

Welcome to OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL CHURCH



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Baptisms-Parents must meet with the Pastor for instructions and a date for the ceremony*

Marriages-Couples must see the Pastor at least six months before the intended wedding date*

Visits to the Sick-Please call the Parish Office

Religious Education-Sundays, Sept.-May from 9:30 to 11 am. Pre-K through secondary grades

RCIA- (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) - Please contact the Pastor for more information

New Parishioners-Registration forms are located in the entrance of the Church, at the Parish Office and on our website

Bereavement Support Group-No meetings scheduled at this time

***Registered parishioners only**

MASS SCHEDULE

- ♦ **Daily Mass** Monday—Friday 8:30 am
- ♦ **Saturday Vigil** 4:30 pm—Year Round
- ♦ **Sunday Masses**
 - September through May
8:30 am & 10:30 am
 - June through August
9:30 am
- ♦ **Spanish Mass**
5:00 pm Sunday—Year Round
- ♦ **Holy Days of Obligation** 8:30 am & 6:00 pm unless otherwise noted
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- ♦ **Confessions** Fridays after the 8:30 am Mass, Saturdays 3:30 to 4:30 pm or by appointment
- ♦ **Rosary** A half hour prior to daily Mass. Wednesdays the Rosary is dedicated for the protection of our area against disasters. Rosary begins 45 minutes before the first Sunday Mass
- ♦ **Miraculous Medal Novena** Monday following the 8:30 am Mass
- ♦ **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** First Friday of every month beginning at 9:00 am concluding with a brief prayer service and Benediction at Noon
- ♦ **Chaplet of Divine Mercy** First Fridays after the opening of Adoration

MARCH 17, 2019—SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



Mass Intentions for the Week

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- Mon. Mar 18** +Leo Hage
8:30 am Requested by Greg & Lucy Lambrecht
- Tues. Mar 19** +Anna Donzi
8:30 am Requested by Marianne & Joseph Baker
- Weds. Mar 20** +Joe Arcuri
8:30 am Requested by Diane & Tim Gleason
- Thrs. Mar 21** Members of the Parish
8:30 am
- Fri. Mar 22** +Ron Janus
8:30 am Requested by Tom & Kathleen Hecksher
- Sat. Mar 23** +Florence & Harry Gerger
4:30 pm Requested by Bob & Lee Gerger
- Sun. Mar 24** +Vincenzo Miceli, Sr.
8:30 am Requested by Steve & Elaine Delaplane
10:30 am +Ellen Whitehead
Requested by Bill & Patti Whitehead

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WEEKEND OF MARCH 2-3, 2019
ATTENDANCE -753
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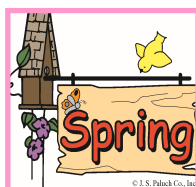
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This Week

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- Monday, March 18, 2019**
- **St. Cyril of Jerusalem**
 - **Presence Study—6:00 pm PLC**
- Tuesday, March 19, 2019**
- **St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
 - **Ladies' Guild Fashion Show**
 - **Presence Study—6:00 pm PLC**
- Wednesday, March 20, 2019**
FIRST DAY OF SPRING
- **Choir Practice 5 pm**
 - **Presence Study—6:00 pm PLC**
- Thursday, March 21, 2019**
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- Friday, March 22, 2019**
- **Stations of the Cross—5 pm**
- Saturday, March 23, 2019**
- **St. Turibius of Mogrovejo**
 - **Vigil Mass at 4:30 pm**
- Sunday, March 24, 2019**
- **Masses at 8:30 & 10:30 am and 5:00 pm (Spanish)**
 - **Religious Education 9:30 am to 11:15 am**
 - **COFFEE SOCIAL-9:30 am**



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Our Love & Prayers Go Out To...

Rose Adams, Tony Ambrose, Carmen & Nilsa Aponte, Glenn Armani, Helen Armani, Nora Baker, Barbara Basgall, Jacob Basilotto, Patricia Benson, Peter & Peggy Bercik, Angela Biondello, Ami Blachowiak, James Blachowiak, Patricia Blackwell, Rev. Jim Bok, OFM & Mary Gate of Heaven Parish, Negril; Peggy Brick, Dolores Brown, Betty Bulifant, Tom Cabot, Chuck Cabot, Patricia Clemens, Mario Corso, Steve DiCristo, Larry DiOrio, Wendy Edwards, Aiden Foley, Connor Foley, Michael Fontaine, Justin Fiesta, Suzie Goldberg, Carmelle Goodridge, Judy Hage, Harry Haskins, Shawn Heeter, Pete & Alice Herber, Pat Herbert, Eddie Holloway, Sally Hooper, George & Betty Hoyt, Carol Humme, JoAnn Ippolito, Everette & Nancy James, Stephanie Jefferson, Diane Jezek, Stan Jack, Arlis Kelly, Jim Kirk, Ken & Ginny Kloiber, Eddie Knowlton, Kent Krabill, Zal Kutar, John Lambrecht, Larry Larson, Ginny LeClaire, Margaret Lines, Anne Lintner, Eric Marinelli, Catherine Mazzola, Jim & Joan McCaffrey, Cindy McClure, Kenneth McCurdy, Jim McDonnell, Patty McGlone, Rick McKenna, Jr., Gloria McKeown, Connor McKinnon, Gema Moreno, Regina Mulherin, Rosario Munoz, Ruth Nayard, Elizabeth Nomorosa, Bernadette Nyka, Danny O'Herron, Jack O'Neill, Max & Mila Perez, Tyler Peryea, Leslie Peterson, Richard Peterson, John Pitale, Pal Polster, Shirley Porter, Joe & Catherine Porthouse, Greg Printy, Kristin Ramsey, Tina Reichenwallner, Elly Rode, Jimmy Rosso, John & Janet Rovaldi, Heather Sallstrom Sanchez, Malte Sallstrom, Clarence Schuetz, Paul Sepczynski, Donnie Sheetz, Ann Speitel, Colleen Sullivan, Julianne Thorstenson, Pat Tweed, Gus Ventimiglia, Helen Vonbank, Virginia Waggle, Robert Wallace, Pink Wesorick, Mary Wilcox, Norman Willebrandt, Glenna Wolshlager

PARISH CALENDAR

March 19-Ladies' Guild Spring Luncheon /Fashion Show
March 31-Confirmation
April 4-Lenten Penance Service
April 14-Palm Sunday
April 19-Good Friday
April 21-Easter
April 28-Divine Mercy Sunday
May 6-First Communion
May 12-Mothers' Day

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???QUESTION OF THE WEEK???

How can I be a witness to God's grace in my life?

2019 CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL


OLMM 2019 CFA STATUS

Parish Goal	\$ 85,000.00
Pledged	\$ 14,690.10
Total Paid	\$ 8,090.10
Balance Due	\$ 76,909.90

a/o 02/28/19
Thank you for your generosity.

Hi! This is Doug. Last month I talked to you about the *Catholic Faith Appeal* at Church. I wanted to remind those who have not yet turned in their envelope. We have not yet met our goal and need your help. If you misplaced your envelope, there are more at church or see me at Mass—in the choir. Father said that only 30% of registered parishioners donated last year. We need everyone to give something in order to make it. Thanks! Doug Elliott.

†**SAINTS/FEASTS OF THE WEEK**†
March 18-St. Cyril of Jerusalem—A distinguished theologian of the early Church, St. Cyril of Jerusalem was well-known for the catechesis he gave and a doctor of the Church.
March 19-St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary—A direct decedent of King David, St. Joseph played the important part of Jesus being in the line David as was prophesied. St. Joseph is the patron saint of workers and the universal family of the Church.
March 23-St. Turibius of Mogrovejo—The founder of churches, schools, hospitals and the first seminary in the New World, St. Turibius served as Archbishop of Lima, Peru and was a noted and charismatic preacher who is credited with baptizing St. Rose of Lima.



Stations
of the
CROSS
Every Friday at
5:00 pm during Lent

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PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

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"Eternal rest grant unto them Oh Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they Rest in Peace."

A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Lord Jesus, you have chosen your priests from among us and sent them out to proclaim your word and act in your name. For so great a gift to your Church, we give you praise and thanksgiving. We ask you to fill them with the fire of your love, that their ministry may reveal your presence in the Church. Since they are earthen vessels, we pray that your power shines out through their weakness. In their afflictions let them never be crushed, in their doubts never despair, in temptation never be destroyed, and in persecution never abandoned. Inspire them through prayer to live each day the mystery of your dying and rising. In times of weakness send them your Spirit and help them to praise your Heavenly Father and pray for poor sinners. By your same Holy Spirit put your word on their lips and your love in their hearts, to bring good news to the poor and healing to the brokenhearted. And may the gift of Mary, your Mother, to the disciple whom you loved, be your gift to every priest. Grant that she who formed you in her human image, may form them in your divine image, by the power of your spirit, to the glory of God the Father, **Amen.**

Saint Teresa of Calcutta Vocation Society

REGULATIONS ON FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

FASTING: To be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 years (inclusive). On a fast day, one full meal is allowed. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids are allowed. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection (USCCB).

ABSTINENCE: Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics who are 14 years of age and older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Fridays during Lent.

FASTING, ALMSGIVING AND PRAYER are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful and catechumens should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or of renewal of baptism at Easter.

NOTE: *If a person is unable to observe the above regulations due to ill health or other serious reasons, they are urged to practice other forms of self denial that are suitable to their condition.*

PETER HERBECK
St. Katharine Drexel
Parish

March 23rd 9 am—1 pm

On Saturday, March 23rd, we are happy to announce that Peter Herbeck, Vice President of Renewal Ministries, will be at Saint Katharine Drexel Parish for a Lenten Reflection. The morning reflection will be from 9:00-1:00 and you won't want to miss it!



PENANCE
SERVICE



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In addition to our own penance service scheduled for **Thursday, April 4th at 5:30 pm**, you can avail yourself of the following local services:

3/25/19 5 pm—St. Therese

3/26/19 6:30 pm—St. Andrew

4/11/19 7:30 pm—

St. Katharine Drexel

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

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March 18th—20th
6:00 pm
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*Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source and summit" of the Christian life. Join Fr. Jacek as he leads us in an exploration of the truth and beauty of Christ's **REAL PRESENCE** in the Eucharist. We will meet in the Parish Life Center and each session will last approximately an hour with a different presentation each evening. Come explore the mystery of the Eucharist. Refreshments will be served!*

Monday, March 18th-Session 1: God is With Us

Tuesday, March 19th-Session 2: The Story of the Eucharist

Wednesday, March 20th-Session 3: Bread for the Journey

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A new movie will be released in theaters across the country on **Friday, March 29**, which tells the story of Abby Johnson, former Planned Parenthood Director from Bryan, Texas who became a pro-life advocate. The movie is rated R because of the violent nature of abortion, but it is a beautiful love story of a husband and parents who did not like the career she had chosen. It also tells the story of the birth of 40 Days for Life outside her abortion facility. Please make the effort to see this movie on opening weekend March 29-31. The trailer, which can be seen at www.unplanned.com, has already been viewed over a million times. Archbishop Joseph Naumann, said in his homily at the Vigil Mass for Life in Washington, D.C.: "If you see only one movie this year, see the movie Unplanned. I warn you - Unplanned is painful, graphic and yet inspiring."



DE LA NUBE SALIÓ
UNA VOZ QUE DECÍA:
ESTE ES MI HIJO,
MI ESCOGIDO;
ESCÚCHENLO.

17 de marzo de 2019 • Segundo Domingo de Cuaresma

¿Cómo escuchas a Dios? Aunque pueda parecer como si fuera imposible escuchar la voz de Dios, mientras más la escuchemos, más acostumbrado estaremos a prestar atención. La escuchamos en la oración, al leer la Biblia y cuando escuchamos la Escritura Sagrada, en la homilía y en las oraciones durante la Misa. Escuchamos en la compañía de otros amigos en la fe que compartes sus esperanzas y sueños con nosotros, y que nos ayudan a discernir lo que Dios pueda estar llamándonos a hacer. Abram escuchó la voz de Dios y se abrió a lo desconocido. Pedro, Santiago y Juan siguieron a Jesús, incluso mientras todavía estaban inseguros de él y de su misión. Cada uno dio un paso de fe, y con fe siguió el camino de Dios. Ya sea en tiempo de certidumbre, cuando parece que Dios está en los lugares donde buscamos o en esos periodos cuando añoramos saber que Dios está con nosotros, estamos llamados a escuchar, confiar y a dar pasos de fe, modelando nuestras vidas en la vida y llamada de Jesucristo.

saltos de fe. Aunque podríamos estar llamados a “caminar el camino” de fe en nuestras vidas diarias, como los apóstoles y un sin número de otros discípulos que lo han hecho a lo largo del tiempo, hay momentos cuando quizá necesitamos andar hacia un futuro desconocido, así como Abram lo hizo antes que nosotros. Los destellos de la presencia y gloria de Dios experimentados por Abram y los discípulos necesitaron apoyo en momentos decisivos, y especialmente cuando parece que por un tiempo Dios estuvo ausente. Los destellos que percibimos en esos momentos de cercanía con Dios nos ayudan a permanecer en el camino de Cristo, especialmente cuando estamos inseguros de lo que sigue por hacer. Con el salmista, tomamos un salto de fe y encontramos esperanza en el Señor: “El Señor es mi luz y mi salvación, ¿a quién temeré? El Señor es el refugio de mi vida, ¿a quién temeré?”

Lecturas de hoy: Gen 15:5-12, 17-18; Sal 27 (26):1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14; Fil 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]; Lc 9:28b-36

DAR UN SALTO

A veces, los pasos que tomamos se sienten más como

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MARCH 17, 2019 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

**The LORD is my light
and my salvation;
whom should I
fear? — Psalm 27:1**

**El Señor es mi luz
y mi salvación;
¿A quién debería
temer? - Salmo 27:1**

STAND FIRM IN THE LORD

It is not hard to imagine, in this age of wars, evil groups bent on the destruction of humanity, and political follies, that the words of Saint Paul were so accurate, even for his time. It seems that the world never changes. Paul says, "Many . . . conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is their destruction . . . Their minds are occupied with earthly things" (Philippians 3:18, 19). The result is the destruction of innocent people and of the Earth itself. But Paul says to the Philippians, "our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ" (3:20). He will "change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body" (3:21). Note that he says "body" rather than "bodies." He is talking about the whole community of believers, who, following the example of Jesus and of Paul, will come into the glory of God. So "stand firm in the Lord" (4:1). Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD made a covenant with Abram (Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18)

Psalm — The Lord is my light and my salvation (Psalm 27).

Second Reading — Our citizenship is in heaven (Philippians 3:17 — 4:1 [3:20 — 4:1]).

Gospel — Atop a mountain, Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John (Luke 9:28b-36).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

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

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

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

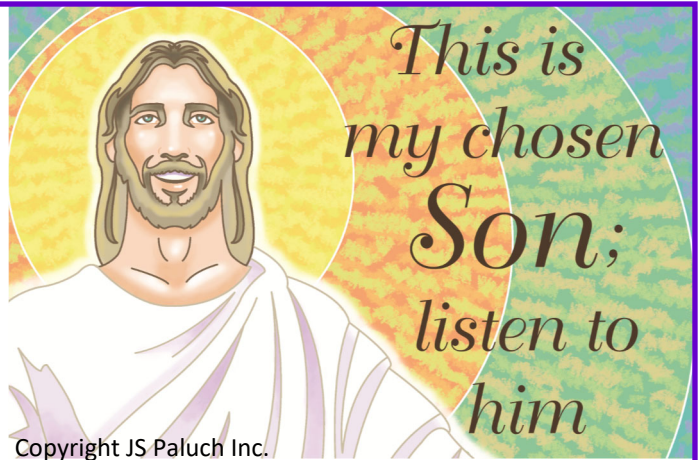
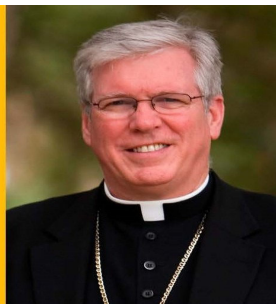
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11; 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9
Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

By now, many may have failed in Lenten discipline to some measure or another: the daily doughnut is simply too alluring, or a furtive puff on a cigarette irresistible. There is meaning even in the failure, though, a kind of reminder that we cannot save ourselves. Part of the power of Lent is that we do it together, and although individuals decide on different ways to keep it, it is fundamentally the same journey. We fall, we get up, we keep moving. The desire to "give something up" for Lent is an age-old impulse in the Christian heart. We get better at it over the years, and move more deeply into the meaning and message of acts of sacrifice; so there is no shame in stumbling, as long as we are not discouraged by the failure and give up. We are clearing space in our lives, after all, and some of the things we desire to give up are worth rooting out completely anyway.

What do we do with the space we have cleared out by our sacrifice? The Lenten question of giving up is balanced by the Easter question of our response to Christ's embrace of us in love: "What are you taking on for Easter?" —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

IRELAND

No reptiles are found there [in Ireland], and no snake can live there; for, though often carried thither out of Britain, as soon as the ship comes near the shore, and the scent of the air reaches them, they die. —Venerable Bede

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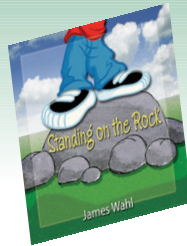


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