

## Third Sunday of Lent

March 15, 2020

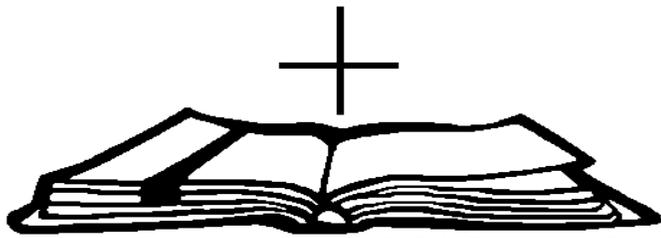
While we were still sinners Christ died for us.

— Romans 5:8

### THIRST

Each time today's Gospel story is read, I can't help but think of the many television commercials I've seen depicting perspiring athletes lifting a beverage to their lips while the scorching sun beats down on them. Our culture has definite ideas about how to quench thirst. Today, those ideas are turned upside down. The Samaritan woman operates, initially, on the TV commercial level. She asks Jesus for the flowing water so that she will not have to keep coming to the well. Jesus then talks about what real thirst is, and how he, and he alone, can quench that thirst. Lent calls us to find those places deep within ourselves where we thirst. In our thirst, as did the Israelites, we cry out to God asking for springs of living water. Deep down we know that only the Lord can satisfy these thirsts.

## Mass Intentions



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**Sat., Mar. 14, 4:30 p.m.** Dennis McCloskey, Nick Sita, Aida Saacks, Huval Family, Special Intention, Louis Perschall Sr., Karge Family, In Thanksgiving, Special Intention (L), H. and A. Campbell (L), Claudette Arcement (L), Linda Michel (L)

**Sun., Mar. 15, 7:30 a.m.** Carol Pieri

**Sun., Mar. 15, 9:15 a.m.** Randy Cooper, Mary Ann Miller, Cora Morgan, Cherie Gavoni, Mary Anne Grabbe, Yvonne Morel, Pheobe Whealdon (L), Tom and LoAnn Ervin (L), Mitch and Judy Salmere (L), Mehaffey Family (L)

**Sun., Mar. 15, 11:00 a.m.** Parishioners

**Mon., Mar. 16, 8:00 a.m.** Howard Simmons

**Tues., Mar. 17** NO MASS

**Wed., Mar. 18, 8:00 a.m.,** Tammy O'Brien

**Thurs., Mar. 19, 8:00 a.m.** Perry Armstrong (L)

**Fri., Mar. 20, 8:00 a.m.** B.J. Roy

## PRAYER LIST

James Michael Cole

Scott St. Romaine

Fred Kopfler

Florence Hoffman

Joseph Hadad

Roy M. Piazza

Pam Addotto

Dot Willie

Freddie Addotto

Louise Cashmere

Nita Addotto

Richard Atkins

Ruthi Olson

## Weekly Collections

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Envelopes	\$ 2,790.00
Loose	\$ 1,262.34
Building and Preservation Fund	\$ 271.00
Home of Love Donations	\$ 2,960.00

Next weekend, we will have a 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for Catholic Relief Services (CRS), and the U.S. bishops' international outreach service. CRS works to sustain development for people in underdeveloped countries to help them become self-sustaining. Funds from this collection, along with Rice Bowl, also provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to all people here and abroad. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).

### THE CANDLES BURN IN HONOR OF:

Sanctuary	Jeanette Marino
Blessed Mother	Mulé Family (L)
St. Joseph	Margaret Mary Mulé
St. Ann	Irma Inniss

If you would like to honor your intention by burning a 7 day candle please call 796-3806.

**The Stations of the Cross will be every Friday in Lent at 5:00 p.m. and will conclude on Good Friday.**

**The Knights of Columbus are holding their Lenten Fish Fries every Friday during Lent, except Good Friday, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. in Jonathan Hall. They will be serving your choice of fried or baked fish, cole slaw, potatoes and hush puppies. Eat in or take out. Everyone is invited. The price is \$10.**

### ROSARY

Join the Knights of Columbus in praying the Rosary on the 5th Sunday of the Month, March 29<sup>th</sup> five minutes after the 7:30 a.m. Mass.

## SAINTS

How do the Saints' sacrifices influence our lives today? "What does the world need? It needs holy moments." Fr. Damian will present a passionate and enthusiastic talk covering the lives of many saints, this Sunday, at 5:00 p.m. in Jonathan Hall. A display of reliquaries will be available for viewing. Please read your Rediscover the Saints book in preparation for this talk.

## TICKETS ON SALE NOW!!!

St. John's Annual Spring Dance is on April 18, 2020, 8 p.m.-11 p.m. in Jonathan Hall. Advance sale of tickets are \$25 per couple \$30 at the door. Reserve your party table in advance. Make it a great time by bringing your own food, snacks, and drinks (BYOL) for your table. This is an adult event-21yrs and up. TEXT OR CALL: Robert Schultz 504-669-1327 or Jean Schultz 504-909-1662

## PIVOTAL PLAYER

The study of our next pivotal player will take place on Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Jonathan Hall library. We will look at the impact of Michelangelo on western civilization. Michelangelo is not a declared saint but serves as a privileged representative of the creative potential engendered by the Catholic Faith. The Church professes that beauty is a route of access to God, and through humanity's creative artistry we glimpse the power and the glory of the Lord.

## CONFESSIONS

Lent should include standing before our merciful God and asking for forgiveness in confession. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered in all parishes in the Archdiocese of New Orleans beginning at 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., Wednesdays in **LENT: March 18<sup>th</sup>, March 25<sup>th</sup>, and April 1<sup>st</sup>**

## RICE BOWL

WEEK THREE: Meet Yvone from Kenya. She learned proper nutrition and hygiene practices to help keep her healthy and in school. Yvone now has a chance to dream and the strength to follow those dreams. How can you ensure that young people in your community receive proper nutrition? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more.

## **CATHOLIC WOMEN IN ACTION NORTSHORE LENTEN MORNING OF REFLECTION "The Crown of Discipleship"**

The royal duties of humility, forgiveness, messaging, the good news, and treating one another like royalty.

When: Tuesday, March 24, 2020  
Where: Mary Queen of Peace, 1501 W. Causeway Approach, Mandeville, LA.  
Speaker: Lorraine Hess  
Celebrant: Fr. Damian Zablocki

Confessions will start at 8:30 a.m. with Mass at 9:00 a.m. followed by a short reception. Marian Stations of the Cross to follow reflections

## REGISTER NOW FOR CONFIRMATION 2020:

Sophomores, juniors and seniors in High School should register by April 15. The first meeting with parents and students is Sunday, May 3 at 9:30 am. Five classes, all-day retreat, and rehearsal are required for Confirmation in September (date not yet set by the Archdiocese). Forms are available on Church porch or in the office.

## ST. JOHN'S HOME OF LOVE

Thank you for your generous donations of \$2,960. Our goal is a minimum of \$3,800 to provide a home for a poor family in Haiti, Guatemala or El Salvador. Envelopes are on the credenzas in back of church and can be placed in boxes on the credenzas or in the collection basket by Sunday, March 22.

The Ladies ALTAR SOCIETY is asking for donations to help defray the cost of flowers for the Easter season. Your donations may be placed in the box at the back of Church. There is a book where the names of loved ones may be recorded, and they will be remembered during masses this Easter season.



## REMINDERS

The next Knights of Columbus monthly meeting is on Thursday, Apr. 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. in Odilo Hall.

First Saturday mass at 8:00 a.m. every month

Monday Bible Study, 7:30 p.m. in the Library

Men's group, Thurs., 7:00 p.m. in Library, except second Thurs.

PSR classes grades K – 8<sup>th</sup>, Wednesdays, 6:15 – 7:30 p.m. in J H. 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade PSR classes, Sun., noon – 1:30 p.m. in Library