



## Third Sunday of Lent February 28, 2016

### Mass Intentions

<b>Sunday</b>	
8:00 AM	Living & Deceased of St. Joseph Parish
10:30 AM	Dillon Broxson / Mary Kittredge
<b>Monday</b>	
8:00 AM	Special Intention / Anonymous
<b>Tuesday</b>	
8:00 AM	†Ed Shunski / Peg Misztal
<b>Wednesday</b>	
8:00 AM	Br. Linus Klucsarits, OSB / Hilderbrandt
<b>Thursday</b>	
8:00 AM	†Sr. Francis Ann, RSM/ R. & B. Fortunati
<b>Friday - Abstinence</b>	
8:00 AM	
<b>Saturday</b>	
5:00 PM	†Sr. Francis Ann, RSM / R. & B. Fortunati
	†Jerry Chubb / Patricia Chubb
<b>Sunday</b>	
8:00 AM	Living & Deceased Parishioners
10:30 AM	†Bruce Kittredge / Mary Kittredge

There are dates available for Mass intentions for a deceased loved one or for a special intention. Please contact the office.

Office Hours: 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Kindly pray for our parish family and all those who are journeying in a special way with Our Lord, Jesus Christ.



**Paul Bruechner**, Patricia Caudill, Pat Chubb, Ginny Cook, **Diane Dickerson**, Ed Dubin, Eleanor Feeney, Nicole Fehn, **Harry Fletcher**, Jo Flynn, Antonietta Geronilla, **June Henderson**, Margaret Henson, **Marvin Jenkins**, **Margie Kings**, Stuart King, Jack & Carole Kinsler, Joe Lacoy, Cece LaManna, Germaine LaPlante, Mary Link, Evan Linville, Curtis Malone, Monk Manning, Monroe Matheny, **Sara Manning**, Bob & Margaret Nail, **Vera Patterson**, Claire Patton, **Marvin Peterson**, Sal Pinzone, Sandra Pollock, Marsha Porter, Sr. M. D. Richardson, **Babe Rohan**, **Anita Sanford**, Ruth Sas, Margaret Schaff, Mary Smith, Kristie Toohey, **Rick Van Norden**, Bootsie Williams

### ~ Prayer Requests ~


Terry Danson – 251-961-2165 or tsdanson@gmail.com

If you are ill or know someone who is ill, due to have surgery, or is in the hospital and would like a visit from the pastor, please call the rectory.

### First Friday Memorial Mass Association

Our Loved Ones – Bob & Margaret Nail	† James E. Link	Living & Deceased Kilday Family
Living & Deceased Kaiser, Klein & Murphy Families	† Deacon John Cartaro	Living & Deceased Chubb & Burns Families
Living & Deceased Scott & Weiss Families		Living & Deceased Fehn Family
Living & Deceased Bush, Alvarez & McAleer Families	† Anita Warriner	Living & Deceased Lacoy & Clancy Families
Living & Deceased Mullek & McCandless Families	† Joseph LaManna	Living & Deceased Kearns & Paterson Families
Living & Deceased Patton & Norton Families	† Doris Mullek	Living & Deceased Altar Society Members
Living & Deceased Shields & Self Families	Mignon Kilday	For the Baptized Who Do Not Practice Their Faith
Living & Deceased Cretaro Family		The Holy Souls in Purgatory

### This Week's Schedule

Monday	8:30 AM	Rosary Cenacle – IM Hall
Tuesday	8:30 AM	SVdP Meeting – IM Hall
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Adult Faith Formation Bible Study – Genesis 
Wednesday	10:30 AM	Choir Practice – Church
Wednesday	4:30 PM	Catechism Class – IM Hall
Thursday	8:30 AM	Altar Society Meeting – IMH
Thursday	5:30 PM	RCIA/Faith Formation – IM Hall
		Catholic Christianity"
Thursday	8:00 PM	Knights of Columbus / Auxiliary meeting at Council Home; call Bill Patton at 850-607-7151 or Peg Slevin at 961-3055
Friday	8:30 – 7:00 PM	First Friday Sacred Heart Devotion, Benediction and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. <b>Please sign up for adoration in the vestibule.</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>2:30 PM</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	First Saturday Devotions

### ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND

5 PM = 96 8 AM = 66 10:30 AM = 109 Total = 271

### STEWARDSHIP

Offertory gift for February 21 = \$2,444.15  
Maintenance = \$69.00

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – **Next Week** – Catholic Relief Services  
(envelopes are in the pews)  
**SVdP Collection – \$423.00 – Thank You!**

**End-of-Year Tax Report** ~ Anyone needing their contributions for 2015 may call the church office.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday:	Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt. 18:21-35
Wednesday:	Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday:	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday:	Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
Sunday:	Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
	Alternate readings (Year A): 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

### Gospel Reflections

God is mercy. That seems to be the main message of the reading from Exodus. God has seen the suffering of the Israelites and promises mercy and rescue. From then on, God is to be known as the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

Paul calls his readers to continue to grow in the faith. The God who rescued Israel also rescues them. As beneficiaries of God's mercy, Christians must keep on working, doing their part to become ever more trusting and loving people of God.

The Gospel's second section is a homey story about God's mercy. Against the advice of the landowner, the vinedresser pleads for mercy—and shows mercy—to allow the poor fig tree yet another year to become productive.

As part of our observance of the **Jubilee Year of Mercy**, several parishes in our archdiocese will be participating in **"The Light Is On for You"** on the five middle Wednesdays of Lent (March 2, 9, 16) from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please check the bulletin board for the names of the parishes that are participating.

### LENTEN REMINDER

Good Friday is a day of FAST (one full meal for those 21 to 59) **and** TOTAL ABSTINENCE (no meat for those over 14). All other Fridays are days of abstinence only—no meat. There is no obligation to fast on weekdays of Lent, but voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

**NOTE:** Catholic Relief Services' Lenten Rice Bowls are available at all church entrances. Please pick one up.

**PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED** for the previous recipients of our prayer blankets who are still in need of our prayers and also for these most recent recipients: Margaret Schaff, Sal Pinzone, Claire Patton, and Diane Dickerson. For information, call Nicole Fehn 962-3238.

**NOTE:** If anyone is homebound and would like to receive the Sacraments, please call church office.

### Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

We are offered the gift to adore our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament this Friday. There should be at least two people in the church at all times. Adoration gives us the opportunity to be face to face with our Lord in silent adoration and prayer or to simply keep Him company, just as we would a dear friend.

### March 5-6

**Sat:** 5:00 PM

**Sun:** 8:00 AM

10:30 AM

### Lectors

C. Puglisi

B. Patton

B. Johnston

### Ext. Ministers

J. Caudill / Sr. Therese

B. & M. McCandless

B. & W. Zielinski

### Gift Bearers

R. Hauser / F. Wabnitz

S. McKinney / B. Brennan

K. Service / V. Patterson

### Ushers

S. Pinzone / F. Mullek

B. Partridge / R. Geiger

J. Crump / W. Berube

### ◆ MARK YOUR CALENDAR ◆

March 9 – 5:00 PM – "Souper Supper" – IM Hall

March 12 – 6:30 AM – Our Parish "Year of Mercy"  
Pilgrimage to Cathedral of Immaculate Conception in Mobile.

March 16 – 4:30 PM – CCD Children's Confession

March 21 – 5:00 PM – Penance Service – Church  
Check future bulletins for more information.

**NOTE:** If anyone is interested in participating in our Pilgrimage to the Cathedral, please contact the office and give your name before March 10.

### CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL DRIVE

Many thanks to all who participated so generously toward helping us to reach our goal. Envelopes may be sent directly to the Mobile office.

### ST. JOSEPH PARISH COOKBOOK

They have arrived! They are available in the office, or contact Harriet Shields at 961-1611. Cookbooks are \$12.00 each and are an ideal gift or keepsake.

**REMINDER:** When doing your spring cleaning, please save your "stuff" for our Fall Yard Sale.

### ANNUAL LENTEN FRIDAY FISH FRY

March 4, 11 & 28 ~ 5:00 - 7:30 PM

Saint Bartholomew Benedictine Hall  
Adult \$8/Child \$4. For more information, see bulletin board or call Bill Patton at 850-607-7151.



### "COFFEE WITH THE PADRE"

Hosts next month will be the Adult Faith Formation Classes. Everyone is invited to join us for good food and fellowship from 9 AM to 10 AM on the first and third Sunday of each month in IM Hall. We are looking for more volunteers who wish to help our host groups. Please let us know if you would like to help by signing the schedule on the table in the vestibule or by calling the office.

### The Old Country Philosopher Sez - Bob Nail

When we get to Heaven, who will we be?

Will you be you? Will I still be me?

Will we remember who we have been?

Will we recall the good? Will we recall our sin?

Will it even matter as long as we are there,

In the arms of Jesus – his love to forever share?

**NOTICE:** The auditorium, kitchen and rooms in Immaculate Mary Hall are available for rent. For more information, please contact the office.