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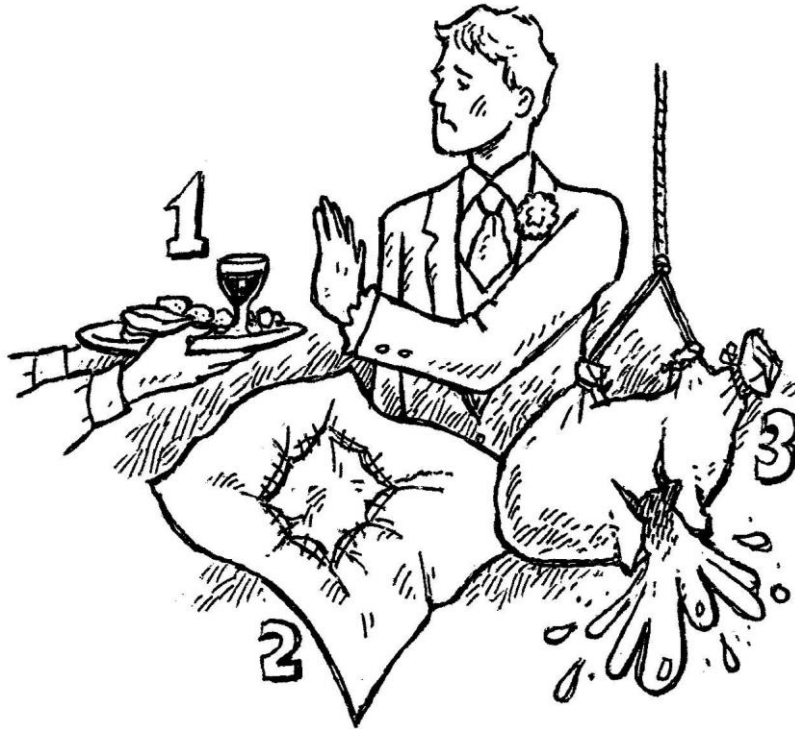
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Quinquagesima-3rd Sunday of Pre-Lent



Sunday February 14th, 2021

***9am Mass: Frank Ference Sr. & Frank Ference Jr. of. by wife and mother,
Josephine Ference***

Readings: Hosea 2:16-17,21-22, 2Cor 3:1-6, Mark 2:18-22

Lector – Greeters – Collectors –

- To-go coffee hour follows 9am Holy Mass
- Basket Raffle winning ticket pulled after 9am Mass
- Parish Committee (Board) meets after ticket pull

The Week Ahead

MONDAY, February 15th

9am: Holy Mass of the Day

TUESDAY, February 16th

WEDNESDAY, February 17th – Ash Wednesday

Noon- Litany of the Passion and Blessing & Distribution of Ashes

4pm – Weekly Food Ministry provided

7pm – Holy Mass and Blessing & Distribution of Ashes

THURSDAY, February 18th

6-8pm – Women’s AA meets in Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY, February 19th

Holy Mass of the Day

6pm – Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, February 20th

8pm – Saturday AA Meets in the Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY, February 21st – The First Sunday of Lent

9am Mass: Jan Sobolewski of. by cousin Patty Temesi

Readings: Genesis 9:8-15, 1Peter 3:18-22, Mark 1:12-15

Lector – Greeters – Collectors –

- To-go coffee hour follows 9am Holy Mass
- Basement Group meets after 9am Holy Mass

Announcements

ITEMS AVAILABLE – As we continue the process of “tidying our home”, we do have some items that we are taking out of storage and offering to our parishioners – please stop in the basement hall and, if something catches your eye, make a free-will donation.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER– For all of February, we use the 2nd Eucharistic Prayer, the Canon of St. Hippolytus on p. 82.

BASKET RAFFLE – We will be auctioning off a wonderful basket for Valentine’s Day – it is on display by the coffee and donuts and will have the winning ticket pulled on Valentine’s Day. Tickets are available for \$2 each or 6 for \$10. The proceeds will go to support the parish.

ASH WEDNESDAY – Services for Ash Wednesday, February 17 will take place at Noon (Litany) and 7pm (Holy Mass). Lenten Services will take place each Friday during Lent at 6pm, beginning this Friday, February 19

LENTEN DINNERS – The parish will be holding three dinners during Lent, all three being of the drive-thru format that we’ve become accustomed to and taking place 4:30-6pm. The first two dinners will be fish frys and will take place on Friday February 26 & March 12. Flyers are already available and posted around. The third dinner will be a pierogi dinner that will take place on Friday, March 26.

PACZKI ORDERS – Though we have to adjust some of our fundraising for the 2021 year, we will be having our Fat Tuesday Paczki sale taking place. Order forms are available at the table in the vestibule of the Fellowship Hall or by seeing Steve Fesz. 8 flavors are available, and pickup will be Fat Tuesday, February 16 from 7-11am. To encourage some foot traffic, we will offer a free to-go cup of coffee with every order! Avoid the lines! Prices this year are \$2 for a single, \$8 for a half-dozen and \$15 for a dozen.

LENTEN FOOD COLLECTION – Next Sunday, the First Sunday of Lent, we will begin another Food Collection. Once again, we will be collecting on behalf of the Parma Hunger Center, located at Parma Lutheran Church, and our own parish weekly Food Ministry. For next Sunday, February 21, please bring pop-top, ready to eat meals: spaghetti-o’s, stews, soups, etc.

OLD PALMS – We will collect your old palms during the season of Lent so that we can burn them on Holy Saturday, preparing the New Fire for our parish. Please take note of the collection boxes over the next few weeks.

PARISH ANNUAL MEETING – As

discussed at our recent Parish Committee (Board) meeting, we have decided to postpone the Annual Meeting until Sunday, February 28. We are waiting for a few things to flesh out at other parishes to give us a guide of what they are doing and how we should proceed. Since parish-wide meetings are the highest governing body in our parish, we need to make sure that as many people attend as possible.

UPCOMING

Feb 14 – Basket Raffle pull
Feb 14 - Parish Comm. Meets.
Feb 14- Last Day for Paczki orders
Feb 16 – Paczki Pickup, 7-11am
Feb 17 – Ash Wednesday
Feb 19 – Stations of the Cross
Feb 21 – Basement Comm. Mtg.
Feb 26- Fish Fry #1
Feb 26- Bitter Lamentations
Feb 28 – Tentative Parish Annual Meeting
Mar 6 – Pierogi Making

FOOD MINISTRY HELP – It has been announced and even preached about from our pulpit – Thank you sincerely for listening and to those who responded. Deacon Jim has begun scheduling people into time/day slots over the next few months as well as petitioning those who responded for other things. Support is headed in the right direction, and your response allows this ministry to continue on a weekly basis and consider opportunities for growth.

SUPERBOWL SQUARES – Thanks to all who chipped in and offered a donation towards our Super Bowl Squares. Appreciation to Ron F. for putting together the fundraiser for our enjoyment. Our winners were: Steve Fesz (twice, Deacon Jim, and John Kasperczyk. Don't spend it all in one place!

Prayer List

Please pray for these St. Mary's parishioners, family and friends:

Barbara Baranowski	Patti Dotson	John Spilka
Bill Kastak	Marty Bengela	Ralph & June Zaun
Johanna Markiewicz	Anna Dawidziuk	Barb & Jim Lukas
Bill & Pat Glatzer	Mary Ann Loschelder	Tom Petrie
Helen Budney	Polly Gajda	Len Pryer
Chester & Ann Warzala	Tom Putynski	Louise Cygan
Craig Atherton	Millie Dominik	Amy Dreger
Jack Spilka	Carol Hreha	Elaine Repede
John Radon	Steve Wisniewski	David Micka

Wanda Clark	Beth Chihill	Keith Reynolds
Helen Cummings	Jane Hunter	Paul S.
Jay Grabowsky	Pam Chesar	Ronald Tiffe
Ed Kidd	Emma Freshwater	Jennifer Kmitt
Laina Dachtal	Nina Braquet	Paulette Lilli
Cherise Pacanovsky	Bp. John Swantek	Cecelia Hall
Jeremy Steinbreck	Chris Minch	Ricky Koehler
Richard & Edna Samelson	Cathy Pieciak	Daniel Morgan
Wanda Heffner	Bryson Dzurhoff	Jim Giles
Rich Dombrowski	Linda Duffy	Diane Black
Patrick Kmitt	John Michalczyk	Renee Lucas
Mark Magda	Caroline O'Connor	Linda Marks
Marcus Vaughn Jr.	Marilyn Girard	Jennifer Kless
Stephanie Milla	Baby Parker	Mary Cawley
George & Linda Makovicka	Shannon Alberino	Kim Penney
Loretta Baldwin	Julia Badarzynski	Kate Stallbaum
Wendy Andrzejewski	Kenny Mach	Baby Layla
James & Bobbi Moss	Mike Matis	Leslie Rafalko
Pete O'Connor	Mike Pescitelli	Nancy Kohut
Nick, Bethany & Colin Avondet	Ralph Crispino	Doug Back

ALL WHO ARE IN NURSING HOMES OR ASSISTED LIVING
 ALL ACTIVE & RETIRED CLERGY NEEDING HEALING
 ALL SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD
Bless them, O Lord. Pobłogosław im, O Boże

QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY February 14, 2021
The Third Sunday. in Pre-Lent

OPENING HYMN (Massbook page 13, vs. 1 & 3)

To Thee we come, O Lord, our God, before Thine altar, Father. Thou knowest best our yearning hearts; this supplication answer. Lift up from want Thy people, Lord; Bless us, O God; O Father, bless our toil.

And grant us faith, sustain our strength, As for Thy cause we struggle, And when we falter raise us up, True God and Righteous Leader. And 'neath Thy banner gather us; Renew us, Lord; O Father, bless our toil.

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THE PENITENTIAL RITE

I confess to almighty God, in the presence of the Blessed Virgin Mary, all the saints and you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault (*striking the breast three times*) in my thoughts, in my words, in what I have done or failed to do. I ask the Blessed Virgin Mary, all the saints and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord, our God.

THE INTROIT (*Isaiah 42:8-10a*)

C: I am the Lord, this is My Name; My glory I give to no other, nor My praise to idols. Se now, the earlier things have come to pass, new ones I now foretell; before they spring into being, I announce them to you. **R: Sing to the Lord a new song, His praise from the end of the earth.** C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. **R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

There is no Gloria spoken during Pre-Lent

THE OPENING PRAYER

LET US PRAY... Lord, Jesus Christ, You have called us to new ways and new beginnings. You have made us a new creation. May we be ever thankful for past mercies, ever joyful for past favors, and ever more passionate to serve You. For You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **R. AMEN.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON – *the Book of the Prophet Hosea* (*2:16b,17b,21-22*)

Thus says the Lord: I will lead her into the desert and speak to her heart. She shall respond there as in the days of her youth, when she came up from the land of Egypt. I will espouse you in right and in justice, in love and in mercy; I will espouse you in fidelity, and you shall know the Lord.

This is the Word of the Lord. **R. THANKS BE TO GOD.**

THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM (*Psalm 103:1-2,3-4,8,10,12-13*)

R/ (8a) **The Lord is kind and merciful.**

Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

R/ The Lord is kind and merciful.

He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills. He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion.

R/ The Lord is kind and merciful.

Merciful and gracious is the Lord, slow to anger and abounding in kindness.

Not according to our sins does he deal with us,

Nor does he requite us according to our crimes.

R/ The Lord is kind and merciful.

As far as the east is from the west, so far has he put our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him.

R/ The Lord is kind and merciful.

THE SECOND LESSON - *the second letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians* **(3:1b-6)**

Brothers and sisters: Do we need, as some do, letters of recommendation to you or from you? You are our letter, written on our hearts, known and read by all, shown to be a letter of Christ ministered by us, written not in ink but by the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets that are hearts of flesh.

Such confidence we have through Christ toward God. Not that of ourselves we are qualified to take credit for anything as coming from us; rather, our qualification comes from God, who has indeed qualified us as ministers of a new covenant, not of letter but of spirit; for the letter brings death, but the Spirit gives life.

This is the Word of the Lord. **R. THANKS BE TO GOD.**

Please Stand: **THE TRACT** (*Isaiah 48:6b*)

C: From now on I announce new things to you, Hidden events of which you know not.

THE GOSPEL - *according to St. Mark* (*Mark 2:18-22*)

The disciples of John and of the Pharisees were accustomed to fast. People came to him and objected, “Why do the disciples of John and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?” Jesus answered them, “Can the wedding guests fast while the bridegroom is with them? As long as they have the bridegroom with them they cannot fast. But the days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast

on that day. No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old cloak. If he does, its fullness pulls away, the new from the old, and the tear gets worse. Likewise, no one pours new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and both the wine and the skins are ruined. Rather, new wine is poured into fresh wineskins.”

This is the gospel of the Lord. R. PRAISE BE TO YOU...

THE HYMN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT (NB #54)

O Lord I am not worthy that Thou should come to me, but speak the works of comfort, my spirit healed shall be.

And humbly I'll receive Thee, the bridegroom of my soul. No more by sin to grieve Thee or fly Thy sweet control.

O Sacrament most Holy! O Sacrament divine! All praise the all thanksgiving be every moment Thine!

THE HOMILY

THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit He was born of the Virgin Mary AND BECAME MAN. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in fulfillment of the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy catholic and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

3rd Pre-Lent /Quinquagesima, Year B 2021- Intercessions

Celebrant: Christ makes all things new. With tender love, he renews the life of his spouse, the church. Let us bring now the needs of the church before our Creator.

Lector: For our brothers of blessed memory, Frank Ference Sr. & Frank Ference Jr.; that our Mass may be reverently celebrated with their memory in our prayers this day, *(pause)* We pray to the Lord, **Lord...**

Lector: For those chosen to do the work of discipleship across all of Christendom, especially those at our parish who lead others closer to Jesus Christ, *(pause)* We pray to the Lord, **Lord...**

Lector: For all men and women who represent their people in elected assemblies, *(pause)* We pray to the Lord, **Lord...**

Lector: For a spirit of stewardship and generosity in our parish community, *(pause)* We pray to the Lord, **Lord...**

Lector: For our congregation to do their best to find time to worship more as Lent begins this week, *(pause)* We pray to the Lord, **Lord...**

Lector: That those who question the faith with scorn may receive answers in the same manner in which Christ provides, We pray to the Lord, **Lord...**

Lector: For those in need of our prayers: especially Richard & Edna Samelson, Shannon Alberino, Jeremy Steinbreck, Mary Cawley, Eugene Beggin, Diane Black, Len Pryer, Emma Freshwater, Jennifer Kless, Jack Spilka, John Radon, Jim Giles, Tom Slomka, Kim Penney, Nina Braquet, Tammy Teubl, Linda Duffy, Ben Soltis, Louise Cygan, Mike Matis, Doug Back, Ralph Crispino, Thomas & Charlie Dennison, Mike Pescitelli, Nancy Kohut, Pete O'Connor, Nick, Bethany, and Colin Avondet, _____, _____, for all on our prayer list, for all friends and family members, for parishioners of St. Mary's, *(pause)* We pray to the Lord, **Lord...**

Lector: For all of the faithful departed, especially our brothers Frank Ference Sr. & Frank Ference Jr., for Wendy Freshwater, _____, and for all who have gone to eternal glory, *(pause)* We pray to the Lord, **Lord...**

Celebrant: Great father, this family, which you have created, will set forth the one perfect sacrifice. Hear our prayers, which way pray in union Christ, Your Son, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. R: Amen!

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY VERSE (*Isaiah 43:19a*)

See I am doing something new. Now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

OFFERTORY HYMN – Choir Selection (NB #220)

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame; and I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain. So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine, a wondrous beauty I see, for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died, to pardon and sanctify me. So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

THE PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Almighty Father, through this holy oblation may we be ever conscious of Your love and thankful for Your mercy. We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **R. AMEN.**

THE PREFACE AND THE SANCTUS (Sung)

THE CANON – PG. 82- 2ND CANON

After the Consecration of the Bread and Wine into Christ's Body and Blood, we all say together: **“Calling then His death and resurrection to mind, we offer You the Bread and the Cup. We thank You for allow us to come before You and to serve You.**

LORD'S PRAYER: Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Deliver us Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In Your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

R: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours, now and for ever.

C. The Cup of Blessing which we bless, is it not a participation in the Blood of Christ?

C. The Bread which we break, is it not a participation in the Body of Christ?

R. Because there is one bread we who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one Bread.

C. May the union of divinity and humanity in Jesus Christ bring us sanctification and eternal life. **R. Amen.**

C. Lord Jesus Christ, You said to Your apostles: I leave you peace, My peace I give you. Do not look at our sins, but on the faith of Your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of Your kingdom where You live for ever and ever. **R. Amen.**

C. The peace of the Lord be with you always. **R: And also with you.**

C. Let us pray together the second Communion Prayer:

May the partaking of Your Body and Blood, Lord Jesus, not be cause for my judgment or condemnation. Though I am unworthy to receive this great Sacrament, through Your loving kindness may it become my safeguard and healing remedy. My saving Master, awaken in me a living faith, fervent love, worship, adoration and a holy longing.

Through this Communion, make me Your willing servant, zealous to fulfill Your holy will. May it, at last, unite me entirely with You, my Lord and my God.

Act of Spiritual Communion

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. In flame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN – Solo

POSTCOMMUNION HYMN (NB #188)

Ref: Sometimes “Alleluia”, sometimes “Praise the Lord”; sometimes gently singing, our hearts in one accord.

Oh let us lift our voices, look towards the sky and start to sing. Oh let us now return His love – just let our voices ring! **Ref:**

Oh let us feel His presence. Let the sound of praises fill the air! Oh let us sing the song of Jesus’ love to people everywhere. **Ref:**

Oh let the Spirit overflow as we are filled from head to toe. We love You, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and we want this world to know! **Ref:**

THE COMMUNION VERSE (2Corinthians 5:17)

C: So whoever is in Christ is a new creation: **R: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come.**

***Please Stand:* THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

LET US PRAY... Heavenly Father, through this Sacred Banquet You unite us to Your Son. May we come to know and love You through Him, the bridegroom of our souls. We ask through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **R. AMEN.**

CLOSING HYMN (NB#9)

Beautiful Savior! King of creation! Son of God and Son of Man! Truly I’d love Thee, truly I’d serve Thee, light of my soul, my joy, my crown!

Fair is the sunshine; fairer still the moonlight and all the sparkling stars on high. Jesus shines brighter; Jesus shines purer than all the angels in the sky!