

Mary Help of Christians Traditional Roman Catholic Church

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March 7th, 2021 † 3rd Sunday of Lent

Sun. Mar. 7, HOLY MASS 8:00 am – St. Thomas of Aquinas, CD

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Mon. Mar. 8, HOLY MASS 11:15 am- St. John of God, C

Intentions of the Ed Winczewski Families

Tues. Mar. 9, HOLY MASS 8:15 am – St. Frances of Rome, W

STATIONS OF THE CROSS and SPIRITUAL TALK 6:30pm

Poor Souls in Purgatory

Wed. Mar. 10, No Mass in Springs – Forty Holy Martyrs

Thurs. Mar. 11, No Mass in Springs – St. Eulogia, M

Fri. Mar. 12, No Mass in Springs – St. Gregory the Great, PCD

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 1:45 pm

Sat. Mar. 13, No Mass in Springs – St. Euphrasia, V

Sun. Mar. 14, HOLY MASS 8:00 am – 4th Sunday of Lent

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Serving Schedule:

Sunday, March 7th: Alexander Vigil, Steve Kosovich

Monday, March 8th: Donovan Fair, Anthony Vigil

Tuesday, March 9th: Eric Vigil, Anthony Griess

Stations of the Cross (6:30 pm): Anthony Kosovich, Toby Vigil, Hugo Vigil

Sunday, March 14th: Abraham Rivera, Joseph Fries Sunday, March 21st: Eric Kosovich, Donovan Fair

Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do. (Luke xxiii. 34.)

Confessions: Sundays – 7:00 am Tuesdays – 7:35 am

Catechism and Adult Doctrine Classes: will be replaced by the Stations and Spiritual Talks given by Father Augustine every Tuesday of Lent at 6:30 pm.

<u>PLEASE PRAY FOR:</u> Please keep in your prayers Kyle Kaltenbacher, Elijah Nosko, Mr. Richard Pottenger, Mrs. Rosalie Pottenger, Mr. Jose Anaya, Daniel Gonzales, Christopher Fries, Sarah Watterson, Rebekah Hibdon, Joe Vigil, Michael Micklich, and Christopher Wertish. (Contact the Sisters to add anyone to the prayer list.)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS and SPIRITUAL TALK: will be every Tuesday in Lent at 6:30, beginning this Tuesday, February 23rd.

EASTER CHOIR PRACTICE: will be Thursday, March 11th, from 6:30-8:00. This week we will be rehearsing the Good Friday ceremonies.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY POTLUCK: will be held on Sunday, March 14th, following Mass. Please bring an Irish dish to share. There will be Blarney Stones, Irish Soda Bread, and live entertainment!

COLLECTIONS FOR FEBRUARY: 2-7 \$962; 2-14 \$805; 2-21 \$820; 2-28 \$885.

FLOWER COLLECTION: Today there will be an extra collection to support beautifying the House of God with fresh flowers.

YOUNG ADULT GAME NIGHT: Come play salad bowl with Father Augustine this Saturday, March 13th, from 7-9 at the Fry residence (19075 Merry Men Circle, Monument 80132). Those 18+ who wish to attend kindly rsvp to (801) 989-4342. This is not a potluck, please bring a snack or drink to share.

Little Crosses - Suffering which comes to us from God is best; our circumstances, our surroundings, ourselves, and those we live with: these come from God, being permitted by Him. Some big thing may come to us on Monday or Tuesday, and we say, 'Oh, I took that very well, I am getting on,' but what about Wednesday, and Thursday, and the rest of the week? The spiritual life is a growth: we don't grow on odd days. Your life from moment to moment gives you occasions of bearing lovingly for God's sake any amount of suffering. People forget to sanctify the daily little crosses of life; they must be big and marked with a red cross, that we may recognize they come from God. But we can't get away from these little crosses and mortifications, they are woven into our life-a clear sign they come from God. Someone slights you, or speaks unkindly of you, and you get over it in a week, and think yourself very virtuous: God wants you so to overcome your pride that you should not be affected by it at all. Do we receive crosses as a great deal less than we deserve? Do we take them in a spirit of resignation, and a sense of their justice? Our limitations, of nature, position, intellectual gifts, are very real mortifications and crosses; but if we have some realization of what we have deserved for our sins, we shan't be lost in admiration of our patience, but we shall accept them quite naturally, and bear them as brightly and cheerfully as we can. There is nothing so good for the education of character as having something to bear. It brings out all that is best in us. If I have all I can desire, excellent food and lodging, and no cares and anxieties, what is there to try my temper? What is there to admire in me, if I am amiable and cheerful under these circumstances? We admire those who, in spite of difficulties, bear their burdens cheerfully and unselfishly, thinking of others' sorrows rather than their own. How then shall we value suffering in our daily life, and let it bring out what is great and noble in our characters? We must have a harder ideal, and profit by the difficulties of life. Wouldn't it be well to act upon what we acknowledge in theory to be excellent? Our good God desires us to have happiness in His service. Often you will see that the heavier the cross, the lighter is the step, and the more cheerful the countenance with which it is borne. Why let yourself be so easily disturbed? You are not living with saints and angels, you are not one yourself. God allows natural laws to create difficulties, and then helps us to overcome them. Have absolute confidence in God.