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**Reading I:** In those days, in their thirst for water, the people grumbled against Moses, saying, "Why did you ever make us leave Egypt? Was it just to have us die here of thirst with our children & our livestock?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? a little more and they will stone me!" The LORD answered Moses, "Go over there in front of the people, along with some of the elders of Israel, holding in your hand, as you go, the staff with which you struck the river. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock in Horeb. Strike the rock, & the water will flow from it for the people to drink." This Moses did, in the presence of the elders of Israel. The place was called Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled there and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD in our midst or not?"

**Responsorial Psalm:** *If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.*

**Reading II:** Brothers & sisters: Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith to this grace in which we stand, & we boast in hope of the glory of God & hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. For Christ, while we were still helpless, died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

**Verse Before the Gospel:** Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again.

**Gospel:** Jesus came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of land that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there. Jesus, tired from his journey, sat down there at the well. It was about noon. A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?" -For Jews use nothing in common with Samaritans.- Jesus answered & said to her, "If you knew the gift of God & who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink, 'you would have asked him & he would have given you living water.'" The woman said to him, "Sir, you do not even have a bucket & the cistern is deep; where then can you get this living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us this cistern & drank from it himself with his children & his flocks?" Jesus answered & said to her, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." Jesus said to her, "Go call your husband and come back." The woman answered and said to him, "I do not have a husband." Jesus answered her, "You are right in saying, 'I do not have a husband.' For you have had 5 husbands, & the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true." The woman said to him, "Sir, I can see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain; but you people say that the place to worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You people worship what you do not understand; we worship what we understand, because salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, & is now here, when true worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit & truth; & indeed the Father seeks such people to worship him. God is Spirit, & those who worship him must worship in Spirit & truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming, the one called the Christ; when he comes, he will tell us everything." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one speaking with you." At that moment his disciples returned, & were amazed that he was talking with a woman, but still no one said, "What are you looking for?" or "Why are you talking with her?" The woman left her water jar & went into the town & said to the people, "Come see a man who told me everything I have done. Could he possibly be the Christ?" They went out of the town & came to him. Meanwhile, the disciples urged him, "Rabbi, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Could someone have brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work. Do you not say, 'In 4 months the harvest will be here'? I tell you, look up and see the fields ripe for the harvest. The reaper is already receiving payment and gathering crops for eternal life, so that the sower & reaper can rejoice together. For here the saying is verified that 'One sows & another reaps.' I sent you to reap what you have not worked for; others have done the work, & you are sharing the fruits of their work." Many of the Samaritans of that town began to believe in him because of the word of the woman who testified, "He told me everything I have done." When the Samaritans came to him, they invited him to stay with them; & he stayed there 2 days. Many more began to believe in him because of his word, & they said to the woman, "We no longer believe because of your word; for we have heard for ourselves, & we know that this is truly the savior of the world."



*Stations of the Cross are prayed every Friday during Lent at 7pm in the Church.*

The second collection next weekend, March 13th/14th, is for the *Catholic Relief Services*. Please give it your prayerful consideration.

*40 Days for Life*: St. Mary's assigned day is March 27th in Newburgh. If you would like to sign up, call Nancy Smith: 845-856-4610. Proper social distancing procedure will be required (masks, standing 6 feet apart).

We will be selling Palm Crosses for \$10 in the Narthex the weekend of March 20th/21st and if any are left, the weekend of March 27th/28th (Palm Sunday). There is a limited quantity. If you would like to preorder, please call the parish office.



Court Madonna's 21 Club tickets are now available. They are \$20/ea and benefit local scholarships. Drawing is on April 13th. There will be 20 \$50 winners and 1 \$1,000 winner. Tickets available at the parish office or contact Debbie 239-3560, Helen M. 856-0987, or Sue 858-5991.

Easter is approaching. Consider giving a Eucharistic Prayer card. Spend one hour in prayer at Adoration for your love ones, friends, family. Give a gift of joy and lift someone's spirits. Proceeds go to our Respect Life projects. Just a donation please.

CDA Court Madonna is raffling off an *Angel Themed Quilt*. Chances are 1 for \$1 or 6 for \$5. Drawing will be held on May 11th, 2021. Tickets available at the parish office.

*St. Mary's Food Pantry* is still available to all in our local and area communities. The next date will be Friday, March 19th, from 10am until noon. If you or anyone you know is in need of food, please have them come during those times. We are in need of personal care items. Most needed are: shampoo and conditioner, soap, laundry detergent, toothpaste, deodorant, toilet paper, and feminine hygiene products.

Holy Hour has commenced on Mondays  
in the Chapel.  
Confessions will be heard from  
5:30pm until 6:15pm.  
Adoration will be from 5:30 pm until 6:30pm.

### Announced Masses

Monday, March 8 (John of God, Religious)  
9:00am Richard Senko, by Patricia Newcomb  
Tuesday, March 9 (Frances of Rome, Religious)  
9:00am Laura L Hagen, by Elizabeth Hagen  
Wednesday, March 10  
9:00am Michael Connelly, by Catherine Westfall and family.  
Thursday, March 11  
9:00am Pastora Torres, by Deacon Rich and Joanne Marino  
Friday, March 12  
7:00pm *Stations of the Cross*  
Saturday, March 13  
4:00pm Catherine Smith, by Mary Rimlinger  
Sunday, March 14  
8:30am The parishioners of St. Mary's  
11:30am Franz and Maria Kucher, by Hannelore Kucher  
1:00pm William, Anna, and Michael Kelly, by Gloria Mosher

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Debi Cotugno, Michael Bello, Michael Barnes, William Lincoln, Jeannine Lincoln, James Lincoln, Charles Hildebrandt, Maureen Hildebrandt, Walter Szpakowicz, Aedan Roach, Robin Radzikowski, James Roach, John F. Flynn, Jr., Catherine Simons, Michael Medaglia, Robert Witherow, Allen Lynch, Enid Decker, Jackie Mundy, Allan Garcia, Eric Hildebrandt, Stephen A. Odrechowski, Eva Scopino, Jan Kaminski, Leticia Nuestro, Christina Nuestro, Catherine Scopino, Amelia Quinn, Tonya Addy, Jackie Hamilton, Brandon Ulrichs, Helen Eckes, Gloria Hicks, Stephanie Gaide, Elizabeth Startup Jones, Donald Wolff, Carmen Ramos, Jose Brito, Wayne DeMarco, Camille Balsamello, Emogene Bloomer, Cheryl Lovelace, Jackie Hamilton, Stephen Angiulo, Eppie Harford, Enid Decker, Ryan Hildebrandt, Richard Scopino, and Kenneth Mundy.



*Don't forget to set your clocks one hour ahead next Saturday night.*

The collection for March 4th/5th was \$4,920.  
Thank you for your continued generosity.