

**Saturday, February 29<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>**

**SAT: 4PM** Ralph Winter (by the Family)  
**SUN: 8AM** Norm and Peg Hunt (by Bill Christmas)  
**10:30AM** St. Michael Parishioners and Their Intentions  
**MON: NO MASS**  
**TUES: 5:15PM** Teague Murphy (by Rosemary Bradley and Doreen Cooney)  
**WED: 8:45AM** Fr. Joseph Romano (by Fr. Justin)  
**THURS: 5:15PM** Bruce Taylor (by Fr. Justin)  
**FRI: 7:30AM** Fr. Leonidas Laroche  
**SAT: 4PM** Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Smith (by their son)  
**SUN: 8AM** St. Michael Parishioners and Their Intentions  
**10:30AM** Dr. Thomas H. Lewis (by Cindy Coble)



*Blessed Virgin Mary Candle is lit this week for Marcel Leclair, Jr.*

**Events This Week**

**Sat. (2/29): The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle**

11:30AM — Hot Meal Served (SBK)  
 2:45-3:30PM — Confessions (church)  
 3PM — Adult Choir Rehearsal (church)

**Sun. (3/1): First Sunday of Lent**

9:10AM — Religious Education Classes (SMS & YC)  
 11:30AM — Altar Server Training (church)

**Mon. (3/2):**

11:30AM — Hot Meal Served (SBK)

**Tues. (3/3): St. Katherine Drexel, Virgin**

8AM-5PM — Eucharistic Adoration (chapel)  
 4:15PM — Rosary at Planned Parenthood (Pliny Park)  
 4:45PM — Confessions & Rosary (church)  
 5:15PM — Mass (church)  
 6PM — Bible Study (YC)  
 6:30PM — K of C Business (PC)

**Wed. (3/4): Ash Wednesday; St. Casimir**

9:15-6PM — Eucharistic Adoration (chapel)  
 10AM — Rosary at Pine Heights  
 11:30AM — Hot Meal served (SBK)  
 8:10AM — Rosary (church)  
 8:45AM — Mass (church)  
 5PM — Parish Council Meeting (YC)  
 6:30PM — RCIA (PC)

**Thurs. (3/5):**

8AM-5PM — Eucharistic Adoration (chapel)  
 10AM — Mass at Gathering Place  
 11:30AM — Hot Meal served (SBK)  
 3:30PM — Mass at Vernon Hall  
 4:45PM — Rosary (church)  
 5:15PM — Mass (church)  
 6PM — Women's Book Club (YC)

**Fri. (3/6):**

7AM — Rosary (church)  
 7:30AM — Mass (church)  
 8AM-2:45PM — Eucharistic Adoration (church)  
 2:45PM — Benediction (church)  
 5:30PM — Stations and Soup (church & SBK)  
 6:30PM — Movie: "Little Boy" (YC)

**Sat. (3/7): Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs**

11:30AM — Hot Meal Served (SBK)  
 2:45-3:30PM — Confessions (church)

3PM — Adult Choir Rehearsal (church)

**Sun. (3/8): Second Sunday of Lent**

9AM-Noon — K of C Breakfast (SBK)  
 9:10AM — Religious Education Classes (SMS & YC)

**Weekly Stewardship Report:**

**Offertory**

<b>This Week</b>	<b>\$4,769.50</b>
<b>Central &amp; Eastern Europe</b>	<b>\$385.00</b>

**Parish Prayer List**

Baby Ellis Reed Kasper, Blake, Philip Bloch, Michael Carey, Anthony Church, Carol Condon, Matt & Heather R., Hilda Cleary, Mary Jane Giroux, Rodney Howe, Tony Iannarone, Michael Johnson, Ruth Lapan, Mildred Maloskie, Karen Ortlieb, Keagan Puffer, Carson Rhodes, Arlon Rice, Jenna Ross, Chip Runge, Michelle Saunders, Carol (Honey) Seymour, Peter Smyth, Mike Stankiewicz, Erwin Stockwell, Lisa Vose, Shannon Wladyka and Parishioners & Their Families in Homes & Hospitals

**Scripture Readings**

**Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11**

*At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry. The tempter approached and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread." He said in reply, "It is written: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God." Then the devil took him to the holy city, and made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down. For it is written: He will command his angels concerning you and with their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone." Jesus answered him, "Again it is written, You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test." Then the devil took him up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." At this, Jesus said to him, "Get away, Satan! It is written: The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve." Then the devil left him and, behold, angels came and ministered to him.*

### K of C Breakfast

"Come join the Knights of Columbus for breakfast on **Sunday, March 8, 2020**. All the proceeds to be used to help with charitable events in the Parish. The Knights will be serving the usual fair in the newly renovated St. Brigid's Kitchen. Easy access, good food, fellowship. **9 to 12 noon**.

### Songs, Faith Sharing and Adoration

Please join us on **Thursday, March 12th at 6PM** at our Parish for songs, faith sharing, and a time of Adoration led by Father Justin and MJM7. MJM7 is a Catholic family group comprised of Michael James Mette and 4 of his daughters: Gabriella (15), Trinity (14), Charity (12), and Cecilia (11). The Mette's gifts of music, joy, & family life offer the boldness and innocence of youth with the wisdom and depth of lived experiences. Bring a friend! You won't want to miss this unique event. Free. Donations are accepted.

### St. Brigid's Kitchen News

Nearly **25,000** meals were served at St. Brigid's Kitchen in 2019 and close to **1000 households** were helped through the pantry and emergency assistance. January, which typically is a slower month for the kitchen, served **2016 meals** and helped **99 households**, where **387 adults and children** were helped through the pantry and emergency assistance. Thank you to all who supported our two recent fundraisers, the Wyld Nightz benefit concert (**\$1300**) and the Harris Hill Ski Jump (**\$4100**). We made a little more money at the Ski Jump this year but the expenses were higher so we ended up with around the same amount of funds as we raised last year. Your continued support benefits many needy people facing food insecurity during these cold winter times. Thank you. Many people have benefited from not only warm clothing available but also clothing appropriate for interviewing for jobs. Once again thank you for supporting the clothing program.

### Christ Our Hope Campaign

I'm excited to announce that starting next month our parish will be taking part in the Christ Our Hope: Building a Vibrant Church campaign. The campaign will build up our diocese through vibrant parishes, strengthening faith formation efforts and serving the poor. We will kick off the campaign next month. We are still looking for people to serve on the campaign team to spread the message and follow up on gift requests. If you are interested, please call the parish office and ask for Father Justin. We'll be sharing more information with you as we get closer to the kickoff date. Also, be sure to read the Vermont Catholic and Inland See for more information about the campaign.

### Stations, Soup & a Movie: "Little Boy"

Please join us for our Friday Night Lenten Stations and Soup beginning **Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup>**. Stations will begin at **5:30PM** followed by soup at St. Brigid's Kitchen & Pantry at **6PM**. All are welcome to join us for a movie in the youth center called "Little Boy" at **6:30PM**.

### Catholic Life Conference

Coming **March 21, 2020** to the Mass Mutual Center in Springfield! The Catholic Life Conference is preparing a fabulous day for all Catholics, men and women, young and old, alike. Conference cost is \$50.00 for adults and \$15 for students and children, with a household maximum of \$150. Register at [www.catholiclifeconference.org](http://www.catholiclifeconference.org) or pick up a brochure in the church to mail in your check.

### April Showers

The Daughters of Isabella are selling April Showers raffle tickets at \$5 per ticket with different prize monies every day in April. Contact any member for tickets or see Kerry at the rectory. Drawing will be the first week of April.

### Lenten Adoration

Jesus invites us to dwell within His Presence. And there to come to know the breadth and depth of His love, mercy and kindness that He shows to us. While it's nice to read or study about the love and mercy of God, how radically different it is from experiencing His love and mercy. So I invite you this Lenten season to carve out a few extra minutes every week to be still before God in our Adoration Chapel. Quiet your heart that you might hear His heart speak: Heart to heart. Yes, come with all your concerns and worries; come with all your hopes and desires; come with all your fears and unmet dreams; come with all your sin and what burdens you down; come as you are. But most importantly simply come with your heart. Place it all before Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament. Quietly sit in His presence. Gaze upon Him as He tenderly gazes upon you. Listen to His quiet voice: Heart to heart. How blessed to experience the love of God in so intimate a way in our Adoration Chapel. You are welcome to come in Tuesday through Friday during the hours listed in every bulletin. Please note also that we are currently in need of two new adorers to cover a **midday hour every week on Tuesday and 11AM to 12PM on Thursday**. If you are interested please contact Pete Nero at [neros75@comcast.net](mailto:neros75@comcast.net) or call 254-4818. Also, please consider signing up for an hour during our Lenten 40 Hours of Adoration: **March 19<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup>**. Thank you!

### **Parish Registration & Parish Group Email List**

To register with the parish, update your address, or to be added to the parish group email list, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket.

**Registration**

**Change of address**

PLEASE PRINT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Please send envelopes: \_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_