

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 11, 2024

- 7:30 AM Thomas Nicosia
- 12:30 PM The Unborn
- 7:30 PM Spanish Mass

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

- 7:30 AM Freitas Family
- 12:30 PM Teresa Rodrigues

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

- 7:30 AM In Honor of Our Lady of Fatima & Souls in Purgatory
- 12:30 PM Kathleen Mannix

Thursday, March 14, 2024

- 7:30 AM Judy Marino (Birth Remembrance)
- 12:30 PM Josephine Quigley

Friday, March 15, 2024

- 7:30 AM Souls in Purgatory
- 12:30 PM The Homeless

Saturday, March 16, 2024

- 5:00 PM Larry Egan
Edna Pratt (5th Anniversary)
Marta & Joseph DeSorbo
Giuseppina Itri
(1 month anniversary)

Sunday, March 17, 2024

- 7:00 AM Maria Madalena Santana
- 8:30 AM Portuguese Intentions
- 10:00 AM Sophia Maglione
- 11:30 AM People of the Parish
- 5:00 PM Mariana Jensen
- 7:00 PM Teresa & Augusto Rodrigues

PRIEST CELEBRANTS' SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 16, 2024

5:00 PM Fr. Yesudas

Sunday, March 17, 2024

7:00 AM Fr. Ngozi

8:30 AM Fr. Malcolm

10:00 AM Fr. Ngozi

11:30 AM Fr. Malcolm

5:00 PM Fr. Carlos

7:00 PM Fr. Yesudas

(Schedule is subject to change)

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sharing Time, Talent and Treasure

**“For God so loved the world
that he gave his only Son...” - John 3:16**

Of all the wonderful gifts that God has given to us, the gift of His own Son is truly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for a gift like that? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask that we are grateful and generous with our God-given gifts. That we nurture and develop our gifts, and in gratitude, generously give back with increase our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works and our treasure to support the mission and ministry of our parish and greater Church.

Sunday March 3rd Actual Collection = \$10,863
Sunday March 3rd Mail-In Donations = \$1,830
Sunday March 3rd Electronic Donations = \$957
Sunday March 3rd Total Collection = \$13,650
Attendance = 1,141



CMA Final Numbers for 2024

Goal = \$95,900

Pledges = \$7,275

Payments = \$6,915

Donors = 20

Average = \$364

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



*Please Pray For
The Deceased*



**Thomas R. Hayden
Edward Lisboa**



All of us in Parish Outreach wish to thank those parishioners who donated or attempted to donate blood at our Blood Drive held last Sunday.

We collected 64 pints of blood and blood products which will be used to help cancer patients, burn and accident victims, cardiac and emergency surgery patients, sickle cell anemia patients & mothers and babies post-delivery when needed. This exceeded our goal of 54 pints. Most appreciated are those 23 donors who walked in without having registered prior to the drive. You really helped push us over our goal!!

There is no substitute for human blood; it can't be artificially made. Patients requiring a blood transfusion rely solely on the kindness and generosity of volunteer donors to provide them with this life-saving gift. In the United States, more than 15 million pints are transfused each year. One pint of blood can save 3 lives. Due to your generosity in rolling up your sleeves, your donations helped 192 people!!!! It is deeply gratifying to see that we, members of Corpus Christi, The Body and Blood of Christ, responded to this vital need and embodied our parish motto, ***You Together are My Body.***

COFFEE with JESUS

Lenten Series via Zoom

Join Bishop Andrzej

10:00 am on Friday, March 22

Online Lenten Reflection

on Scripture Readings,
with the special emphasis
on the Last Words of Jesus.

Join this great opportunity to prepare
and nourish your mind, spirit and heart
in preparation for Easter.

To register,

Please call Suzanne at 516-744-6850

or email

westernvicariate@drvc.org

Once registered, you will be emailed
the ZOOM information prior to the
session on March 22.



A Message From Bishop John O. Barres

Dear Friends,

This year's CMA theme, Revitalizing Our Faith – Renewed by the Eucharist, is inspired by The National Eucharistic Revival which continues to be an important mission the Church is undertaking. Through this renewal of faith, we are restoring an understanding and fidelity to the great mystery of Jesus Christ really and truly present in the Eucharist. Jesus selflessly gives himself to us in the Eucharist as spiritual nourishment.

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." (John 6:56) This cherished encounter with Jesus Christ in the Most Holy Eucharist directs us and strengthens us to continue His mission of evangelizing the faith and caring for those in need.

We can accomplish this important mission here on Long Island by supporting the vital works of the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Gifts to the Catholic Ministries Appeal assist thousands of individuals on Long Island each year by supporting seminarians through their discernment and formation, evangelization programs to adults and our youth, and through Catholic Charities and parish outreach programs that provide food and shelter to seniors, veterans and people with disabilities.

Your gift to the Catholic Ministries Appeal truly brings the true presence of Jesus to more than 600,000 people each year. I personally invite you to continue on this mission by joining me in making a gift to the 2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal. We have much to look forward to because we are a people of hope.

I pray for God's blessings for you and your family





Dear Friends:

“... the Lord speaks to us through our brothers and sisters, especially in the faces and the stories of those who are in need,” - Pope Francis

The Lenten season is an opportunity to grow closer to the Lord and to prepare ourselves for His Resurrection on Easter. It is a time of true inner conversion of the heart as we seek to faithfully follow Christ's will.

This year's CMA theme, *Revitalizing Our Faith – Renewed by the Eucharist*, exemplifies this calling as we restore an understanding and fidelity to the great mystery of Jesus Christ really and truly present in the Eucharist.

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I personally invite you to continue this mission by joining me in making a gift to the 2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Please do so to the best of your ability-- every gift matters, regardless of the size. Please remember that **100% of every dollar raised is restricted to fund the objectives, programs, and mission supported by the Catholic Ministries Appeal.**

Finally, let me remind you, that if you are unable to make a gift at this time due to circumstances in your life—please reach out to the parish at any time, so that we may help you in any way that we can. You are never alone.

May God bless you, your loved ones and our parish as we begin our Lenten journey.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Malcolm J. Burns
Pastor

Stations of the Cross

**There will be Stations of the Cross every
Friday during Lent.**

7:00 PM in English

&

7:30 PM in Spanish/Portuguese.



Lenten Regulations

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 to one full meal on these days for all between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive.

Days of Abstinence: (All Fridays in Lent)

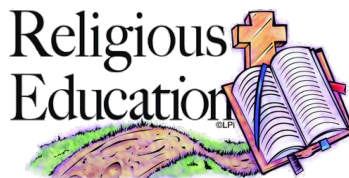
All who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain totally from meat.



Collection – March 10, 2024

Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at

www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.



Sun., Mar. 10 **9:30 AM** Gr. 7, 8, IC-4
10:00 AM Class Mass

Girl Scout Sunday

Tues., Mar. 12 No class for: **4:00** 2A Mrs. Rosier
5:30 2B Ms. Ines DeSousa

Grade 7 Confirmation Workbooks due: **4:00** 7A Mrs. Fernandes
5:30 7B Mr. Crennan

Confirmation Practice **7:00-8:30 PM** Fitzgerald Hall and Church

Wed., Mar. 13 **5:30-6:30 PM** First Communion Hymn Practice
(in the church) All Communion students Serves as class for the week.

Practica musica para primera comunion. Todos los estudiantes comunion
 Sirve como la clase por la semana

Grade 7 Confirmation Workbooks due: **5:30** 7C Mr. Perone

Thurs., Mar. 14 Grade 6 and 7 Confirmation Workbooks due at 4:00 PM. 7D

Mr. Moscheni, Mr. Romanelli, Mr. Zuccarello, 6C Mr. Prosceo,
 Mr. O'Keefe, Mr. Fischer 6D Mr. Griffin, Mr. O'Connell

No class for: **5:30 PM** 2D Ms. Emily DeSousa

Sat., Mar. 16, **1:30-2:45 PM** New altar server class with Deacon Brian
 Mannix and veteran altar servers (*church*)

Sun., Mar. 17, **9:30 AM** Gr.1, 2, IC-2 (*Fitzgerald Hall*)
10:00 AM Class Mass

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Twenty Minutes with the Director

Sunday, March 17th ***Grades 1, 2, IC-2***

Sunday, March 24th ***Grades 3, 4***

Sunday, March 31st ***No session-Easter Sunday!***

Junior Lectors 10:00 AM Mass

Sun., Mar. 17 **Julia Ocasio and Marc DaCosta**

Sun., Mar. 24 **Nicole Henriques, Ashley Ferreira, Jasmine Ferreira**

Sun., Mar. 31 **Michael Marketti and Nick Baker**



Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Court Immaculata #444

Night of Reflection with Bishop Anjay

Thursday, March 14 at 6:30 PM



The Catholic Daughters are hosting an evening of socializing and spirituality with a full turkey dinner on Thursday evening, March 14 at 6:30pm. The dinner will be followed by our guest speaker, the renowned Bishop Anjay. The event will take place in Fitzgerald Hall and the price for each person is \$30. Please bring a beverage of your choice. For reservations or information please call Patsy Gavin at 516-741-8095. All are welcome!!



Rosary Altar Society

As spring draws near, the winter sabbatical of the Corpus Christi Church Rosary Altar Society comes to an end. Please save the following dates for the meetings of the Rosary Altar Society, March 18th, April 22nd and May 20th. All meetings are on a Monday at 6:30PM. Refreshments will be served. The Rosary will be said at 7:00PM.

The Rosary Altar Society Masses for the Spring are the following dates: March 23rd, April 27th and May 18th, all at the Saturday 5pm Masses. New members are always welcome. For additional information, please call Carol Bella Schoenfeld, 516 741 5605.



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE, 2024

HOLY THURSDAY, 28 MARCH

7:00 P.M. Mass of the Lord's Supper (Multi-Lingual)
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Until 11:00 P.M.

GOOD FRIDAY, 29 MARCH

3:00 P.M. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
7:00 P.M. Stations of the Cross (English in Church)
7:30 P.M. Stations of the Cross (Spanish in School & outside to Church)
9:00 P.M. Stations of the Cross (Portuguese in Church)

HOLY SATURDAY, 30 MARCH

7:30 P.M. Solemn Easter Vigil Mass at Sunset

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES, 31 MARCH

7:00 A.M. (English)
8:30 A.M. (Portuguese)
10:00 A.M. (English)
11:30 A.M. (English)
1:00 P.M. (Spanish)

CONFESSIONS

Monday of Holy Week, 25 MARCH

(Every Parish Church)
2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.
6:00P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

Good Friday 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Holy Saturday 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.



Corpus Christi Parish
Lenten Project

SOCKS *for the* **HOME**  **LESS**

One of the most requested items from homeless shelters is new, unused socks.

During the six weeks of Lent, Parish Outreach will be sponsoring "Socks for the Homeless", where we will be donating new, unopened socks for men, women and children to The INN in Hempstead.

There will be a container in the Church lobby for your generous donations.

We will bring them forth at evening Mass on Holy Thursday.

'For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'



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

Connie Altvater, Aurora Antunes, Armandina Araujo, Vinnie Benedetto, Violeta Bernal, Anne Boland, Diane Bombardi, Erin Burke, Marie Byrnes, Gerald Campbell, Jeanne Carroll, Michael Castalino, Frank de Carolis, Sue Citro, Christine Englund, Emmanuel Colon, Joann Cornacchioli, James Cunney, Jerry Daraio, Kate Donovan, Virginia Fallon, Laurie Fefta, Lilly Fuentes, Anne Gallagher, Kenneth Gallagher, Elba Garcia, Vanessa Gomes, Sue Krebs, Pat Kober, Diane LaBianca, Joseph LaBianca, Lorraine Liqury, Vincent Lodato, Christine Lucivero, Augustus & Camella Lodato, Jason Lopes, Thomas Mitchell, Susan O'Brien, Gabriel Palhete, Linda Pires, Dennis Radovic, Elizabeth Rose, JoAnn Russo, Mary Santucci, Robert Santucci, Ann Schwarz, Lisa Simeone, Lucy Elena Sivorichi, Paul Tubito, Lorraine Verdade, and any other members of our parish who are sick at this time.

Congratulations

Our Lady of Mercy Academy
Principal's List
Diana Torres (11th grade)

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Fifth Sunday of Lent

Learn how to listen better, communicate more, and be a better couple. You will be glad you did! You can find one by looking up WWME.org. Some of the dates to sign up are:

April 11-May 23, 2024 (virtual 3RE)
June 21-June 23, 2024 in Huntington, NY

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Kevin & Regina Hickson at 516-554-3835 or <https://wwmenyli.org/>.

Altar Server Schedule



Sat., Mar. 17	5:00 PM	M.Machado
Sun., Mar. 18	10:00 AM	D.Lobo/B.Reyes
	11:30 AM	A.Granados/J.Ferreira



If you are in need financially or need food call 516-746-1223

The church is a human institution and is in need of ongoing reform. The church exists to serve the purposes of God. Because the church is composed of human beings, it can also serve as a block to God's purposes. The church is called to reveal the powerful and life-giving presence of Christ. In the 2nd Reading, Paul sets God's wisdom and power over human wisdom and power. The church can sometimes substitute God's wisdom and power with human wisdom and power. In the gospel Jesus wanted to purify the temple, the risen Lord is constantly working to purify the church. All of us need to be open to his purifying presence. Those in leadership in the church have a special responsibility to listen to what the Spirit is saying to the church. We are all the church, and all have our part to play in ensuring that the church is what the Lord intends it to be. Lent in particular is a time when we try to listen to what the Spirit may be saying to us about our lives; it is a time when as individuals and as a community we are called to allow the Spirit to renew our lives so that we conform more fully to the image and likeness of Christ.

The fiery Jesus of the gospel reading, who is passionate about what God, remains alive and active at the heart of the church today. In the light of the gospel reading we might ask ourselves in what ways we have allowed the values of the market place to override the values of the gospel in our own lives, in the life of our society, in the life of our church.

Please think about becoming a part of our St Vincent de Paul Conference @ svdpli.org or call 516-746-1223.

Español

IV DOMINGO DE CUARESMA



EVANGELIO DE SAN JUAN 3, 14-21

En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a Nicodemo: *“Así como levantó Moisés la serpiente en el desierto, así tiene que ser levantado el Hijo del hombre, para que todo el que crea en él tenga vida eterna. Porque tanto amó Dios al mundo que le entregó su Hijo único, para que todo el que crea en él no perezca, sino que tenga vida eterna. Porque Dios no envió a su Hijo para condenar al mundo, sino para que el mundo se salvara por él. El que cree en él no será condenado; pero el que no cree ya está condenado, por no haber creído en el Hijo único de Dios. La causa de la condenación es ésta: habiendo venido la luz a mundo los hombres prefirieron las tinieblas a la luz, porque sus obras eran malas. Todo aquel que hace el mal, aborrece la luz y no se acerca a ella, para que sus obras no se descubran. En cambio, el que obra el bien conforme a la verdad, se acerca a la luz, para que se vea que sus obras están hechas según Dios”.*



La liturgia del cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma, nos garantiza que Dios nos ofrece, de forma totalmente gratuita e incondicional, la vida eterna. En el Evangelio, Juan nos recuerda que Dios nos amó de tal forma, que envió a su Hijo único a nuestro encuentro para ofrecernos la vida eterna. Estamos invitados a Mirar a Jesús, a aprender con él la lección del amor total, a recorrer con él el camino de

la entrega y e la donación de la vida. Ese es el camino de la salvación, de la vida plena y definitiva.

El texto del Evangelio es la conversación entre Jesús y Nicodemo, un jefe de los judíos. Nicodemo fue a visitar Jesús de noche, lo que parece indicar que no quería comprometer y arriesgar la posición destacada de la que gozaba en la estructura religiosa judía. Miembro del Sanedrín, Nicodemo aparecerá más tarde, defendiendo a Jesús, delante de los jefes de los fariseos. También estará presente en el momento en que Jesús fue bajado de la cruz y colocado en el sepulcro. En el texto que se nos propone la lectura, Jesús comienza a explicar a Nicodemo que el mesías tiene que ser “elevado”, lo mismo que Moisés “elevó” la serpiente en el desierto. La referencia evoca el episodio de la marcha por el desierto cuando los hebreos, mordidos por las serpientes, miraban una serpiente de bronce levantada en el estandarte por Moisés y se curaban. La imagen de la elevación de Jesús se refiere, naturalmente, a la cruz, paso necesario para llegar a la exaltación, a la vida definitiva. Es ahí donde Jesús manifiesta su amor y muestra a los hombres el camino que ellos deben recorrer para alcanzar la salvación, la vida plena.



La primera lectura nos dice que, cuando el hombre prescinde de Dios y escoge caminos de egoísmo y de autosuficiencia, está construyendo un futuro marcado por horizontes de dolor y de muerte.

Pero Dios, que es rico en misericordia, por su gran amor por nosotros, nos dio vida con Cristo, aun cuando estábamos muertos en pecados. ¡Por gracia ustedes han sido salvados!

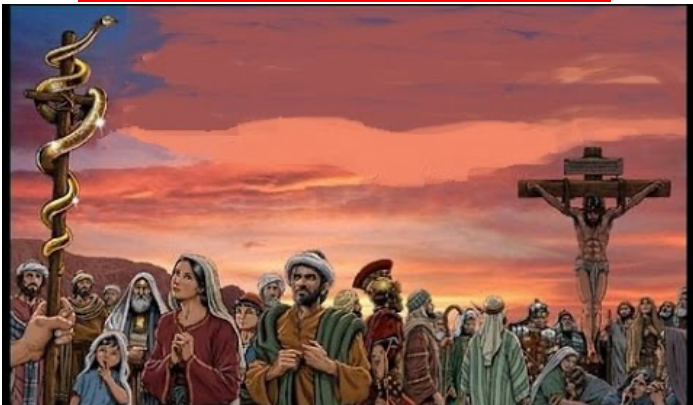
Efesios 2:4-5

La segunda lectura enseña que Dios ama al hombre con un amor total; ese amor es el que levanta al hombre de su condición de finitud y que le ofrece un mundo nuevo de vida plena y de felicidad sin fin que está en el horizonte final de nuestra existencia.



Português

DOMINGO IV DA QUARESMA



EVANGELHO DE SÃO JOÃO 3, 14-21

Naquele tempo, disse Jesus a Nicodemos: *“Assim como Moisés elevou a serpente no deserto também o Filho do homem será elevado, para que todo aquele que acredita tenha nele a vida eterna. Deus amou tanto o mundo que entregou o seu Filho Unigénito, para que todo o homem que acredita nele não pereça, mas tenha a vida eterna. Porque Deus não enviou o Filho ao mundo para condenar o mundo, mas para que o mundo seja salvo por ele. Quem acredita nele não é condenado, mas quem não acredita já está condenado, porque não acreditou no nome do Filho Unigénito de Deus. E a causa da condenação é esta: a Luz veio ao mundo e os homens amaram mais as trevas do que a Luz, porque eram más as suas obras. Todo aquele que pratica más acções odeia a luz e não se aproxima dela para que as suas obras não sejam denunciadas. Mas quem pratica a verdade aproxima-se da luz, para que as suas obras sejam manifestas pois são feitas em Deus”.*

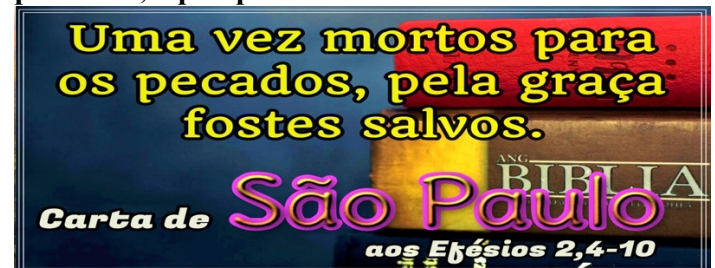


O evangelho expressa a lembrança do Êxodo. Deus tinha castigado a rebeldia do povo com a praga das serpentes. Para os livrar da praga, Moisés levantou à vista dos israelitas uma serpente de bronze numa haste. Os que levantaram com fé os olhos para este sinal ficaram curados. Os rabinos explicavam esse acontecimento dizendo que no deserto os israelitas não eram curados por voltarem os olhos para a

serpente, mas porque elevavam o seu coração a Deus. Era o Senhor que salvava, e não o objeto de bronze. Jesus refere-se a este episódio e interpreta-o como um símbolo de quanto está para lhe acontecer a ele. Também ele será levantado na cruz e todos os que o contemplarem terão a vida salva.



A primeira leitura nos mostra como Israel se afastou de Deus. Na derrota e no exílio, porém, entenderam que sua desgraça era um sinal de seu afastamento de Deus. Os homens dos tempos antigos estavam convencidos de que Deus concedia as suas bênçãos (saúde, bem-estar, riqueza, boas colheitas, família numerosa) àqueles que observassem os mandamentos, e que mandava desgraças a quem lhe desobedecesse. Também na Bíblia se encontra esta ideia de uma retribuição automática das acções. A lógica do autor do Livro das Crónicas surpreende-nos. Esta maneira de entender o relacionamento com Deus é muito primitiva e levanta grandes dificuldades. Como explicar, por exemplo, os sofrimentos e as desgraças dos justos, por um lado e, por outro, a prosperidade dos malvados?



A segunda leitura diz-nos que, apesar da nossa condição de fragilidade e de pecado, Deus nos ofereceu, em Cristo a Vida e a salvação. Não o fez em resultado dos nossos merecimentos; foi uma oferta totalmente gratuita, que resulta do amor que nos tem.

INTENÇÕES PARA O DIA 17 DE MARÇO

+Manuel Taipina de Jesus + José e Joaquina Barbosa + Maria de Lurdes Lima + Rosa e Adélio Martins + Ana Leitão + Teresa e Bento Alves e pais +Luciane Araújo + Manuel e Joaquina Portela + Leonardo e Lurdes Albuquerque + Julian Barreto Albuquerque + Manuel da Silva Fernandes + Joaquim e Amélia Amador.