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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. - Mk 9:7-8

FEBRUARY 25, 2024

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Our Parish Mission

Founded in 1833, Old St. Mary's Parish is the first Catholic parish in the Chicago area. Guided for more than a century by the vision of the Paulist Fathers, we are a diverse and welcoming community dedicated to serving the spiritual needs of the Loop, South Loop and the greater Chicago area. As a unified Church and School community, Old St. Mary's Parish promotes the mission of the Paulist Fathers to welcome those who have been away from the church, to build bridges of respect and collaboration with people of diverse backgrounds and religions, and to promote justice and healing in our society.

CHILDREN'S
Stations of the Cross

Tuesday, March 5
6:00 PM to 7:00 PM



Reconciliation Service

Parish Reconciliation Service,
Tuesday, March 5
following
Children's Station of the Cross.

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: "I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son." (Gn 22:12)

Psalm: I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. (Ps 116)

Second Reading: He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with him? (Rom 8:32)

Gospel: Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." (Mk 9:7)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c); 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

Prayer of Trust

Dear Lord,
Your ways confuse me sometimes. Often, I don't fully understand what You are doing. But I believe that You are working in a way that will one day make sense. Until then, keep me close to You, trusting blindly in the ways You lead me. Amen.

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24 - 5:00 PM
Special Intention

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

8:00 AM + Liz Bailey

11:00 AM + Mary Cronin

4:00 PM People of the Parish

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26 - 8:30 AM
+ Lourdes & Miguel Medija, Sr.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27 - 8:30 AM
+ Max & Carlito Daclan

Wednesday, February 28 - 8:30 AM
+ Emiliano & Emily Rizada

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29 - 8:30 AM
+ Dolores & Miguel Medija, Jr.

FRIDAY, MARCH 1 - 8:30 AM
+ Encarnacion & Tranquilino Daclan, Sr.

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For more information, please contact Sabrina Poulin at sabrina@aquinasliteracycenter.org or (773) 927-0512.

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS, AND LENT

If you were at 11a.m. Mass last week you saw a wonderful group of people, young and old, not baptized and baptized, some confirmed and some not, some receiving communion and some not, and some in communion with the Catholic Church and some not. Quite an assortment of people seeking to come into the Church. We have opportunities to walk the journey of faith with them.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (some know it as RCIA) is presented to us as a “ritual text.” It contains the prayers for special rites that are celebrated to acknowledge a person’s progress in the Christian faith. To be clear, as Catholics, when we do a rite (ceremony) like any of the sacraments, we believe our prayer accomplishes something. We don’t just have services for people to watch, but understand when we pray, we accomplish something with God’s help, and we are changed.

The Rite of Sending that we celebrated last Sunday was actually part of a one-two rite punch. Sending is followed by Election, meaning what a catechumen (one not yet baptized) is “sent to do” is to be Elected by the Archbishop. To be elected is to say “this person is chosen for the Initiation Sacraments” at the Easter Vigil (AKA: Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist).

We have put the names of those chosen into our Book of the Elect, and it will remain in the sanctuary as a reminder for us to pray for the elect, and our candidates (the already baptized) throughout Lent.

There are other rites that the elect celebrate throughout Lent. The most public are three scrutinies. The scrutinies use the Gospels of the *Woman at the Well*, the *Man Born Blind*, and the *Raising of Lazarus* as ways to scrutinize our lives. Particularly the lives of those coming to Baptism are scrutinized, but we are right there with them (because we ALWAYS walk with our brothers and sisters in the Lord), asking: “Do you believe Jesus overcomes sin? Do you believe he removes all types of blindness? Do you believe Jesus has the power to overcome all death?” Do you believe in the power of Jesus for your life?

We must most remember, it is not a program that initiates individuals into the Church, it is the community, the people of the Church, the Body of Christ, that initiates. That is, you and me. The celebrations mean something. Our participation in the celebrations means something. So, as you think about your own celebrations of Lent, continue to pray for our candidates who are coming to the Easter Sacraments this year.

Please pray for: our elect catechumens – Allison Commons, Zack Queijo, Naomi Harris, Morgan Huestler, and Quintan Huestler; our candidates professing to be Catholic and coming to full communion and being confirmed – Patricia Howse, Cordelia Chong, Mark Hutchinson, Lukas Van Eck; candidate for communion and being confirmed – Olivia Tokarz; candidates for confirmation: Sam Tokarz and Paula Angarita.

May God continue to guide each of their journeys, and guide all of ours as well. Many Blessings!
Fr. Brad

FRIDAYS DURING LENT

- **Evening Exposition of the Blessed**
- **Sacrament** - preceding Stations of the Cross from 4 to 6 PM
- **Stations of the Cross** - 6 PM
- **Soup Supper** - following Stations of the Cross (except on Fish Fry Fridays)
- **Friday Fish Fry** - Fridays, February 23 and March 8 from 6:30 to 8:30 PM - Price is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children.

PAULISTS PRESENT – during Lent: Sundays 9:30am repeated on Mondays at 9:30am

MEET IN THE PARISH COMMONS



Paulist Fr. Bill Edens is a senior priest based at the Cathedral of St. Andrew in Grand Rapids Michigan. He previously served as associate pastor at the Cathedral of St. Andrew and as associate pastor at St. Philip Neri Church in Portland, Oregon.

- ♦ **Forgiven and Forgiving**, Part 2 - February 25 & 26, Fr. Bill Edens, CSP - Explore the POWER of Forgiving



Paulist Fr. Michael McGarry lived for eleven years in Jerusalem. He served as director of the Tantur Ecumenical Institute from 1999 to 2010. He studied at Hebrew University in Jerusalem and has been involved in Jewish-Christian relations for over forty years.

He is the author of *Christology After Auschwitz*.

- ♦ **Israel and Gaza** - March 3 & 4 - Fr. Michael McGarry, CSP - **Background and Current Prospects**
- ♦ **Jesus Through Middle Eastern Eyes** - March 10 & 11 - Fr. Michael McGarry, CSP

We all know that Jesus was born in Palestine over two thousand years ago. Fully human, he grew up in an insignificant village (Nazareth), was baptized, began a ministry from the North working South, was crucified, buried, and rose. So our faith tells us. But how might knowing a bit more about Middle Eastern Culture help us with a more granular understanding of Jesus?

- ♦ **The Stories about Jesus' Dying**: March 17 & 18 - Fr. Michael McGarry, CSP

How are they the same and how are they different? [Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John](#)

2024 Joseph Cardinal Bernardin Jerusalem Lecture

RECOVERING A JEWISH JESUS: AN IMPERATIVE FOR THE CHURCH

Join us for the 27th Annual Joseph Cardinal Bernardin Jerusalem Lecture with opening remarks by Cardinal Blase J. Cupich, archbishop of Chicago.

This lecture will explore how and why early followers of Jesus lost sight of his Jewish identity and analyze the historical consequences of this loss for both Christians and Jews. In continuity with Cardinal Bernardin's 1995 Jerusalem Lecture on antisemitism, it will then examine the necessity in our time of recovering a Jewish Jesus, including the obligation of Christians to learn anew about Judaism from Jews.

Monday, March 4, 2024, 7-8:15 p.m.
North Shore Congregation Israel
1185 Sheridan Road, Glencoe, IL 60022



The event is free and open to the public.

Please register here (QR Code) to attend in-person OR online:

[Bernardin Jerusalem Lecture](#)



CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: An assembly of Cardinals formed to elect the next pope is referred to by what name?

Answer: A Conclave.



Old St. Mary's is again participating in **CRS Rice Bowl**, Catholic Relief Services' Lenten program. If you are looking for a way to do almsgiving during Lent, the Rice Bowl provides the perfect method. You can pick up one after Mass in the Commons.

HOW CRS USES ALMS

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Because our bank doesn't accept coins, please plan to convert your donation to cash, or a check payable to Old St. Mary's and write Rice Bowl in the memo line. Thank you.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

The Transfiguration left the disciples with more questions than answers. What had they just seen? What had they just heard? They were confused, but they trusted Jesus. Let's follow in their example, trusting in God's care as we journey deeper into Lent.



THE CHOSEN WATCH PARTY

WEDNESDAYS FROM 9:30 AM TO 11:30 AM
February 28, March 6,
March 13, March 20, and March 27.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Do You Know About

Marian Croak born May 14, 1955 and inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame in 2022?



Marian Croak holds over 135 patents, primarily in voice-over Internet protocol (VoIP). Today, the widespread use of VoIP technology is vital for remote work and conferencing, as well as personal communications.

During her career, Croak and her team created a text-to-donate system for charitable organizations that first saw widespread use after Hurricane Katrina hit New Orleans in 2005 raising \$130,000. After the 2010 earthquake in Haiti, the technology raised \$43 million in donations.

Marian Croak joined Google in 2014 where she is now vice president of engineering and leads the Research Center for Responsible AI and Human Centered Technology

MASS TIMES

MASSES ARE LIVESTREAMED

SATURDAY:

5:00 pm

SUNDAY:

8:00 am, 11:00 am & 4:00 pm

DAILY MASS:

8:30 am

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

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thru 1/31/24

Weekly Budget Amount **19,158.00**

Fiscal YTD Budget \$ 555,582.00

Receipts

Sunday/Christmas Collecti \$ 247,947.13

Online Giving \$ 242,487.93

Faith Formation Tuition \$ 17,454.00

Bank Acct Interest \$ 301.72

Candle boxes, Mass

Intentions, Baptism, \$ 15,036.11

Wedding, etc

Total Received \$ 523,226.89

Surplus/Deficit \$ (32,355.11)

Through January, our parish took in \$32,355.11 less than
we needed to break even.

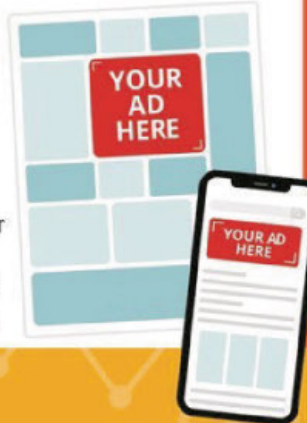


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