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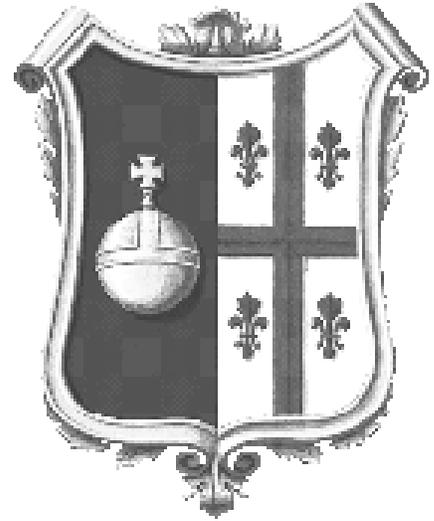
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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 1, AD 2020

CLERGY & STAFF

Very Rev. Msgr. R. Michael Schmitz,
STD, JCD, Vicar General of the Institute

Rev. Canon Matthew Talarico, Provincial Superior of
the Institute's U.S. Province

Rev. Canon Joel Estrada, Pastor and Rector

Abbé Kevin Kerscher, Clerical Oblate and Sacristan

David Hughes, Sunday Organist and Choirmaster

Jonathan Barney, Saturday Organist and Director

Debra Guerrero, Parish and Oratory Secretary

Rectory Office Hours

Monday-Wednesday 8:30am - 3:00pm
Thursday 8:30am - 12:30pm

MASS TIMES

Saturday: 3:15-3:45 P.M. Confessions
4:00 P.M. Vigil Mass in the Ordinary Form
in English, celebrated by archdiocesan
priests

Sunday: 8:30 A.M. Low Mass (Extraordinary Form)
10:30 A.M. High Mass (Extraordinary Form)

Monday-Saturday: 8:00 A.M. Low Mass
(Extraordinary Form)

DAILY CONFESSIONS

30 minutes before each Holy Mass every day

DEVOTIONS

Stations of the Cross, 6 p.m. every Friday of Lent

First Friday, an additional Mass at 6 p.m. preceded by
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 5 p.m.

First Saturday, after Holy Mass, Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament, Holy Rosary, 15 minute Adoration & Benediction.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 29

1st Sunday of Lent (Anticipated)

4:00 p.m. Ordinary Form English Mass

† Thomas J. Paternostro - 12th Yr. Anniv., requested by mother

Sunday, March 1

1st Sunday of Lent

8:30 a.m. Low Mass

Missa Pro Populo

10:30 a.m. High Mass

† Nicholas, Gertrude & Fr. John D'Alonges, requested by Ray & Bev Gugliotti

Monday, March 2

Feria of Lent

8 a.m. Low Mass

Tuesday, March 3

Feria of Lent

8 a.m. Low Mass

Wednesday, March 4

Ember Wednesday in Lent

8 a.m. Low Mass

Thursday, March 5

Feria of Lent

8 a.m. Low Mass

First Friday, March 6

Ember Friday in Lent (Day of Abstinence)

8 a.m. Low Mass

5 p.m. Holy Hour

6 p.m. Stations of the Cross

6:40 p.m. Low Mass

First Saturday, March 7

St. Thomas Aquinas, patron of the Institute
(opportunity for Plenary Indulgence)

8 a.m. Low Mass and First Saturday Devotions

2nd Sunday of Lent (Anticipated)

4:00 p.m. Ordinary Form English Mass

Celebrant's Intentions

Sunday, March 8

2nd Sunday of Lent

8:30 a.m. Low Mass

Missa Pro Populo

10:30 a.m. High Mass

Julie Weyant, requested by Luke Weyant

Tabernacle Lamp is offered this week for
Nicholas & Gertrude D'Alonges

Saint Patrick Parish and Oratory Collections

Saturday, February 22

4:00pm Mass: \$546.00

Sunday, February 23

8:30am Mass: \$668.00

10:30am Mass: \$1582.91

Please kindly note to make your offering payable to "Saint Patrick Parish"

We do understand that some of you go on vacation during the winter months, however, the Church bills do not go on break. Please consider mailing your regular offertory envelopes to Saint Patrick rectory even if you're away. God bless!

May God reward your generosity!

Stations of the Cross during Lent

In order to fulfill our penances for Lent, we will have public Stations of the Cross in the Church every Friday of Lent at 6pm. Confessions will be heard 30 minutes prior to the Stations.

For **First Friday** (March 6), we will have Holy Hour at 5pm, then followed by Stations at 6pm, then Holy Mass at 6:40pm.

Please pray for the following for healing:

Diane Andrew, Anna, Arthur, Janet Blucker, Edith Bruno, Al Crochet, Jim Danauskas, Louis Dantino, Dominic, Jim and Claudette Doyle, Ellissa, Paul Grochowski, Amanda Hinrichs, Patti Hinrichs, June Johnston, David Kerscher, Karen Knapp, Dawn Laliderte, Robert Leary, Donald Maloney, Mark Pavao, Bob Piche, Jerry and Charlotte Sepe, Lorraine Shaw, Kristina Solomita, Marge Vallillo

Please pray for our Military:

Peter Crochet, United States Navy, USS Gravely (DDG 107), Mathew Nardella, United States Navy, USS Bulkley (DDG 84)

Wisdom from Saint Francis de Sales

Patron Saint of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

"To take up our cross and follow Jesus means accepting all the afflictions and mortifications that come our way."

Lenten Regulations to Observe

1. **Ash Wednesday** (February 26, 2020) and **Good Friday** (April 10, 2020) are days of complete **abstinence from meat; and are also days of fast**, that is, only one full meal is allowed; with no eating between meals. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs but they together should not equal that of the full meal.
2. The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat.
3. The obligation to abstain from meat binds on all who have reached the age of 14.
4. The obligation to fast binds all between the ages of 18 and 59.
5. Unless there is a just reason, the obligation to do penance is a serious one and no Catholic should lightly excuse himself/herself from this obligation in the Lenten season. **Practices of Lenten penances and acts of mortification, increased devotion and prayer, and acts of mercy and charity, are worthy elements of our preparation for Easter.**
6. Abstinence on all Fridays of the year, though not obligatory under pain of sin, is **“especially recommended”**.
7. Fasting on weekdays of Lent, though not obligatory under pain of sin, is **“strongly recommended”** (National Conference of Catholic Bishops, November 18, 1966).
8. Catholics, after having received their First Holy Communion, are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season (between the First Sunday of Lent and Trinity Sunday). Catholics are also bound to confess mortal sins at least once a year, but this is not limited to the Lenten/Easter Season. We must be well disposed to receive our Lord each time at Holy Communion and therefore **it is strongly recommended to go to confession frequently (at least once a month).**

First Sunday of Lent

Our Blessed Lord, the Son of God was not satisfied with atoning for all our sins by dying on the cross; He deigned to suffer a fast of forty days and forty nights, in order to encourage us to do penance. What are all our penances, even were they done thoroughly, when we compare them with the severity of this fast of our Lord in the desert? Instead of complaining about a slight inconvenience of a few days' duration, we should look upon our innocent Lord who subjected Himself to a most rigorous privation for our sakes. Prayer, devotedness to us, and the knowledge of the exactness of His Father's justice supported Him. When the forty days were over, and His human nature faint from exhaustion, He was then assailed by temptation; but here again, He thinks of us and sets the example: triumphing over temptation, calmly and resolutely. When the Christian soul is exposed to vile insults from Satan, it complains to God for permitting such humiliations. On these occasions the Christian soul must think of our Lord, the Holy of Holies, who was given over to the wicked spirit. Souls under the violence of temptation must resist with all their energies; they are not less in the eyes of God for having undergone the attack -- and Satan, now rejected, retires with one more eternal shame and chastisement upon him. We are all sinners; the occupations of everyday life take up our thoughts, and the weakness of the flesh induces us to relax our usual austerities. So it is that our Lord has providentially given us these forty days to regain our purity of soul. The good works and holy fasting of this season were instituted as an atonement for the sins we commit during the rest of the year. But our fast does not consist in the mere abstinence from food; it is not much use to deny food to our body unless we restrain the soul from sin. We must consider the triple temptations to fight against: the concupiscence of the flesh -- the love of sensual things; concupiscence of the eyes -- the love of the goods of this world; and the pride of life -- that false confidence in ourselves that leads us to vanity and presumption, making us forget that our life and every good gift, comes from God. Every one of our sins comes from one of these sources, and it is Our Savior who should be our model in conquering these temptations -- through forbearance and perseverance.

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**IMPORTANT: Saint Patrick's Dinner
on Laetare Saturday, March 21, 5:30 PM**

During the upcoming penitential season of Lent, where we commit to conversion from sin to a life of grace, abstinence, fasting, and almsgiving, Holy Mother Church allows us to celebrate during the midway point of Lent on *Laetare* Sunday (4th Sunday of Lent).

Therefore, it would be opportune to hold our annual Saint Patrick Dinner in the Church Hall on Saturday, March 21, at 5:30 pm.

Please register today to attend the fundraising dinner. \$20 per adult. Children under 10 are free. **Deadline to buy tickets is March 14. No tickets will be sold at the door.** No alcoholic beverages permitted.

We are in need of your help with the following:

-Volunteers to bake desserts, set-up, clean-up hall, etc. (Please see sign up sheet in Church Vestibule)

-Drawing items wanted for basket prizes.

We hope this will be a wondrous event for the life of Saint Patrick Parish and Oratory! The proceeds of this dinner will help with the operations of our Church!

Save the Date, Upcoming Events

Mar. 3: Saint Patrick Bingo, 7pm in Saint Patrick Church Hall. Doors open at 5pm. Food and beverages available for purchase and progressive jackpots included.

Mar. 6: First Friday, 8am Mass, 5pm Holy Hour, 6pm Stations of the Cross, 6:40pm additional Holy Mass.

Mar. 7: First Saturday, 8am Mass followed by Adoration and Rosary. It is also the feast of Saint Thomas Aquinas, patron of the Institute

Mar. 8: After the High Mass, Monthly Parish Coffee Social. Please come to meet the parishioners!

Mar. 21st: St. Patrick Parish Dinner, 5:30pm in the Church Hall

FROM THE PASTOR, REV. CANON JOEL ESTRADA

Dear Faithful,

This weekend marks the start of the 2020 Archbishop's Annual Appeal in our Parish, which has a profound impact on many charities and outreach services performed by, or with help from, our Church. We are requested to participate in this annual appeal.

Last October, the Archbishop has graciously invited the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest the pastoral care of Saint Patrick Parish and Oratory for worship in the Extraordinary Form for the Archdiocese of Hartford. Since then, we have seen the life of the parish grow more and more, with the establishment of a full daily Mass, Devotion and Confession schedule, and with so many new parishioners who now call Saint Patrick Church their home. Regularly, we receive new parishioners sign up for our church, and we see this as a good sign for the longevity and continuation of Saint Patrick Church, something we all can rejoice, knowing, unfortunately, that in so many parishes, Mass attendance and generosity are dwindling.

As a sign of gratitude to our Archbishop, please consider answering the Archbishop's request and make a charitable gift to the Annual Appeal which is being mailed to your household.

During these forty days of Lent we are going to experience a permanent struggle within ourselves. The Gospel of today shows us the reality of the Devil. The Church teaches us that the Devil is a real, personal being, a fallen angel. He was created good by God, but abused his free will and rejected God. Now he hates God and hates all of those created in God's image and likeness. In daily life, the Devil is like a dishonest salesman, trying to tempt us, always using the same ruse: seduction and deception. The word "Lent" is an old English word which means "springtime". May this Lent truly be a new springtime in the lives of each of us. **Let this season not go to waste!** Through praying, fasting, almsgiving and charity may we be like our Lord in the desert for forty days, overcoming temptation and thus receiving a grace of interior resurrection in order to be able to celebrate Easter.