

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

THE PRIESTLY FRATERNITY OF ST. PETER

3RD SUNDAY OF LENT



The Readings for Today

Epistle: St. Paul to the Ephesians (5:1-9)

Brethren: Be imitators of God, as very dear children and walk in love, as Christ also loved us and delivered Himself up for us an offering and a sacrifice to God to ascend in fragrant odor. But immorality and every uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as becomes saints; or obscenity or foolish talk or scurrility, which are out of place; but rather thanksgiving. For know this and understand, that no fornicator, or unclean person, or covetous one - for that is idolatry - has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. Let no one lead you astray with empty words; for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the children of disobedience. Do not, then, become partakers with them. For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk, then, as children of light, for the fruit of the light is in all goodness and justice and truth.

The Gospel (St. Luke 11:14-28)

At that time, Jesus was casting out a devil, and the same was dumb; and when He had cast out the devil, the dumb man spoke. And the crowds marveled. But some of them said, By Beelzebub, the prince of devils, He casts out devils. And others, to test Him, demanded from Him a sign from heaven. But He, seeing their thoughts, said to them: Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and house will fall upon house. If, then, Satan also is divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because you say that I cast out devils by Beelzebub. Now, if I cast out devils by Beelzebub, by whom do your children cast them out? Therefore they shall be your judges. But if I cast out devils by the finger of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you. When the strong man, fully armed, guards his courtyard, his property is undisturbed. But if a stronger than he attacks and overcomes him, he will take away all his weapons that he relied upon, and will divide his spoils. He who is not with Me is against Me; and he who does not gather with Me scatters. When the unclean spirit has gone out of a man, he roams through waterless places in search of rest; and finding none, he says, 'I will return to my house which I left.' And when he has come to it, he finds the place swept. Then he goes and takes seven other spirits more evil than himself, and they enter in and dwell there; and the last state of that man becomes worse than the first. Now it came to pass as He was saying these things, that a certain woman from the crowd lifted up her voice and said to Him, Blessed is the womb that bore You, and the breasts that nursed You. But He said, Rather, blessed are they who hear the word of God and keep it.

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

MARCH 12 - 18

SUNDAY: 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT
8:00 AM LOW MASS
10:15 AM HIGH MASS

MONDAY: FERIA OF LENT
7:45 AM LOW MASS

TUESDAY: FERIA OF LENT
7:45 AM LOW MASS

WEDNESDAY: FERIA OF LENT
7:45 AM LOW MASS

THURSDAY: FERIA OF LENT
7:45 AM LOW MASS

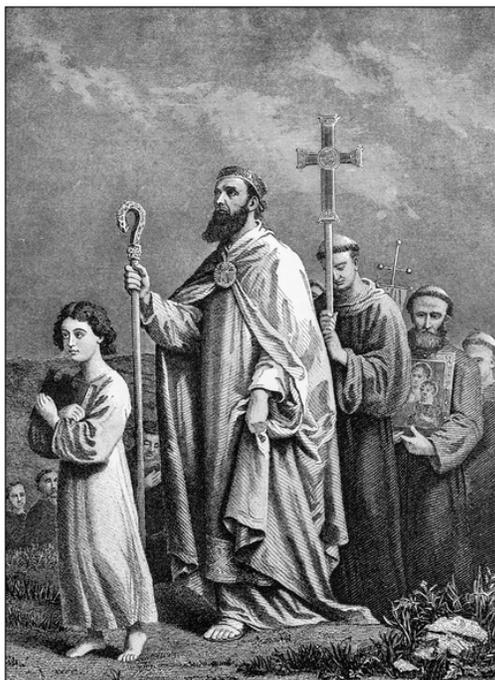
FRIDAY: FERIA, COMM ST. PATRICK
4:45 PM SOLEMN HOLY HOUR
5:45PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS
6:30 PM LOW MASS

SATURDAY: FERIA, COMM ST. CYRIL
8:00 AM SOLEMN HOLY HOUR
9:00 AM LOW MASS

CONFESSIONS

SUNDAY: 7:15 AM AND 9:30 AM
MON-THURS: 7:25AM - 7:40AM
FRIDAY: 5:10 PM - 5:40 PM
SATURDAY: 8:10 AM - 8:40 AM
OR BY APPOINTMENT

Announcements and Upcoming Events



St. Patrick

Feast Day: March 17

Wednesdays in Lent

On Wednesdays during Lent we are going to dedicate to evenings of recollection catering to different demographics. The schedule for these nights will look something like this:

- 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm - Adoration with simple exposition (confessions available)
- 7:00 - 7:30 pm - soup/salad potluck
- 7:30 pm - Reflection (by priest)
- 8:00 pm - Exposition and Adoration
- 8:30 pm - Benediction

- This Wednesday, March 15 - Youth
- Wednesday, March 22 - Married Couples
- Wednesday, March 29 - Meditation on the Passion of Christ.

Everyone is welcome, but the talks will be focused on the particular demographic.

FRIDAY DISPENSATION FOR THE DIOCESE OF SCRANTON

"The memorial of Saint Patrick falls on a Friday this year, March 17, the Friday of the Third Week of Lent. Given the importance of this feast in the life of the Diocese of Scranton and in the lives of many local Catholics, **the Most Rev. Joseph C. Bambera, Bishop of Scranton, is granting a dispensation from the Friday Lenten abstinence on Friday, March 17, 2023, to those who wish to take advantage of this opportunity.**"

For those of you who attend this parish but live outside of the Diocese of Scranton, check your local diocesan website to see if your diocese has the same dispensation before taking advantage.

Welcome Fr. Lawrence FSSP!

Fr. William Lawrence, Provincial Superior of the North American Province of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter, is visiting St. Michael's Parish this weekend. He will be offering the 8:00 am mass and will be present at the coffee social after the masses. Please make him feel welcome and keep him in your prayers.

"Kingdom of Heaven" Campaign

St. Michael the Archangel Parish is beginning a campaign, in conjunction with the other parishes in the diocese of Scranton, to highlight the good that our parish brings to the life of the local Church as well as to our individual lives and families. Here at St. Michael's our mission is simple, *we strive to live as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, in fidelity to the One, True Church He established and to worship Him according to the traditions that have been handed down to us from the Apostles.* As a Parish of the FSSP in the diocese of Scranton, we have been blessed with the mandate from Rome to continue to find holiness through the rich, liturgical, and sacramental traditions that sanctified the Church Militant for nearly two millennia. From the sacrament of baptism to extreme unction and a Catholic burial; we aim to provide for all the necessary sacramental needs as well as the spiritual formation at our disposal to keep souls on the path of salvation. We need your continued help. Next week you will be given a **commitment card** in the mail and I ask that you prayerfully consider how you can help us continue our mission. The cards can be mailed or dropped in the basket on Sunday. I sincerely thank you for all the sacrifices you make to be here every Sunday and for the many ways you contribute to our family here at St. Michael the Archangel. -Fr Mahowald

"My eyes are ever toward the Lord, for He will free my feet from the snare. Look toward me, and have pity on me, for I am alone and afflicted."

INTROIT FROM THE 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT (PSALM 24:15-16)



MASS INTENTIONS

MARCH 12 - 18

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:15 AM

Pro Populo

Joseph LaFata

rb: LaFata Family

Monday: 7:45 AM

Blaize Whitehead

rb: Mark & Julie Whitehead

Tuesday: 7:45 AM

Autumn Mulligan

rb: Mark & Julie Whitehead

Wednesday: 7:45 AM

+Gabriel Testo

rb: Jerome Lackner

Thursday: 7:45 AM

+Gianna Angelina Brenneman

rb: Mrs. Katherine Williamson

Friday: 6:30 PM

Torak & Schulz Family

rb: David A. Smith

Saturday: 9:00 AM

John & Joanie Maltese

rb: LaFata Family