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## MASS INTENTIONS



### **Sunday, March 11**

8:00 AM – Intentions of St. Anne's Community  
10:00 AM – † Margaret Zeagman  
12:00 PM – † Antonio & Irene Arruda

### **Monday, March 12**

9:15 AM – † Emilio & Assunta Costantini

### **Tuesday, March 13**

9:15 AM – † Maria Sousa

### **Wednesday, March 14**

9:15 AM – † Maria Rosa, husband & children  
7:00 PM – † Assunta Martino  
– † David William Wonfor  
– † Maria Baia Carvalho  
– † Terry da Costa  
– † Myles O'Donoghue

### **Thursday, March 15**

9:15 AM – † Juliet & Lucrecia Labog &  
Mila Ebalin

### **Friday, March 16**

#### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

9:15 AM – † Margaret Zeagman  
7:00 PM – † Maria & Eduino Dutra

### **Saturday, March 17**

9:15 AM – † Margaret Zeagman  
5:00 PM – † Luis DaSilva & Maria das Neves

## LAMP INTENTIONS



### **SANCTUARY LAMP NO. 1**

In memory of Annetta McGuckin

### **SANCTUARY LAMP NO. 2**

Special Intention

### **SACRED HEART LAMP**

For the soul of Roy Vanderputt

### **ST. ANNE LAMP**

Special Intention

### **DIVINE MERCY LAMP**

Special Intention

### **PADRE PIO LAMP**

Special Intention

## March 11<sup>th</sup> 2018 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

### **Are we Agents of God?**

Throughout the readings we are reminded about the agents of God. In first reading Cyrus, the king of Persia as an agent of God. Because of the sins of the Jewish people, from the priests down, because of idolatry and other shameful and sacrilegious practices and after God sent them messenger after messenger who were not listened to, a terrible punishment fell on the whole people. Then Cyrus, the king of Persia, became the agent of God by which God's people were once more able to return to Jerusalem and begin to rebuild their traditions and a new Temple.

In Gospel Jesus reveals he is the agent for God's salvation.

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.

We all know God's love is unconditional and he wants for us to extend the same love for others. But do we have that grace? Most of us don't. Why? There is a secret.

*Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near* (Philippians 4:5)

What is this gentleness? To really understand this we have to read Luke 6:35-36. (I will not place it here because of the space constraints). It requests us to love all WITHOUT EXPECTING ANYTHING. Most of the time we serve people (in our family, church, society etc.), we love people but in deep down our heart we expect at least a word of appreciation, nice face, good smile, hug etc. (simply a response of appreciation). When we don't receive it we will become bitter and sometime angry or non-responsive in our heart. This happens while we volunteer as well as in families too. It is the truth. Sometimes we work for what we get paid only. This is what my employer is giving me I will work only this much. Are we gentle?

Some might ask what is wrong with that. By living such a life we are living a life with total contradictions with the principles and values of God. Let us discuss how. As Catholics we are dependent on God. If not, we should? Our happiness, Joy, Hope comes only from God. Right? If we are on that base how can we have a Pinocchio nose and long face when a person is not giving us response of appreciation? Can we? If we are having Pinocchio nose and long face it means we are not grounded to our base. We are not doing it for that person. Do we? Same way if we are underpaid don't we have a guarantee that Lord we take care of my finances? (I do have personal experience on this)

Most probably we can understand how we can be blessed by Jesus now. We have to take away all our gloomy exterior and start blessing people around us, no matter what circumstance we are in. This small story will help us to understand it. (I don't know if it is true or not but we can see the point),

A certain saint asked God to show her the difference between heaven and hell. So God sent an angel to take her, first to hell. There she saw men and women seated around a large table with all kinds of delicious food. But none of them were eating. They were all sad and yawning. The saint asked one of them, "Why are you not eating?" And he showed her his hand. A long fork about 4ft long was strapped to their hands such that each time they tried to eat they only threw the food on the ground. "What a pity" said the saint. Then the angel took her to heaven. There the saint was surprised to find an almost identical setting as in hell: men and women sitting round a large table with all sorts of delicious food, and with a four-foot fork strapped to their arms. But unlike in hell, the people here were happy and laughing. "What!" said the saint to one of them, "How come you are happy in this condition?" "You see," said the man in heaven, "Here we feed one another."



My dear parishioners,  
 A big thank you to all of you for your special love for our youth and supporting them in their faith formation.  
 Our Lifeteen leaders requested your financial support to participate in the Steubenville Conference. You have responded very generously in the amount of \$5,523.77. May God bless you for your generosity.  
 May I encourage all youth from Grade 8 to undergraduate to please sign up for this inspiring and life changing conference. To date, 20 youth have signed up already.  
 Please do not worry about the registration fee as we now have sufficient funds to support you either partially or full sponsorship depending on the number of registrations.  
 Please contact Arlene Morgan at the parish office for more information. There will be a sign up weekend on April 7/8 for those interested.  
 May God bless you all.  
 Fr. James Cherickal, Pastor

**SHARELIFE – LIVING THE GOSPEL BY SUPPORTING SHARELIFE**

How do we “Live the Gospel” toward others when our daily lives are so busy? For some it's volunteering at a soup kitchen, or it may be caring for an elderly relative. If we do not have the time to actively participate, we can support the many ShareLife-funded agencies within our community that bring the hands of Christ to those in need. Next Sunday is the first ShareLife collection. Over the next week, reflect on your ability to help “Live the Gospel” through Catholic agencies, and make a decision to support our ShareLife parish campaign.

**March 18 is ShareLife Sunday - Please give generously**

**EASTER SCHEDULE**

Sat. March 24 <b>9:45AM-11:30AM</b>	<b>LENTEN &amp; Confirmation Confessions</b> Several priests available to hear confessions speaking a variety of languages.
Sun. March 25	<b>PALM SUNDAY</b> Sat. 5:00PM, Sun. 8AM, 10AM & 12PM
Tues. March 27	<i>Morning Mass will be at 8AM (no 9:15AM Mass) due to Chrism Mass at 11AM at St. Michael's Cathedral</i>
Thurs. March 29 <b>7:30 PM</b>	<b>HOLY THURSDAY</b> – The Lord's Supper <i>No Morning Mass</i>
Fri. Mar. 30	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> – <i>No Morning Mass</i> 2:30 – Divine Mercy Novena 3:00 – <b>GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE</b> 7:00 – Lifeteen Stations
Sat. Mar. 31 – <b>7:30 PM</b>	<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b> – Easter Vigil <i>No Morning Mass</i>
Sun. April 1	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> Masses: 8AM, 10AM, 12 Noon
Sun. April 8 <sup>th</sup> <b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>Divine Mercy Sunday</b> <i>Adoration &amp; Divine Mercy Chaplet</i>

**ACTS Retreat for Women – April 26-29 – Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre**

Catholic Women present an ACTS weekend retreat under guidance of clergy to help strengthen your faith and its application in your daily life, to renew spiritually, and to build community through lasting friendships. For more information contact:  
**Dorothy Shinkaruk**, Director (905) 453-1073 (cell) 647-504-3175 or pick up a registration form from the boards in the lobby.

<b>This Week</b>	<b>Room Booking</b>
Sunday (March 11 <sup>th</sup> )	10:00am – Children's Liturgy (SR) 12:00pm – Children's Liturgy (SR) 1:30pm – Confirmation Class (SR) 2pm – Communion Class (PR&FR) 4:00pm – YMAT meeting (SR)
Monday (March 12 <sup>th</sup> )	7:00pm – Legion of Mary (FR)
Tuesday (March 13 <sup>th</sup> )	10:00am – Legion of Mary (FR) 7:00pm – RCIA (PR) 7:00pm – Usher meeting (SR) 7:00pm – Youth choir practice (C) 7:30pm – Faith Sharing (FR) 8:00pm – 8AM choir practice (C)
Wednesday (March 14 <sup>st</sup> )	10:00am – Food Assistance (FR) <b>6:30pm – Confessions (C)</b>
Thursday (March 15 <sup>th</sup> )	9:30am – Centering Prayer (FR) 7:00pm – 8:30pm <b>Bible Study (SR)</b> 7:30pm – 10AM choir practice (C)
Friday (March 16 <sup>th</sup> )	9:30am – Over 55 group (SR) 7:00pm – Youth Ministry (all rooms)
Saturday (March 17 <sup>th</sup> )	<b>7:00am–2000 HAIL MARY DEVOTION-SR</b> <b>8:00am – Confessions (C)</b> 1:30pm – Marriage Prep class (SR) <b>4:00pm – Confessions (C)</b> 6:00PM – Lifeteen (SR)

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

March 4, 2018 \$7,021.92  
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**SAVE THE DATE – SUMMER CAMP**  
 August 12-17th , 2018  
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 Youth Grades 1 – 12 are welcome

**PRAYER REQUESTS**



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