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Fourth Sunday of Lent (*Laetare*)

March 30, 2014

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Mass Intentions

Sun. Mar. 30th	Fourth Sunday of Lent (<i>Laetare</i>), I Class
8:00 a.m.	Leonard and Mary Tabone
10:15 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Mon. Mar. 31st	Feria of Lent, III Class
7:45 a.m.	Tom Noll Family - Nancy Noll
Tues. Apr. 1st	Feria of Lent, III Class
7:45 a.m.	† Joseph Anthony Craig - His Father
Wed. Apr. 2nd	Feria of Lent, III Class
7:45 p.m.	Atty Thomas M. Holmes - Robert McHale
Thur. Apr. 3rd	Feria of Lent, III Class
7:45 a.m.	Michael Gillenkirk - His Family
Fri. Apr. 4th	Feria of Lent, III Class
6:00 p.m.	LaFata Family - Mitchell Family
Sat. Apr. 5th	Feria of Lent, III Class
9:00 a.m.	† Martha Rogan - Morris Family
Sun. Apr. 6th	Passion Sunday, I Class
8:00 a.m.	Leonard and Mary Tabone
10:15 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday

Low Mass: 8:00 am

High Mass: 10:15 am

Weekdays

Monday-Thursday: 7:45 am

Friday: 6:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Monday-Saturday

One half hour before Mass

Sunday: 7:15-7:50

& 9:15-10:05

DEVOTIONS

Exposition-Benediction

Friday 5:00 pm

Saturdays 8:00 am

DAILY ROSARY

Monday-Thursday — After Mass

Friday-Sunday — Before Mass

OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Friday 9 am-4 pm

THURSDAY - CLOSED

Saturday - 10 am-Noon

Fourth Sunday of Lent (*Laetare*)

INTROIT

Is. 66:10-11

Rejoice, O Jerusalem, and come together all you that love her; rejoice with joy, you that have been in sorrow: that you may exult, and be filled from the breasts of your consolation. *Ps. 121:1* I rejoiced at the things that were said to me: We shall go into the house of the Lord. {V} Glory be.

COLLECT

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that chastened by suffering, as because of our transgressions was meet, we may inwardly be gladdened by Thy comforting grace. Through our Lord.

EPISTLE

Gal. 4: 22-31

Brethren: it is written that Abraham had two sons; the one by a bond-woman, and the other by a free-woman. But he who was of the bond-woman was born according to the flesh; but he of the free-woman was by promise. Which things are said by an allegory. For these are the two testaments; the one from Mount Sina, engendering unto bondage, which is Agar: for Sina is a mountain in Arabia, which hath affinity to that Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children: but that Jerusalem which is above is free, which is our mother. For it is written, Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not; for many are the children of the desolate, more than of her that hath a husband. Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise. But as then he that was born according to the flesh persecuted him that was after the spirit, so also it is now. But what saith the Scriptures? Cast out the bond-woman and her son; for the son of the bond-woman shall not be heir with the son of the free-woman. So then, brethren, we are not the children of the bond-woman, but of the free; by the freedom wherewith Christ hath made us free.

GRADUAL

Ps. 121: 1,7

I rejoiced at the things that were said to me: We shall go into the house of the Lord. Let peace be in Thy strength, and abundance in Thy towers.

TRACT

Ps. 124: 1-2

They that trust in the Lord shall be as Mount Sion: he shall not be moved forever that dwelleth in Jerusalem. Mountains are round about it: so the Lord is round about his people, from henceforth now and for ever.

GOSPEL

John 6: 1-15

At that time, Jesus went over the Sea of Galilee which is

that of Tiberias; and a great multitude followed Him, because they saw the miracles which He did on them that were diseased. Jesus therefore went up into a mountain, and there He sat with His disciples. Now the pasch, the festival day of the Jews, was near at hand. When Jesus therefore had lifted up His eyes, and seen that a very great multitude cometh to Him, He said to Philip: Whence shall we buy bread that these may eat? And this He said to try him; for He Himself knew what He would do. Philip answered Him: Two hundred penny-worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one may take a little. One of His disciples, Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, saith to Him: There is a boy here that hath five barley loaves and two fishes; but what are these among so many? Then Jesus said: Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. The men therefore sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves; and when He had given thanks, He distributed to them that were set down; in like manner also of the fishes, as much as they would. And when they were filled, He said to His disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, lest they be lost. They gathered up therefore, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above to them that had eaten. Now those men, when they had seen what a miracle Jesus had done, said, This is of a truth the prophet that is to come into the world. Jesus therefore, when He knew that they would come to take Him by force and make Him king, fled again into the mountain, Himself alone.

OFFERTORY

Ps. 134: 3,6

Praise ye the Lord, for He is good: sing ye to His Name, for He is sweet: whatsoever He pleased He hath done in heaven and in earth.

SECRET

Favorably regard, we entreat Thee, O Lord, this our sacrifice, and, appeased thereby, vouchsafe to us increase of fervor and growth in Thy saving grace. Through our Lord.

COMMUNION

Ps. 121: 3-4

Jerusalem, which is built as a city, which is compact together: for thither did the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to praise Thy Name, O Lord.

POSTCOMMUNION

Merciful God, Who ceases not to lavish upon us the riches of Thy Sacraments; grant that we may ever draw near to Thine Altar with deepest reverence and with faith unwavering. Through our Lord.

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Joy and Daily Bread

Our Lord teaches us to fix our desires upon heavenly things and to pray that we may begin to enjoy these things while here on earth: would he, then, have us trouble about so petty a matter as praying for food? As if He did not know that, once we begin to worry about the needs of the body, we shall forget the needs of the soul! Join with the Lord, then, in begging the Father to let you have Our Lord today, so that, as long as you live, you may never find yourself in this world without him. Let it suffice to temper your great joy that He should remain disguised beneath these accidents of bread and wine, which is a real torture to those who have nothing else to love and no other consolation.

Entreat him not to fail you but to prepare you to receive him worthily. As for that other bread, have no anxiety about it if you have truly resigned yourselves to God's will... Try never at any time to let your thoughts dwell on this; work with your body, for it is good for you to try to support yourselves, but let your soul be at rest. I assure you, that, if I myself were to fail in this, because of my wickedness, as I have often done in the past, I would not beg Him to give me that bread, or any-thing else to eat. Let Him leave me to die of hunger. Of what use is life to me if it leads me daily nearer to eternal death?

It would not be right for the servant to go to his master every day and ask him for food when he knew that his master would see that it was given him and so he would be sure to receive it. To do this would be a waste of words. His master would quite properly tell him that he should look after his own business of serving and pleasing him, for, if he worried himself unnecessarily, he would not do his work as well as he should.

So, those who may worry about asking for earthly bread; let our own task be to beg the eternal Father that we may merit our heavenly bread, so that, although our bodily eyes cannot feast themselves on the sight of Him since He is thus hidden from us, He may reveal Himself to the eyes of the soul and may make Himself known to us as another kind of food, full of delight and joy, which sustains our life.

St. Teresa of Avila, Way of Perfection, n.34



SHROUD OF TURIN: During Great Lent, St. Vladimir Catholic Parish of Scranton will be hosting an authentic replica of the Shroud of Turin from Sunday, March 30 to Friday, April 11, 2014. Everyone is invited to view the Shroud and learn of its history and authenticity. More information can be found in the vestibule of the church. Everyone is welcome!

For anyone who is interested in viewing the replica of the Shroud of Turin, a group of parishioners will leave at 2:00 p.m. on April 6th from the basement of the church.

Camp Saint Isaac Jogues 2014

- *Now Accepting Applications until May 23rd.
- *Camp St. Isaac Jogues is a summer camp hosted by priests and seminarians of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter, located on the property of the Fraternity Headquarters in Elmhurst Township, Pennsylvania.
- *Catholic young men ages 13-15 years old.

For more information, please visit our web-site. <http://seminarycamps.wordpress.com/camp-st-isaac-jogues-2/>

FIRST SATURDAY is April 5th: Pray the Rosary, meditate for 15 minutes on the Mysteries, make sacramental confession and Communion in reparation for sins and blasphemies against Her Immaculate Heart.

ALTAR BOY PRACTICE is scheduled for Saturday April 5th, we will begin at 10:20 a.m.

ST. MICHAELS VESTMENT GUILD will meet on First Saturday, after mass.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- April 26th - Confirmation Testing at 10:00 a.m.
- May 3rd - Confirmation at 11:00 a.m.
- May 24th - First Communion Testing, Saturday, 10:00 a.m.
- May 31st - First Confession, Saturday, at 10:00 a.m.
- June 8th - First Holy Communion at 10:15 Mass
- August 16th - Parish Picnic, Saturday

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

- Palm Sunday** - Low Mass 8:00 a.m..
- High Mass 10:15 p.m.
- Holy Thursday** - Solemn High Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Good Friday** - Reflection on Passion of Christ 1:30 p.m.
- Stations of the Cross 2:15 p.m.
- Solemn Liturgy 3:00 p.m.
- Easter Vigil** - Solemn Liturgy 10:00 p.m.
- Easter Sunday** - Low Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Sung Mass 10:15 a.m.

COLLECTION: March 23rd - \$3,856.00

Altar Boy Schedule

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

(Laetare)

March 30th

8:00 a.m. Mass

- AC1** Joseph Schneider
- AC2** Patrick Schneider

TEAM C

- MC** Justin LaFata
- TH** Robert Seeley
- AC1** Dominic Gardner
- AC2** Francis LaFata
- C** Timothy Emig
- S1** Brendan Seeley
- S2** Michael Gardner
- S3** Jack Gardner
- S4** Stephen LaFata

WEEK TWO

Monday

7:45 a.m.

Tuesday

7:45 a.m.

Wednesday

7:45 a.m.

Thursday

7:45 a.m.

- James McWhirter
- Joseph McWhirter
- John Mitchell
- Anthony Mitchell

Stations of the Cross

Team A

- John Pheasant
- Andrew Pheasant
- Matthew Gillenkirk
- John Gillenkirk

PASSION SUNDAY

April 6th

8:00 a.m. Mass

- AC1** Justin LaFata
- AC2** Francis LaFata

TEAM D

- MC** William Skuba
- TH** Matthew Gillenkirk
- AC1**
- AC2** Joseph Schneider
- C** Patrick Schneider
- S1** John Skuba
- S2** Joseph Skuba
- S3** Joseph Seeley
- S4** Brendan Seeley