

March 10, 2024
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MONDAY, March 11, 2024

7:00 AM. Rev. Father Frank Gaetano, SAC

8:00 AM. Anna Mirkovic by Chris & Jeanette Rexnolds & Family

TUESDAY, March 12, 2024

7:00 AM. Frank & Antonette Portulano by Bro. Tom Portulano, SAC

8:00 AM. Luciano & Flancesca Morin by Picinich Family

WEDNESDAY, March 13, 2020

7:00 AM. Vincent & Camela Montalbano by Carol & Vincent Montalbano

8:00 AM. Ivan Tarabokija by Dino & Mary Tarabokija

THURSDAY, March 14, 2024

7:00 AM. Domenick Picinich by wife Margarita Picinich

8:00 AM. Ljubica Matesic by Jacomina Matesic

FRIDAY, March 15, 2024

7:00 AM. Mr & Mrs Portulano by Bro Tom Portulano, SAC

8:00 AM. Palmira Skrivanic by Maria Skrivanich & Family

7:00 PM **Stations of the Cross**

SATURDAY, March 16, 2024

7:00 AM. John Mc Tague by Marie Cassey

8:00 AM. Michelle Papparella by Mom & Dad

5:00 PM. For Parishioners

6:30 PM. Mass in Portuguese

SUNDAY, March 17, 2024

7:30 AM. Joseph Marghella by Nancy Morin & Family

9:00 AM. Lucy Sticco by Fr. Peter and Sticco Family

10:30 AM. Arthur Sabatini, Jr by Sabatini Family

12:15 PM. Adelaide Rago by Marcos & Fellicia Quevedo

1:30 PM. Giovanni Jose Sanchez by Mother Guadalupe

2:15 PM. **Coronilla Divina Misericordia** - Exposicion del Santisimo Sacramento

5:00 PM Deacon John Inzetta, SAC

Sanctuary Light:

For the Month of **March** for **Edna & Joseph Giuliani** by **Step- Daughter John & Husband Charles Friezo**

Bread and Wine:

For the Week of **March 10**, for **Anna Picinich** by **Bruno & Rosa Scrivanich**

SAFE ENVIRONMENT CORNER

HOW TO REPORT ABUSE

The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the Clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Call the Coordinator for the Office of Accompaniment in the Archdiocesan Department for the Protection of the Faithful at 201-407-3256

ANNIVERSARY MASS FOR MARRIAGES

Please note if the following pertains to you and your wanting to celebrate ;

These anniversary liturgies will be held in the Cathedral Basilica of the sacred Heart in Newark as follows below and will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Topin. Please come to the rectory as a form needs to be filled out. Rectory will mail the form to the Archdiocese.

June 2, 2024 12:00 PM 50 years (All counties)

May 5, 2024 12:00 PM 5 years & 25 years (All counties)

The Spirit of SACRIFICE

Consideration:

The Son of God, in becoming flesh for us, sacrificed Himself and everything completely for our love..... The life of perfect and continuous sacrifice in man consists in the most perfect, constant and universal practice of mortification of his wicked passion... All those who do not practice the life of perfect sacrifice cannot be numbered among the followers of Christ for they have, as their head, the devil.

Pathways To God
St. Vincent Pallotti # 96

SCRIPTURE INSIGHTS



2 Chronicles 36:14-16,19-23;
Psalm 137:1-6
Ephesians 2:4-10;
John 14-21

In the verses prior to today's reading from John

3, Jesus explains to Nicodemus that a different kind of birth is needed to enter God's kingdom (3:3). Now, Jesus refers to a story involving Moses (Numbers 21:4-9) as he presents the gift of eternal life that is available through his death and resurrection (John 3:14-15). Just as the Israelites had to look at a snake that Moses lifted up - that is, confronting and acknowledging their sin - to be saved, we have to be willing to let Jesus expose our evil deeds to avoid God's judgement of condemnation (John 3:19-20). Jesus, the life and light of the world when the world was first created (John 1:1-5), comes again to impart to the world life and light (8:11:25). Nicodemus might come to Jesus "at night" (John 3:2), but Jesus is "the light came into the world" (John 3:19).

Jesus tells us concretely how much and in what manner God loves the World that God has created: God gives us God's only Son (John 3:16-17). God's gift of salvation is given to us even "when we were dead in our transgressions" (Ephesians 2:4-5). After all, it is "the sin of the world" that led to Jesus' incarnation and then crucifixion (John 1:29). In other words, the judgement of condemnation because one is not willing to look to Jesus and acknowledge one's wrongdoing.

God sent Jesus out of love, but we have the choice to embrace the light to receive life or embrace our fears to hide in the night.

- ✱ What connection can you make between the Old Testament and the New Testament passage for this Sunday?
- ✱ What might the light of Christ expose about our lives individually and collectively as a society that we would rather hide?

WORKING ON THE MARGINS

Support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Please be generous in this week's special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In United States, over 11% of the population lives in poverty. Through this collection, you support programs that address the root cause of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to fund local antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collect and those working on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd.

PENANCE AND ANOINTING SERVICE

MARCH 26TH

TUESDAY at 6:30PM

PRACTICE OF HOPE

Although Jesus came to save the world, "people preferred darkness to light" and ultimately condemned God's son, the light of the World, to death.

What have you said and done that you don't want brought into the light? Bring these things before God and confess your need for God's grace. Remember that you are God's handiwork, saved through faith.

Like Jesus, some people have been wrongly condemned. Learn more about the Innocence Project (innocenceproject.org) and the work being done to exonerate people who were wrongly convicted.

Gather close friends or family members for a prayer service at night. Ask everyone to bring a candle and a Scripture passage that speaks about God's light. Invite each person to express gratitude for the ways in which we need light. Conclude by inviting all to offer their petitions for God's light to remain with us.