March 21, 2021

5th Sunday of Lent



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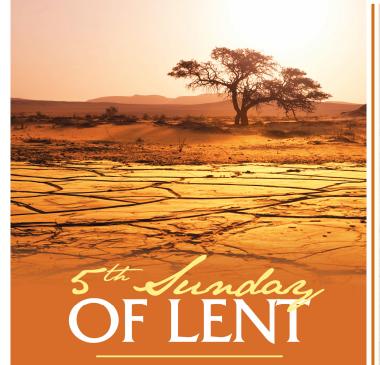
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"Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." - In 12:24

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Sacred Heart Worship Site

> SATURDAY 8:30 - 9:00 AM (Our Lady of Czestochowa Chapel)

SATURDAY 4:00 - 4:45 PM

CONFESSION

(English & Polish)

WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY 6:30 - 7:00 PM

SATURDAY 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM 4:00 - 4:50 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9:30AM to 3:00PM. Office closed on Thursdays. Saturdays and Evenings: By Appointment.

FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 22 (Poniedziałek)

SH - 8:00AM †Lusy, Stanislaw & Mite Wolosewicz r/o friend

SH - 11:00AM †Katarzyna Pasek r/o grandniece, Janina Grzeczkowicz

Tuesday, March 23 (Wtorek) - Turibius of Mongrovejo

SH - 8:00AM †Waleria & Nikodem Lysy r/o family
 SH - 11:00AM †Maria Pasek r/o grandniece, Janina Grzeczkowicz

SH - 11:30AM OLPH Novena in English

SH - 7:00PM Stations of the Cross in English

Wednesday, March 24 (Środa) - Oscar Romero

SH - 11:00AM †Jadwiga Pasek r/o grandniece, Janina Grzeczkowicz

SH - 11:30AM Exposition and Rosary

SH - 7:00PM OLPH Novena in Polish

Thursday, March 25 (Czwartek) Annuciation of the Lord

SH - 8:00AM †Zofia Kafara r/o K.A. Matz Family

SH - 11:00AM †Zofia Socha r/o grandniece, Janina Grzeczkowicz

Friday, March 26 (Piątek)

SH - 11:00AM †Agnieszka Sochacki r/o grandniece, Janina Grzeczkowicz

SH - 11:30AM Divine Mercy Devotions

SH - 4:30PM Stations of the Cross in English

SH - 6:30PM Stations of the Cross in Polish

SH - 7:00PM †Waclawa Marciniak r/o daughter

Saturday, March 27 (Sobota)

- SH 8:00AM †Zofia Kafara r/o Marianna T. Poplawski
- SH 11:00AM †Dorothy Dinsmore r/o Tom Wood & family
- SH 5:00PM +Ray larkowski r/o wife, Marge & family

Palm Sunday, March 28 (Niedziela)

- SH 7:00 ÅM †Teresa & Jan Puzio r/o Wanda Banka
- SH 8:30 AM †Barbara Demchak r/o husband & son
- SH 10:00 AM †Ray larkowski r/o wife, Marge & family †Joseph Jaworsky Sr. r/o granddaughter, Donna McKee †Linda Capoocia r/o mother †Kathy Ravaioli r/o husband & family For the People of the Parish
 SH - 11:30 AM †Living & Deceased Members of the
- Blessed Virgin Mary Society
- SH 5:00PM Gorzkie Żale
- SH 5:45PM †Wieslaw Ciesla r/o wife & family

"Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself."

- Jn 12:24, 31-32

2021 Schedule

Holy Thursday

8:00AM—Solemn Morning Prayer – English 7:00PM – Liturgy of the Lord's Supper– bilingual

Good Friday

8:00AM—Solemn Morning Prayer – English 10:00AM – Way of the Cross 12:00PM – Droga Krzyżowa 3:00PM – English – Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord 6:00 – Liturgia Męki Pańskiej

Holy Saturday

8:00AM—Solemn Morning Prayer – English 9AM – 3PM — Food Blessing – at the top of the hour 8:00PM – **The Easter Vigil** – bilingual

> **Easter Sunday** According to the usual Sunday schedule

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Any good teacher or parent will tell you that once a lesson is really learned it doesn't need to be taught again. When we internalize things we have learned, they become a part of who we are and influence how we perceive and interact with our world. The same is true for the law God has written upon our hearts. Once humanity learns this lesson, we will simply know it to be true and act accordingly. Sometimes, it is hard to get people to learn the lessons they need to learn. They are often distracted, disinterested, conflicted, misdirected, or just too stubborn and unable or unwilling to see what is right before their eyes. Understanding that God is in a loving and committed relationship with those fashioned and formed in God's own image, seems like such a simple lesson to learn. But history and experience has proven that it is not.

We struggle with faith, especially when that faith asks us to learn something very particular about ourselves. We must, like a grain of wheat, fall to the ground and die. Because God's DNA is at the very core of who we are, there are specific pearls of wisdom that must be acquired before we can live a full life. One very powerful lesson is that it is not the task of the world to tell us who we are and what has meaning, but God. For many, death is not an opportunity for greater life but a permanent ending to the life they have known. Jesus knew every dimension to what it means to be fully human because he was! He knows the joys, limitations, sorrows, frustrations, wonders, suffering, opportunities, and joys of the human experience. Jesus can teach us a wealth of knowledge and life's lessons from his example, especially obedience.

When we accept the law God has placed in our hearts and gain wisdom from it, then when we suffer we learn to listen more attentively to the Voice behind that law. We naturally flee to our Creator for inspiration, consolation, hope, direction, and comfort as we navigate through this time of darkness. We will not need to run from it, subdue it, fight it, or be overcome by it because we will know, having internalized this profound lesson before, that God will bring new life. God's law is love and love never fails. Even in the moments of Jesus' deepest despair, he glorified the name of his Father. What he learned allowed him to put everything in perspective and be obedient to the tender, loving Voice that echoed within. As Lent quickly winds down, may we learn the same! Then, may we gain the fortitude and wisdom to help others see what is right before their eyes.



Monday, March 22

GUITAR LESSONS FOR CHILDREN – Sacred Heart auditorium – 3:30 – 6PM. A small fee will be due.

NEXT WEEKEND, MARCH 27 & 28

- **THE SECOND COLLECTION** taken up after Holy Communion will benefit the **DIOCESAN PRIEST RETIREMENT FUND**. This collection is exclusively for the benefit of our retired priests, as well as our active priests upon their retirement. May your generosity to this collection reflect your gratitude and love for our retired priests who have been dedicated and faithful to their priesthood over the years. Let's not forget.
- **PALM SUNDAY** palms will be blessed and distributed at all the Masses.

Ogłoszenia Parafialne

PONIEDZIAŁEK, 22 MARZEC

LEKCJE GITARY - godz. 15.30; próba polskiej scholii dziecięcej - godz. 18.00.

NIEDZIELA, 28 MARZEC

DRUGA SKŁADKA przeznaczona będzie na rzecz diecezjalengo funduszu na rzecz księży emerytów. Bog zapłać za złożone ofiary.

Please visit our parish website: www.ctrmanville.com

up-to-date information, schedules, church bulletins, pictures from parish events and much more ... Be sure to check out our video reflections on the Sunday Readings each week. This week John Zunski will be presenting the reflections and next week Laurie Genovese will be the presenter. Have parish newsletter delivered to your email. Sign up for our newsletter on the website.

The Christ the Redeemer collection for the weekend of March 14, 2021

| Offertory | \$ | 3,940.00 |
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| Mail-Ins | \$ | 3,112.00 |
| On-line Giving | \$ | 2,625.00 |
| Children's Donations | \$ | 3.00 |
| Total | \$ | 9,683.00 |
| Cemetery Collection | \$ | 1,132.00 |
| Thank you for your generosity and support. | Мау | God bless |

Thank you for your generosity and support. May God bless you. Fr. Stan

"I will be their God and they shall be my people."

- JEREMIAH 31:33

What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbors and for people we don't know, just as God cares for each of us.



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MARCH 27-28

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2021 Bishop's Annual Appeal Transformed by Christ Body and Blood – Sent on Mission to Light a Fire in the Heart of the Church

By now you have received a letter from Bishop Checchio inviting your participation in the 2021 Bishop's Annual Appeal. The diocesan ministries supported by the Appeal directly impact many of the parishioners here in Christ the Redeemer Parish. Your gift provides formation opportunities for our catechists, youth and young adults. In the coming days, you will be receiving a letter from our pastor Fr. Stan, encouraging your participation. If you have yet to make your gift, please prayerfully consider doing so today by either returning your pledge card in the mail or going to the secure website: <u>https://diometuchen.org/BAA.</u>

Give Online

Consider using ConnectNow Giving during this health crisis. Go to our website and use the "Quick Give" feature to give a one-time gift without creating a login, and you'll see a list of our special funds from which you can choose to contribute. Or you can create a login and set up a recurring donation.

Pomimo kryzysu związanego Ζ prosimy koronawirusem wsparcie 0 finansowe dla parafii. Zachecamy do korzystania z zakładki Online Giving na stronie internetowej parafii. Transakcje czynione za pomoca Online Giving sa bezpieczne. Dziekujemy za wsparcie i zrozumienie.

Readings for the Week of March 21, 2021

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]/Heb 5:7-9/ Jn 12:20-33 or Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/ Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [4ab]/Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21 [2]/Jn 8:21-30 **Wednesday:** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 11 [8a, 9a]/ Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 [cf. 7]/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/ Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39

The daily Scripture references are printed here. If you find it helpful and have internet access, you can find the complete Daily Scripture Readings at http://www.usccb.org/nab/.

Weekly Vocation Prayer Schedule

| Sunday: | Roger & Diana Sieberg |
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| Monday: | K.K. |
| Tuesday: | Theresa Evans & John Strollo |
| Wednesday: | Gerald Pepe |
| Thursday: | Betty Rybski |
| Friday: | Sharon Liszczak & John Tardy |
| Saturday: | John Tardy |





the health of those in need, especially: Edwina Andreyko, Toni Antonelli, Evelyn Appenzeller, Cheryl Argento, John Bartley, Thelma Bartus, Jean Batula, Harold Bok, Shawn Brickley, Denise Buanano, Lorraine Burkoski, Marylou & Jason Cebula, Chester Cejnowski, Luke Chartowich, Palo Cizmar, Pat Cobo, Allison Collins, Kaiden Crothwer. Bill and Denise Davidson. Dolores DeFazio, Marge Demski, Mary Evancho, Bernice Fatto, Maureen Femiano, Lou Fischer, Kathryn, Debbie, Madison & Michael Fisne, Valerie Frank, Nancy Franklin, Karter Fridlund, Marian Gano, Helen Gazo, Helen Gilmore, Dorothy Gluch, Robert Goffredo, Christopher Gregor, Dolores Hart, Frank Honkisz, Maryann Hughes, Marge Iarkowski, Maria Inglot, Raul Jaime, Kim Jenkins, Dennis Koslowski, Ed Kawalchuk, Theresa Kraska, Wiktoria Lach, Rita Lagasse, Ken Lake, Janice Lalley, Lenny Lazas, Donna Lawler, Ann Marie Lazor-Shapiro, Judy Lentzsch, Antoinette Leotti, Chevenne Liccardi, Rachel Lukacs, Nadine Mack, Jerry Mamola, Helen Michno, Ouaid Mobus, Alexander Monto, Ed Nawracaj, Mai Nguven, Hunter Norz, Ned Panfile, Barbara Pankowski, Robert & John Parlier, Barbara Perone, Steven Pirello, Mary Poltarek, Elijah Paul Prater, Joseph G. & Mark Pschar, Carolyn Puia, Steve Quintana, Chelsea Rivard, Laura Rodaman, Marie Rogusky, Sylvia Rubito, Jerry Russell, Jr., Dolores Serra, Michael Sheehan, Irene Shelcusky, Pat Sherwood, Holli Skrapits, Eric Slaight, Celia Smith, Charlotte Snow, Victoria Soika, Albert Stanski, Michelle Tranter. David Urban. Frances & Barry Viola. Irena Walczak, Ramona Walsh, Mark Waugh, Cindv Weigel, Cathy Wildgust, Raymond Wisniewski, Barbara Wrigil, Rose Zakszewski, Michael Zamorsky, Margaret & Mark Zujkowski, Maria Zurawiecki and Regina Zvdalis.

We ask you for your prayers for

God of all consolation give life and health to our sisters and brothers for whom we pray in your Holy Name. Amen.



Our Men and Women in the Service

Please pray for all of our men and women serving in the Armed forces, especially

> SPC Christopher Elsen PFC Joshua Hussey Major James A. Jablonski Jr. Master Sergeant Kimberly Kaminski USAF Airman Michael Edward Kassick III 1st Lieutenant John Limyansky USAF First Sergeant Jeff Morella USMC SR Jerry Lee Rogalski Commander Peter G. Rybski, Jr. PFC Steven Ubry Staff Sergeant Lindsay Zaccardi USAF

Let us know if you have a family member who is serving in the military and we will acknowledge them in our weekly bulletin. Please share the good news with us when one of the above soldiers returns home!

The Knights of Columbus Saint Jude Council # 6573



Council Meetings and Social Gatherings: Held monthly on 1st and 3rd Tuesday, respectively at 7:00 pm: Saint John Neumann Center at Christ the Redeemer Parish, Manville N.J. Catholic men 18+ who are not fellow knights but may have an interest to join are invited to the

social events. For more information visit https:// www.kofc.org/en/join/join-the-knights.html

CLOTHING DRIVE - Postponed until further notice!

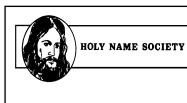
Bible Study: Bible study is every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. . All are welcome to join the discussion.

We always have updates on our Facebook Page - https:// www.facebook.com/kofc6573biblestudy/



The next Altar Rosary Society Mass will be said March 21st at 10:00AM.

The next FIRST SATUR-DAY DEVOTIONS to Our Lady of Fatima will take place on May 1st.



The next Holy Name Society Meeting will be held on **May 5th** in the St. John Neumann Center at 6PM.



Thank you for your continued support of Caritas. The Caritas Team collects food every week at the church. Desperately needed items: Spaghetti Sauce, Soup, Cereal, Macaroni and

Cheese, Dried Potato Mixes, Rice, Canned Meat-Ham, Tuna, Chicken, Canned Fruit, Peanut Butter and Jelly. The Caritas Team also collect monetary donations and on-line through our church website.

For the month of March donations of paper products such as toilet paper and paper towels as well as cleaning products like laundry detergent would be very helpful.

This would be an enormous help as people don't normally think of these items when donating to a Food Bank. These can be dropped off at Sacred Heart Church or the parish office.

Thank you for your anticipated support.



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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

March 21, 2021

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

It has been a challenging year, but one that we have not been left alone to face. The pandemic has caused much uncertainty and we have all been impacted. I know I join you in praying for brighter days ahead for us all, even as we particularly remember all those who are sick, have lost loved ones or have felt the economic impact of the pandemic.

I have often heard from you throughout this year about how grateful you are for your priests who have striven to serve you throughout this pandemic in creative ways. I am so grateful for them, and all who have collaborated with them to continue to shepherd our beautiful flock in our four counties. In addition to your pastors and parochial vicars, our diocese has 31 retired diocesan priests and more approaching retirement this summer. At the retirement age for the majority of our diocesan priests at 75, their administrative responsibilities end, but their pastoral and sacramental ministry continues. Although retired, as long as they are physically able, I have seen this group so generously continue to help in so many ways. We are fortunate to have been the beneficiaries of their sacred ministry: countless Holy Masses, baptisms, weddings and confessions. They have brought us the healing hand of Christ at the hour of death and they have mourned and prayed with us when we buried our dead. Where would our diocese be without their sacrificial gift of their lives and their spiritual and pastoral leadership? Indeed, their ongoing generosity, even during the pandemic, is nothing but inspirational. The retired priests, who for health reasons cannot minister in the parishes, also are asked to continue to support our local Church through their prayers, sacrifices and example.

We are now asked to share our blessings bestowed upon us so that our retired priests can enjoy their retirement even while continuing as able to celebrate public Mass and assist in your spiritual care. Next weekend, March 27 and 28 we celebrate Palm Sunday, and the faithful of our diocese will have the opportunity to acknowledge these priests by responding to the *Annual Collection for our Retired Diocesan Priests*. All funds raised through this collection will be used exclusively to support our retired priests.

Your generous response to next week's special collection is a practical way to convey your personal appreciation to our retired priests for their many years of service. Thank you for your continued generosity and grateful heart. Know of my love, prayers and gratitude for you, and asking you to continue to pray for vocations from our local Church to the holy priesthood for service in our diocese!

With renewed best wishes, I remain

Yours in Christ,

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Most Reverend James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA Bishop of Metuchen