

INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK**SUNDAY, March 20, 2022**

- 9:00 am** Carl and Patricia Drone (d)
11:00 am Bill Leesman (d)
5:00 pm Solemn Vespers and Benediction
7:00 pm For the Parishioners

MONDAY, March 21, 2022

- 8:30 am** The Voss Family

TUESDAY, March 22, 2022

- 8:30 am** LaVerne Schriewer (d)

- 7:00 pm** **Confirmation**

WEDNESDAY, March 23, 2022

St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, bishop

- 8:30 am** Rita Brinker (d)

THURSDAY, March 24, 2022

- 8:30 am** Jacob Klawitter Family

- 3:00 pm–5:00 pm EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

FRIDAY, March 25, 2022

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

- 8:30 am** Jean Rolfes (d)

- 5:00 pm** Stations of the Cross/Holy Mass
Dot Drennan (d)

SATURDAY, March 26, 2022

- 8:30 am** Richard Meyer (d)

- 4:30 pm** Bill Hertsenberg (d)

SUNDAY, March 27, 2022

- 9:00 am** Sandra Nare (d)

- 11:00 am** Helen Louis (d)

- 5:00 pm** Solemn Vespers and Benediction

- 7:00 pm** For the Parishioners

SERVERS

March 27/28

No Servers Scheduled

LECTORS

March 27/28

No Lectors Scheduled

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

March 27/28

To Be Determined

March 13, 2022

\$ 8,911.00

Thank You for your Generosity!

Vocation View Are you listening to Jesus, the Chosen One? Be open to what he reveals to you. Let his message dwell in your heart. (Luke 9:28-36) To talk about your discernment, please contact Fr. Dan Schmitmeyer, Director of Vocations at dschmitmeyer@catholiccincinnati.org.

Thought for the Day: “Reflect carefully on this, for it is so important that I can hardly lay too much stress on it. Fix your eyes on the Crucified and nothing else will be of much importance to you.”

Saint Teresa of Avila

PLEASE NOTIFY US AT THE RECTORY when a family member is hospitalized or homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion and/or the Sacrament of Penance.

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ad Orientem: The 11:00 Mass will be ad Orientem. This means that I will be facing the same way you are facing during the Opening and Closing prayers, the Offertory and Eucharistic Prayer. Please see the bulletin insert for a complete explanation.

Mass and Way of the Cross, Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions: On Friday afternoons of Lent, we will have the Way of the Cross beginning at 5:00 p.m. followed immediately by Holy Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration is every Thursday afternoon from 3 – 5 p.m. Holy Mass, the Way of the Cross, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, fasting, abstinence & almsgiving are excellent ways to deepen our love for the Lord and celebrate His resurrection.

Fish Fry: Our Lenten Fish Fry will be held on all of the Fridays of Lent (except Good Friday) from 4:30 pm – 7:00 pm in Heritage Hall. Dine in, drive-thru or carry out. See the Fish Fry insert in the bulletin.

Solemn Vespers is the Signature Sung Prayer of the Roman Catholic Church. Vespers, also called Evening Prayer, is part of the Liturgy of the Hours, also known as the Divine Office. In the Liturgy of the Hours, the Church fulfills Jesus' command to "pray always" (Luke 18:1; see also 1 Thessalonians 5:17). Through this prayer, the people of God sanctify the day by continual praise of God and by prayers of intercession for the needs of the world. Vespers is blanketed and steeped in the rich music of the ages, old and new. We will have Solemn Vespers and Benediction on the Sundays of Lent including Palm Sunday. This takes about 35 to 40 minutes.

LENTEN REGULATIONS Good Friday (April 15) is a day of fast and abstinence. Abstinence means no eating of meat (beast or fowl) and is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years of age and older on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent.

Fasting means limiting oneself to one full meal on a given fast day. Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59 are obliged to fast on Good Friday. On fast days, two additional smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength. However, two smaller meals together may not equal one full meal. Eating solid foods between meals on fast days is not permitted.

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Cincinnati Tristate Retrouvaille Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? This program has helped 1000's of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the April 2022 program beginning with a weekend on April 1, 2, 3 2022 call 513 486- 6222 or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com Michael and Catherine McNamee

From the Mirror of Love by St. Aelred, abbot

The perfection of brotherly love lies in the love of one's enemies. We can find no greater inspiration for this than grateful remembrance of the wonderful patience of Christ. He who is *more fair than all the sons of men* offered his fair face to be spat upon by sinful men; he allowed those eyes that rule the universe to be blindfolded by wicked men; he bared his back to the scourges; he submitted that head which strikes terror in principalities and powers to the sharpness of the thorns; he gave himself up to be mocked and reviled, and at the end endured the cross, the nails, the lance, the gall, the vinegar, remaining always gentle, meek and full of peace.

In short, he was led like a sheep to the slaughter, and like a lamb before the shearers, he kept silent, and did not open his mouth.

Who could listen to that wonderful prayer, so full of warmth, of love, of unshakable serenity—*Father, forgive them*—and hesitate to embrace his enemies with overflowing love? *Father*, he says, *forgive them*. Is any gentleness, any love, lacking in this prayer?

Yes, he put into it something more. It was not enough to pray for them: he wanted also to make excuses for them. *Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing*. They are great sinners, yes, but they have little judgment; therefore, *Father, forgive them*. They are nailing me to the cross: *if they has known, they would never have crucified the Lord of glory*; therefore, *Father, forgive them*. They think it is a lawbreaker, an impostor claiming to be God, a seducer of the people. I have hidden my face from them, and they do not recognize my glory; therefore, *Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing*.

If someone wishes to love himself he must not allow himself to be corrupted by indulging his sinful nature. If he wishes to resist the promptings of his sinful nature he must enlarge the whole horizon of his love to contemplate the loving gentleness of the humanity of the Lord. Further, if he wishes to savor the joy of brotherly love with great perfection and delight, he must extend even to his enemies the embrace of true love.

But if he wishes to prevent this fire of divine love from growing cold because of injuries received, let him keep the eyes of his soul always fixed on the serene patience of his beloved Lord and Savior.



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Acts and Practices of Piety from Preparation of Death by St. Alphonsus De Liguori

On rising make the sign of the cross, and then say:

My God, I adore Thee and love Thee with all my heart. I thank Thee for all Thy benefits, and especially for having preserved me this night.

I offer Thee whatever I may do or suffer this day, in union with the actions and sufferings of Jesus and of Mary, with the intention of gaining all the indulgences I can gain.

I resolve to avoid all sin this day, and especially such a one (*it is good to make a resolution, particularly about the fault into which we fall the oftenest*); and I beg of Thee to give me perseverance for the love of Jesus Christ.

I resolve to conform myself to Thy holy will, and particularly those things that are contrary to my inclination, saying always: Lord, Thy will be done.

My Jesus ! Keep Thy hand over me this day. Most Holy Mary ! Take me beneath Thy mantle. And do Thou, Eternal Father, help me, for the love of Jesus and Mary ! O my angel guardian and my patron saints, assist me. An *Our Father* and a *Hail Mary* and the *Creed*, with three *Hail Mary's* in honor of the purity of Mary.

When you begin any work or study, say: Lord I offer Thee this work. *When you eat:* My God, bless this food and me, that I may commit no fault about it; and may all be for Thy glory. *After having eaten:* I thank Thee, Lord for having done good to one who was Thy enemy. *When the clock strikes:* My Jesus I love Thee: never permit me to offend Thee again, and let me never be separated from Thee. *In adverse circumstances:* Lord, since Thou hast so willed it, I will it also. *In time of temptation often repeat:* Jesus and Mary!

When you know or doubt of some fault or sin you have committed, say immediately: My God, I repent of having offended Thee, O Infinite Goodness! I will do so no more. *And if it was a grievous sin, confess it at once.*

Lent IS A TIME TO
GROW
CLOSER TO JESUS