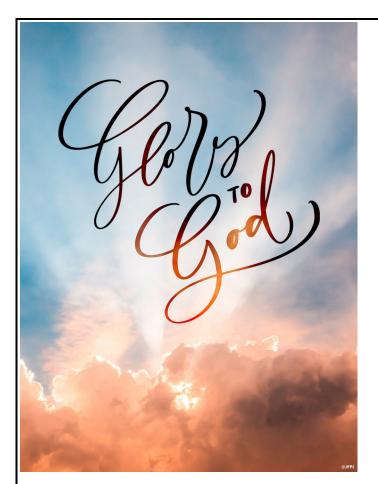


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Second Sunday of Lent

Lectionary: 25

Reading 1

<u>Gn 12:1-4a</u>

The LORD said to Abram: "Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father's house to a land that I will show you.

"I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you and curse those who curse you. All the communities of the earth shall find blessing in you." Abram went as the LORD directed him.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22.

$R.\ (22)$ Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Upright is the word of the LORD, and all his works are trustworthy. He loves justice and right; of the kindness of the LORD the earth is full. R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who fear him, upon those who hope for his kindness, To deliver them from death and preserve them in spite of famine. R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Our soul waits for the LORD, who is our help and our shield. May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us who have put our hope in you. R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Reading 2

<u>2 Tm 1:8b-10</u>

Beloved: Bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God.

He saved us and called us to a holy life, not according to

your works but according to his own design and the grace bestowed on us in Christ Jesus before time began, but now made manifest through the appearance of our savior Christ Jesus, who destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Verse Before the Gospel

<u>Cf. Mt 17:5</u>

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: This is my beloved Son, hear him.

Gospel

Mt 17:1-9

Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid." And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone.

As they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, "Do not tell the vision to anyone until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."





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.

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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.

February 26, 2023 Sunday Collection Total \$8,831.

FOR 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, Regina Winifred Shine. Nancv O'Neill. 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.

† Cathy Shalloo

May the angels lead you into paradise.



March 5, 2023

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38 Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16; Mt 20:17-28 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; Lk 16:19-31 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46 Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Lk

15:1-3, 11-32 Sunday: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5 -42 or Jn 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42.

† This Week's Mass Intentions

Monday, March 6

7:30 AM † Deceased Members of St. Mark's Holy Name

⁺ Jeanne Lambkin by JoAnn McGuirk
 ⁺ Helen Albin by Kathleen & Tom Albin
 11:00 AM Living & Deceased Members St. Mark's Altar Rosary Society

by Saint Mark's Parish Family

Tuesday, March 7

7:30 AM + Mary McCluskey by Estate + Grace Carroll by Friends

11:00 AM

+ Georgette Gabriel by Pat Langell
+ Norah Elizabeth Bruther by Mom & Dad
+ Jack Duffy by Connie and Mark Duffy

Wednesday, March 8

7:30 AM [†] Louise Longo by Longo Family [†] Dorothy Wright by Family 11:00 AM

[†] Janice McClanahan by Carole Kehoe
 [†] Richard Russo by Marilyn & Richard Brinker
 Mary McCormack by Eileen and Peter McHugh

Thursday, March 9 7:30 AM

[†] Ken Farrell by Zusi Family
 [†] Florence Maclearie by Diane & Bob Meserlin
 11:00 AM

Domenica Pagnotta by Bertucci Family
 Norah Elizabeth Bruther by RBC Girls Soccer
 Ginny Westphal by Jerry O'Keeffe

Friday, March 10

7:30 AM † Anne Macenczak by Estate † Edward Prout by Judy & Ed Blaha 11:00 AM † Ed and Helen Doran by Ed and Mary Doran † Donald B. Garetano, Sr. by Mr. & Mrs. Anthony P. Randazzo Jr.

Saturday, March 11 7:30 AM

Special Intention by Friends at 7:30 Mass Ben Sharpe 80th Birthday, by Julie & Bob McKelvey

4:30 PM

⁺ Dr. Joseph P. Kane by the Family of Dr. Joseph P. & Barbara Kane
⁺ Bonnie McGonegle by Jim McGonegle
⁺ Beatrice Ledden by Maureen Kelly Machirella

Sunday, March 12 8:00 AM

Anthony Donatelli by Family
† Anthony Donatelli by Family
† Alice Marzully by the Tages Family
† Sarah O'Keefe by Pat and Joe Gallagher
10:00 AM
People of the Parish
12 Noon
† Ken Farrell by Rob & Nancy Schatzman
† Jimmy Azzollini by Jack Cancalosi
† Deceased Members of Cronin, Buckley & Wenzler Families
by Maureen Cronin
5:00 PM
† Pedro Cruz Garcia by Merino Garcia Family
† Manuel Garcia Mendoza by Family
† Ismael Alejandrez Sanchez by Rojas Family

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PASTORAL TALKS 2023

~A Five Part Lecture Series~

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

Q&A and Light Refreshment to follow at Duffy Hall

March 8, 2023 Deacon Paul Vitale: "The Three Glances of Christ"

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

March 22, 2023 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. We hope to see you there.

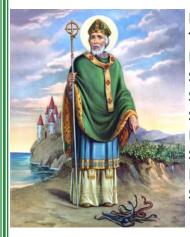
Some Thoughts for March 2023 by Marge Loenser

We've heard it said that March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb. Hmm, interesting, as Jesus was called the "Lion of Judah" as well as the "Lamb of God." So, let us claim March for Jesus for which He is the Beginning and the End.

On the 7th we celebrate St. Perpetua and St. Felicity, both martyrs of the third century killed by the emperor Severus of Rome. St. Perpetua was a young noblewoman who was the mother of an infant child. Felicity was her slave (as well as her friend) who at the time was pregnant. Both women were murdered for not renouncing their faith, They are patron saints of mothers and expectant mothers. Perpetua and Felicity, please join us as we pray for all expectant mothers and for an end to abortion.

St. Frances of Rome, who just happens to be one of my favorite saints, lived during the 14th century. She was blessed with miracles as well as the vision of her guardian angel. Legend says that an angel used to light the road before her with a lantern to keep her from hazards. I pray to her each time I get behind wheel of my car as she is the patron saint of automobile drivers. God knows I wouldn't venture a highway without her.

Of course we cannot forget St. Patrick on the 17th. Although he was technically not an Irishman, but a Roman citizen born in Scotland. He was captured and made a slave in Ireland at a young age. He spent 6 years there working as a herdsman during which time he fervently turned to his faith as a Christian. He escaped to Britain and was, after another brief captivity, reunited with his parents. After a time he returned to Ireland where he journeyed far and wide converting the pagans. Here is one of my favorite prayers of St. Patrick: It's called the Fourth Lorica:



I arise today Through the strength of heaven, Light of the sun, Splendor of fire, Speed of lightning, Swiftness of the wind, Depth of the sea, Stability of the earth, Firmness of the rock. Amen St. Patrick pray for us.

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, let us not cease to pray for peace in the world and especially for the salvation of the United States of America. Have a blessed Lenten season and a very happy St. Patrick's Day!

Love,

Marge



"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: February 24th-March 31st

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

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

Other weekdays contact <u>Monmouth4life@hotmail.com</u>.



Ministry Schedule March 11/12, 2023					
	Saturday 4:30 PM	Sunday 8:00 AM	Sunday 10:00 AM	Sunday 12 Noon	
Celebrant	Msgr. Flynn	Fr. Carlos	Msgr. Flynn	Fr. Carlos	
Reader	Colleen Rivera	Peggy Hardiman	Robert Cavazini	Bob Cicenia	
Eucharistic Ministers	Lynn Jelliff Anthony Granato	Dan Crimmins Rose Crimmins	Dolores Linquito Eileen Sugrue	Nancy Schatzman 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	

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.

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

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

St Marks Altar Rosary Society will be meeting **Monday**, **March 6th at** the 11 AM Mass. Recitation of the Rosary afterwards. Luncheon to follow.



St. Mark's Social Concerns Committee will meet Tuesday, March 14th at 12 noon. Following the meeting, we will have lunch to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. All are welcome to attend. Join us to see how you can help others.

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.



Stations of the Cross will take place after the 11 AM Mass on Fridays during Lent. The Rosary will be recited before the Mass.



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 <u>www.diocesoftrenton.org/catholicappeal</u>.

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

<u>CLICK HERE</u>. for more information or donate.



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.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

March 4/5: Second collection if for our Diocesan Assessment. Thank you!

March 6: Altar Rosary Society meeting & luncheon following the 11 AM Mass.

March 14: Social Concerns meeting at 1PM. Refreshments following meeting. See page 7.

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

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



'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

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



Biblical Scholars tell us that the essence of Christianity is joy.

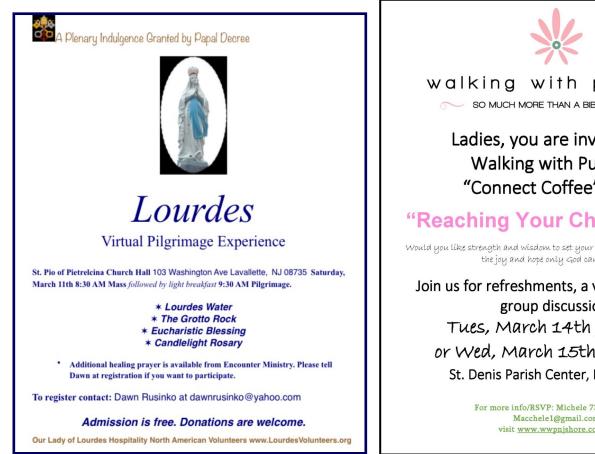
Have you found this to be so?

Come to our Bible Study. We shall read some of the great passages of both the Old and New Testaments. There are no tests, papers to write, no grades and no lectures. We shall all sit in a circle and share our thoughts, questions, and opinions in a relaxed informal setting.

There will be ten classes on **Tuesdays**, March 7th to May 9th from 9:30-10:45 AM in Fr. Child's Hall (St. Mark's basement).

Those parishioners who attend our daily 11 AM Mass on a Tuesday morning, may wish to attend our Bible Study class.

The instructor will be John Snyder, as he was for the last two sessions. Any questions, call him at 848-241-3531.



walking with purpose

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





Our Social Concerns Ministry is asking for St. Patrick's Day

baked goods or treats for our homebound.

Please drop off your baked goods, cookies and candy to

the church basement by

Thursday, March 16th by 9:30 AM.



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. CLICK HERE to Schedule online or call 1-800-RED CROSS.



St. Patrick's Day Parade

This Sunday, March 5th at 12:30 on Main Street, Lake Como and Belmar For details CLICK HERE or visit www.belmarparade.com.

Parish Mission Statement

COOKIES

CANDY

We, the Parish Family of St. Mark's in our quest to follow the Gospel of Jesus Christ, are building a faith-based community that assists all people in life's journey to be open to God's love and to share His joy. We are further committed to address the spiritual, physical, emotional and social needs of all people through service to individuals, families, parish and the greater community. As responsible stewards using our individual gifts, we promise to celebrate, renew and strengthen our faith, and to live our lives as a reflection of Christ's love for others. St. Mark's is designated as a Center for Hispanic Ministry in the Diocese of Trenton.

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.

CYO News by Mary Reilly



I asked my pro-life group at our monthly meeting last week what special things they did in observance of Lent. The answers were mostly that they attend daily Mass, walk the Stations of the Cross, pray the Rosary outside Planned Parenthood, and practice fasting. When I asked the CYO the same question, most of them said that it was a time to get closer to Jesus and live holier lives. Here are some of their comments:

"I like to enhance my mindset and start to think more positively about my experiences during Lent. I feel it makes more of a difference in my life than giving something up." *Katie*

"Lent is a time to go to Church and be closer with God. Jesus teaches that abstaining from temptations will help us grow with God and show us the strength we all have inside us. I think one of the biggest temptations for young people today is social media and the internet." *Casey*

"I think Jesus wanted us to break bad habits over the Lenten season; and when we stop doing those over the 40 days, we start to live without them and live our lives better." *Ryan*

"Lent is a time to be grateful for what you have and what you don't have because some people have nothing..." Jaclyn

"During Lent we should focus on ourselves while also serving others. We should give up things we like in order to make it easier to resist the devil's temptations. During Lent, my family includes those in our evening prayers that we would not regularly pray for. This Lent I chose to abstain from having sugary drinks. I also try to do at least one good deed daily during Lent." Thomas All of the teens felt that peer pressure and the entrapments and dangers of social media were the hardest and most harmful temptations to deal with. They all agreed that to love and serve others was a great way to resist temptations and more greatly imitate Christ!

CYO Schedule: March 5--April 7

<u>March 5th</u>: 7:30-8:30 PM: "Why I Don't Deserve to be in Heaven" play. CYO original plays. More Lenten challenges.

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

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

<u>March 26th</u>: 9:15-10 PM: Speak to the 8th 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.

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

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

<u>April 2nd</u>: 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.



The Way of the Cross

Our 7th grade class hosted the Way of the Cross on Ash Wednesday, February 22nd. As we began the Lent season, the Way of the Cross reminded us about our Lord's Passion. By reenacting Jesus' journey to Calvary carrying His cross, we meditated on the pain and suffering of our Lord. We witnessed Jesus' meeting with the women of Jerusalem, on his way to crucifixion, and his death and burial.

After our service, everyone joined us for meatless soup dinner at Fr. Child's Hall. Thank you to those who joined us!





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!

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

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!

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



Blessing for Pregnant Women -and-Couples 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 3rd 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 thehendricks7@gmail.com

THE WOMAN'S CLUB **OF MANASQUAN**

CLOTHING DR

to benefit women and children at 180 Turning Lives Around, men at Jersey Shore Rescue Mission

Thursday, March 16 9am-5pm

62 Main Street, Manasquan

Please donate SPRING clothing that is gently worn (or unworn) and clean.

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 <u>diana@stmarkseagirt.com</u> Teléfono: (732) 449-6364 ext. 105



Primera lectura: Gn 12, 1-4ª.

En aquellos días, dijo el Señor a Abram: "Deja tu país, a tu parentela y la casa de tu padre, para ir a la tierra que yo te mostraré. Haré nacer de ti un gran pueblo y te bendeciré. Engrandeceré tu nombre y tú mismo serás una bendición. Bendeciré a los que te bendigan, maldeciré a los que te maldigan. En ti serán bendecidos todos los pueblos de la tierra". Abram partió, como se lo había ordenado el Señor.

Salmo Responsorial: Salmo 32, 4-5. 18-19. 20 y 22.

Señor, ten misericordia de nosotros.

Sincera es la palabra del Señor y todas sus acciones son leales. El ama la justicia y el derecho, la tierra llena está de sus bondades.

Señor, ten misericordia de nosotros.

Cuida el Señor de aquellos que lo temen y en su bondad confían; la salva de la muerte y en épocas de hambre de la vida.

Señor, ten misericordia de nosotros.

En el Señor está nuestra esperanza, pues él es nuestra ayuda y nuestro amparo. Muéstrate bondadoso con nosotros, puesto que, en ti, Señor, hemos confiado.

Señor, ten misericordia de nosotros.

Segunda lectura: 2 Tm 1, 8b-10.

Querido hermano: Comparte conmigo los sufrimientos por la predicación del Evangelio, sostenido por la fuerza de Dios. Pues Dios es quien nos ha salvado y nos ha llamado a que le consagremos nuestra vida, no porque lo merecieran nuestras buenas obras, sino porque así lo dispuso él gratuitamente. Este don, que Dios nos ha concedido por medio de Cristo Jesús desde toda la eternidad, ahora se ha manifestado con la venida del mismo Cristo Jesús, nuestro Salvador, que destruyó la muerte y ha hecho brillar la luz de la vida y de la inmortalidad, por medio del Evangelio.

Aclamación antes del Evangelio: Cf Mk 9, 7.

R. Honor y gloria a ti, Señor Jesús. En el esplendor de la nube se oyó la voz del Padre, que decía:

"Éste es mi Hijo amado; escúchenlo". R. Honor y gloria a ti, Señor Jesús.

Evangelio: Mt 17, 1-9.

En aquel tiempo, Jesús tomó consigo a Pedro, a Santiago y a Juan, el hermano de éste, y los hizo subir a solas con él a un monte elevado. Ahí se transfiguró en su presencia: su rostro se puso resplandeciente como el sol y sus vestiduras se volvieron blancas como la nieve. De pronto aparecieron ante ellos Moisés y Elías, conversando con Jesús. Entonces Pedro le dijo a Jesús: "Señor, jqué bueno sería quedarnos aquí! Si quieres, haremos aquí tres chozas, una para ti, otra para Moisés y otra para Elías". Cuando aún estaba hablando, una nube luminosa los cubrió y de ella salió una voz que decía: "Éste es mi Hijo muy amado, en quien tengo puestas mis complacencias; escúchenlo". Al oír esto, los discípulos cayeron rostro en tierra, llenos de un gran temor. Jesús se acercó a ellos, los tocó y les dijo: "Levántense y no teman". Alzando entonces los ojos, ya no vieron a nadie más que a Jesús. Mientras bajaban del monte, Jesús les ordenó: "No le cuenten a nadie lo que han visto, hasta que el Hijo del hombre haya resucitado de entre los muertos".

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