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III Dominica in Quadragesima

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Third Sunday of Lent

From the Pastor

Dear family,

In this time of war abroad and increasing difficulties at home we must remain focused on what is important while avoiding distractions. Let us pray for an end to all killing, whether in the womb or in war. Let us pray for an end to the scandal of two Christian peoples fighting each other in Europe.

Please see the adjacent note regarding the recent announcement concerning the Holy Father's intention to consecrate Russia to the Immaculate Heart on March 25th. As many of you know, this request by our Lady was accompanied by the promise of a period of peace and triumph for the Church. Given the historical circumstances of the last fifty years, it does not seem that this period of peace has yet been granted to the world. Please redouble your efforts this week, saying the Holy Rosary every day, to give the Holy Father and the Bishops of the world the spiritual support needed to properly perform the consecration in the manner requested by Our Lady.

Let us also take this opportunity for each of us to renew our own commitment to the First Saturday devotion to the Immaculate Heart: Confession, Holy Communion, Holy Rosary, and Fifteen minutes meditation.

"Pray always"

Collect: III Dominica Quadragesima

Let us pray.

We beseech Thee, almighty God, hear the prayers of the humble, and stretch forth the right hand of Thy majesty to protect us. **T**hrough Jesus Christ, thy Son our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end.

R. Amen.

Oysterfest: NEXT SATURDAY

Join us for the Spring Oysterfest from 12 noon to 3 pm this coming Saturday, March 26th. Mark your calendar and invite family and friends.

This year we will add a new item, hush puppies, to the menu of local oysters raw and scalded at our outdoor bar or fried, shrimp, locally-raised barbecued pig, all you can eat sides, and desserts.

All desserts will be for sale. There will be no flea market/yard sale this year. 50/50 raffle and cake raffle will be offered.

Volunteers welcome. Please contact Mark Long to find out where we need help.

March 25th: Consecration with Pope Francis and bishops to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Pope Francis has called all bishops and priests around the world to join him on March 25th for the consecration to her Immaculate Heart which Mother Mary requested many years ago at Fatima.

Join us that day for Mass at 9am followed by Eucharistic adoration. We will conclude with the consecration prayer to Our Lady's Immaculate Heart at Noon, (5 pm Rome time) followed by the Angelus and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

If you are unable to join us that day please pause at noon and join us in offering the consecration prayer.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us!

The Sunday Holy Gospel

From the Holy Gospel according to Luke
Luke 11:14-28

At that time, Jesus was casting out a devil, and the same was dumb: and when he had cast out the devil, the dumb spoke: and the multitudes were in admiration at it. And so on.

Homily by the Venerable Bede, Priest at Jarrow.

Bk. iv, 48 on Luke xi

We read in Matthew xii. 22 that the devil, by which this poor creature was possessed, was not only dumb, but also blind; and that, when he was healed by the Lord, he saw as well as spake. Three miracles, therefore, were performed on this one man; the blind saw, the dumb spake, and the possessed was delivered. This mighty work was then indeed wrought carnally, but it is still wrought spiritually in the conversion of believers, when the devil is cast out of them, so that their eyes see the light of faith, and the lips, that before were dumb, are opened that their mouth may show forth the praise of God. But some of them said: He casteth out devils through Beelzebub, the chief of the devils. These some were not of the multitude, but liars among the Pharisees and Scribes, as we are told by the other Evangelist.

Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of

Raymond Stublarec

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Pray for our ill, hospitalized, those undergoing medical care and homebound: Irving Chappellear, Dorothy Hume, Miles and Elizabeth Torreyson, Eleanor Vaughn, Daniel Rodriguez, Paul Custer, and Jerome and Jean Malsack.

Please call the rectory at 301-274-3416 or contact Father Cusick at cusickk@adw.org to arrange for him to visit any homebound, ill or hospitalized parishioners or family members.

Rite of Christian Initiation - Adult Faith Formation Classes

Classes for adults seeking to enter the Church are scheduled by our faith formation director Aaron Percich. Email him to start formation: aaron.percich@comcast.net. Pick up a copy of the weekly Wanderer Newspaper available in church and see the "B" section for a basic adult catechetical resource.

Children's Faith Formation

Our Church teaches that parents are the first teachers in the ways of Faith for all of our young people. No one has more power or responsibility before God for witnessing to our children of the fact of the Lord's Resurrection and His presence in our lives through the Church. Those parents who wish to augment home school with parish faith formation are asked to contact the parish office.

Families must be attending Sunday Mass throughout the year before children can receive first sacraments.

Holy Sweepers for the week of March 13 and March 20

Ponton Family

Holy Sweepers are the families and individuals who graciously keep our church clean and tidy. They clean once a week, for a two week period, on a rotating basis. If you would like to be a

Service on the Altar

Training for all current and prospective members of the Society of Saints Aloysius and Alphonsus (SSAA) altar boy society will be held on the first Saturday of each month after the 9:00 am Mass.

All interested boys and men are invited to please contact Jamieson Scarlata at 1619surfer@gmail.com

UPCOMING: ProLife prayers every second Saturday of the month, **and next on April 9th**, from 10-11 am at Waldorf Planned Parenthood, 3975 St. Charles Parkway, Gateway Plaza, 20602

March 27: Second Collection for Catholic Relief Services

Mass Schedule and Intentions this Week

Sunday	20 Mar	8:00 am	†Poor Souls in Purgatory	III Dominica in Quadragesima Third Sunday of Lent
		9:00 am*	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	
		11:00 am	Intentions Mary Belton	
Monday	21 Mar	9:00 am	†Raymond Stublarac	S. Benedict Abbot
Tuesday	22 Mar	**	†Poor Souls in Purgatory	Lenten Feria
Wednesday	23 Mar	6:00 pm	Adoration/Confessions	
		7:00 pm	†Dismery Velez	Lenten Feria
Thursday	24 Mar	9:00 am	Int. David Ponton	S. Gabriel, Archangel
Friday	25 Mar	9:00 am	Reparation Sacred+Imm. Hearts	Annuntiatione BMV
Saturday	26 Mar	9:00 am	†Poor Souls in Purgatory	Lenten Feria
Sunday	27 Mar	8:00 am	†Poor Souls in Purgatory	IV Dominica in Quadragesima Fourth Sunday of Lent
		9:00 am*	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	
		11:00 am	†Raymond Stublarac	

* Mass in English **Father away - no public Mass

If you would like to have a Mass offered, you may email meitl.blogspot.com@gmail.com, stop by the parish office during regular business hours, drop a note in the collection basket or see Father after Mass. The customary offering for a Mass, per Archdiocesan guidelines, is \$10.00.

Staff

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Mass and Sacrament Schedule

Traditional Latin Mass: Sundays 8 am & 11 am

Weekdays: Mon 9 am, Wed 7 pm, Thurs-Sat 9 am

Holy Days: 8 am, 7 pm

English: Sundays 9 am, **Holy Days** 6 pm

Confessions offered prior to all weekend Masses

Baptisms and Marriages: By appointment 6 months in advance. **Bulletin Deadline:** Two Thursdays prior to the date of publication. Send to sjkrautle@gmail.com or call the rectory at 301-274-3416.

New Parishioners: Welcome! Please complete a registration form, available in the back of the church and also at <https://www.stfrancisbenedict.org/registration-form/>. You may email it, return it to Father, or drop it in the collection basket.