

# Fourth Sunday of Lent

## Masses and Intentions for the Week

### Sunday, March 2

Rose

Fourth (Laetare) Sunday of Lent, *I Class*

7:30 AM Aaron and Elizabeth Farris

10:30 AM Pro populo

### Monday, March 3

Violet

Feria of Lent, *III Class*

12:00 PM Albert Childress +

### Tuesday, March 4

Violet

Feria of Lent, *III Class*

*Commemoration of St. Casimir, Confessor*

7:00 PM Rosie Rolfes

### Wednesday, March 5

Violet

Feria of Lent, *III Class*

12:00 PM Jeremy Wolfe

### Thursday, March 6

Violet

Feria of Lent, *III Class*

*Commemoration of SS. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs*

7:00 AM Emily Land

### Friday, March 7 (First Friday)

Violet

Feria of Lent, *III Class*

*Commemoration of St. Thomas Aquinas, Confessor/Doctor*

12:00 PM Leroy and Monica Bischoff & family

7:00 PM Shirley Heppner +

*Stations of the Cross at 6:30.*

*Exposition follows Mass with Benediction at 8:30.*

After being committed to the care of Benedictine monks at five years of age, the young Thomas Aquinas joined the Dominicans, whose greatest glory he is. He taught philosophy and theology with such clarity and genius that he is considered one of the leading Christian thinkers. His innocence, on par with his genius, earned for him the title of *Angelic Doctor*. He died in 1274.

### Saturday, March 8

Violet

Feria of Lent, *III Class*

*Commemoration of St. John of God, Confessor*

7:15 AM William Wynne +

### Sunday, March 9

Violet

Passion Sunday, *I Class*

7:30 AM David and Michelle Deddens

10:30 AM Pro Populo

## Revised Mass Schedule

Having received the official approval last week from Archbishop Pilarczyk of Cincinnati for the establishment of a full-time Fraternity apostolate, please take note of the revised daily Mass schedule effective this week:

Monday 12:00 PM

Tuesday 7:00 PM

Thursday 7:00 AM

Friday 12:00 PM, 7:00 PM

Saturday 7:15 AM (First Saturday @ 8:30)

## Second Collection Today

There will be a second collection today for Catholic Relief Services. Donations go in support of poverty relief, assistance to refugees, and to advocate basic human rights in situations where these are neglected or threatened.

## Catechetical Series

Fr. Saguto is in the midst of a four-week series *Eight Parables* on Monday evenings from 7:00-8:30, providing an in-depth study of eight selected parables of our Lord. Class will now meet in the schoolhouse. This week's selection: *The Unjust Steward* and *The Good Samaritan*.

## Work Progress

All the major work in the church has been completed (for the time being) and Masses will resume in the church effective immediately. The schoolhouse is now available for meeting and classes as well as the Sunday potlucks. Some detail work still needs to be completed in the church over the next few weeks. The portrait of St. Philomena and the baptismal font are currently being refurbished and will be returned before Easter.

Let us make sure to give thanks to Almighty God for providing the means to have this work accomplished to restore and decorate His house. Some devotional events in thanksgiving will be scheduled during the Easter season, most likely in May.

## Stations of the Cross - Fridays

Stations of the Cross will be conducted every Friday evening during Lent at 6:30 in the church and followed by the usual 7:00 Mass.

## Please Keep in Your Prayers...

Archbishop Buechlein; Patricia Wycislo; Jane Doe; Ted Knight; Bridgette Schutzman; Neal Miller Family; Bischel Family; Tom Peter; Joseph Shake; Rosie Rolfes; Virginia Mendel; Brett Feller (Iraq); closure of Planned Parenthood in Bloomington; Don Farwick +; James Peter +; Ed Lachman +; Shirley Heppner +; Martha Deller +; Christine Rosfeld +

### **Contributions – Thank You!**

February 24	\$2301.00	
Window Fund	\$29087.00	(63%)

### **Calendar of Events**

March 2	First Communion Class
March 3	Catechetical Series (3rd of 4)
March 5	Children's Choir/Young Ladies' Group
March 5	Boys' Group ( <i>meets at St. Joseph's gym</i> )
March 7	High School Classes/Stations
March 7	First Friday
March 16	Palm Sunday (Holy Week)

### **A Final Thought...**

The basic reason for a child's deformation is not a parent's defect, but rather the parent's lack of struggle against the defect and, above all, the parent's insincerity as regards the undeniable fact that it was a defect.

What is a cause of deformation (and therefore of scandal) for a boy or a girl is, not to have parents with defects (for that is inevitable), but to have insincere and hypocritical parents: parents who invariably try to justify or camouflage their defects - under a screen of lies, flare-ups of rage, or abuses of authority - because, when all is said and done, they are just not ready to fight against them.

Their parents' defects should not be a motive of scandal for children, nor even a motive to respect or love them less. None of this will happen if they see that their parents are conscious of those defects, that they acknowledge them and are trying to fight against them. Then the defects of the parents - their sincere fight against their defects - will become a marvelous example and encouragement to their children, to want to do likewise in their own lives. Curiously enough, children tend to have much greater understanding towards their parents when they see them fight against their defects; and so the very parental defects help the children to respect and love their father and mother more.

The way parents look at and tackle their own defects is, humanly speaking, perhaps the factor that most influences their children's moral formation, their growth in sound conscience, and their development of character.

Parents do not need to be geniuses or great psychologists in order to form their children well. They simply need to love them truly, with a love that combines sacrifice, affection, and fortitude. They do not need to be saints, either - though they should always keep up that hope that, with God's grace, they may in the end yet make it. What they do need is to struggle sincerely to live a Christian life that can be noted in the little things of each day.

Parents teach their children mainly through their own

conduct. What a son or daughter looks for in a father or mother is not only a certain amount of knowledge or some more or less effective advice, but primarily something more important: a proof of the value and the meaning of life, shown through the life of a specific person, and confirmed in the different situations and circumstances that occur over a period of time.

If I were to give advice to parents, I would tell them, above all, let your children see that you are trying to live in accord with your faith. Do not let yourselves be deceived: they see everything, from their earliest years, and they judge everything. Let them see that God is not only on your lips, but also in your deeds; that you are trying to be loyal and sincere, that you love each other and you really love them, too.

This is how you will best contribute to making your children become true Christians, men and women of integrity, capable of facing all life's situations with an open spirit. - Msgr. Cormac Burke, *Covenanted Happiness*