

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 14, 2021

Saturday, March 13th

8:30 am - St. John – *in pectore*
 9:00 am - 9:30 am – Confessions at St. John
 3:15 pm - 3:55 pm – Confessions at St. John
 4:00 pm - St. John – Jane Corrette

by her husband Bruce

Sunday, March 14th Fourth Sunday of Lent

7:30 am - 7:55 am – Confessions at St. John
 8:00 am - St. John – Dick Gracie
 9:35 am - St. Elizabeth – Mass for the People
 11:30am - Queen of Peace – *in pectore*
 Confessions at QP before Mass (time permitting) or following Mass as needed
 5:00 pm - St. Elizabeth – Latin High Mass (sung)

by Susan Dugan

Monday, March 15th

8:30 am - St. Elizabeth – Paul Hemphill

by Amy Marcinko

Tuesday, March 16th

8:30 am - St. John – Maureen “Casey” Cassidy

by Priscilla Messier

Wednesday, March 17th St. Patrick

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm – Holy Hour of Adoration with Confessions at St. John
 5:15 pm - St. John – Martyrs of the Maze

by Susan Dugan

Thursday, March 18th St. Cyril of Jerusalem

8:30 am - St. John – Gibson Children

by Martha Gibson

Friday, March 19th St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 am - St. Elizabeth – Deacon Alfred Toborg
 9:00 am – St. Elizabeth Stations of the Cross
 6:00 pm – St. John Stations of the Cross
 7:00 pm – Queen of Peace Stations of the Cross

by Linda Toborg

Saturday, March 20th

8:30 am - St. John – *in pectore*
 9:00 am - 9:30 am – Confessions at St. John
 3:15 pm - 3:55 pm – Confessions at St. John
 4:00 pm - St. John – Rita Lorenz Reis

by Susan Dugan

Sunday, March 21st Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30 am - 7:55 am – Confessions at St. John
 8:00 am - St. John – Mike K. Capriola Sr.
 9:35 am - St. Elizabeth – Van Danforth
 11:30am - Queen of Peace – Mass for the People
 Confessions at QP before Mass (time permitting) or following Mass as needed

by his family

by the Wellman / Danforth families

Please pray for parishioners who are ill or in need of your prayers, especially:
 Pam Austin, Charlene Chase, Connie Lapage, Martin Fortin, Charlie Weis,
 Randy Thomas, Dick & Anita Bedor, Sue Maurice, Karson St. Marie

3/21/21	St. John	St. Elizabeth	Queen of Peace
LECTORS:	4pm D. Hale 8:00am T. Lovett	9:35am B. Gessner	11:30am D. Rooker

The FORMED program is available to everyone in our parish. To start enjoying this free gift, please visit the FORMED website:

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NEW OFFICE HOURS: While Sue is away the regular office hours will be Monday – Friday from 9:30am-3pm. If no one is in the office the phone calls will be forwarded to Fr. Hahr's cell phone where you will be able to leave a message. Thank you in advance for your patience.

PARISH EVENTS

March 14th : Confirmation Class @ 6pm-7:30pm FLC
 March 16th: St. Vincent de Paul @ 6:45pm FLC
 March 18th: Lyndonville Knights of Columbus @ 7pm St. E

FINANCIAL REPORT

Fiscal Year: 7/1/20-6/30/21 Budgeted Regular Collection: \$243,650
 Reg. Collection Year-to-date: \$82,794.12 + On-Line: \$54,795.59
 Collections & Receipts: March 7, 2021 Reg .Offeratory:\$3073.92

Second Collections

March 14th: Catholic Relief Services March 21st: Easter Flowers

Please consider using the Online Giving tool for your weekly donations. Visit our website at: nekatholic.com and click "Give Online" to sign up!

Bishop's Annual Appeal Progress for Corpus Christi Parish as of 2/9/21

Overall Goal	Actual	% of Goal
\$72,573.00	\$58,939.00	84%

Christ Our Hope Progress for Corpus Christi Parish as of 2/9/21

Overall Goal	Actual	Pledged	% of Goal
\$361,693.00	\$33,328.14	\$73,097.14	20%

Please see this week's "The Inland See" about the St. Joseph the Provider Feed the Hungry Initiative that the diocese is launching. Each of our churches are involved in local efforts to feed the hungry in our area. We're always looking for "boots on the ground" who are willing to help with these projects. Right now at St. Elizabeth's we're in need of two more volunteers. If you're able to help, please call either Lawrie Easterbrooks at 751-5255 or Sandy Amadon at 274-5285, or if you would like more information about help needed at one of the other churches, please call the Parish Office. Thank you.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Corpus Christi Conference offers assistance in name of Jesus to the needy in our community. To contact us call: Patrick McWilliams: 274-3542 Ann Lovett: 751-8187; or the Rectory: 748-8129 We will arrange a visit to see if we are able to serve you!

Stations of the Cross on Fridays of Lent

St. Elizabeth's – immediately following the 8:30am Mass
 St. John's – 6pm
 Queen of Peace – 7pm

Latin High Mass in Lyndonville:

On Sunday, March 14th, at 5 pm, a traditional Latin Mass (a/k/a Tridentine or Extraordinary Form Mass) will be offered at St. Elizabeth's Church. This will be a sung Mass with Gregorian chant.

The St. Philip Neri Latin Mass Chaplaincy offers a traditional Mass at St. Elizabeth's on the second Sunday of each month at 5 pm. For more information please contact latinmassvt@live.com.

Acknowledging our Need for God

Following the Greeting, viz. *The Lord be with you*, the Priest invites us to acknowledge our sins. Here we take the time to examine our conscience, bringing forward in our minds the wrong we've done and repenting of those wrongs in our hearts. This examination is something we may have begun in our private prayers before Mass. We need to identify the wrong and determine if it was venially sinful or mortally. If it was mortal we should make a firm resolve to seek out sacramental Confession ASAP; if it is venial, the minor absolution that the Priest will shortly give will take this away, but it's necessary to have sorrow for these sins, whether mortal or venial.

The *Confiteor* is a prayer by which we acknowledge our sins, whether they be thought, word or deed, with no excuses – *Through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault*. We strike the breast to deepen our regret; wanting to knock the evil out, and we seek out the help from our place in the communion of saints: *Therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God*. Then follows the minor absolution from the Priest, by which he asks God's forgiveness on all will repent and be sorry.

Then comes the *Kyrie, eleison* (Lord, have mercy). It is the last of the Greek language still preserved in the Ordinary of the Roman Rite. It's "symbolic of the cry of fallen and sinful humanity at all periods of its history – and of our own actual sins." From the expulsion from the Garden even till now we have been calling out from this valley of tears, asking for God's mercy.

It was a prayer that went unanswered for many centuries of the world. Our Lent and Advent seasons remember those times. "Notice the position of the *Kyrie*. We say it before the *Gloria*, to express the profound misery of the world before the coming of the Messiah" In the seasons of Advent and Lent the Last *Kyrie* carrying our plea for mercy is answered with silence, and after pausing for a moment to listen for an answer but hearing none, the Priest turns to the Collect, which is the opening prayer of the Mass. Outside of those two seasons, and especially at the first Mass of Christmas and Easter, there's a great contrast as the silence is broken by the song of Angels: *Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will*. Heaven answers our prayer at the birth of Christ, Who brings God's offer of peace to *people of good will*. Who are these? Those who truly want it – sincerely repenting of their sins and determining now to follow Christ with all their hearts.

Next comes the "Collect" (this word means a "collection of prayers"). With this prayer the Priest prays on our behalf for a particular grace. He prays with hands extended in imitation of our crucified Lord. "Christ alone has the right to be heard, and, if man wishes to be heard, he must identify himself with his crucified Redeemer, by taking up his own cross. God looks lovingly upon those who suffer, and He will listen to our prayers, if we bear with Christlike resignation our own cross, be it sickness, or sorrow, or sacrifice. After the Collect follows the Liturgy of the Word.



Saint Joseph worshiped Jesus as no saint before had done. From his deep, calm soul he poured out a very ocean of love - tenderest love, humblest love... No angel might love Jesus as Joseph loved Him, as Joseph was bound to love Him. No temporal love but Mary's could be more like an eternal love than the love of Joseph for the Child, because of its likeness to the love of the everlasting Father.
~ Saint Peter Julian Eymard

March 17th: The Feast of St. Patrick

My name is Patrick. I am a sinner, a simple country person, and the least of all believers. I am looked down upon by many. My father was Calpornius. He was a deacon; his father was Potitus, a priest, who lived at Bannavem Taburniae. His home was near there, and that is where I was taken prisoner. I was about sixteen at the time. At that time, I did know the true God. I was taken into captivity in Ireland, along with thousands of others. We deserved this, because we had gone away from God, and did not keep His commandments. We would not listen to our priests, who advised us about how we could be saved. The Lord brought His strong anger upon us, and scattered us among many nations even to the ends of the earth. It was among foreigners that it was seen how little I was.

It was there that the Lord opened up my awareness of my lack of faith. Even though it came about late, I recognized my failings. So I turned with all my heart to the Lord my God, and He looked down on my lowliness and had mercy on my youthful ignorance. He guarded me before I knew Him, and before I came to wisdom and could distinguish between good and evil. He protected me and consoled me as a father does for his son.

That is why I cannot be silent – nor would it be good to do so – about such great blessings and such a gift that the Lord so kindly bestowed in the land of my captivity. This is how we can repay such blessings, when our lives change and we come to know God, to praise and bear witness to His great wonders before every nation under heaven.
~ from *The Confession of Saint Patrick*

March 19th: Feast of St. Joseph

As almighty God appointed Joseph, son of the patriarch Jacob, over all the land of Egypt to save grain for the people, so when the fullness of time had come and He was about to send to earth His only-begotten Son, the Savior of the world, He chose another Joseph, of whom the first had been the type, and He made him the lord and chief of His household and possessions, the guardian of His choicest treasures. Indeed, he had as his spouse the Immaculate Virgin Mary, of whom was born by the Holy Spirit, Jesus Christ our Lord, who deigned to be reputed in the sight of men as the son of Joseph, and was subject to him. Him whom countless kings and prophets had desired to see, Joseph not only saw but conversed with, and embraced in paternal affection, and kissed. He most diligently reared Him whom the faithful were to receive as the bread that came down from heaven whereby they might obtain eternal life. Because of this sublime dignity which God conferred on his most faithful servant, the Church has always most highly honored and praised blessed Joseph next to his spouse, the Virgin Mother of God, and has besought his intercession in times of trouble. And now therefore, when in these most troublesome times the Church is beset by enemies on every side, and is weighed down by calamities so heavy that ungodly men assert that the gates of hell have at length prevailed against her, the venerable prelates of the whole Catholic world have presented to the Sovereign Pontiff their own petitions and those of the faithful committed to their charge, praying that he would deign to constitute St. Joseph Patron of the Church ... Accordingly, it has now pleased our Most Holy Sovereign, Pope Pius IX, in order to entrust himself and all the faithful to the Patriarch St. Joseph's most powerful patronage, has chosen to comply with the prelates' desire and has solemnly declared him Patron of the Catholic Church. He has also ordered that his feast on March 19th by henceforth celebrated. ~ On December 8, 1870, The Sacred Congregation of Rites promulgated this decree, which communicated the decision of Pope Pius IX to declare St. Joseph Patron of the Universal Church.