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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

ENGLISH Saturday 5:00 p.m. ITALIAN Sunday 9:00 a.m. ENGLISH Sunday 10:30 a.m. ENGLISH Sunday 12:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m. Wednesday & Friday 7:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call the office in emergency or serious illness. Please do not wait till the last moment. Sacrament of anointing is for the sick.

BAPTISMS

Please contact the Parish Office for an appointment.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the Parish Office at least 12 months in advance.

HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME

Please call the Parish Office.

ADORATION CHAPEL

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

RESOURCE CENTRE/GIFT SHOP

Open for 30 minutes after each weekend Mass.

PARISH SCHOOLS

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GOSPEL REFLECTION: WISDOM OF GOD

. . . Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. (1 Corinthians 1:24)

The words roll off our tongues so easily. Of course Jesus is God's wisdom and power! He's the Son of God, after all. But what do these words mean? Today's readings can help us.

First, there's Jesus as the wisdom of God. The story of the Ten Commandments in the first reading shows us that God's commands are nothing more—and nothing less—than a revelation of his own divine wisdom. They reveal how he wants his children to live: by loving God and one another. This is the wisdom that Jesus lived out perfectly. In everything he said and did, he showed us what it is like to love God completely and to pour ourselves out in love for the people around us. And nowhere is this revealed more powerfully than when he laid down his life on the cross!

As for Jesus being the power of God, what could be more astounding than his promise in today's Gospel to rebuild the "temple of his body" after three days (John 2:21)? Imagine the kind of power it took for Jesus' crucified, lifeless flesh to come back to life! Imagine the power that transformed his body into something radiant and glorious! That was a work that only God, by his own mighty power, could do!

These are not just historical facts. The power and wisdom of God are present today—and they're yours in Christ! Every act of love, forgiveness, and generosity that you perform demonstrates his wisdom to a world lost in folly. Every time you pray in confident intercession, every time you rely on God's grace to say no to temptation, and every time you lay down your life to care for someone, you are revealing the power of God.

That's right. You can be God's revelation to this world!

"Jesus, fill me with your wisdom and power so that I can share them with everyone around me!"

MASS READINGS

First Reading: Exodus 20.1-17

Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 1.18, 22-25

Gospel: John 2.13-25

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 3 March, 9:00 AM (Italian) Blessings for Pope Francis and all Priests

Sunday 3 March, 10:30 AM For all Parishioners

Sunday 3 March, 12:00 PM

+ John & Sophia Adamek

Tuesday 5 March, 9:00 AM + Parents of Maria Andrade

Wednesday 6 March, 7:00 PM

+ Oswald Lobo

Thursday 7 March, 9:00 AM

+ Felicidad Bernal

Friday 8 March, 7:00 PM

- + Fiorella & Enzo Quattrini,
- + Joseph Bianca,

Blessings for Alexander family Blessings for Ian Guthrie

Saturday 9 March, 9:00 AM

+ Giorgio Sabatini

Saturday 9 March, 5:00 PM

+ Deacon Dominic Pullano

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Come and join us in learning more about the women of the Bible. Have you often wondered who are some of the women in the Bible that really had an impact? Can we as women in our modern world relate to any of these stories or experiences in our lives. Join us on Wednesday, March 6 at 7:30 pm sharp. There will be fellowship, Bible reading, and sharing of ideas. If you are 18+ we look forward to seeing you. Please bring a notebook and a bible.

STREET PATROL

Our upcoming Street Patrol trip is on Saturday, March 16. We will meet downstairs in the Church Kitchen at 9:00 am to make meal packages before we head downtown. In the days leading up to our deliveries to the needy, we welcome the following donations, which can be dropped off at the church office:

- Food items (sliced bread, cheese, deli meat, juice boxes)
- Gift Cards to shop at Walmart, No Frills, McDonalds etc.
- As well with the harsh winter season, we also encourage the donation of socks, tuques, mittens, and other winter
 accessories.

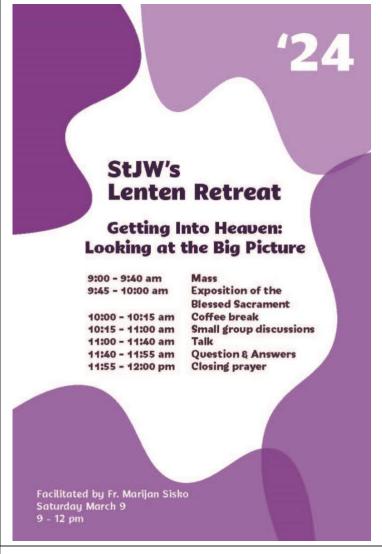
LENT FASTING & PRAYER IDEAS

Kids / Teen Fasting & Prayer Ideas

- Give up a favorite toy or game
- Pray on the way to school
- Fast from social media for a day
- Call a grandparent after church and discuss the Gospel/homily
- Research a Saint
- Give up a favorite snack
- Go to bed five minutes early and spend extra time talking with God
- Go without headphones for a day
- Allow others to pass in front of you in line
- Go to confession

General Ideas for Lenten Sacrifices & Prayers

- Give up coffee (or only brew it at home)
- Spend a few minutes with Scripture each day
- Attend the Stations of the Cross every Friday after the 7 pm Mass
- Give up alcohol
- Join the Bible Study Group at Church
- Give up certain social media sites, or limit them to certain days/time of a day
- Invite a friend to attend Mass with you
- Wake up without hitting the snooze button
- Visit the chapel once a week to spend some time in prayer and quiet reflection
- Abstain from reading gossip/rumour sites



JOIN THE PARISH'S MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

The parish is looking for competent hands to help us in the maintenance committee. We need a few persons in the trades ie. plumbers, electricians, general builders/contractors, carpenters

BUILD A HABIT OF PRAYER THIS LENT WITH HALLOW!

<u>Hallow</u> has incredible guides walking beside us in prayer, fasting, and serving others this Lent.

- Mark Wahlberg, will lead us in incredible fasting, discipline, and surrender challenges and Scripture motivation to keep us going through the weeks of Lent
- **Jonathan Roumie,** who portrays Jesus in The Chosen, will lead us through powerful reflections on what it means to completely surrender our lives to God
- **Fr. Mike Schmitz,** host of the #1 Christian podcast *Bible in a Year*, will guide us through weekly reflections on the Gospel and the excerpts from *He Leadeth Me*
- **Sr. Miriam James, S.O.L.T.,** will help explore imaginative prayer on the moments before Christ's death and resurrection
- Sr. Mary Bernice, an incredible Missionary of Charity who served alongside Mother Teresa in Calcutta, India, will reflect on charity and loving others
- And surrender stories from Tammy Peterson, Jim Wahlberg, Fr. Frankie Cicero, and more to inspire our faith and reliance on God.

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