for her grieving family.

## Church Volunteers



### Calling All St. Edward's Volunteers

Volunteers who are involved with the various ministries at St. Benedict's are asked to meet on **Monday, March 5 in West Charleston at 6:00 pm** to plan for events at St. Benedict's.

All Ushers, Altar Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and any other volunteers involved in Holy Week services at **St. Mary's** are asked to meet on **Monday, March 12 at 6:00 pm in Newport** to practice for Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil.

Thank you all for your dedicated service to Mater Dei Parish.

### My Lenten Offering

Please remember to pick up your almsgiving coin card in back of the Church. Simply pick up the booklet entitled "My Lenten Offering" and insert a quarter for each day during Lent. Remember that your offering stays in our community to help Mater Dei parishioners who are in need of assistance. Thank you for your participation in this worthwhile Lenten project.

Don't forget to add your name to the back of the coin card if you would like to receive credit for your donation.



### Reflection

#### for this Sunday:

In today's Gospel we read about how Jesus overturned the tables of the merchants and the moneychangers in the Temple at Jerusalem. In order to understand the relevance of Jesus' action, we must know more about the activities that were going on in the temple area. Worship at the Temple in Jerusalem included animal sacrifice, and merchants sold animals to worshippers.

Moneychangers exchanged Roman coins, which bore the image of the Roman emperor, for the temple coins that were needed to pay the temple tax.

Jesus' action at the Temple in Jerusalem is recorded in all four Gospels and is often considered to be among the events that led to Jesus' arrest and Crucifixion. The Gospel of John, however, places this event much earlier in Jesus' public ministry than do the other Gospel writers. In John's Gospel this event occurs at the very beginning of Jesus' ministry, after his first miracle at the wedding feast at Cana.

After clearing the Temple of the merchants and the moneychangers, John's Gospel tells us that the people asked for a sign of Jesus' authority to do such an audacious act. In response, Jesus predicted his death and Resurrection. Throughout John's Gospel, the language of signs is distinctive. Jesus' miracles are called signs, and the people look to these signs for proof of his authority. Here we learn that the sign par excellence will be Jesus' passion, death, and Resurrection.

During Lent we reflect upon the meaning of this sign for us and for our world. We might take this opportunity to consider the quality of our prayer and worship. In our prayers we seek to deepen our relationship with the person of Christ. In our worship with the community, we gather to experience anew the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus and its significance in our lives. Christ promises to be present with us when we gather for prayer.



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### LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUP

Lenten Study Classes will be held on Tuesdays during Lent at St. Edward's following the 5:30 pm Mass

Upcoming Topics:

Tuesday, March 6: Purifying the Temple of Your Heart

Tuesday, March 13: Have it Your Way

Discussions are based on the previous Sunday Gospel

**Come join us! All are welcome! Strengthen your faith!**

### ST. MARY'S SENIOR CHOIR REHEARSALS

St. Mary's Senior Choir will meet to practice for Holy Week and Easter services beginning on **Tuesday, March 6 at 6:30 pm** at St. Mary's Church

All are welcome to join us!

For more information, please contact Diane Laramie at (802) 334-2893.



### SCHOLARSHIP DONATIONS NEEDED AT ST. PAUL'S



St. Paul's Catholic School is looking for donors to fund 7 full scholarships for needs-based scholarships for the 2018-2019 school year. Will you be the sponsor for a family in need? Full sponsorship is a donation of \$3950, but any amount toward a partial sponsorship would be welcome and greatly appreciated. St. Paul's 2018-2019 budget is underfunded. Please help us to grow the outreach and success of our area Catholic School.

### SUGAR ON SNOW PARTY!!

**SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2018**

**1:00 PM - 4:00 PM**

**AT ST. EDWARD'S**

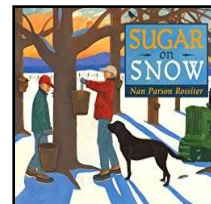
**SUGAR ON SNOW WITH DONUTS  
DOG SLED RIDES FOR THE KIDS**

**\$8 FOR ADULTS / \$5 FOR KIDS**

**CHILDREN UNDER 5 ARE FREE!**

**JOIN US FOR A FUN AFTERNOON AND ENJOY  
THIS SWEET WINTER TREAT AND PARISH  
FELLOWSHIP**

**SPONSORED BY THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**



### DON'T FORGET!!

Daylight Savings Time begins on **MARCH 11, 2018**. Turn your clocks **AHEAD 1 hour** before you go to bed on **March 10**.

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

