

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 14, 2021

YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH
08 December 2020 – 08 December 2021



Jesus said to Nicodemus: “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.” John 3:16

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH & SAINT PATRICK CHURCH
BURRILLVILLE, RI

PASTOR'S PAGE



Dear Friends in Christ,

This weekend is called "*Laetare Sunday*". The word "*Laetare*" is the Latin word for "Rejoice", which is the first word that begins the Liturgical celebration for the Fourth Sunday of Lent. Today, the vestment that the celebrant may wear is the rose-colored vestment. This color symbolizes hope, rejoicing and expectation. Let us join in the celebration with great hope and rejoicing for the coming celebration of Easter, in which we celebrate Christ, risen from the dead.

Lent invites us to participate in deeper prayer, fasting and almsgiving. How has God called us to participate in each area? Maybe we are reading a spiritual book or fasting on Wednesdays during Lent, or even putting money aside to make a donation to a local charity. In each case, every moment should lead us closer to God.

Through CRS Rice Bowl, families learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe overcome hardships like hunger and malnutrition, and how through Lenten alms, we have the power to make the world a better place for all. Thank you in advance for supporting this outreach. The collection for the CRS Rice Bowl is on the weekend of March 27th & 28th.

Thank you Father Mac for celebrating Mass and sharing your witness to the poor. May the Lord continue to bless you and Cross Catholic Outreach.

This week, we celebrate our Patron Saints! Please join us for a day of devotion in honor of our Patron Saints. Saint Patrick Feast Day, Wednesday, March 17th and Saint Joseph Feast Day, Friday, March 19. Please see the tentative itinerary of devotions in the next column. NOTE: *times are subject to change.*

Let us seek the intercession of Saint Patrick and Saint Joseph as we continue our journey of faith and build the Kingdom of God.

Let us pray for our students who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. They will be making their Rite of Enrollment on the Feast of Saint Patrick, March 17th.

"(Lent) is a period of spiritual 'combat' which we must experience alongside Jesus, not with pride and presumption, but using the arms of faith: prayer, listening to the word of God and penance. In this way we will be able to celebrate Easter in truth, ready to renew the promises of our Baptism." -Pope Benedict XVI

Lenten Blessings,
Father Scott

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MON Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12a, 13b;
Jn 4:43-54
TUE Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16
WED Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18;
Jn 5:17-30
THU Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; Jn 5:31-47
FRI 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; PS 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29;
Rom 4:13:16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
SAT Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12; Jn 7:40-53
SUN Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15;
Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

TIME/TALENT/TREASURE – St. Paul reminds the Colossians that they have been raised with Christ, exhorting them to “be intent on the things above rather than on things of earth”. We, too, have been raised with Christ. Let us rejoice and be glad!

SEVEN-SUNDAY DEVOTION OF ST. JOSEPH

Please join us immediately after Masses for this Devotion, which honors the seven sorrows and seven joys of St. Joseph. May the intercession of St. Joseph protect us and guide us to Jesus Christ.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS **FRIDAYS; 6:00 PM**

March 19	St. Joseph Church
March 26	St. Patrick Church
April 2	6 pm St. Joseph Church

PATRONAL FEAST DAYS

Saint Patrick - Wednesday, March 17

Saint Joseph - Friday, March 19

11:15 - 11:45 am	Sacrament of Confession
12 Noon	Mass for the Patronal Feast Day
12:30 pm	Adoration
1:00 pm - 1:45 pm	Sacrament of Confession
2:00 pm	Rosary
3:00 pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet
3:30 pm	Benediction

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES (CRS) RICE BOWL

– Trying New Foods in Timor-Leste – Timor-Leste has the highest rate of child malnutrition in Asia, and many children suffer from stunting, which makes a big impact on a child’s growth and future. Home gardens and fishponds are helping families provide better nutrition for their children. What do you eat to stay healthy? What can you do to ensure children have enough food to thrive?

Visit www.crsricebowl.org to learn more.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH



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Our **VISION**: As a Catholic faith community, we invite all to experience the saving grace of Jesus Christ. We strive to grow and sustain by offering ministries that meet and nurture the Sacramental, spiritual, material and emotional needs of our greater community.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mar 13 **Vigil Mass; 4th Sunday of Lent**
Sat 4:00 **In Memory of James Cosetta (38th Anniv.)**
 by Paul, Linda & Bethany
 &
In Memory of Kathleen Nee (50th Anniv.)
 by her Family
 &
In Memory of Joseph LeClair
(Birthday Remembrance)
 by his Family

Mar 14 **4th Sunday of Lent**
Sun 8:00 **In Memory of Donald Dingas (4th Anniv.)**
 by his Family

Mar 15 **In Memory of Vincent & Arline O’Rourke**
Mon 8:00 by their Family

Mar 17 **St. Patrick, Bishop**
Wed 8:00 **Intention of the Priest**



Mar 19 **Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
Fri 12 pm **In Memory of Francis Silva**
(1st Anniversary)
 by his Family



6 pm **Stations of the Cross**
St. Joseph Church

Mar 20 **Vigil Mass; 5th Sunday of Lent**
Sat 4 pm **In Memory of Rose Carter**
(24th Anniversary)
 by her Daughter Sandi and
 Son-in-Law Roland

Mar 21 **5th Sunday of Lent**
Sun 8:00 **Intention of the Priest**



SANCTUARY LAMP – will burn this week in memory of Deceased Parishioners of St. Joseph Church.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

	03/07/21
Regular Collection	\$2,566.00
Mail-Ins	\$938.00
Monthly Collection	\$930.25
Electronic Giving Weekly	\$277.09
Fuel	\$130.00
Mass Stipends	\$81.00
Donations - RE	\$4.00
Donations - Vestment	\$200.00
Easter Flowers	\$90.00
Total Operating	\$5,216.34
Catholic University	\$10.00
Church in Latin America	\$10.00
Rice Bowl	\$110.00

Each week, our parish requires a minimum Total Operating Revenue of \$3,850.00 to meet our budgeted expenses.

If you miss Mass for any reason, we kindly ask you to make up your missed budget envelopes. Thank you for your generosity.

UPCOMING SECOND/SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

March 14	Fuel Collection
March 28	Catholic Relief Services Operation Rice Bowl Diocese of Providence
April 2	Holy Land – Good Friday
April 4	Easter Offering FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES
April 11	Monthly Parish Collection

20-WEEK CLUB

Sponsored by St. Joseph Church



Mark your calendars for Friday, June 4, 2021! Our annual 20-Week Club family style chicken dinner at the Village Haven is scheduled for 6:30 pm. Tickets will be sold after select Masses and during regular business hours (Monday – Thursday, 9:00 am until 3:00 pm) at St. Joseph’s Rectory (401-568-2411). The ticket price remains \$50 each, and includes eligibility for twenty (20) weekly drawings of \$25 each and \$1,850 in cash prizes the night of the event.

CONGRATULATIONS TO WEEKLY DRAWING
8 WINNER! Ticket #86 Paul Simpson
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ST. PATRICK CHURCH

FINANCIAL UPDATE



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MASS INTENTIONS

Mar 14 **4th Sunday of Lent**
 Sun 10:00 In Memory of Ann Rivet
 (28th Anniversary)
 by Marie & Family

Mar 16 In Memory of Bill Griffin, Jr.
 Tue 8:30 (3rd Anniversary)
 by his Wife & Family

Mar 17 **St. Patrick, Bishop**
 Wed 12pm Intention of the Priest



Mar 18 **St. Cyril of Jerusalem**
 Thu 8:30 **Bishop and Doctor of the Church**
 In Memory of Rita Lafeur
 by Andre & Donna Carpentier

Mar 19 **Stations of the Cross**
 Fri 6 pm St. Joseph Church

Mar 21 **5th Sunday of Lent**
 Sun 10:00 In Memory of Joseph Giard
 (3rd Anniversary)
 by his Family

	03/07/21
Regular Collection	\$1,470.00
Mail-Ins	\$140.00
Building & Maintenance	\$435.00
Electronic Giving Weekly	\$92.09
Donations	\$100.00
Donations - RE	\$4.00
Easter Flowers	\$62.00
Total Operating	\$2,303.09
Food Pantry	\$100.00
Rice Bowl	\$15.00
Holy Land	\$3.62

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Mar 28	Catholic Relief Services Operation Rice Bowl Diocese of Providence
April 2	Holy Land – Good Friday
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April 11	Building & Maintenance

SPRING DINNER DANCE

sponsored by St. Patrick Church. Saturday, May 22, 2021, 4 pm – 8 pm. (Rain date: Saturday, June 12, 2021.) The Pavilion, Stillwater Mill Center, Tinkham Lane, Harrisville. “Live Music” to provide entertainment. Details regarding cost and menu will appear in a future bulletin.



SANCTUARY LAMP – will burn this week in memory of Deceased Parishioners of St. Patrick Church.



ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

LENTEN FAST & ABSTINENCE REGULATIONS

- **Abstinence from meat on Ash Wednesday & the Fridays of Lent (for those 14 and older) is required by Church law. Also, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting: those between the ages of 18 and 59 should eat less, meaning, take no solid food between meals and only one full meal that day. Serious health conditions excuse a person from these precepts.**
- **Pastors and parents are encouraged by the law of the Church to ensure that minors who are not bound by the law of fast & abstinence are educated nonetheless in an authentic sense of penance.**

"AS LENT IS THE TIME FOR GREATER LOVE,
LISTEN TO JESUS' THIRST...
'REPENT AND BELIEVE' JESUS TELLS US.
WHAT ARE WE TO REPENT?
OUR INDIFFERENCE, OUR HARDNESS OF HEART.
WHAT ARE WE TO BELIEVE?
JESUS THIRSTS EVEN NOW,
IN YOUR HEART AND IN THE POOR --
HE KNOWS YOUR WEAKNESS.
HE WANTS ONLY YOUR LOVE,
WANTS ONLY THE CHANCE TO LOVE YOU."

~ BLESSED TERESA OF CALCUTTA

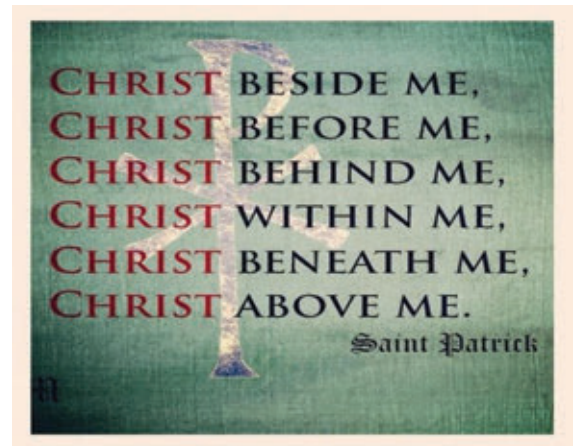


LENT 2021 | Reflect. Repent. Restore.

Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by [giving alms](#); and we practice self-control through [fasting](#). We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. We recall the waters of baptism in which we were also baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ.

Many know of the tradition of abstaining from meat on Fridays during Lent, but we are also called to practice self-discipline and fast in other ways throughout the season. Contemplate the meaning and origins of the Lenten fasting tradition in this [reflection](#). In addition, the giving of alms is one way to share God's gifts—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents. As St. John Chrysostom reminds us: "Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2446).

In Lent, the baptized are called to renew their baptismal commitment as others prepare to be baptized through the [Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults](#), a period of learning and discernment for individuals who have declared their desire to become Catholics. (USCCB)



THREE EVENINGS OF REFLECTION FOR THE HOLY SEASON OF LENT – Mon, 03/15; Tue, 03/16; and Wed, 03/17. Cathedral of Saint Peter & Paul, Providence. Fr. Peter Mongeon, Homilist. Holy Mass will be celebrated each evening. Confessions will be heard each evening from 6 pm until 6:45 pm. *“For God so loved the world that He gave us His only Son that whoever believes in Him may not perish but have everlasting life.”* (John 3:16) 958-page 5

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