

# St. Mark's Catholic Church

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**Third Sunday of Lent** 

Lectionary: 28

Reading I <u>Ex 17:3-7</u>

In those days, in their thirst for water, the people grumbled against Moses, saying, "Why did you ever make us leave Egypt? Was it just to have us die here of thirst with our children and our livestock?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? a little more and they will stone me!" The LORD answered Moses, "Go over there in front of the along with some of the elders of Israel, holding in your hand, as you go, the staff with which you struck the river. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock in Horeb. Strike the rock, and the water will flow from it for the people to drink." This Moses did, in the presence of the elders of Israel. The place was called Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled there and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD in our midst or not?"

Responsorial Psalm

<u>95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9</u>

R. (8) If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD;

let us acclaim the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. Come, let us bow down in worship;

let us kneel before the LORD who made us.

For he is our God,

and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he guides.

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. Oh, that today you would hear his voice:

"Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as in the day of Massah in the desert,

Where your fathers tempted me;

they tested me though they had seen my works."
R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Reading II <u>Rom 5:1-2, 5-8</u>

Brothers and sisters: Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in hope of the glory of God.

And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. For Christ, while we were still helpless, died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

Gospel Acclamation Cf.

Cf. Jn 4:42, 15

Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again.

Gospel Jn 4:5-42

Jesus came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of land that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there. Jesus, tired from his journey, sat down there at the well. It was about noon.

A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?" —For Jews use nothing in common with Samaritans.— Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink, ' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you do not even have a bucket and the cistern is deep; where then can you get this living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us this cistern and drank from it himself with his children and his flocks?" Jesus answered and said to her, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go call your husband and come

back." The woman answered and said to him, "I do not have a husband." Jesus answered her, "You are right in saying, 'I do not have a husband.' For you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true." The woman said to him, "Sir, I can see that you are a Our ancestors worshiped mountain; but you people say that the place to worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You people worship what you do not understand; we worship what we understand, because salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when true worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit and truth; and indeed the Father seeks such people to worship him. God is Spirit, and those who worship him must worship in Spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming, the one called the Christ; when he comes, he will tell us everything." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one speaking with you."

At that moment his disciples returned, and were amazed that he was talking with a woman, but still no one said, "What are you looking for?" or "Why are you talking with her?" The woman left her water and went into the town and said to the people, "Come see a man who told me everything I have done. Could he possibly be the Christ?" They went out of the town and came to him. Meanwhile, the disciples urged him, "Rabbi, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Could someone have brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work. Do you not say, 'In four months the harvest will be here'? I tell you, look up and see the fields ripe for the harvest. The reaper is already receiving payment and gathering crops for eternal life, so that the sower and reaper can rejoice together. For here the saying is verified that 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap what you have not worked for; others have done the work, and you are sharing the fruits of their work."

Many of the Samaritans of that town began to believe in him because of the word of the woman who testified, "He told me everything I have done." When the Samaritans came to him, they invited him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. Many more began to believe in him because of his word, and they said to the woman, "We no longer believe because of your word; for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the savior of the world."



# **Rectory Hours**

Monday-Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

# **Weekend Masses**

Saturday 4:30 PM Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM, and 12 Noon 5PM in Spanish

# **Daily Masses**

Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet after Daily Masses Monday-Friday at 7:30 AM and 11 AM

Saturday 7:30 AM Only (No 11 AM Mass on Saturdays)

# **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturdays 3:30 PM to 4:15 PM and Thursdays after the 7:30 AM and 11 AM Masses

# **Devotions and Novenas**

Miraculous Medal Novena after daily Masses on Wednesdays Eucharistic Adoration on Fridays after 7:30 AM Mass. Benediction at 10:45 PM

1st Fridays Spanish Adoration beginning at 7 PM.

Rectory Office 732-449-6364			
Bulletin	Ext. 114		
Pastoral Council	Ext. 116		
Religious Education	Ext. 105		
Social Concerns	Ext. 108		
Spanish Ministry	Ext. 105		
Weddings	Ext. 100		
Ministries			
Altar Rosary Society	732-282-1244		
<b>Bereavement Ministry</b>	718-637-1162		
CYO	732-685-6011		
Music Ministry	908-415-0212		
Rosary Makers	732-245-8405		



Thank You! We are so grateful to all those who financially sacrifice each week to support our parish and it's ministries!

We would especially like to thank all of those who faithfully

use their weekly parish contribution envelopes and those who give online through the Parish Giving Program.

March 5, 2023 Sunday Collection Total \$9,811.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR BISHOP: In observance of St. Patrick's Day 2023, Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M., announced the following dispensation from the Friday obligation to abstain from eating meat and to fulfill the spirit of the obligation through other works, actions:

The Holy Season of Lent brings with it the serious annual penitential obligation to abstain from meat on Fridays of Lent. This year, 2023, however, Friday of the third week of Lent corresponds with St. Patrick's Day (March 17), which has traditionally been an occasion for special celebrations. As Bishop of the Diocese of Trenton, I am granting a dispensation from the obligation to abstain from eating meat to Catholics of the Diocese of Trenton as well as to any visitors or travelers who may be physically present within the territory of this Diocese on Friday, March 17th. Those Catholics taking advantage of the dispensation, however, are asked to transfer the Friday abstinence obligation to another day of their choosing in Lent or to perform a work of charity (for example, a donation to the poor) or some exercise of piety (for example, a visit to Church and prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, a rosary, or some other prayer, etc.) to fulfill the spirit of the obligation.



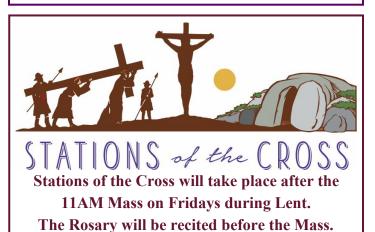
# **Gaelic Mass**

Monsignor Flynn will celebrate the 11AM Mass in Gaelic on Friday, March 17th, The Feast of Saint Patrick.

The Social Concerns meeting will be on Tuesday, March 14th at 1PM in Fr. Child's Hall. Please join us to learn how you can help others in need. Refreshments will be provided to celebrate St. Patrick's Day.



On Fridays during Lent, the Rosary will be recited before Benediction . We will begin the Rosary at 10:10 AM.



POR THE SICK

**Please Note:** Names will remain on the sick list read at mass for 4 weeks and then removed unless the requester calls to remain on the list for another 4 weeks. To ensure the consent of the person whose name appears here, the pastor's policy requires that only they or a family member may request a name be added to this list. Names will remain in the bulletin until the person or family request it be removed.

Joan Langlois, Linda Ryan, Steven VanWickle, Nancy O'Neill, Winifred Reilly, Danny Suskenich, Brian Nall, Marilyn Woerner, Bob Patrignelli, Nick Costantini, Caroline Viggiano, Teresa Corcoran, Kaitlin Wason, John Cinciarelli, Michael Sheridan, Erik Rofi, Jim & Andrea Trischitta, Erin Rubas, Dr. William Burns, Robert Czech, Janet Thomas, Edward Morea, Rosalie Renda, Alice Healy, Benjamin Ohlweiler, Robert MacPherson, Jake Gilbert, Bill Lesniak, Jim Bogan, Bruce Bogan, Sr., Ken Hauck.

Eternal Rest grant onto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Please remember in your prayers those of our diocese, parish, friends, and family members who have recently died.

† Matthew Kemper † John McDonnell

May the angels lead you into paradise.



# March 12 2023

**Monday**: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30 **Tuesday**: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt

18:21-35

**Wednesday**: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

**Thursday**: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23 **Friday**: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34

**Saturday**: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9

**Sunday**: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 or Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38.

# † This Week's Mass Intentions

# Monday, March 13

# 7:30 AM

† Vincent Azzollini by Ed & Judy Blaha † Dorothy Wright by Family

#### 11:00 AM

† Mary J. Flynn by Jerry Flynn Hugh McCormack by Eileen & Peter McHugh

# Tuesday, March 14

## 7:30 AM

- † Phyllis Blaine by Estate
- † William Heindle by Estate
  - † Jack Jurczyk by Family

# 11:00 AM

Living & Deceased Members of St. Mark's Social Concerns

### Wednesday, March 15

#### 7:30 AM

† Lorette Jordan by Estate † Anne Hart by Estate

### 11:00 AM

G. Marilyn Falvey by Mr. and Mrs. Anthony P. Randazzo, Jr. † Susan Armbrust by Tim & Jeanne Vecchione

# Thursday, March 16 7:30 AM

† Myron Zalom by Geri Zalom

† Laura Conlin by Foerst Family

# 11:00 AM

† Ann Maureen Wenzler by Kelly Cronin Oldroyd † Thomas Lenney by the Tortorella Family Dan Kobil by Jim, JoAnn, Bryan & Geada

### Friday, March 17

### 7:30 AM

† Deceased Members of Cavazini, Coyne, Holohan & O'Malley Families by Robert and Winifred Cavazini † Michael Cosimo McKenzie by Ed & Judy Blaha

# 11:00 AM

† Thomas P. Murphy by the McHugh Family † Patricia Henry by Ilze & Walter Henry † John Reager by the Russo-Alesi Families

# Saturday, March 18 7:30 AM

† Janice McClanahan by Clarence and Julie Kehoe

# 4:30 PM

† Francis Farrell by Salvador Family † Iraida Iturralde by Virginia Garcia † Robert P. Hall by Kathy and Bob Flammer

# Sunday, March 19

### 8:00 AM

† Mary Ann Beute by Family † Jay Green by Donatelli Family † Michelle Profita by the McKelvey Family

#### 10:00 AM

† Jack Geiger by Maria & John Checton † Frank Schatzman by Schatzman Family † Jimmy Vincent Azzollini by St. Mark's Parish Family

### 12 Noon

People of the Parish

### 5:00 PM

† Pedro Cruz Garcia by Merino Garcia Family
 † George Miksis by Garcia Family
 † Brian Mahony by Alvarado Family



**St. Mark's Bereavement Ministry:** Our Bereavement Ministry helps those who are grieving the loss of a loved one during their most difficult times. They meet on Wednesdays at 11 AM at St. Mark's.



Please call Sue Nolan at 718-637-1162 for more information. All are welcome!



The importance of Eucharistic Adoration is shown in the fact that the Church has a ritual that regulates it: the Rite of Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction. This is an extension of the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament which occurs in every Mass: "Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the

world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb." Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament flows from the sacrifice of the Mass and serves to deepen our hunger for Communion with Christ and the rest of the Church. The Rite concludes with the ordained minister blessing the faithful with the Blessed Sacrament.

Please join us on Friday's immediately after the 7:30 AM Mass for Adoration. Benediction begins at 10:45 AM. It will also be broadcast on livestream @ stmarkseagirt.com. Come spend some quiet time with the Lord.



"Are you in a rut?? Do something different this Lent!! Join a group of men working together to become better husbands and fathers!! More than ever men need other men

on this journey!! Come join us at St Mark's Saturday mornings at 6am for some coffee, friendship and spirituality!! It's free!! We meet downstairs!!"

Ministry Schedule March 18/19, 2023					
	Saturday 4:30 PM	Sunday 8:00 AM	Sunday 10:00 AM	Sunday 12 Noon	
Celebrant	Fr. Carlos	Msgr. Flynn	Fr. Carlos	Msgr. Flynn	
Readers	Sue Hannon	Rose Crimmins	Joe Stillo	Nancy Schatzman	
Eucharistic Ministers	Lynn Jelliff Anthony Granato	Dan Crimmins Pam Zusi	Jay Lorenzo Richard Norris	Bob Cicenia Helen Hopkins	
Ushers	Joe Walsh, Walter Henry Anthony Granato	Bob O'Neill, Leo Hurley, Pat Ahern,Glenn Skola	Rich Siderko Jim Sheridan	Howard Flood Richard DeGroote	



"When Esther's words were reported to Mordecai, he had this reply brought to her: 'Do not imagine that because you are in the King's palace, you alone of all the Jews will escape. Even if you now remain silent, relief and deliverance will come to the Jews from another source; but you and your Father's house will perish. Who knows but that it was for a time like this that you obtained the royal dignity'?" Esther 4:12-14 Mary's Child Pro-Life Ministry invites everyone to join us in ...

# 40 days for Life

**Place: Planned Parenthood in Shrewsbury** 

Dates: Monday-Friday, March 13th-31st

Times: Monday-Friday: 8 AM-6 PM (NB: MCPLM members attend the Friday vigils).

22,829 babies have been saved so far during this peaceful, prayerful witness!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

To sign up for the Friday campaign contact Jim at meyerjim1953@gmail.com

Other weekdays contact Monmouth4life@hotmail.com.







# American Red Cross BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, March 22nd 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

St. Mark's Church 215 Crescent Parkway, Sea Girt, NJ 08750

Appointments are needed. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to Schedule online or call 1-800-RED CROSS.

If you are a parishioner who has not been able to attend Mass and would like to have a Eucharistic Minister bring Holy Communion to you, please contact **the Rectory**, 732-449-6364 x100.



# 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal.

Will you join your fellow parishioners in supporting this effort that strengthens many important programs and ministries across the Diocese of Trenton?

This year our goal is \$6.5 million dollars and can only be achieved through **YOUR** generosity!

There are pledge forms available in the back of the church or visit www.diocesoftrenton.org/catholicappeal.

Your gift will truly make a difference. Thank you for your prayers and support.

**CLICK HERE**. for more information or donate.

# CYO News, by Mary Reilly

Last Sunday's CYO meeting enabled us to learn about the lives of four people who made it to heaven but are not sure why they were admitted. God never gives up on any of us; and if we do our best and let Him do the rest, we are sure to be

there with Him one day. We also acted out Bible stories: Adam and Eve banished from the garden, Moses receives the Ten Commandments, and St. Joseph has two important dreams where an angel spoke to him. Lots of important lessons learned here.

We are about half way through Lent now. It's very special "desert time" we spend with Christ. His own desert time was His preparation for all the Father was leading Him to do—to ensure our salvation. CYO members—good job—I hope you will all sign up to participate in the Living Stations of the Cross on Good Friday. Rehearsals begins on March 19th (hey, that's the Feast of St. Joseph!)

Happy St. Patrick's Day to everyone!!!!!!!! And especially to Monsignor Sean!!!!!!!!

# CYO Schedule: March 12th-April 7th

<u>March 12th</u>: No meeting (Mrs. Reilly has a family event that day).

March 19th: 7:30-8:45 PM: Rehearsal for the Living Stations the Cross. (Cast, readers and crew only).

March 26th: 9:15-10 PM: Speak to the 8<sup>th</sup> graders about CYO. Volunteers needed. 7:30-8:10 PM: Stuff the Eggs and CYO confessions. 8-8:45 PM: Rehearsal for Stations of the Cross.

March 27th (Monday): 7-7:45 PM: Speak to 8<sup>th</sup> Graders about CYO. Volunteers needed.

<u>April 2nd</u>: Easter Egg Hunt after 10 AM Mass. Volunteers needed.

April 2nd: 7:30-9 PM: Dress rehearsal with Spanish ministry for the Stations of the Cross.

<u>April 7th</u>: Arrive at 6:30 PM for final rehearsal of the Stations of the Cross. 7:30 PM: Present the Stations of the Cross.





Please Note: The Bible Study classes on Tuesday mornings have been canceled.

# **PASTORAL TALKS 2023**

~ Lecture Series~

At St. Margaret's Church 300 Ludlow Avenue, Spring Lake at 6PM

**Q&A** and Light Refreshment to follow at Duffy Hall

March 15, 2023 Msgr. Richard Liddy, Ph.D: "Our Young People and the

March 22, 2023

Existence of God"

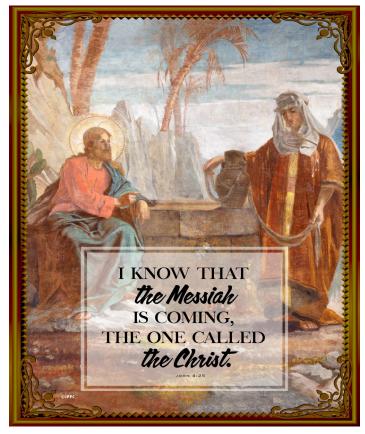
Fr. Martin Padovani SVD, MS:
"Living and the Modern Church"

March 29, 2023 Very Rev. Damian McElroy "Prodigal Sons and Daughters"

Please join us for fellowship and conversation.

These events are free and welcome to all.

Northern New Jersey Alcoholics Anonymous provides information on AA as a resource for anyone who thinks they may have drinking problem, as well as to answer any questions that professionals or community members may have about Alcoholics Anonymous. Please visit www.nnjaa.org for more information.



# IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

March 14: Social Concerns Meeting at 1PM. Refreshments following meeting. See page 4.

March 16: St. Patrick's Day baked goods for our homebound are due by 9:30 AM. See page 7.

March 17: Happy St. Patrick's Day!

**March 18: Second Collection** is for the Catholic Relief Services. Thank you for your help.

March 22: Red Cross Blood Drive in St. Mark's basement. 2-6PM. See page 7.

**April 2: Easter Egg Hunt** after the 10AM & 5PM Mass. More details in next week's bulletin!

# **PLEASE NOTE:**

Because of an early deadline for printing, please submit bulletin announcements for the EASTER bulletin (April 9th) by Friday, March 20th, to cindy@stmarkseagirt.com. Thank you!

The St. Denis Elizabeth Ministry wishes to support you as you live out God's Plan for your family!



Blessing for
Pregnant Women
-andCouples Hoping to
Conceive, Adopt or
Foster a Child

Sunday March 26, 2023 at the 10:00 am Mass

"Beach Chapel", Our Lady Star of the Sea East Main St. and 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Manasquan

> A special blessing will be offered to you and your family along with a blessed St. Gerard medal and prayer card

Weather permitting, we will offer refreshments immediately following the 10am Mass

\*\*All are welcome! No RSVP is necessary...Just come!!\*\*
Questions? Contact Rachel at <a href="mailto:thehendricks7@amail.com">thehendricks7@amail.com</a>



# walking with purpose

SO MUCH MORE THAN A BIBLE STUDY

Ladies, you are invited to a Walking with Purpose "Connect Coffee" Talk...

# "Reaching Your Child's Heart"

Would you like strength and wisdom to set your children on a path filled with the joy and hope only God can provide?

Join us for refreshments, a video, and small group discussion:

Tues, March 14th 7:30 pm or Wed, March 15th 12:15 pm St. Denis Parish Center, Manasquan

> For more info/RSVP: Michele 732-996-4929 Macchele1@gmail.com visit www.wwpnjshore.com



While everyone is not yet able to participate in person at Masses, you can watch them online by visiting our parish website: Saint Mark's Catholic Church – 215

Crescent Pkwy, Sea Girt, New Jersey 08750 (stmarkseagirt.com) and click on the Livestream logo or highlight the link below then right click and click open Hyperlink St. Mark Church Streaming Player | Powered by StreamSpot.

Lenten Soup for the Soul
San Alfonso Retreat House
755 Ocean Ave ● Long Branch, NJ ● 07740
March 27th 6:00 − 8:30 PM
Soup Supper 6:00 PM, Presentation 7:00 pm. \$25

Looking for some spiritual nourishment this Lent? Come to our <u>Lenten Soup for the Soul Evening</u>! Join us for some soup, fellowship, prayer and reflection to feed your body, mind, heart, and soul!

> To Bear the Beams of Love Presenter: Sr. Honora Nicholson, RSM

> > Registration is required

To register: e-mail info@sanalfonsoretreats.org OR register online: www.sanalfonsoretreats.org/80

Phone: 732-222-2731, X140 Full program description available at www.sanalfonsoretreats.org

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# First Reconciliation

Our children in the second-grade class celebrated First Reconciliation on Saturday, March 4, 2023. They told the story of the Lost Sheep and learned that God is a loving God who always forgives. We are most grateful to our Priests, Msgr. Flynn, Fr. Carlos and our Catechist: Mrs. Perez, Mrs. Nixon, Mrs. Kennedy and our families who celebrated with us. Many blessings to these children on receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the Gift of Forgiveness! Go in Peace, to Love and Serve the Lord.



# **Feeding the Hungry Frozen Meals Program Resumes!**

Are you looking for an easy way to help those in need? Here's one way you can

make a difference. St. Mark's Social Concerns Ministry is resuming the Frozen Meals Program for the Center in Asbury Park which was discontinued due to the Covid pandemic. The Center in Asbury Park, Inc., is a volunteer -based New Jersey not-for-profit service organization, providing support services for people living with HIV/ AIDS and their caregivers since 1992.

The process is simple! Here's what to do:

- Pick up food trays and lids next to the kitchen refrigerator in Fr. Child's Hall (St. Mark's Church basement)
- Fill the trays with generous portions of food
- Label the tray lids with the contents and date of preparation
- Return the meals to the freezer compartment of the refrigerator in Fr. Child's Hall.

# Please use only the trays provided.

St Mark's volunteers will deliver the meals to The Center for distribution to their clients.

Please contact Marybeth or Joe Walsh at 732 449-5656 with any questions. Your participation is greatly appreciated.



Homebound seniors can remain comfortably at home with the dignity of independence and the security of having someone visit once a day with a nutritious meal. Also, the warm smile of one of our wonderful

volunteers or caring meals-on-wheels drivers is important to them and often serves as a wellness check.

If you would like more information, please call Meals on Wheels 732-502-3277 or Barbara Anderson 848-444-3123.

# **Mercy Center UPDATE!**

10 Canned fruit • Cereal • Juices Diapers and Wipes • Coffee and Tea Condiments • Toilet Paper Toiletries (The Dollar Tree is a great source for

Thank you for your continued generosity.

**Collecting Travel Size Toiletries** 

St. Mark's Social Concerns Committee is collecting travel size toiletry items (soap, shampoos, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs

etc.) for delivery by volunteers to those in need in the Asbury Park area. Containers are located at Church entrances. Thank you!

Offerings at Francis House of Prayer: Spiritual direction, a one-on-one conversation with a spiritual director about God in your life, is always available. We offer the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius on a monthly and weekly basis, many opportunities to learn and practice contemplative prayer, reading programs on St. John of the Cross and other Carmelite Saints, and contemporary writers such as James Martin, Thomas Keating, Richard Rohr, Thomas Merton and special one-time programs.

**Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House** 609-877-0509 or FHOP@verizon.net.

Please check or click on www.FHOP.org for programs and registration.

St. Joseph By the Sea—Our programs are offered to enrich, renew and deepen one's interior communication with the Lord in an atmosphere of prayer, quiet and solitude. The scenic environment of



the Atlantic Ocean and Barnegat Bay provides additional contemplative opportunity. Current brochure can be found on our website - www.sjbsea.org.

The Upper Room is a spiritual and educational center rooted in a contemplative and holistic approach that supports and nourishes the spiritual growth of laity, religious, and clergy. Sponsored by the Diocese of Trenton, the Upper Room serves women and men within and outside the diocese through on-site and outreach programs. The For information on programs, visit www.theupper-room.org please or e-mail: office@theupper-room.org.



# Iglesia de "San Marcos" Apostolado Hispano Misa Dominical: Domingo 5:00 p.m.

# Fr. Carlos Castilla, Vicario Parroquial

frcarlos@stmarkseagirt.com Teléfono: (732) 449-6364 ext. 122. Fax: (732) 449-1646



# Directora del Ministerio de Religión

# Diana Zuna Nieves

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# 12 de marzo del 2023 Tercer Domingo del Tiempo de Cuaresma

# Primera Lectura: Ex 17, 3-7.

En aquellos días, el pueblo, torturado por la sed, fue a protestar contra Moisés, diciéndole: "¿Nos has hecho salir de Egipto para hacernos morir de sed a nosotros, a nuestros hijos y a nuestro ganado?" Moisés clamó al Señor y le dijo: "¿Qué puedo hacer con este pueblo? Sólo falta que me apedreen". Respondió el Señor a Moisés: "Preséntate al pueblo, llevando contigo a algunos de los ancianos de Israel, toma en tu mano el cayado con que golpeaste el Nilo y vete. Yo estaré ante ti, sobre la peña, en Horeb. Golpea la peña y saldrá de ella agua para que beba el pueblo". Así lo hizo Moisés a la vista de los ancianos de Israel y puso por nombre a aquel lugar Masá y Meribá, por la rebelión de los hijos de Israel y porque habían tentado al Señor, diciendo: "¿Está o no está el Señor en medio de nosotros?"

# Salmo Responsorial Salmo 94, 1-2. 6-7. 8-9.

# Señor, que no seamos sordos a tu voz.

Vengan, lancemos viva al Señor, aclamemos al Dios que nos salva. Acerquémonos a él, llenos de júbilo, y démosle gracias.

# Señor, que no seamos sordos a tu voz.

Vengan, y puestos de rodillas, adoremos y bendigamos al Señor, que nos hizo, pues él es nuestro Dios y nosotros, su pueblo; él es nuestro pastor y nosotros, sus ovejas.

# Señor, que no seamos sordos a tu voz.

Hagámosle caso al Señor, que nos dice: "No endurezcan su corazón, como el día de la rebelión en el desierto, cuando sus padres dudaron de mí, aunque habían visto mis obras".

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# Segunda Lectura: Rm 5, 1-2. 5-8.

Hermanos: Ya que hemos sido justificados por la fe, mantengámonos en paz con Dios, por mediación de nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Por él hemos obtenido, con la fe, la entrada al mundo de la gracia, en el cual nos encontramos; por él, podemos gloriarnos de tener la esperanza de participar en la

gloria de Dios. La esperanza no defrauda, porque Dios ha infundido su amor en nuestros corazones por medio del Espíritu Santo, que él mismo nos ha dado. En efecto, cuando todavía no teníamos fuerzas para salir del pecado, Cristo murió por los pecadores en el tiempo señalado. Dificilmente habrá alguien que quiera morir por un justo, aunque puede haber alguno que esté dispuesto a morir por una persona sumamente buena. Y la prueba de que Dios nos ama está en que Cristo murió por nosotros, cuando aún éramos pecadores.

# Aclamación antes del Evangelio: Cf Jn 4, 42. 15.

R. Honor y gloria a ti, Señor Jesús. Señor, tú eres el Salvador del mundo. Dame de tu agua viva para que no vuelva a tener sed. R. Honor y gloria a ti, Señor Jesús.

# Evangelio: Jn 4, 5-15. 19b-26. 39a. 40-42

En aquel tiempo, llegó Jesús a un pueblo de Samaria, llamado Sicar, cerca del campo que dio Jacob a su hijo José. Ahí estaba el pozo de Jacob. Jesús, que venía cansado del camino, se sentó sin más en el brocal del pozo. Era cerca del mediodía. Entonces llegó una mujer de Samaria a sacar agua y Jesús le dijo: "Dame de beber". (Sus discípulos habían ido al pueblo a comprar comida). La samaritana le contestó: "¿Cómo es que tú, siendo judío, me pides de beber a mí, que soy samaritana?" (Porque los judíos no tratan a los samaritanos). Jesús le dijo: "Si conocieras el don de Dios y quién es el que te pide de beber, tú le pedirías a él, y él te daría agua viva". La mujer le respondió: "Señor, ni siquiera tienes con qué sacar agua y el pozo es profundo, ¿cómo vas a darme agua viva? ¿Acaso eres tú más que nuestro padre Jacob, que nos dio este pozo, del que bebieron él, sus hijos y sus ganados?" Jesús le contestó: "El que bebe de esta agua vuelve a tener sed. Pero el que beba del agua que yo le daré, nunca más tendrá sed; el agua que yo le daré se convertirá dentro de él en un manantial capaz de dar la vida eterna". La mujer le dijo: "Señor, dame de esa agua para que no vuelva a tener sed ni tenga que venir hasta aquí a sacarla. Ya veo que eres profeta. Nuestros padres dieron culto en este monte y ustedes dicen que el sitio donde se debe dar culto está en Jerusalén".

Jesús le dijo: "Créeme, mujer, que se acerca la hora en que ni en este monte ni en Jerusalén adorarán al Padre. Ustedes adoran lo que no conocen; nosotros adoramos lo que conocemos. Porque la salvación viene de los judíos. Pero se acerca la hora, y ya está aquí, en que los que quieran dar culto verdadero adorarán al Padre en espíritu y en verdad, porque así es como el Padre quiere que se le dé culto. Dios es espíritu, y los que lo adoran deben hacerlo en espíritu y en verdad". La mujer le dijo: "Ya sé que va a venir el Mesías (es decir, Cristo). Cuando venga, él nos dará razón de todo". Jesús le dijo: "Soy yo, el que habla contigo". Muchos samaritanos de aquel poblado creyeron en Jesús por el testimonio de la mujer: 'Me dijo todo lo que he hecho'. Cuando los samaritanos llegaron a donde él estaba, le rogaban que se quedara con ellos, y se quedó allí dos días. Muchos más creyeron en él al oír su palabra. Y decían a la mujer: "Ya no creemos por lo que tú nos has contado, pues nosotros mismos lo hemos oído y sabemos que él es, de veras, el salvador del mundo".

# Primera Reconciliación

Nuestros niños de la clase de segundo grado celebraron la Primera Reconciliación el sábado 4 de marzo de 2023. Contaron la historia del Buen pastor y aprendieron que Dios es un Dios amoroso que siempre perdona. Estamos muy agradecidos a nuestro Sacerdote, Mons. Flynn, Fr. Carlos y nuestras catequistas: Olga Astorga, Mariana Ortiz y Andrea Martinez y nuestras familias que celebraron con nosotros. Muchas bendiciones a estos niños al recibir el Sacramento de la Reconciliación; el don del perdón! Ir en paz, para amar y servir al Señor.



