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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 15, 2015

Rectory Office Hours: 8 AM - 3 PM Monday-Thursday

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY—Lenten Weekday

8:00 A.M. Irene Akers
(Req. by Rosary-Altar Society)

TUESDAY—Lenten Weekday

8:00 A.M. Forest Barnhart, Jr.
(Req. by Barnhart Family)

WEDNESDAY—Lenten Weekday

8:00 A.M. Prayer/Communion Service

THURSDAY—Lenten Weekday

8:00 A.M. Florence Cabo
(Req. by Steve & Lucille Terebus)

FRIDAY—Lenten Weekday

8:00 A.M. Elizabeth Dudash
(Req. by Dick & Jeanne Buchan)
7:00 P.M. Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY—Lenten Weekday

11:00 A.M. Valley Pike Manor
Nunzio Calderone
(Req. by Tony & Sue Caputo)
4:00 P.M. Intentions of Pat Balagusz
(Req. by Family)

SUNDAY— Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00 A.M. Intentions of Parish Family
10:30 A.M. John Lison
(Req. by Wife & Children)

SANCTUARY CANDLE: James & Esther
Bumbernick Req. by Children

MASSES FOR SUNDAY: Saturday 4:00 P.M.
Sunday 8:00 A.M. and 10:30 A.M.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Sat. 3:30 P.M.
Sunday 7:30 A.M. and Sunday 10:00 A.M.

INFANT BAPTISM: Arrange in advance for
pre-baptismal instructions.

COMMON POLICY FOR BAPTISM: The
parents must attend an
instruction/preparation class on the
Sacrament of Baptism. Arrangements are
made through the Parish Office. Catholic
Sponsors need a letter from their Pastor
stating they are in full communion with the
Catholic Church.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: By
appointment with the Pastor at least nine
months prior to the date of marriage.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Done after any
Sunday Mass when requested.

MEMBERSHIP: Please contact the Rectory
Office to register as a member.

SCRIPTURE READINGS THIS WEEK:

Mon 3/16: Is 65:17-21/ Jn 4:43-54
Tue 3/17: Ez 47:1-9, 12/ Jn 5:1-16
Wed 3/18: Is 49:8-15/ Jn 5:17-30
Thu 3/19: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/ Rm
 4:13,16-18, 22/ Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
Fri 3/20: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/ Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Sat 3/21: Jer 11:18-20/ Jn 7:40-53
Sun 3/22: Jer 31:31-34/ Heb 5:7-9/
 Jn 12:20-33



We are praying for...

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 All the Men and women
 fighting for our country in the
 military services, all the elderly,
 homebound, sick and

hospitalized members of our parish family,
 especially the following: Shirley Barbato,
 Sharon Birch, Phyllis Brady, Jack Bulisok,
 Margaret Case, John Correll, Kevin Cyburt,
 Frank Daly, Tom Fabina, Ida Fallon, Gloria
 Fenik, Josephine Formica, John Friecko,
 Josephine Gallo, Joseph Guydo, Deborah
 Hockey, Mary Ann Holtz, Carol Houghton,
 Rosemary Kiser, Dorothy Kleinosky, Madeleine
 Krueger, Rose Leone, Ron & Robert Luden,
 David Magro, Bob Mardis, James McCabe,
 James McCaffrey, Loretta Meyers, Ethel
 Pavlik, Eileen Rengh, Anna Petro, Stephanie
 Poltrack, Atlas Rea, Charlotte Rollins, James
 Rovon, Marion Saia, Maria (Petro) Sanders,
 Joseph Serafin, John Slovikovski, John
 Sweeney, Joe Taresco,

**If any of the above has sufficiently recovered and
 can be removed from the list, please contact the
 Parish Office. Thank you.**

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SERVERS: March 21-22

SAT 4:00 PM Nick Gjurich & Quinn Larkin
SUN 8:00 AM Max Smith
10:30 AM Autumn McClain, Angelina &
 Ariel Pribozie

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LECTORS: March 21-22

SAT 4:00 PM J. DiBuono
SUN 8:00 AM D. Kozak
10:30 AM O. Standley

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EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE

EUCCHARIST: March 21-22

SAT 4:00 PM (Plate) C. Fuska, N. Vavrek,
 J. Bulisok
SUN 8:00 AM (Plate) D. Kozak, M. Mihelic,
 M. Carney
10:30 AM (Plate) D. Decker, A. Kozak,
 D. Boyle

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GREETERS: March 21-22

SAT 4:00 PM (ST) G. & K. Mikesic
 (VP) J. Spangler
SUN 8:00 AM (ST) K. Garanich
 (VP) M. Mihelic
10:30 AM (ST) S. Barbato
 (VP)

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INCOME

March 8, 2015

Sunday Envelopes	\$3,868.00
Loose	602.06
Solemnity	5.00
Initial Offering	10.00
Ash Wednesday	10.00
Catholic Education	26.00
Catholic Relief Services	6.00
Easter Flowers	16.00
Energy	264.00
Catholic Register	12.00
Votives	77.00
Parking	<u>35.00</u>
	\$4,931.06



The Prayer of St. Patrick

*May the strength of God pilot us.
 May the wisdom of God instruct us.
 May the hand of God protect us.
 May the word of God direct us -
 May thy salvation, O Lord,
 be always ours
 this day and for evermore.*



"Go to Joseph"
Thursday, March 19th,
is the Feast of St.
Joseph. We honor him
as Patron of Workers.
We pray for the
unemployed,
underemployed, those
who are working under
stress and all those

who labor daily. May you be our
example of honorable work for God.
St. Joseph, hear our prayers.

Prayer to St. Joseph

O St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the Throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires. O St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your Divine Son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, Our Lord; so that, having engaged here below your Heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of fathers. O St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine Head for me, and ask Him to return the Kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, Patron of departing souls, pray for us. Amen.

This prayer was found in the 50th year of our Lord Jesus Christ. In the 1500's it was sent by the Pope to Emperor Charles when he was going into battle. It is said that whoever shall read this prayer or take it with them, shall never die a sudden death or be drowned, nor shall poison take effect on them; neither shall they fall into the hands of the enemy, or shall be burned in any fire or shall be overpowered in battle.

St. Patrick converted Ireland. Drinking, eating, and partying might not be the best way to honor him. Many Catholics of Irish decent have St. Patrick to thank for the conversion of their ancestors and indirectly their own Catholic faith. Perhaps the best way to honor the great saint is to instead take a small page out of his book:

evangelize. St. Patrick was a master at evangelization, and note that he didn't go to foreign lands to evangelize, but instead went to a familiar land which needed his help. Perhaps that is the message that he sends to all of us. He reminds us that those people in our life, who need Christ, need us to bring Christ to them and to spread His message of love, hope, and Good News.

Breastplate of St. Patrick

Christ be with me, Christ within me.
 Christ behind me, Christ
 before me, Christ beside me,
 Christ to win me, Christ to
 comfort and restore me.
 Christ beneath me, Christ
 above me, Christ in quiet,
 Christ in danger,
 Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in
 mouth of friend and stranger.



Finding Strength in Faith By Judy Esway
 Can we expect to grieve differently because of our faith in the resurrection? My experience as a hospice chaplain and bereavement counselor tells me yes, but don't expect the pain to be less intense. Grief includes intense emotions sadness, and sometimes depression. But our hope in the resurrection and reuniting with loved ones can hedge against despair. That's the difference. The very definition of despair is "hopelessness Grieving isn't a sign of despair, nor is it inconsistent with being strong and having faith. Grief is the natural consequence of love: the greater our love, the greater our grief. The other side of love is pain, and we can't do a thing about it. It hurts when loved ones die Grief is the normal response to loss. So go ahead and cry. Tears are good healing, precious to God, and never wasted. "Are my tears not stored in your flask, recorded in your book?" —Psalm 56:8.



Windber Hospice volunteer training will begin on Monday, March 16th and continue for 8 consecutive Mondays. Classes are held in Windber Place at Windber Medical Center from 6-8 PM. Contact Emma Strapple at 814-467-3643 or email elstrapple@windbercare.org