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Pastor's Ponderings

The Prodigal Son in the Key of F

Since this is Laetare Sunday, the time in the middle of Lent where we are reminded to rejoice, I thought I would offer a light-hearted reflection on our Gospel reading for today. The piece was originally written by Rev. John Garlock and Gwen Johnson in the early 1940's.

Feeling footloose and frisky, a feather-brained fellow forced his fond father to fork over the farthings and flew to foreign fields and frittered his fortune, feasting fabulously with faithless friends.

Fleeced by his fellows, fallen by fornication, and facing famine, he found himself a feed-flinger in a filthy farmyard. Fairly famishing, he fain would have filled his frame with foraged food from fodder fragments.

"Fooley! My father's flunkies fare finer," the frazzled fugitive forlornly fumbled, frankly facing facts. Frustrated by failure and filled with foreboding, he fled forthwith to his family. Falling at his father's feet, he forlornly fumbled, "Father, I've flunked and fruitlessly forfeited family favor!"

The farsighted father, forestalling further flinching, frantically flagged the flunkies to fetch a fatling from the flock and fix a feast.

The fugitive's fault-finding brother frowned on fickle forgiveness of former folderol. But the faithful father figured, "Filial fidelity is fine, but the fugitive is found! What forbids fervent festivity? Let flags be unfurled. Let fanfares flare"

And the father's forgiveness formed the foundation for the former fugitive's future faith and fortitude.

So, rejoice this Sunday knowing that, in our lives as well, the father's forgiveness formed the foundation for our future faith and fortitude!

In Christ,

Fr. Randy

P.S. Please don't forget to participate in the Annual Catholic Appeal. The 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal helps to support more than 30 ministries along with administrative support for both diocese and parishes. Each dollar that you contribute assists in such ministries as: Catholic Charities, Hispanic Ministry, Catholic Schools Office, Bright Futures Fund, Vocations, Office of Consecrated Life, Family Life Office, Young Adult Ministry, Office of Youth Ministry, Respect Life Office and many more.

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Weekend Schedule

Saturday

Confessions 3:00 pm

Mass 4:00 pm

Sunday

Masses 8:00 & 11:00 am

Weekdays

Confession 11:30 am

Mass 12 Noon

Eucharistic Adoration

Fridays 11:00 am

Baptism and Marriage

Call for appointment

To register to become a parishioner, return slip on back page or call the office

MARCH 31, 2019
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, March 30—4th Sunday of Lent

4:00 pm † Joseph & Paula Garcia

SUNDAY, March 31—4th Sunday of Lent

8:00 am OLOS Parishioners

11:00 am Preservation of Sacred Holyland Sites

MONDAY, April 1—Lenten Weekday

Noon † Maria Teresa Mora

TUESDAY, April 2—St. Francis of Paola

Noon † Robert L. Seck

WEDNESDAY, April 3—Lenten Weekday

Noon † Philip & Patricia Fowle

THURSDAY, April 4—St. Isidore

Noon † De. Amado G. Pelayo

FRIDAY, April 5—St. Vincent Ferrer

Noon † Catherine & Clarence Healy

SATURDAY, April 6—5th Sunday of Lent

4:00 pm Judy Dale, spec.int.

SUNDAY, April 7—5th Sunday of Lent

8:00 am OLOS Parishioners

11:00 am † Bernadina Medina

Mass Intentions

Mass intentions are available for daily and weekend Masses. Please call the office if you would like to have a Mass said for a loved one, living or deceased. 816.421.2112.

Prayers Requested

Pray for Earl Jones, Mary Weatherford, Grace Diaz, Sarah Eck, Shirley Sormani, Sue Remkus, Linda Turner, Debbie Bruening, Rose Ann Jett, Teresa Bradskey, Jennifer Murray, Judy Dale, and Jane Carey.

Volunteers

3/30 & 31	4:00pm	8:00am	11:00am
Reader	John Pileggi	Ann Virgo	Jillian Perlaky
Communion Ministers	Lynette Wheeler G. Weatherford	Ruth Rider-Seck Rita Witt	Kathryn Hogan Pat Battaglia
Servers	John Pileggi	Tonnye Armstrong	Jim Healy
Ushers	Ed Stevens Judy Stevens G. Weatherford Volunteer	Marie Jones Joe Gutierrez Jerald Gutierrez Ted Tschirhart	Mel Hogan Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer

4/6 & 7	4:00pm	8:00am	11:00am
Reader	Lynette Wheeler	Eloise Sanders	Pat Battaglia
Communion Ministers	John Pileggi Debbie Bruening	Ruth Rider-Seck Jeremiah Tylski	Rick Grindel Sylvia Gutierrez
Servers	John Pileggi	Tonnye Armstrong	Tom Papreck
Ushers	Ed Stevens Judy Stevens G. Weatherford Volunteer	Marie Jones Joe Gutierrez Jerald Gutierrez Ted Tschirhart	Rick Grindel Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer

Readings for the Week of March 31, 2019

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-7, 2 Cor 5:17-21/
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13/
Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9,12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13-14, 17-18/
Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-23/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1, 12-22/Ps 34:17-21, 23/
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9-12/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

Parish Calendar of Events

- **March 30 & 31—Catholic Relief Collection—All Masses**
- **April 3—Knight of Columbus—6:30pm Hall**
- **April 5—Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm**
- **April 6—Wedding at 1:30pm**
- **April 12—Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm**
- **April 13—Wedding at 1:30pm**
- **April 13—Heart of the Redeemer 4:30-8:30pm Hall**
- **April 14—Coffee & Donuts after 8am & 11am**
- **April 14—Newly Married of the Diocese** join the 11am Mass and share in Fellowship after the mass in the Hall with Coffee & Donuts.
- **April 16—Water Garden Society—5-9pm Hall**
- **April 18—Holy Thursday Mass—4:30pm Adoration 5:30-6:30pm**
- **April 18—Our Lady of Hope Ordinariate Community Holy Thursday Mass—7:00pm, Adoration till 10pm**
- **April 19—Good Friday Service—Noon, Veneration 1-3pm, Stations of the Cross at 3:00pm**
- **April 19—Our Lady of Hope Ordinariate Community Holy Thursday Mass—7:00pm**
- **April 20—Easter Flower Decorating at 10am**
- **April 20—Easter Vigil—Our Lady of Hope Ordinariate hosted divine worship mass-8:00pm**
- **April 21—Easter Sunday—8am & 11am**
- **April 21—Our Lady of Hope Ordinariate Easter Sunday—9:15am**

Keep Watching for more info & dates to come!

Weekly Activities & Events

Second Collection

This week, March 30 & 31, we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to help Jesus in disguise. This collection helps six Catholic agencies provide relief and support to struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.



Knights of Columbus News

Council 2457 would like to thank the parishioners at Our Lady of Sorrows for all your participation with our charitable works throughout the year, and know that you remain in our prayers for a grace-filled Lenten season.



Flowers for Easter

At the entrances to church, you will find an envelope for Flowers for Easter. If you have someone, you would like to remember this Easter, please enter the names on the envelope and return it through the collection to the office by April 15. The flowers purchased will be placed in the sanctuary at Easter and the names of your loved ones will appear in this bulletin and next weekend's bulletin.



Lay Minister Easter Sign—Up

The Lay Minister Sign-Up Sheets are in the Sacristy on the back counter.

Please take a moment to sign-up to help with our Tridium Mass Schedule.



Stations of the Cross

We are pleased to announce Our lady of Sorrows will offer Stations of the Cross each Friday starting at 7:00pm.



Last Weekends Collection

From March 24, 2019

Plate.....	\$665.04
Envelopes.....	\$1,881.63

Rachel's Vineyard: Healing the Pain of Abortion, One Weekend at a Time

In Jesus' ministry, He was often an outcast to His own people. For women and men who have experienced an abortion, they, too, often feel like outcasts, isolated and alone. If you or someone you know is suffering from an abortion decision, Jesus understands your pain. Allow Jesus to work a miracle in your heart.

Rachel's Vineyard retreats are all about healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time.

The first of three 2019 Kansas City retreats will be on May 3-5.

Please call (816) 679-4973 or email rvkcmo@gmail.com for confidential information and to start the healing.

Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi with Bishop Johnston and Catholic Charities

Join Bishop James V. Johnston, Jr and Catholic Charities of Kansas City—St. Joseph for a 1st class pilgrimage with 3 nights in Rome and 3 nights in Assisi from October 6-13 with an optional extended tour to Florence and Venice from October 13-17. This will be the first pilgrimage led by Bishop Johnston since his ordination as a bishop in 2008. As pilgrims, we will receive special privileges at many holy sites with Bishop Johnston as our spiritual guide. While in Assisi, we will take a half-day tour to visit the Basilica of St. Rita of Cascia, the patron saint of impossible causes. Daily Mass, rosary and confession available in addition to all the spiritual benefits available for making this pilgrimage. Visit www.pilgrimages.com/catholiccharitieskcsj/ to learn more.

Office of Child & Youth Protection—Sexual Abuse

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA DISPLAYS THE SEVEN PILLARS OF CATHOLIC SPIRITUALITY— Matthew Kelly

Would you like to deepen your faith? Matthew Kelly will revitalize your spiritual life by taking you on the adventure of a lifetime! In a bold, practical and inspiring way, he will help you rediscover the true meaning of life as expressed in the Seven Pillars of Catholic Spirituality. "Catholicism is a way of life," Matthew says, "designed by God to help you become all you can be."

"Thank you for revitalizing my spirituality! I have always been a spiritual person, but now prayer is a part of my daily routine." Rachel - Cincinnati, OH

"In a clear, concise, and inspiring way, Matthew Kelly has helped open up life-changing habits I can implement. I want to order more for my family and friends!" Claire - Largo, FL

"To be true to yourself is to be true to your faith. Matthew is inspiring and knowledgeable. He will help you to know your faith better so you can ultimately bring souls to God's plan of salvation. We want all our family around us in paradise, don't we?" Donna - Eunice, LA

"He gets straight to the heart of the modern Catholic malaise and responds with sound advice, amusing stories, and orthodox teaching." Mark G.

"When I heard these topics explained, I realized that by integrating each of these pillars sincerely into my life I couldn't help but become 'The Best-Version-of-Myself'."

Cathy - Newburgh, IN

Visit the Lighthouse displays at the main and side entrances of the church to find more.

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Address _____

City/State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____

Email address _____

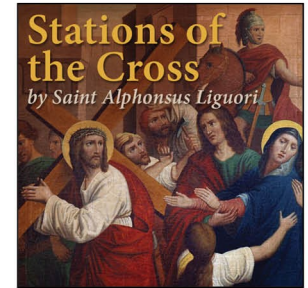
Please drop in collection basket or mail to the Parish Office.

Stations of the Cross

By Saint Alphonsus Liguori

Journey with Christ to Calvary

Personally follow Christ and His Sorrowful Mother on their journey to Calvary with the Stations of the Cross. Moving meditations by Saint Alphonsus Liguori accompanied by the beautiful Latin hymn, *Stabat Mater*, draw you into a more intimate experience of the Church's powerful Lenten prayer.



"Holding a crucifix while meditating on the Stations of the Cross... so moving. Thank you, Jesus, for the Cross."

—Marcia R, St Teresa's Church

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The Way of the Disciple

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This book explores in depth six Gospel scenes so as to discover in these the essential elements of Christian discipleship. It describes the basic requirements for receiving the Word of God effectively in our hearts: namely, that we "become wet clay in God's hands", so that God

can impress upon us any form he chooses. It also contemplates the vital position of the Mother of the Lord in the life of his disciples.

The author shows that the call to discipleship is above all an invitation to intimate companionship with Jesus, as we read in Mark: "Jesus called to him those whom he desired... in order that they might be with him" (3:14-15). What we normally call the "active apostolate" can never be an end in itself, but only the fruits of a life of prayer and adoration. These are what must be at the heart of a disciple's life, which can never be swept up by mere activism.

