

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

March 11th & 12th, 2017

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	3/11	Peg Conklin (RIP) Requested by Kathy & Bill Webster	Fr. Oscar
Sun	3/12	Martha West (RIP) First Anniversary of Death Requested by Art West	Fr. Oscar
Mon	3/13	No Mass	
Tues	3/14	Effie Bray (RIP) Requested by David Seckora	Fr. Oscar
Wed	3/15	Joe Gedro (RIP) Requested by David Seckora	Fr. Oscar
Thurs	3/16 - 11 am	For Our Parishioners	Fr. Oscar
Fri	3/17	Kathy Webster (RIP) Requested by Sharon Y. Smith	Fr. Oscar
Sat	3/18	Esther P. Seckora (RIP) Anniversary of Birthday 3/19 Requested by Francis Seckora	Fr. Oscar
Sun	3/19	Kathy Webster (RIP) Requested by Sharon Y. Smith Debbie McCracken Requested by Martha McCracken	Fr. Oscar

Collections for March 4th & 5th, 2017

Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage, Repair & Maintenance, etc.)

Offertory (including Spanish Mass) **\$5,984.00**

Special Collection (\$40) – Debt Supp. (\$120) **160.00**

Total \$6,144.00

Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is \$3,600

Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish

Capital Campaign **\$ 909.00**

Votive Stand **7.00**

Cemetery **475.00**

Catholic Relief Services **25.00**

Easter Flowers **130.00**

Haiti **1,000.00**

Ash Wednesday **204.00**

Thank you for your support of your Parish!

Church Attendance

Saturday, March 4th - 80

Sunday, March 5th - 131 - Spanish Mass – 25

Ash Wednesday - 128

OLBS Church Cleaning Schedule

3/5 thru 3/11 – Mary Leigh McDonald/Carolyn & Mark Drexler

3/13 thru 3/18 – Theresa Nguyen/Nguyen Sisters

Calendar for Week of March 13th

Monday – 3/13– No Mass

Tuesday – 3/14 – Mass 8:30 am

Penance Service – 7 pm (No Bible Study)

Wednesday – 3/15 – Mass 8:30 am

Soup & Sermon – 12 noon – St. John's Episcopal Church

Thursday – 3/16 – Mass 11 am – Followed by Senior Luncheon

Friday – 3/17 – Mass 8:30 am St. Patrick's Day

Stations of the Cross – 7:00 pm

Saturday – 3/18 – Rosary 4:45 pm - Mass 5:30 pm

Sunday – 3/19– Mass 9:00 am

Parish Council Meeting – 10:30 am

Spanish Mass – 11:30 am

PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Carolyn Alford	Bonnie Kopacki
Elizabeth Alley	
Wilhelmina Brieffies	Gordon Langston
Candace Barefoot	Patricia Lanuza
Virginia Becker	Baby Vivian Mallis
Paulette Berberich	Theresa Drexler Moody
Ron Blevins	Clara Morrow
Robin Bristow	Randy Morrow
Joan Buehler	Specialist Mullins
Linda Burch	Larry Newtzie
Kevin Carson	M.C.'Sam' O'Connor
Meredith Crowe	Joyce Richardson
Vincent D'Elia	Pam Rigsby
Denise DePompeo	Emma Robertson
Donna Donahue	Harriet Ropelewski
Jackie Drayer	Virginia Ryczak
Sandy Britton Evans	Jim Tokarz
Brenda Frederick	Barbara Schafer
Helen Fudala	Glenn Sears
Kay Getman	Allen Smith
Jim Gregory	Barbara Sturtz
Pat Hinkle	Levi Sturtz
Kelly Hipple	Mae Touray
Mary Ann Hooper	Dorothy Ware
Helen Kaczmarek	Lois Wilson
Victor Kaczmarek	Robert 'Bobby' Wilson
John Kellam	Jody Zogran
Andrew Konz	Eddie Bernoski

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOME

Annette Tonon Bona Irene Kruger

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Major Jonathan Culberson (Afghanistan)

Private Logan W. Gay

Sergeant Nathan Gurganus

Army Rangers Austin T. Sturtz (Ft. Lewis, Washington)

First Lieutenant Amber Fauber, F.E. Warren in Cheyenne, Wyoming

ALTAR SERVERS

- 3/11 – Daniel Duke, Mason Kopacki
3/12 – Colleen Rae, Tazewell Rae, Clayton Grant
3/18 – Mason Kopacki, Kody Kopacki
3/19 – Elizabeth DiLandro, Claire DiLandro, Adrian Vidal

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

- 3/11 – Gary Silvia, Jackie Silvia, David Seckora
3/12 – Pattie Vadas, Jim Vadas, Sarah Rae, Mary Horton, Susan Thompson
3/18 – Jackie Silvia, David Seckora, Gary Silvia
3/19 – Bill Madigan, Edwina Madigan, Mary Leigh McDonald, B.J. Bui, Kim DiLandro

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Perhaps the most important part of this week's gospel passage for us to take along with us on our Lenten journey are the words of the Father directed to Jesus, but also directed to His disciples. "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." As beloved sons and daughters of the Father, how are we listening to His Son, Jesus? Yes, we must listen to His commandments and the teachings of His Church, but how are we listening to His words directed to us? We will never hear our Lord if we never make time for Him. To make that extra effort this Lent for prayerful contemplation may give us the word we need so that our penance may have meaning and our Easter may bring us great joy.

Adult: What can you do this week to make time to hear what Jesus is directing you to do?

Child: How can you make more time for Jesus?

DO YOU KNOW?

St. Patrick wasn't Irish. He may be known as the Apostle of Ireland, but he was actually born in Britain around A.D. 385 and his parents were Roman citizens. His birth name was Maewyn Succat. It wasn't until about 16 years later that he went to Ireland, but not by choice. At age 16 he was taken from his father's villa by pirates and carried into slavery in Ireland, serving as a herdsman for several years. He later escaped and became a priest, taking the name "Patrick" and returning to Ireland in an attempt to convert the Irish to Christianity.

Our OPERATION RICE BOWL country this week centers on Zambia. Evelina Banda used to survive only on meals made from corn flour, a porridge called "nshima". Nshima has very little nutritional value and when eaten three times a day can lead to major health problems. Evelina is now in a program sponsored by Catholic Relief Services to learn how to prepare healthier meals and grow new, vitamin-rich crops such as peanuts, pumpkins and sugar cane. And what the women in these classes learn, they share with their community, especially expectant mothers.

TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY will begin a book discussion on Scott Hahn's The Lamb's Supper after Easter. Paperback copies can be ordered on Amazon for \$10.71 and Kindle edition for \$13.99. Watch the bulletin for an exact start date. Any questions call Lorraine Ryalls at 843-3125 or lrkryalls@cox.net.

We will also participate in the WEST POINT MINISTERS' ASSOCIATION SOUP & SERMON SERIES AT ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 916 Main Street, beginning March 8th at 12 noon. Our parish will provide Soup on March 15th, together with the United Methodist Church. We need someone to coordinate the donations of soup from our parishioners, and make sure that the vessels are returned to their owners following the event. If you are interested in this one-time volunteer opportunity, please contact Mark Drexler at markdrexlersr@olbs.hrcoxmail.com, or call the Mercy Center office at 843-3125.

SAVE THE DATE! Sunday, April 2 we will gather at 5:30 pm for a light soup supper (provided) and view Mel Gibson's "The Passion of Christ." Middle and high school youth are invited to join us (with parental permission) and there will be activities for the elementary youth to participate in. The movie will begin at 6:15 pm and run time is approximately 127 minutes.

OUTDOOR STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be held on Sunday, March 26 at 10:15 am, and led by the middle/high school youth. Everyone is invited to join us for this special devotion.

SENIOR LUNCHEON – The next Senior Luncheon is scheduled for March 16th immediately following the 11 am Mass at EL RANCHERO MEXICAN RESTAURANT IN WEST POINT. (THIS IS A CHANGE.) If you plan to attend, please call the office to have your name placed on the sign-up sheet. Join us for good food and fellowship!

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE is scheduled for Tuesday, March 14th at 7 pm in the Church. THERE WILL BE NO BIBLE STUDY that evening.

ST. THERESA CEMETERY CLEAN-UP is scheduled for March 20th thru 23rd. All old arrangements will be discarded, unless you remove them before the 20th.

THE LITTLE BLACK BOOKS FOR LENT are available in the back of the Church. Please take one with you as you leave.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be held every Friday during Lent at 7 pm in the Church. A reminder that Fridays in Lent are considered days of abstinence; the norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon Catholics from age 14 onwards.