

THE BULLETIN



St. Therese
OF LISIEUX

February 18, 2024
1ST SUNDAY OF LENT



What
do I
need
to do to
clear my
conscience?

DISCIPLES
UNLOCKED

#CONNECTINGPOINT

MUSINGS + MESSAGES

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Traditionally, the first Sunday of Lent is “temptation Sunday” because, in all three cycles (ABC) of the liturgical readings, the Gospel is the story of Satan’s temptation of Jesus in the desert. Mark’s version, which we hear this year, is very truncated (we hear only the essential facts), but it is enough

for us to be reminded that Jesus was like us in that he was tempted toward sin. The major difference, however, is that Jesus did not sin. In the original plan for the world, God intended for people to live in harmony with all of creation. But God gave human beings the ability to reason and the gift of free will.

This was quite daring on God’s part because, in that action, God was endowing us with a part of his divinity. For the most part, human beings make the right choices. But when tempted to act inhumanely or non-God-like, many of us fail to resist. We want to do good, but sometimes, our more basic instincts

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Connecting Point

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► What do I need to do to clear my conscience?

It is no coincidence that Lent occurs close to the beginning of Spring. Typically, people engage in spring cleaning by clearing out the garage or basement, changing the décor, or going through closets and getting rid of the clutter. In more ways than one, Lent is a type of spiritual spring cleaning. We need to clear out those things that clutter our hearts and minds to make room for God.

Our consciences often cause us to hold on to past hurts and memories, which prevent us from fully embracing God. As we enter this season of Lent, now is the time to “appeal to God for a clear conscience,” as Peter tells us in today’s second reading. But what do we need to do to make that happen?

Remember the acronym CAC: **C**omplain about it, **A**cept it, or **C**hange it. The past is in the past. We cannot change what happened, but we can change our responses. We cannot keep reliving what happened and complain about it, hoping for a different result. We could accept it and say, “Well, this is the way it is,” and remain frustrated and perhaps even miserable. Or, we learn from our experiences to move forward and change our attitudes and outlooks.

To really clear our consciences, we

need to let things go and let God take their place. For example, if I am overweight, I can complain that I am overweight, and nothing will change. I can accept that I am overweight and maybe be miserable because I don’t see any way out. Or, I could make a plan to lose weight by replacing my fat intake with exercise—getting rid of the negative mindset and developing a more positive outlook on life. In effect, I clear my conscience of negativity and self-criticism and adopt an attitude of seeing God’s presence around me.

Whatever you are guilty of (e.g., gossip, stealing, infidelity, alcoholism, drug use, criticism, poor attitude, filling in your sin, or addictive behavior), you have the power to change it with God’s help. As Jiminy Cricket said, “Our conscience is our guide,” but it’s more than that. Our consciences are moral barometers that keep us on the path to righteousness. When something bothers us, it is God’s way of telling us that something isn’t quite right in our lives.

If I truly want to be free this Lent, I need to look at what is bothering me (i.e., what is nagging at my conscience) and find ways to clear it. We learned in science class that nature abhors vacuums, and so in

clearing our consciences (letting go of the things that bother us, that is), we need to replace them with the presence of God. As St. Paul tells us, “Where sin abounds, grace even more abounds.” It sounds oxymoronic, but in filling our hearts, minds, and lives with the presence of God, we, in effect, clear our consciences. So this Lent, empty and cleanse yourself by filling yourself up with God and his grace.

► Communal Reconciliation Services with Individual absolution:

- St. Therese of Lisieux - Saturday, February 24 - 1:00 PM
- St. Isidore - Monday, March 18 - 7:00 PM
- St. Lawrence - Wednesday, March 20 - 7:00 PM
- St. Kieran - Saturday, March 23 - 1:00 PM
- St. John Vianney - Monday, March 25 - 7:00 PM

CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 18 - 25

SUN

18

MON

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TUE

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WED

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9 AM OFFICE HOURS

8 AM MASS
9:45 AM MASS/
CHILDREN'S CHURCH
11:45 AM MASS/
CHILDREN'S CHURCH
1 PM NEW PARISHIONER
LUNCHEON
1:30 PM SENIOR CARD
GROUP

9:30 AM STRETCH &
STRENGTH
2 PM ROSARY
7 PM ARMOR OF GOD/
K OF C

7 AM AA MEETING
8:30 AM MASS
9:30 AM LECTIO: THE
CASE FOR JESUS
1 PM CIRCLE OF FRIENDS
1 PM GRIEF SUPPORT
6:30 PM SVDP MEETING
7 PM K OF C LADIES OF
THE ASSEMBLY
7 PM K OF C SACRED
HEART ASSEMBLY

8:30 AM MASS
9:30 AM STRETCH &
STRENGTH
10 AM LITTLE WAY
ROSARY MAKERS
5:30 PM CHOIR
REHEARSALS
6:30 PM FAITH, FUN, AND
FRIENDS

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FRI

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SAT

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SUN

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7 AM AA MEETING
8:30 AM MASS
9 AM EUCHARISTIC
ADORATION
9:30 AM WOMEN OF FAITH
CATECHISM DISCUSSION
11 AM GRIEF MINISTRY
3 PM CONFESSIONS
6:30 PM CATCHING FIRE,
BECOMING FLAME
7 PM CBS OF MICHIGAN

OFFICE CLOSED
8:30 AM MASS
9:30 AM STRETCH AND
STRENGTH
1 PM WIDOWED FRIENDS
4 PM K OF C FISH FRY
7 PM STATIONS OF THE
CROSS

3 PM OFFICE HOURS
8 AM ARMOR OF GOD/
K OF C
1 PM LENTEN COMMUNAL
RECONCILIATION
4:30 PM MASS

9 AM OFFICE HOURS
8 AM MASS
9:45 AM MASS/LITTLE
LAMBS/CHILDREN'S
CHURCH
11:45 AM MASS/LITTLE
LAMBS/CHILDREN'S
CHURCH
1 PM BAPTISM

EVENTS



FRI | THROUGH MAR 22 | 4 - 7 PM

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY

Fish Fries are back with a new option of pierogi dinners to compliment our existing dinners of fried and baked fish and shrimp. Fish, pierogi, and shrimp dinners are \$13, and a mac & cheese dinner is \$7. All include:

- choice of baked potato, French fries or a scoop of mac & cheese

- choice of vegetable, salad or coleslaw
- roll with butter

Dessert and extra fish, shrimp, or pierogi available at an add'l cost. A 50/50 raffle will be held. Credit cards accepted. Dine-in, drive-thru, and carry-out service available.



SUN | FEB 18 | 2:30 - 6:30 PM | TROY

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

A day of marriage enrichment that includes dinner and dancing from 2:30-6:30 PM at the San Marino Club in Troy. The event is headlined by Dr.

Tim and Karen Hogan who will be speaking on the topic of embracing marriage as a joyful adventure. Register at worldmarriageday.org.



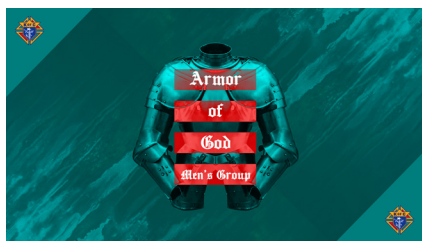
TWO SESSIONS AVAILABLE | ST. FRANCIS-ST. MAXIMILIAN

DISCOVER THE REST OF THE STORY!

Come grow as we explore key events in Jesus' life with the new series "Discover the Rest of the Story! Jesus had a life between Christmas and Easter." At St. Francis-St. Maximilian, 62811 New Haven Road, Ray, MI 48096, **twice a week:**

Evening Sessions: Mondays, Feb. 19 - Apr. 8. Informal dinner starts at 6:15 PM, and the presentation will begin around 7 PM.

Morning Sessions: Thursdays, Feb. 22 - Apr. 11 at 10 AM (join us for Mass at 9 AM).



MON | FEB 19 | 7 PM OR SAT | FEB 24 | 8 AM

ARMOR OF GOD MEN'S GROUP

The discussions for February will cover marriage and sex, including how today's culture views the sacrament of matrimony. The 20 Answers booklets can be picked up in the parish office. We are

offering two different times to meet to discuss this topic, once on Monday, Feb. 19, at 7 PM and then on Saturday, Feb. 24, at 8 AM, with adoration at 7 AM. You only need to attend one session.

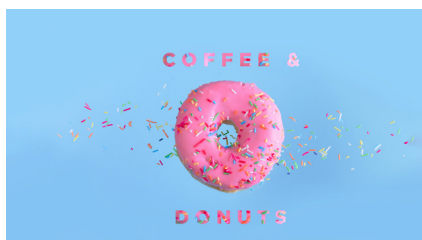


SAT | FEB 24 | 7 AM

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION/ HOLY HOUR

Join us for a Holy Hour at 7 AM on Saturday, Feb. 24. Spend some time

in front of our Lord and bask in his presence. All are welcome to attend.



SUN | FEB 25 | AFTER ALL MASSES

K OF C COFFEE & DONUTS

The Knights of Columbus are hosting Coffee and Donuts after all Masses on Sunday, Feb. 25. Fill up your cup spiritually at Mass and then see the Knights in the Gathering

Space for your fill of coffee, donuts, and fruit. You are invited to linger awhile as you visit with your fellow parishioners.



MON | FEB 26 | 6 - 8 PM

LENT QUEST

The Lent Quest is a unique opportunity for families to come together in prayer, reflection, and action during the days leading up to Easter. It's a chance for us to grow

closer to God and each other as we journey through this sacred season. Visit disciplesunleashed.org/lent-quest for more information.



SAT, MAR 2 AT ST. ISIDORE OR SAT, MAR 16 AT ST. THERESE

LITURGICAL MINISTERS RETREAT: LISTENING, LOVING, BECOMING

Enjoy a few hours in community with your fellow ministers learning, reflecting, and praying together. Two sessions available:

Sat, Mar 2 at St. Isidore

9 AM - Noon

Continental breakfast provided.

Register at 586-286-1700

Sat, Mar 16 at St. Therese

1 - 4 PM

Light lunch provided.

Register at 586-254-4433

Admission is free.

EVENTS (CONT'D)



SAT | MAR 16 | 5:45 PM | ST. FRANCIS-ST. MAXIMILIAN

K OF C EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

Join the St. Francis-St. Maximilian K of C for a fun-filled night of euchre on Saturday, Mar. 16! A \$20 ticket at the door gets you a spot in the tournament, pizza, and snacks.

Doors will open at 5:45 PM, and the cards will start flying at 6:30 PM! If you have any questions, call John and Grace Van Hamme at 810-343-8011 or 810-343-8005.



FRI - SUN | MAR 22 - 24 | WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP

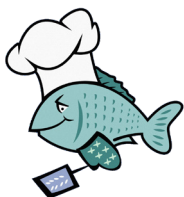
WOMEN'S RETREAT

Join this women's retreat at Capuchin Retreat Center, Washington Twp., embracing "In the Footsteps of Saint Francis of Assisi" as our theme. Deepen your connection with God, inspired by St. Francis' life and Gospel joy. Begins Friday evening, concludes Sunday

after Mass and lunch. Requires \$50 non-refundable deposit, total suggested offering \$250, including deposit. Payments via check or credit card accepted. Spaces limited. Contact Diane Kuptz at 586-747-3591 to reserve your spot. Bring a friend for a memorable journey!

► **Fish Fry Volunteers Needed!**

Our K of C Fish Fries are back! St. Therese has one of the best fish fries in the area, but volunteers are needed to make it happen.



We need volunteers on the following dates: Feb. 16 and 23, March 1, 8, 15, and 22 to do the following jobs:

- Dishwashing: two shifts, 4 - 6 PM and 6 - 8 PM
- Social Hall cleanup: 6:30 - 8 PM

Various other tasks need to be done during the evening. You can volunteer for one of two shifts:

- Early: 3:45 - 5:45 PM
- Late: 5:45 - 7:45 PM

If you are willing to donate some time to make this a great fish

fry or would like more volunteer information, please contact Diane Kuptz at 586-747-3591 or dkuptz04@comcast.net.

Volunteers are also needed after each Friday morning Mass to help package condiments for the evening dinners. Simply go to the Social Hall after Mass. We will be happy to see you there.

► Musings + Messages (cont'd)

kick in.

Even when humanity gets out of control (as in the wickedness in Noah's time or Sodom and Gomorrah in Abraham's time), God still holds back in unleashing total annihilation. He always leaves an "escape clause," as it were. This is because God loves

his creation. For centuries, he sent prophets and teachers to convey his message, but it fell on deaf ears. Finally, he sent Jesus to be the definitive message.

Sometimes, Christians like to make Lenten resolutions or give something up in sacrifice, but I would encourage

you to take to heart the last line of the Gospel: "Repent, and believe in the Gospel." What is one thing for which you need to repent? Use this Lent as a time to have a real conversion experience and truly repent from that one sin that prevents you from believing in and living out the Gospel.

► Rice Bowl Collection

👤 John Karski, Director of Evangelical Charity ✉ johnk@stol.church



Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Rice Bowl has been CRS' Lenten faith-in-action program for families and faith communities. What better way to share what God gave us than with those who have lost everything or

never had anything to begin with? Rice bowls are available in the Gathering Space for anyone wishing to participate in this program. The program will continue through Easter Sunday.

Catholic Lenten Practices and their Biblical Roots

Lent is the 40 days before Easter in which Catholics pray, fast, contemplate, and engage in acts of spiritual self-discipline. Why do we fast and abstain?

Fasting is a biblical discipline that goes back as far as, and can be found in, the Old and New Testaments. Christ expected his disciples to fast (Mt 9:14-15) and instructed them on how to do so (Mt 6:16-18). Catholics follow this pattern by holding a partial fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Abstinence from certain foods is also a biblical discipline. In Daniel 10:2-3, we read, "In those days I, Daniel, was

mourning for three weeks. I ate no delicacies, no meat or wine entered my mouth, nor did I anoint myself at all, for the full three weeks."

Catholics use a practice similar to Daniel's when, as a way of commemorating Christ's Crucifixion on a Friday, they abstain from eating meat on that day of the week during Lent. The only kind of flesh they eat on Fridays is fish, a symbol of Christ.

Reference:
• catholic.com/catholicanswers



► Walking the Path

Discipleship Formation | 👤 Peggy Casing, D.F. Director ✉ peggyc@stol.church

Last week, I wrote about some of the “official” documents of the Church. Specifically, I was referring to heavy hitters that provide definitive Church teachings on faith and morals. In that article, I promised to describe those “Catholic” writings that provide the window dressing, so to speak, of Catholic reading. These texts contain valuable information on the faith or inspiration but don’t necessarily present doctrine or dogma, per se. The titles I’m providing are taken right from the books on my shelves. They are those that I like to keep on hand for easy reference.

- For a guide to reading scripture, pick up a book like Dr. Edward Sri’s *The Bible Compass*. It gives some good rules of thumb that can guide your reading if you are a bit newer to reading *The Holy Bible*.
- For background on and life connections to the Sunday readings, the most user-friendly book I have found is the new Mark Hart series, *One Sunday at a Time: Preparing Your Heart for Weekly Mass*. There are three books in the series. You would purchase the one that corresponds with our liturgical year. This year, our cycle of readings is called “Cycle B,” so that is the book you’d get. Beginning in Advent of 2024,

you’d need to purchase a “Cycle C” text, with “Cycle A” beginning the following year. That three-year rotation provides the complete list of Sunday readings, so you can use the books repeatedly as we cycle through the readings. Honestly, as far as approachability goes, these are favorites of mine!

- If you are a trivia lover or the kind of person who likes books similar to the *New Farmer’s Almanac*, consider getting your hands on *The Catholic Source Book* or *The Scripture Sourcebook for Catholics*, both by Rev. Peter Klein. They probably aren’t the kind of books you’d pick up and read from front to back. In a sense, they are reference books that also provide interesting facts that answer questions you might not have known you had! They are fun to flip through when you want to spend a few minutes reading—keeping them available to do that over and over again.
- Another similar book style, in that they are pick-ups for a quick read type of thing, are books where you’ll find short quotations or inspirational writing for each day. For example, *365 Devotions for Catholics: Daily Moments with God*, compiled by Terence

Hegarty and Paul Pennick, or an older one, *Bread for the Journey: A Daybook of Wisdom and Faith*, by Henri J. M. Nouwen. This type of book can provide a spark for your prayer time or be just the right thing for reading before going to sleep each night.

- For deeper spiritual reading, you might want to consider something like Thomas Groome’s *What Makes Us Catholic?* or Timothy Radcliffe’s *What is the Point of Being a Christian?* These are the kinds of books that cause us to dig deeper into the roots of our faith. I don’t know that I’d recommend them to someone new to the faith, but for those who are ready, they can be just what the Spirit ordered!

There are so many other kinds worth mentioning, like the biographies of saints, stories of Marian apparitions, Eucharistic miracles, or theological reflections on any number of topics, just to name a few! The point is that a great deal of information and inspiration can be found in the pages of books written by Catholic authors for a Catholic audience. They might not be doctrine, but they can provide a very worthwhile reading. What if you aren’t inclined to make the time for reading? Tune in next week!

► New Year's Resolutions for a Healthy Life

Health Ministry | 👤 Marilyn Cito, Parish Nurse ✉ marilync@stol.church

Even though it's February, and some may have already decided they couldn't keep up the momentum for their health-related New Year's resolutions, it's not too late to get back on track. We all intend to eat better and exercise more, but staying focused on our health goals is hard when it's cold and dreary outside. In the winter, when it gets dark early, and the weather is cold and icy, we tend to want to stay inside, eat comfort foods, and curl up with a good book or our favorite TV shows.

But even though you may have disbanded your New Year's resolution, rethink that decision and choose a "small" resolution that's easy to accomplish and will improve your health. Why not give one of these a try?

Eat more vegetables. Eating more vegetables will help fill you up and leave less room for junk food like chips, ice cream, and sweets. Vegetables will also help you get the vitamins, nutrients, and fiber you need to help you stay healthy and regular.

Get enough sleep. Go to bed at the same time each day and get at least 7-8 hours each night. Avoid using computers, phones, caffeinated drinks, and other things that may stimulate you before sleep.

Take care of your mental health. Pray, meditate, exercise, eat well and stay hydrated, practice gratitude, focus on positivity, forgive others, stay connected with friends and family, avoid stressful social media, and find ways to relieve stress. Do things that you enjoy.

Cut down or eliminate alcohol.

Eliminating alcohol will lower your blood pressure, give you better skin, and help with memory, and healthy sleep habits.

Prioritize doctor visits. Stick to scheduled physicals and health screenings (mammograms, colonoscopies, prostate and skin screenings, and eye exams) to help catch illnesses early and keep medical conditions under control. If something hurts you, don't ignore it; have a healthcare provider check it out.

References:

- Five Healthy New Year's Resolutions for 2024, by Shannon Lazovski, Shelby Neighbors, 2024.
- Caring for Your Mental Health, National Institute of Mental Health.

► Health Ministry Volunteers Wanted!

St. Therese of Lisieux Health Ministry is looking for volunteers! If you are a nurse, dietician, pharmacist, social worker, physical therapist, EMT, firefighter, paramedic, or any other healthcare worker, please share your expertise by joining our ministry. However, you do not need to be a healthcare provider to be involved in our ministry because we have something for everyone! Your level of commitment is entirely up to you! It can be as little as twice a year or more often if you are able. Some projects we provide include:

- Medical loan closet
- Educational events (speakers, resources, assisting with events, etc.)
- Meals from the Heart
- "First aid" at church-sponsored events, i.e., Fun Fest, Fish Fry, and other social events
- Help teach first aid, AED, and CPR to staff, volunteers, parishioners, K of C, and ushers
- Calls/home visits for emotional support for parishioners
- Facilitate sponsored events such as the Grief Support group

- Blood drives, flu events
- Emergencies at Masses

If you would like to join our St. Therese of Lisieux Health Ministry, please contact Marilyn Cito, Parish Nurse, at 586-254-4433 Ext. 320 or via email at marilync@stol.church.



► Help Us, Help Others

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Every Friday during Lent, at the Knights of Columbus fish fry, representatives from the Circle of Friends will sell raffle tickets for the chance to win a beautiful quilt. The cost is \$2 for one ticket and \$10 for 6. The proceeds will go to help various community outreach programs. The drawing for this quilt will take place on Mar. 22. Please stop by their table and support their cause.



Fish Fry Delivery for the Homebound

We are offering deliveries of our K of C's fish fry dinners to homebound parishioners. If you are interested in having these dinners delivered or volunteering to deliver them, please contact Marilyn Cito, Parish Nurse, at marilync@stol.church or (586) 254-4433 Ext. 320.

Ministry Schedule

SAT | FEBRUARY 24
4:30 PM

Lector 1: Diana Pazdzierz

Lector 2: Tricia Austin

Altar Servers: Volunteer Needed

Usher Team 7: Art Wilson

SUN | FEBRUARY 25
8:00 AM

Lector 1: Janet Webster

Lector 2: Michelle Dziurgot

Altar Servers: Colton D., Phil D.

Usher Team 8: Dean Corsi

SUN | FEBRUARY 25
9:45 AM

Lector 1: Rick Fisher

Lector 2: Penny Eastman

Altar Servers: Volunteer Needed

Usher Team 5: Dennis Westerlund

SUN | FEBRUARY 25
11:45 AM

Lector 1: Bernadine Biske

Lector 2: Maureen Gibbons

Altar Servers: Alaina V., Allison V., AnneMarie O.

Usher Team 6: Jack Simonetta

► We pray for the sick...

Asterisk denotes newly added name.

Adhikary, Erica	Fuelling, Ethan	*Markle, Paul	*Schwartz, Brian
Adhikary, Holden	Goodman, Debbie	*Martin, Jennifer	Snodgrass, Doris
Baby Scarlett	Gorka, Ruth	Mooney-Hill, Marilyn	Sterling, Carol
Bacheldor, Mary	Guzzardo, Mary	*Morais, Pete	Sterling, George
Barfield, Cheri	*Havlett, Ed	Moreno, Nancy	Stout, Mark
Beaulieu, Michael	Henig, Louise	Morrison (Mikoy) Vanessa	Swanson, Joan
Beaulieu, Ted	Hill, Dan	Neddermeyer, John	Tarpey-Stevens, Theresa
Beaulieu, Don	Hill, Sandy	*Nguyen, Bruce	Marie
Belkowski, Patricia	Hislop, Kathy	Novak, Anthony	Tiedt, Tom
Beninati, Patricia	*Hosking, Leanne	Oleszkowicz, Bonnie	*Tisch, Andrea
Best, Ann	Jachcik, Bradley	Overholfer, Jamie	VanDerhagen, Barbara
Binkowski, Madeleine	Jachcik, James	*Papp, Kimberly	VanDerhagen, Rich
Boychev, Manol	Jachcik, Nancy	Pasque, Evelyn	VanDerhagen, Rick
Brady, Jim	Kaja, Hala	Patterson, David	*Vitale, Carlie
Bufaline, Andrew	*Kanske, Joe	Patzer, Ed	*Volpe, Amy
Cassidy, Barbara	Klakulak, Mary	Pazin, Delphine	Walter, Albert
Ciegotura, Claudette	Kmiec, Eileen	Pelc, Jeff	White, Dawn
Cochell, Theresa	Kurzatowski, Cindy	Pientrangelo, Kim	White, Johnny
DeBano, John	Lemanski, Kym	Poma, Teresa	Wigginton, Jim
DeFauw, Paul	Liberatore, Bianca	*Principato, Antonio	*Willoughby, Claudia
*DeLuca, Theresa	Lieder, Lynn	Pugliese, Dyann	Wilson, John
DeMara, Adam	McGuire, Kim	R. Lisa	*Wood, Jr., James
Denton, Eden	McPhail, Joanne	Rafferty, Shirley	*Young, Evan
*DeRemer, Colin	Mackowiak, Elaine	Rinehart, Nicholas	Zuzga, Bob
Dombrowski, Toni	Mahler, Bill	Ritter, Maryann	
Fain, RoseMarie	Maliskey, Barbara	Sandstrom, Patricia	
Fisher, Rick	Maliskey, Larry	Schafran, Barb	

► ...and for those serving in the military

SrA Thomas Barone, Air Force	Ensign Matthew Gordon, Navy	CPL. Nathan Taylor, Marine
2nd Lt., Michaela Biske Army	LT David Grzywacz, Navy	CPT Keith Trojniak, Marines
PVT Jonathan Bulter, Marine	Andrew Hall, Navy	Dante Vanuck, Army
HM1 Christopher Burley, Navy	PFC Killian Hannon, Army	SFC Cally Wood, Army
SGT Andrew Chapoton, Army	CPT. Megan K. Hardesty, Army	SFC Olivia Wood, Army
Michael Chmielewski, Navy	Robert Kaljved, Army	Andrew Zalewski, Navy
Christopher Chryczyk, Navy	LT. COL. Chris Kean, AF	
Lt. Col. John Cisco, Marines	SSGT Griffin Kozak, Marines	
Major Anthony D. Corsi, Army	Andrew Larsen, Marines	Lord, hold our troops in Your loving
Leonard Cox, Army	Zoe Lowe, Army	hands. Protect them as they protect us.
SGT Christian Jose Curtis, Army	MSGT Eric McCulley, AF	Bless them and their families for the
LCPL Matthew DeLaney, Marine	Captain James Miller, Space Force	selfless acts they perform for us in our
Jerry Delia, Airforce	Nick Radwick, AF	time of need. Give us peace. Amen
PVT David Dimattia, Army	Staff Sgt. Drew Reynolds, AF	
PVT Jacob Earehart, Army	Derek Skorupski, Army	

► Mass Intentions

SAT. FEB 17 4:30 PM

† Joseph & Nina Salomone
 † Leonard Silarski (Bday)
 † Joe Basirico
 † Alfred Saam
 † Dolsen & Patalon Families
 † Mary Jo Marchione
 † Frank Bologna
 † Marilyn & Mary DeMaria
 † Jane Tralka
 † Mario Baldinelli

SUN. FEB 18 8:00 AM

† Edward Lachowski
 † Paul & Mary Jane Grivas
 † Albert Brani
 † Nancy Jenkinson
 † John Gugnacki (7th anniv.)
 Nasser Kosa (Healing)
 † Agnes Bevec
 † Deceased Members of Bradley
 Family
 † Cipriano Nisnisan (Anniv.)
 † Frank Recchia

SUN. FEB 18 9:45 AM

For the People of St. Therese of Lisieux
 Parish
 † Thomas Taormina (1st anniv.)
 † Robert Eastman, Sr.
 Jola Cardell (Bday)
 † Joyce Blair
 † Baldassare Parisi (Anniv.)
 † Francis Whetstone
 † Angelo Vettraino (Bday)
 † Giuliano Vettraino (Bday)
 † Jane Tralka

SUN. FEB 18 11:45 AM

† John & Pauline Poma
 † John & Theresa Berd, Dennis Berd,
 Vicky Berd
 † Mary Jo Marchione
 † Drana Bojaj
 † Rosa Leone
 † Pietro DiGregorio (10th anniv.)
 Nevaeh Yaro
 Magdalen Yaro
 † Eleanor DeBano
 † Antonino DiMercurio

TUES. FEB 20 8:30 AM

For Vocations to the Priesthood and
 Religious Life
 † Anntoinette Boggio (Bday)
 † Amalya Knavs
 Suzanne Nicovic (Healing)

WED. FEB 21 8:30 AM

† Sister Lucy OSA

THU. FEB 22 8:30 AM

† John Zammit
 Joan Smigel

FRI. FEB 23 8:30 AM

† Mary Servitto (Bday)
 † Mary Jo Marchione

SAT. FEB 24 4:30 PM

† Joe Basirico
 Luke Czach
 † Raymond White
 † Delita Baldinelli
 † David Baldinelli
 † Sophie Pasternak
 † Gary Fix
 † Natalie Shumaker
 Stefano Hajgato

SUN. FEB 25 8:00 AM

† Maureen Karges (3rd anniv.)
 Nasser Kosa (Healing)
 Ophelia Nisnisan (Bday)

SUN. FEB 25 9:45 AM

† Carmine Russo
 † Eleanor DeBano
 † Tara Gluski
 † Joe DeBenedetti

SUN. FEB 25 11:45 AM

For the People of St. Therese of Lisieux
 Parish
 † Rachel Lemmon
 † James Blaisdell, Jr
 † George Calabrese
 † Drana Bojaj
 † Jennifer Yatuoma
 † Frank Bologna
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SUNDAY

Gn 9:8-15;
 Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9;
 1 Pt 3:18-22;
 Mk 1:12-15

MONDAY

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18;
 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15;
 Mt 25:31-46

TUESDAY

Is 55:10-11;
 Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19;
 Mt 6:7-15

WEDNESDAY

Jon 3:1-10;
 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;
 Jl 2:12-13; Lk 11:29-32

THURSDAY

1 Pt 5:1-4;
 Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6;
 Mt 16:18;
 Mt 16:13-19

FRIDAY

Ez 18:21-28;
 Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8;
 Mt 5:20-26

SATURDAY

Dt 26:16-19;
 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8;
 Mt 5:43-48

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Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18;
 Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19;
 Rom 8:31b-34;
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