### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### Monday, February 22, 2021

7:30 AM Fr. Lawrence O'Leary

12:30 PM Nicholas Motto Jr.

7:30 PM Spanish Intentions

#### Tuesday, February 23, 2021

7:30 AM The Unborn Children

12:30 PM Rev. Patrick Callan

#### Wednesday, February 24, 2021

7:30 AM Souls in Purgatory

12:30 PM Kerry Scully Lopez

#### Thursday, February 25, 2021

7:30 AM All those Affected by Covid-19

12:30 PM Domingos Barbosa

#### Friday, February 26, 2021

7:30 AM Patrick Murphy Jr.

12:30 PM Maria & Antonio Cirne

7:30 PM Portuguese Mass

#### Saturday, February 27, 2021

5:00 PM Anthony B. Tuzzolo

Adelaide Ferreira

Guilherme Simoes

Giacomo Ciccone

Grace Callahan O.F.C.

Rev. Patrick Callan

#### Sunday, February 28, 2021

7:00 AM Antonio & Jack Lopes

**8:30 AM** Portuguese Intentions

10:00 AM Tristin Boehm

11:30 AM People of the Parish

**5:00 PM** Spanish Intentions

7:00 PM Lurdes Martins



## PRIEST CELEBRANTS' SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 27, 2021

**5:00 PM** Fr. Tomaz

Sunday, February 28, 2021

7:00 AM Fr. Malcolm

8:30 AM Fr. Basilio

10:00 AM Fr. Ngozi

**11:30 AM** Fr. Ngozi

5:00 PM Fr. Malcolm

7:00 PM Fr. Ngozi

(Schedule is subject to change)

# Corpus Christi Mass on YouTube

This Sunday February 21<sup>st</sup>, you can watch Bishop Anjay celebrate the English Mass & Fr. Tomaz celebrate the Portuguese Mass and Fr. Carlos celebrate the Spanish Mass. The English Mass will be on YouTube as of 7:00 AM on Sunday, the Spanish Mass will be available at 7pm & the Portuguese Mass will be available after 11am. Please type tgomide to watch the Mass in the language of your choice from the comfort of your homes or wherever you are. The masses will be posted to our Facebook page as well. Tell all your friends and family about it so they too can watch.

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sharing Time, Talent and Treasure

Abraham was prepared to sacrifice his only son, Isaac. St. Paul reminds us that God Himself "did not spare His own Son." Are my gifts to the Lord — of my resources, of my time, of myself — also sacrificial? See Romans 8:32 (Our Sunday Visitor, ibid., page 16).

February 14<sup>th</sup> Actual Collection = \$7,425 February 14<sup>th</sup> Mail-In Donations \$3,793 Total Collection = \$11,218 February 14<sup>th</sup> Attendance = 607



Lent 2021

#### Dear Friends:

"The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan...After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the Gospel of God." (Mark 1:12-14) Each year on the First Sunday of Lent, the Church presents for our reflection and prayer the experience of Jesus in the desert. Jesus's experience in the desert follows immediately upon His baptism by Saint John the Baptist and immediately precedes His public ministry and proclamation of the Kingdom of God, in word and in deed. Saint Mark points out to us that the Spirit, who had just descended upon Jesus in the form of a dove, drove Jesus into the desert.

The desert was a barren place, a place of lifelessness, the home of the devil and evil. The Spirit sends Jesus into the desert to prepare himself for the years of His public ministry, ultimately leading to His Death and Resurrection. Jesus spends time away from the world to prepare himself. But He also goes forth into the desert to begin His battle against evil, sin and death. Jesus goes into the very dwelling of evil to begin the confrontation. This battle will continue throughout the rest of Jesus's life. The ultimate victory will come on Good Friday through His ultimate act of love on the Cross.

Our yearly experience of Lent, our forty day "desert experience," can be viewed in the same way. We are inspired and sent by the Spirit to spend some time apart from the world of noise and recover the beauty of silence. But, we are also sent to do battle. Our experience of true silence should allow us the opportunity to both listen to the voice and promptings of God as well as to better know ourselves. This personal battle against sin and evil can be painful, because we come to realize that we are all in need of constant conversion. There are real changes each and every one of us need to make in our lives and our hearts this Lent. But like Jesus, we are not alone. The Lord was ministered to by angels during His forty days in the desert. We are constantly aided by our guardian angels, by the angels and saints in heaven, by the community of the baptized, and by the grace of the sacraments of the Church. Like Jesus, we need to emerge from the desert ready to take on the evils of the world and work to spread the Gospel.

It was only a few short weeks into Lent 2020 that the experience of Covid-19 made radical changes to our society, our Church, and our families. The experience of desert isolation was no longer a metaphor but a lived reality. The experience of having our parishes locked down for months was painful for all of us. Many of us still experience this isolation in many ways. But as Christians we always remain men and women of hope. We know that the Cross of Good Friday leads to the empty tomb of Easter Sunday.

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Pope Francis has declared this year as a special Year of Saint Joseph. In Saint Joseph we find a man of profound hope and strength as well as prayerful silence. Scripture does not record one word spoken by Saint Joseph. But Scripture does tell us of his unwavering faith and trust, which go beyond words. Following Jesus, and like Saint Joseph, men and women in the first centuries of the Church began to leave the towns and villages and settle in the isolation of the desert. Like the Lord, they sought to rid themselves of the distractions of everyday life so they too could do battle with evil, and through their quiet example proclaim the Kingdom of God.

This continued throughout the history of the Church, even to our present moment. Saint Antony, Saint Benedict, Saint Bruno, and so many others show us the lived experience of the desert is not an escape from the reality of life but a privileged encounter with the Lord and a revelation of our true selves. While most of us are not called to the monastic or solitary life, the last twelve months have given each of us an experience of solitude. We are encouraged to remain "socially distant." In the midst of the real suffering and hardships this has caused, perhaps the hidden grace is that it has led us to be "temporary monastics."

Our typical Lenten "desert experience" of forty days has lasted a bit longer. But we will come out of it! And like the Lord, when we emerge our goal is to proclaim the Gospel of God according to our vocation and the graces given to us. In addition to our personal sins and the evils present in our own hearts, we live in a world that is right now suffering from real physical illness as well as real division and hurt of every kind. Jesus emerged from the desert bringing the healing presence of God to all he encountered. As the baptized, the Church, the continuing presence of Jesus in the world, we need to do the same. The same Holy Spirit that drove Jesus into the desert is driving us on.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres Bishop of Rockville Centre

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# **Lenten Regulations 2021**

#### Weekdays of lent:

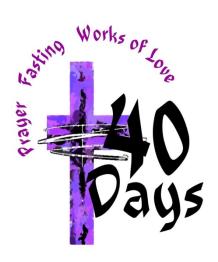
There is no obligation to fast. However, voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

#### Ash Wednesday and Good Friday:

These are days of fast and Abstinence from meat. There is a limit of one full meal on these days for all between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive.

## **Days of Abstinence** (All Fridays in Lent)

All who have reached their 14<sup>th</sup> year are bound to abstain totally from meat.



#### **Easter Duty Obligation:**

After they have received their First Holy Communion, Catholics are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season. Catholics are also bound to confess serious (mortal) sins at least once a year, but this is not limited to the Lenten/Easter Season.



The Blessed Mother Mary, "Our Lady of the Snows", watching over all our children in front of our school, during this harsh winter.

# **Upcoming Presentations with Bishop Andrzej**

#### **COFFEE** with JESUS Lenten Series via Zoom

An opportunity to nourish mind, spirit and heart throughout the Lenten Season, as **BISHOP ANDRZEJ** 

will share his Lenten Reflections on the Scripture Readings.



Friday mornings during Lent, 10 am from February 19 through March 26.

Over a cup of coffee in the comfort of your own home.

Bishop Andrzej's Lecture Series Continues

## LITURGICAL CATECHESIS

Taesdays this Spring @ 7:30 p.m.

February 23 Liturgy and Our Covenant with God...online via ZOOM

March 23 Liturgy and the Paschal Mystery in Us...online via ZOOM

April 27, 2021 Liturgy and St. John Paul II Reform

May 25, 2021 Liturgy and Personal Growth





TO REGISTER for these presentations please call Suzanne Lynn at 516-744-6850, or email westernvicariate@drvc.org.

You will receive ZOOM information prior to each session of Bishop Andrzej's presentations. Registration is required in order to be emailed the ZOOM link.



The Search is a beautifully produced on-line Lenten journey through the big questions we all share. This Lent, we are inviting YOU to *The Search*. Each week Chris Stefanick from Real Life Catholic will be guiding us throughout Lent on how to use *The Search*.

What are you searching for this Lent?
Why am I here?
What is the life I was made for?
Is there a God?
Does He even care about me?

These are questions we all ask ourselves. Are there answers? Can true peace be found? *The Search* unapologetically reveals that you were made for God, that your home is found beyond yourself, and that Jesus is the way.

You can participate in this Lenten Journey by accessing *The Search* from your existing membership in **FORMED**. If you haven't already enrolled in **FORMED** go to www.corpuschristi-mineola.formed.org. Click "Register", enter your name, email address and desired password. Once completed, you're already to access the inspiring and engaging content on **FORMED** and participate in *The Search* Lenten Retreat and get ready to experience your most meaningful Lent, ever.

Don't have, like or want to use a computer, these sessions will be broadcast on the Catholic Faith Network. Times and schedules will be announced.

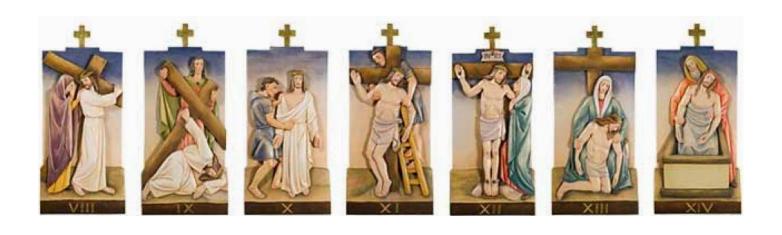


# **Stations of the Cross**

We commemorate the Passion and death of Our Lord Jesus Christ through the devotion of the Stations of the Cross. Please join us every Friday night to pray the Stations of the Cross, beginning on February 19<sup>th.</sup>

7:00 PM in English

8:00 PM in Portuguese and Spanish





#### Dear Friends:

As we journey together through this Lenten season, let us call to mind all our brothers and sisters on Long Island who are in need. One of the ways we can assist our neighbors and the Church is through giving to the Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA). For all of you who have given to the CMA in the past, I would like to say thank you. Your gifts have helped bring the loving face of Jesus to hundreds of thousands of Long Islanders. Each year, the CMA creates pathways of faith that guide all people to our loving Father. This year, the CMA needs your help, more now than ever before, in our efforts to spread the Good News throughout Long Island. Last year was a challenge for everyone. As the pandemic surged through our Long Island community, pastoral care was expanded to those in need.

Catholic Charities programs expanded its food programs to seniors and our parish outreach programs remained open; the Education Department was able to provide internet service to families that did not have it so that children could continue their studies and parents could continue to work; Faith Formation, Young Adult Ministry and Youth Ministry programs were able to remotely bring the faith to God's people. All of this was accomplished because of your support and prayers.

We humbly ask you to please consider giving to the CMA so that we can make this year's Appeal grow substantially in gifts, so that everyone who comes to the Church for help may receive it.

Additionally, the CMA helps raise funds that help feed the poor, clothe the naked, and assist our veterans and people with disabilities. The CMA also assists women with untimely pregnancies who need assistance and seminarians who are following God's call to the priesthood.

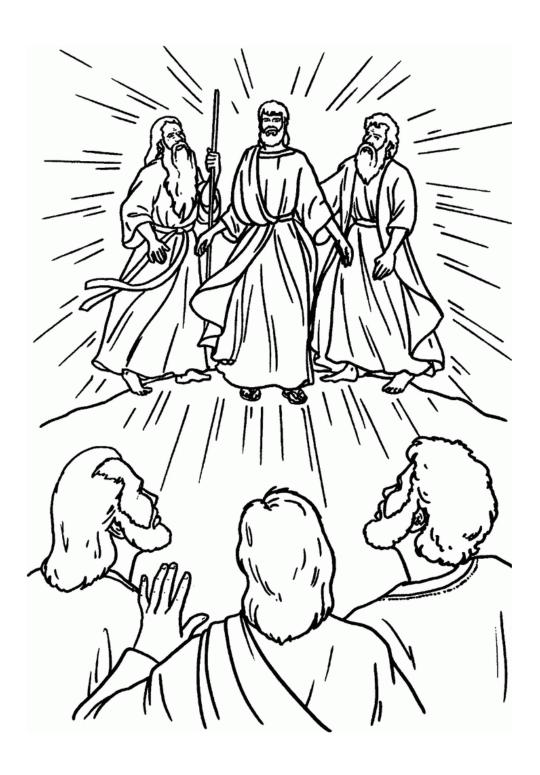
Our parish will also receive a share of the funds if we reach at least 80% of our parish goal; the more money our parish raises, the more we will receive in rebates. These rebates are so essential to our parish, so we ask that you also think of your parish when you give the CMA.

During these 40 days, as we are called by our Lord to grow closer to Him through prayer, fasting and almsgiving, the CMA allows us to practice the virtuous act of almsgiving and to spread the Good News within and beyond our parish.

Whatever you give, thank you for helping to create pathways of faith on Long Island. May God bless you, your family and this year's CMA.

Yours in Christ, Father Malcolm Pastor

# Coloring Page



## **Religious Education Update**

Tuesday, Feb. 23, 2021 Classes resume.

\*Last instructional class for 8P (Mr. Perone)

Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021 \*Last instructional classes for 8A (Mrs. Ferreira/Mrs. Gandarela) 8B-8L (Mrs. Kathy Raspen Razzano) 8C-8N (Mrs, Annemarie Cunha)

Please submit the Confirmation fee (\$110.00), Confirmation workbook, Sponsor Certification tonight.

Sunday, Feb. 28, 2021 9:30 AM Gr. 5-6 (Fitzgerald Hall) 10:00 AM Class Mass introducing our new junior lector, Miss Lily Wasserman

## Twenty Minutes with the Director

Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup> Grades 5, 6 Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup> Grades 7, 8, 9 Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup> Grades 1, 2, IC-2,

# A Note of Thanks To the Volunteers Who Assisted with the Confirmation Interviews on Tuesday, February 9th

Mario and Monica Arevalo
Mrs. Christa Basel
Mrs. Janet Faux
Ms. Stacey Faux
Ms. Nicole Henriques
Mr. Matthew Kelly
Mrs. Kathy Raspen
Ms. Kelen Rosier



#### CMA Numbers for 2021

Goal = \$96,500

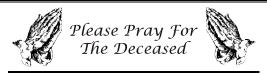
 $\begin{array}{ll} Pledges = \$200. & Payments = \$200 \\ Donors = 1 & Average = \$200 \end{array}$ 

Thank you to all the families who already have made a sacrificial gift. Please consider a yearly offering.



Please remember the sick in your daily prayers, including the following who have asked to be included in our list:

Connie Altvater, Armandina Araujo, Vinnie Benedetto, Violeta Bernal. Anne Boland, Erin Burke, Marie Byrnes, Jeanne Carroll, Michael Castalino, Arlene Cavanagh, Frank de Carolis, Sue Citro, Joann Cornacchioli, James Cunney, Anthony Donnelly, Kate Donovan, Virginia Fallon, Joanne Fitzgerald, Lilly Fuentes, Kenneth Gallagher, Vanessa Gomes, Robert Hartlett, Eileen Hendrickson, Maryann Iaquinto, Sue Krebs, Diane LaBianca, Joseph LaBianca, Vincent Lodato, Christine Lucivero, Augustus & Camella Lodato, Jason Lopes, Thomas Mitchell, Pat Nicolosi, Susan O'Brien, Melissa Ogunsuyi, Gabriel Palhete, Linda Pires, JoAnn Russo, Mary Santucci, Robert Santucci, Lisa Simeone, Alice Squeri, Beatriz Silva Pontes, Paul Tubito, Lorraine Verdade, Phillip Washburn, and any other members of our parish who are sick at this time.



Lillian Herrera Rosa Jesus Araceli Hoyos Abril Carolina Mielie Palumbo

# Español I DOMINGO DE CUARESMA



## **EVANGELIO DE SAN MARCOS 1, 12-15**

En aquel tempo, el Espíritu impulso a Jesús a retirarse al desierto, onde permaneció cuarenta días y fue tentado por Satanás. Vivió allí entre animales salvajes, y los ángeles le servían. Despues de que arrestaron a Juan el Bautista, Jesús se fue a Galilea para predicar el Evangelio de Dios y decía: "Se ha cumplido el tiempo y el Reino de Dios ya está cerca. Arrepiéntanse y crean en el Evangelio".



Cada año, en el primer domingo de cuaresma, leemos un texto sobre las tentaciones de Jesús en el desierto. Este año leemos la versión de Marcos que es más corta que la de Lucas y Mateo. Poniendo los ojos en Jesus, especialmente en este primer domigo de Cuaresma, enontramos que el texto evangélico nos lo presenta iniciando su vida pública. El mismo Espíritu, que se había manifestado en su Bautismo, lo empuja ahora al desierto donde será tentado. El desierto biblicamente más que lugar geográfico es el momento de la prueba, de la dificultad, de la enfermedad, de la toma de decisiones, es el lugar o el momento en que se opta o por Dios o por el diablo. Las tentaciones de Jesús aestán ligadas a su misión, y el intento de Satanás será desviarlo del camio marcado por Dios para que no lleve a cabo la Redención o al menos reducir su misión a un plano meramente humano; es decir que renuncie a la cruz, pero Jesús se mantuvo vigilante en la oración. No se dejó engañar por las mentiras diabólicas disfrazadas de verdad.



la primera lectura de este domingo encontramos la história del diluvio. Hay muchos pueblos que transmiten histórias de una gran catástrofe que habría sucedido en los primórdios del universo y tendría destruído todos los hombres, animales y campos. Trátase de historias nascidas probablemente de la experienia dramática de cualquier calamidade natural, limitada a un cierto território y ampliada después por la fantasia popular. También la Bíblia cuenta una de estas histórias: la famosa narración del dilúvio. El mensagen de la lectura es que Dios nunca está indiferente a los que hacen los hombres. El diluvio no es un desastre provocado por Dios, es un símbolo de la ruína terrible que el pecado del hombre provoca. No es Dios que destruye el mundo. Son los hombres que lo hacen: guerras, hambres, destrucción, armas nucleares, poluición etc. Todo eso es el resultado del pecado: el egoísmo de los hombres que quieren dominar unos a los otros, la ganancia de querer todo para uno y dejar los otros sin nada."En la primera lectura del libro del Génesis, dice Dios a Noé despues del diluvio:



Escribe el apóstol san Pedro en la segunda lectura de este domingo: "Hermanos: Cristo murió, una sola vez y para sempre, por los pecados de los hombres; él, el justo, por nosotros, los injustos, para llevarnos a Dios; murió en su cuerpo y resucitó glorificado".

# Português domingo i da quaresma



## **EVANGELHO DE MARCOS 1, 12-15**

Naquele tempo, o Espírito Santo impeliu Jesus para o deserto. Jesus esteve no deserto quarenta dias e era tentado por Satanás. Vivia com os animais selvagens e os Anjos serviam-no. Depois de João Baptista ter sido preso, Jesus partiu para a Galileia e começou a pregar o Evangelho, dizendo: "Cumpriu-se o tempo e está próximo o reino de Deus. Arrependei-vos e acreditai no Evangelho".



Todos os anos, no primeiro domingo da Quarema, o trecho do Evangelho fala das tentações de Jesus no deserto. A narrativa apresentada por Marcos é a mais breve, referindo-se ao facto em dois versículos apenas. Depois do seu baptismo por João Baptista, Jesus recebeu a força de Deus (o Espírito) e iniciou a sua luta contra satanás. É muito provável que Jesus, como João Baptista, tenha passado um período da sua vida no deserto. O número quarenta é um número simbólico que significa toda uma vida, enquanto o deserto, naquele tempo, era considerado a morada das forças inimigas de Deus e do homem. Com estas duas imagens, Marcos quer dizer-nos que, desde que saiu das águas do rio Jordão, Jesus teve que enfrentar em todos os momentos da sua vida propostas que procuravam fazer com que Ele se desviasse do caminho que lhe fora traçado pelo Pai; propostas que eram feitas pelos inimigos, pelo povo e até pelos próprios discípulos. Todos esperavam um Messias poderoso, um grande general, um líder que livraria o povo judeu do domínio do império romano.



A primeira leitura deste domingo nos fala da aliança estabelecida por Deus com Noé e seus descendentes. Segundo o livro do Gênesis, depois da criação do homem, eles se afastaram de Deus. Não foi Deus que destruiu o mundo, mas a estória do dilúvio é uma imagem de como os homens podem destruir o mundo. Guerras, miséria, ódio, violência, egoísmo. Do mal provocado pelo pecado Deus sabe criar uma humanidade nova à qual promete só coisas boas, garantindo-lhe a suas bênçãos. "Estabelecerei a minha aliança convosco, com a vossa descendência e com todos os seres vivos.



"Cristo morreu uma só vez pelos pecados – o Justo pelos injustos – para vos conduzir a Deus. Deus vos salva pela ressurreição de Jesus Cristo".

#### **INTENÇÕES PARA O DIA 26**

- + Carolina Farinhas + Maria de Lurdes Barbosa Lima + Rosa e Adélio Martins + Joaquim Estevinho + Miguel Almeida + Otília e Alpoim Real
- + Agostinho da Costa + Guilherme Simões + Adelino Cruz + António e Ana Maria Silva + Felismino Lopes Cunha + José Meira

### <u>INTENÇÕES PARA O DIA 28</u>

- + Daniel da Silva Carlos + Miguel Paiva + Maria de Lurdes Barbosa Lima + Rosa e Adélio Martins + Avelino Gonçalves + Guilherme L. Simões + Teresa Gonçalves Duarte e Pais + Mário de Jesus Adão
- + Florinda Pereira Gomes + António & Zulmira Simões