Second Sunday of Lent – March 13, 2022

He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself. '-Philippians 3:21



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17—4:1

MondayDn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38TuesdayIs 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12WednesdayJer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28ThursdayJer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31

Friday Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday-	March 12	4:00 PM	Nancy Landes (Frank & Rita DeRiancho)
Sunday –	March 13	9:00 AM	Candy Wells (Ron & Anne Teel)
Monday –	March 14	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Tuesday –	March 15	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Wednesday –	March 16	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Thursday –	March 17	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Friday –	March 18	12:00 PM	Intention of Donor
Saturday –	March 19	4:00 PM	Fr. Leo McKernan (Frank & Rita DeRiancho)
Sunday –	March 20	9:00 AM	Candy Wells (Gene & Valerie Trowbridge)

1st Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

Abraham, the prototypical 'father' of Israel, is the first one to be given God's blessing. He was given it because of his righteousness, that is, his belief in God's word. Note that this is belief based upon hearing God and believing what he heard as true. Abram took what was outside of himself and made it part of himself: he *believed*. After so doing, God took the next step and made a covenant with him *as the representative of the nation to come*. In other words, God offered the blessing out of grace and then faith came from the people who would follow Abram's seed.

2nd Reading: Philippians 3:17-4:1

Again, as in last Sunday's reading, the theme is resurrection of the body, the *glorified body*, not just the spirit. Paul is pointing to the end of human existence as a transformation into a new and bodily form unlike this earthly bodily form. Jesus, as Paul here states clearly, is the cause and reason for this transformation that awaits all those who trust in him.

Gospel Reading: Luke 9:28b-36

The transfiguration is clearly intended to link up Jesus with the theophany on Mt. Sinai when Moses received the tablets, and it is an important message. But there is more to the story than simply re-emphasizing Jesus' credentials; in the Moses role, Jesus will be bringing the new 'Law' to humankind. Jesus *becomes the Law* and his ministry ultimately leads to the cross and then resurrection. With his rebirth, his transformation, the 'Law' becomes internalized, living within those who trust in his promise. In a real way Jesus is the fulfillment of both God's Law, as given to Moses, and the prophetic vision of Elijah who was transported bodily to heaven.

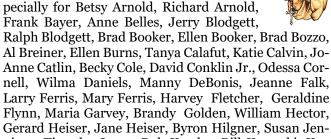


MEMBERS OF THE HOLY NAME OF MARY PRAYER CHAIN are available to pray for you or your loved ones in need of prayer. Please call Maureen Van Nostrand at: 570-278-4590.

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LET US PRAY THIS MONTH:

We remember in prayer those who are ill & pained in body, heart & mind. We pray especially for Betsy Arnold, Richard Arnold, Frank Bayer, Anne Belles, Jerry Blodgett,



Gerard Heiser, Jane Heiser, Byron Hilgner, Susan Jennings, Timothy Jones, Deb Kessler, Bill Kozerski, Ken Landes, Nancy Landes, Sue Landes, Josh Landis, Dolores Makowski, Barry Markow, Walter Miller, Alexis Mock, Christian Mondi, Luis Muloski, Jamie Myers, Mike Rayias, Kimberly Richey, Luke Richey, Bob Roccia, Ann Paolucci, Debbie Rossi, Rob Rossi, Jack Rozanski, Lennas Russell, Dorothy Sergent, Caesar Siedlecki, Edith Siedlecki, Kathleen Sitkowski, Delores Slatter, Jerry Stahl, Florence Trowbridge, Ruth Vandermark,

Wayne Vandermark, Jesse Wells, Rosemarie Whalen.



LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PROUDLY SERVE IN THE MILITARY:

Floyd Beamer, Thomas Butler, Daniel Daly, Christopher Jordan, James Kane, Mark Nowalk, Michael Pelicci, Nate Seymour, Julie Snyder, Aaron Taylor, Nancy Travis, and Travis Walter.

PARISH FINANCES	3/6/2022
(FY18/19 Budget)	\$ (<u>4867.00)</u>
Sunday Collection	\$ 8,567.00

Thank you for your generosity & support



Please remember that during these difficult times, Holy Name of Mary is relying on your continued support to meet our financial obli-

gations. Thank you!!



If you are 70½ or older and have a traditional individual retirement account, you can use all or part of your required minimum distribution to support your parish or the Diocesan Annual Appeal without having to count the transfers as income for federal tax purposes.

Distributions must be sent directly to your parish or the Diocese by the plan administrator of your IRA.

For more information, please contact Jim Bebla, Diocesan Secretary of Development at Jim-Bebla@DioceseofScranton.org or (570) 207-2250

2021 ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

Our Parish goal: **\$16,000.** Percentage of Goal pledged as of 3/10/2022 is 106%.







Sunday, March 13th - 9:00AM

Lee John Sullivan

Sunday, March 20th - 9:00AM

Bernadetta and Albert Paolucci

Sunday, March 27th - 9:00AM

Isaiah Torres

Sunday, April 3rd - 9:00AM

Lee John Sullivan

Sunday, April 10th - 9:00AM

Bernadetta and Albert Paolucci

Would you like to become an Altar Server? If so, please contact Pam Tometchko at 570-278-0497 or speak to Fr. Philip directly.



Little Black Books for daily mediation during Lent are available in the back of the Church for you to take.

"The Light Is On For You"

Fr. Philip will hear confessions every Monday from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM during Lent. Please take advantage of this in preparation for Easter!

LENTEN REGULATIONS FOR ABSTINENCE AND FASTING:

Following are the Lenten regulations for observance in the Diocese of Scranton.

ABSTINENCE (meaning no meat for that day) and **FASTING** are to be observed on **ASH WEDNESDAY** and **GOOD FRIDAY**.

ABSTINENCE (no meat) is to be observed on **ALL FRIDAYS OF LENT** for all Catholics 14 years of age and older.

All Catholic adults, from 18 to 59 years of age, are bound by the law of **FAST**.

FASTING means one full meal may be eaten each day. Two smaller meals are permitted, if necessary, to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid food between meals is not permitted.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS



Classes are being held in person in the Parish Center beginning at 10:00 AM, since Sunday Mass will remain at 9:00 AM. Masks are currently recommended to be worn indoors for Susquehanna County as per the CDC guidelines. If you would like to register your child, registration forms will be available at the rectory of the church. You may register for classes at any time.

<u>March 13th</u> – Regular Classes <u>March 20th</u> – Regular Classes-

Grades 7-8 Reconciliation

March 27th - Regular Classes-

Grades 7-8 Youth Mass

<u>April 3rd</u> – Regular Classes <u>April 10th</u> – Regular Classes

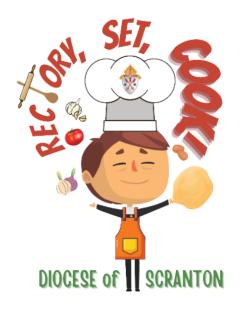


During Lent, our parish will participate in CRS Rice Bowl, a faith-inaction program that invites us to reflect on the

challenges of global hunger – and our Gospel call to care for our global human family.

Matthew's Gospel reminds us that we are responsible for helping all of our sisters and brothers, even those who are strangers to us. "Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." – *Matthew* 25:40.

CRS invites you to place the cardboard container in your home and to put money not spent due to your fasting and other things given up for Lent. At the end of Lent the Rice Bowl is brought to Mass and placed in the collection basket. The proceeds are then sent to the Diocese and used for hunger relief within our diocese and used for development projects in poor nations. The Rice Bowls are available in the back of the church. Please take one home!



WHO: THIRTY "PASTOR CHEFS" PUT THEIR COOKING SKILLS
TO THE ULTIMATE TEST!
YOU ARE JUDGE AND JURY. AND THEY NEED YOUR VOTES!

WHAT: A FRIENDLY VIRTUAL COLLAR-NARY COMPETITION TO BENEFIT PARISHES AND CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES AND HELP FIGHT HUNGER!

WHEN: WEBSITE LIVE NOW THROUGH MIDNIGHT APRIL 10, 2022. WINNERS ANNOUNCED APRIL 11!





HOW DO I VOTE?

- 1. Visit www.dioceseofscranton.org and click on the Rectory, Set, Cook! logo.
- 2. Click "Donate to Vote" to vote instantly. You can make a general donation or attribute your support to a priest/s by using the drop-down menu.
- 3. To watch the cooking videos, then cast your vote:
- ~ Click on OUR CHEFS. (On mobile devices, scroll down to OUR CHEFS.)
- ~ Select the Pastor Chef you wish to watch, then click VIEW.
- ~ **Press the PLAY icon:** (If you can't see the Play icon on a mobile device, scroll down until you see "Read More." Click "Read More" to reveal the Play icon.
- ~ Cast your vote/s! Each vote is \$10. Half goes to Catholic Social Services, and half stays with the participating parish. (Unattributed donations will support the cause rather than a particular parish.)

TO MAKE AN OFFLINE DONATION WITH CASH OR CHECK:

- 1. Place cash or a check MADE OUT TO YOUR PARISH in a plain envelope marked RECTORY, SET, COOK! Drop in the collection basket or at the rectory or mail it via U.S. Postal Service. Parish staff will enter your donation.
- 2. Include your name, address, phone number and email address (so that your gift may be entered into Diocesan records and you will be properly thanked and credited for tax purposes.)
- 3. Special note: If you **DO NOT** want your name added to the online donor wall, please indicate your wish to remain anonymous. Donor walls are visible to our parish and the public.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!