

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
March 8/9, 2025



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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

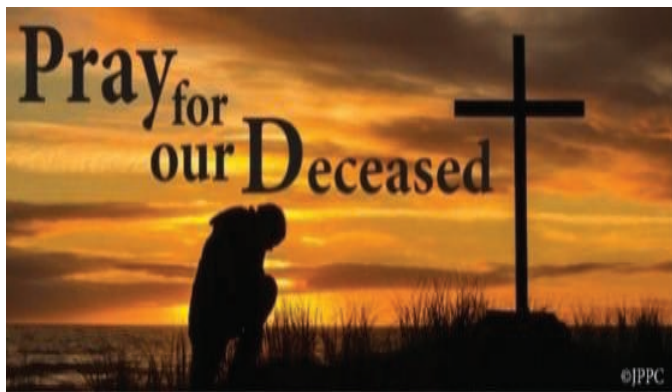
- Mon Lv 19:1-2, 11-18 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15
Mt 25:31-46
- Tue Is 55:10-11 Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19
Mt 6:7-15
- Wed Jon 3:1-10 Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19
Lk 11:29-32
- Thu Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25 Ps 138:1-2ab,
2cde-3, 7c-8 Mt 7:7-12
- Fri Ez 18:21-28 Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8
Mt 5:20-26
- Sat Dt 26:16-19 Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8
Mt 5:43-48
- Sun Gen 15:5-12, 17-18 Ps 27:1,7-8, 8-9, 13-14
Phil 3:17-4:1



OFFERTORY GIFTS

When more than one family has an intention for a single Mass, we suggest that a member of each family

present the gifts (hosts and wine) to the Celebrant. Please notify an Usher before Mass if you are in attendance and wish to bring the gifts to the altar and whether you would like the gifts to be placed in front of the first pew (if you are unable to walk the entire length of the center aisle)



Bereavement

St. Joseph Parish community mourns the passing of our loved ones. Please keep them and their families in your prayers and offer prayerful support to them throughout this difficult time.

Saint Eugene’s SVDP Food Pantry would like to take this opportunity to thank St. Joseph parishioners for their continued support of the Food Pantry. Your thoughtfulness and generosity are greatly appreciated. May God bless you all.

BISHOP HENDRICKEN – OPEN HOUSE

Bishop Hendricken High School will hold an Open House on Sunday, March 9th, from Noon to 3:00pm. Families will have an opportunity to tour our facilities and receive information on our academics, admission procedures, financial aid, student life, transportation, and college placement. For more information, please call the Admissions Office at 401-889-5425 or admissions@hendricken.com.

ON-LINE GIVING

Thank you to those parishioners who utilize Parish Giving. If you have not done so already, please visit our website-stjosephri.org to enroll in on-line giving. (See “Parish Giving” icon-bulletins lower left corner of the home page.)

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Mar 8	Fuel
Mar 15	Easter Flowers
Apr 12	CRS – Rice Bowl
Apr 18	Holy Land – Good Friday
Apr 19	Easter Offering for Catholic Charities
Apr 19	Monthly
April 26	Fuel



PRAYERS – PRAYERS –PRAYERS

Prayers are also needed for those who sick, in the hospital and recovering. Please call the Parish Office at (401) 568-2411, we are open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00am to 3:00pm. Please leave a clear and concise message. Let us know the name of your loved ones or friends that need extra prayers, and support and we will post their names in the bulletin. The Church Family that prays together can result in miracles. **GOD BLESS US ALL.**



The **MISSION** of the parish community of Saint Joseph is to “Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel.”

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

1st SUNDAY OF LENT

Mar 8 Sat 4:00pm **In Memory of Donald Dinges (Ann Rem)** by his Family & **In Memory of Tyler Bernard (B'day Rem)** by his grandparents, Kenneth & Carol Lewin

Mar 11 Tues 7:45am **For the Relief and Release of the Souls in Purgatory**

Mar 12 Wed 7:45am **Propuolo Mass for the parishioners of St. Joseph**

2nd SUNDAY OF LENT

Mar 15 Sat 4:00pm **In Memory of James R. Cosetta (42nd Ann)** by Paul, Linda & Bethany &

In Memory of Beatrice Emidy (1st Ann) by Family &

In Memory of Leo J. Fortin (B'day Rem) by Ann &

In Memory of George Wellington by Teresa, Colleen White & Family



SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week **for James R. Cosetta (42nd Ann)**

by Paul, Linda & Bethany



Do you, or someone you know, need a prayer? **Call Pauline Prew 568-5644** and have our “Prayer Warriors” pray for your intention.

REFLECTIONS FOR LENT

Temptation to sin by disobeying God and His plan for us is one issue we cannot ignore. It is internal; quite personal and very important. How we handle it is linked to our ultimate destination.

Why is this so? The bible is clear with the answer. Our human race is damaged. Damaged by the deliberate decision of our first parents to disobey a rather simple command of the God who made them. Having already provided them with clear intellects and delightful surroundings, God only gave them one little rule: do not eat the fruit of one certain tree among all the others in the garden.

Satan, self-chosen enemy of God, decides to fight God by luring Adam and Eve to disobey God by weaving a web of lies about the fruit of that tree. Sadly, he succeeds. Instantly our race became one of sinners. But God, in His loving goodness, offers hope to the pair. He will send them a Person who will repair the damage.

You and I are the sons and daughters of Adam and Eve, redeemed for ultimate union with God, adopted children of God via our baptism. Yet we must pass a test of our own. Call it our “temptations.” Sometimes they are small, no bigger than a candy bar lifted sneakily from the shelf at a Wawa convenience store. At other times they are very large, like casually ignoring a divine command and a Catholic Church precept to participate in Mass on the Lord’s Day. However clever we can be at rationalizing what we know deep down are wrong choices, in the end our consciences will not leave us alone. We are, after all, made for God, and as St. Augustine famously wrote: “Our hearts are restless until they rest in thee, O Lord.”

God love you and let Lent improve you

source: Rev. Leonard G. Peterson

FINANCIAL UPDATE

	2/22/25	3/1/25
Weekly	\$1593.00	\$1534.00
Monthly	\$60.00	\$180.00
Fuel	\$95.00	\$467.00
Mass Stipend	\$175.00	N/A
Good Friday	\$25.00	N/A
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Easter Offering	\$35.00	N/A
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