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MARCH 20, 2022
Third Sunday of Lent

Masses

Saturday Vigil:	4:00pm
Sunday:	8am,10:30am
Weekday Mass:	8:00am (Chapel) (Monday-Friday, Rosary after)
First Friday:	8:00am(Chapel) Mass & Devotion To Sacred Heart
First Saturday:	8:00am (Chapel) Mass, Anointing of the sick, and Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday:	3:00-3:45 pm
Sunday:	7:15 - 7:45am 9:45-10:15am (Other times by Appointment)

Adoration

Tuesday:	8:00am-6:00pm
Friday:	8:30am-9:30am

Church Office Hours

Mon-Friday	8:30am-12:30pm
Wednesday	8:30am-12:00pm

Secretary Linda Bellocq



**"I SHALL CULTIVATE THE GROUND
AROUND IT AND FERTILIZE IT;
IT MAY BEAR FRUIT IN THE FUTURE.
IF NOT YOU CAN CUT IT DOWN."**

LUKE 13:8-9

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Today's Readings

First Reading (*Exodus 3:1-8a,13-15*)

Moses was tending the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian. Leading the flock across the desert, he came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There an angel of the Lord appeared to Moses in fire flaming out of a bush. As he looked on, he was surprised to see that the bush, though on fire, was not consumed. So Moses decided, "I must go over to look at this remarkable sight, and see why the bush is not burned." When the Lord saw him coming over to look at it more closely, God called out to him from the bush, "Moses! Moses!" He answered, "Here I am." God said, "Come no nearer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground, I am the God of your fathers," he continued, "the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob." Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. But the Lord said, "I have witnessed the affliction of my people in Egypt and have heard their cry of complaint against their slave drivers, so I know well what they are suffering. Therefore I have come down to rescue them from the hands of the Egyptians and lead them out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey." Moses said to God, "But when I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' if they ask me, 'What is his name?' what am I to tell them?" God replied, "I am who am." Then he added, "This is what you shall tell the Israelites: I AM sent me to you." God spoke further to Moses, "Thus shall you say to the Israelites: The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. "This is my name forever; thus am I to be remembered through all generations."

Psalm (*Psalm 103:1-2,3-4,6-7,8,11*)

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills. He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

The Lord secures justice and the rights of all the oppressed. He has made known his ways to Moses, and his deeds to the children of Israel.

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Merciful and gracious is the Lord, slow to anger and abounding in kindness. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear him.

Second Reading (*1 Corinthians 10:1-6,10-12*)

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud and all passed through the sea, and all of them were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. All ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink, for they drank from a spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was the Christ. Yet God was not pleased with most of them, for they were struck down in the desert. These things happened as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil things, as they did. Do not grumble as some of them did, and suffered death by the destroyer. These things happened to them as an example, and they have been written down as a warning to us, upon whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore, whoever thinks he is standing secure should take care not to fall.

Gospel (*Luke 13:1-9*)

Some people told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with the blood of their sacrifices. Jesus said to them in reply, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did! Or those eighteen people who were killed when the tower at Siloam fell on them—do you think they were more guilty than everyone else who lived in Jerusalem? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!" And he told them this parable; "There once was a person who had a fig tree planted in his orchard, and when he came in search of fruit on it but found none, he said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. So cut it down. Why should it exhaust the soil?' He said to him in reply, 'Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down.'"

Gospel Reflection

In the first part of today's Gospel passage, two true stories are reported: one about the crime committed by Pilate and the other sudden collapse of a tower at the pool of Siloam.

Historians say that Pilate was a cruel man who killed some of the pilgrims who came from Galilee to offer sacrifices in the temple on the occasion of Easter. They are like many other Israelites who hated Romans and wanted to overthrow them from Israel. In one of Easter celebrations, they might have come in clash with Romans and Pilate with no respect to the holy place have massacred them all.

The Pharisees always considered that it was a punishment for their previous sins. But Jesus rules out the cause of their death was due to their sins. Then he invites them and us now to learn a lesson and calls for conversion of heart. To clarify his thoughts, he recalls another incident: the death of eighteen people, caused by the collapse of a tower. It probably occurred during the construction of a watercourse at the Pool of Siloam. These people, says Jesus, were not punished because of their sins. They died of misfortune; others could have been in their place. This incident is also a call to conversion.

Jesus' call of conversion is a call to change the way of thinking. We often cultivate the feelings of hatred, violence and revenge against our adversaries. They are against the will of God. Therefore, Jesus proposes a different solution and invites us to intervene at the root of evil.

Jesus explains it with the parable of the fig tree. The fig tree gives fruits two times in a year; in spring and autumn. It was also considered as a symbol of prosperity and peace (1 Kgs 4:25; Is 36:16). In the desert, the Israelites prayed for a land "a land with wheat and barley, vines and fig trees, pomegranates, olive oil and honey" (Deut 8:8), "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to this terrible place? It has no grain or figs, grapevines or pomegranates" (Numbers 20:5). The message of the parable is clear: from those who have heard the Good News should have a change of heart and bear the fruits of the Holy spirit.

Unlike Matthew, and Mark who speak of a barren fig tree (Mark 11:12-24; Mt 21:18-22), Luke introduces a year of waiting, before action. He presents God who is patient and tolerant. This parable of fig tree is an invitation to consider Lent as a time of repentance and return to God.

Stations of the Cross

Wednesday 8:30am (Chapel)
Friday 6:00pm (Church)

Fish Fry

Every Friday of Lent

In the Parish Hall 5:30-7:30

Plates are \$12 for adults
\$6 for children

SPECIAL COLLECTION

“SUPPORT UKRAINE “

Special Collection

Next Weekend

“Catholic Relief Services”

Tuesday Adoration

(8am-6pm)

Please sign up in the Vestibule to fill in open hours.

Claiborne Hill Receipts

We appreciate you dropping off your Claiborne Hill receipts! Thank you for your support.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 19
4pm- Merle Haas †
Sunday, March 20
8:00am— Parishioners
10:30am— Merle Haas †
Monday, March 21
8:00am— Arlene & Bob Grossman †
Tuesday, March 22
8:00am - Arlene & Bob Grossman †
Wednesday March 23
8:00am – Cecile Ladner
Thursday— March 24
8:00am— Michael & Mary Huddoch †
Friday- March 25
8:00am Shirley Ann Huddoch †,
& Frank Huddoch & Fly

LENTEN MISSION

(SAVE THE DATE)

Date: March 23,24,& 25th
Time: 6 pm - 7 pm
Place: Annunciation Catholic Church
Presenter: Fr. Michael Somer SVD
(Provincial Superior of the Divine Word Missionary, Southern Province of the USA)



COFFEE SHOP

Come by and have some Coffee, Breakfast & Fellowship after 8am Mass
Donations are accepted



If you are unable to come inside the Church, sit in your automobile and listen to our Broadcasting on 91.1 Fm. You can also listen to a Portable radio in Church if you have trouble hearing.

Church Cleaning Team 1 this week

Prayer Request

Judith Amm	Woody Mauffray
Johnny Banks	Charles Meador
Emilee Battaglia	Kathleen Micell
John Battaglia	Shannon & Carol
Stacey Battaglia	Moragas
Marge & Bill Blaisdell	Barbara Moran
Gene Breazeale	Cleopatra Moran
Ida Brown	Sonny Moran
Claude Burke &	Warren Moran
Linda Burke	Belinda & Kenny
John Byrnes	Morgan
Robert L. Cassell	Patrick Murphy
Garland Cuevas	Bernadine Necaize
Rosalind & Cynthia	Bernell Necaize
Dauzat	Janet Necaize
Jean Dohm	Tyrone & Faye
Eugene, James,	Necaize
Jerry, Gretchen,	Wilmah Necaize
Tessa,	Christopher Nugent
JoAnn, Jude, Shirley	Joy Patin
Cucurullo	Jameson Gerard Patin
Howard Edwards	Judy Richieu
Ivan Garza	Brooke Rolison
Peggy Glynn	Tina Roundtree
Christine Green-Wood	Carla Santiago
Amanda Jones	Larry Santinelli
Jim & Mary Kenney	Karrie Schultz
Donald Koenenn	Jason Schable
Shelly Koenenn	Jerry Shavers
Barbara Ladner	Mike Shubert
Janice Ladner	Timothy Scott Steen
Shelia Ladner	Maura Strong
Willard & Cecile	Rose Tebo
Ladner	Josie Thomas
Patsy Ladner	Shaylynn Whitfield
Jean Lee	
Walter Lonbourg	
James Lovett	
Layla Mallett	

Financial News

Insurance	\$50,596.75
Diocesan Support	\$16,244.79
School Supplement	\$29,225.07
Salaries, Utilities, & Other Expenses	\$189,488.23
Total Yearly Financial Obligations	\$285,554.84
Amount needed each Week	\$5,491.43
Last Sunday Collection	\$3,213.84
Shortfall	-\$2,277.59

Pray for our Troops

Amir Darwis _____	US Army National Guard
Drew Ladner _____	US Marine
Darrell Little _____	US Army
Devin Nelson _____	US Army
Brandan Witt _____	USAF
Evan Cameron _____	USAF
Dillon Lacoste _____	US Navy
David Arceneneaux _____	USAF
Lance Cuevas.....	USAF

Lord, hold our troops in Your Loving Hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need, and bring them home safely. May their sacrifices bring about a lasting and just peace in those lands. We ask this in the Name of Jesus Our Lord and Savior. Amen.

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