

St. Gertrude Chicago

Sunday, March 7 - Third Sunday in Lent Click HERE to read the bulletin in a new window

St. Gertrude Mass times are:

- Monday-Saturday: 7:30 am
- Saturdays at 5:00 pm
- Sundays at 8:00 am and 10:30 am (10:30 Mass is live-streamed on our parish Facebook page)

The St. Gertrude parish office schedule can be found <u>HERE</u>. Please review the <u>Parishioner Guidelines for Visiting the Rectory</u> and call before you come!

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From Father Rich

Third Sunday of Lent

Anger is perhaps the most misunderstood emotion among not only Christians, but many others throughout the world. Today's gospel passage of Jesus cleansing the temple by creating a whip and driving out the moneychangers and others who had created a marketplace within the temple itself, is our confrontation with righteous anger.

Anger of any kind rises up within us when we perceive injustice towards ourselves present in the situation. Sometimes, this is, in a sense, a trick, because what has actually happened is

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Click HERE to make a reservation to attend weekend Masses in person! our ego has been accurately attacked and we don't like our frailty and imperfections being exposed. In those situations, we need to reflect on what is it that triggered this response in order to root out the source of our misperception -- it isn't about changing the world, it is about changing ourselves.

Sometimes anger arises when we perceive we are being treated unfairly, not receiving what we have determined is our due. Oftentimes this is because of the biases or prejudices we have lived within for many years -- sometimes since we were very young children. I suspect a lot of the recent troubles in our own country are founded in this kind of anger. People feel and suspect they aren't getting something they "deserve" while others who don't "deserve" it are receiving it or are at least perceived as receiving it. In these cases, it is imperative that everyone move towards the objective truth of the situation. What is wrong in these situations is not the reality of what is present, but the incorrect perception of those who do not like it. Especially in these situations, speaking the truth is of paramount importance.

The anger of Jesus in today's gospel passage is accurate and appropriate. Probably over the course of many years, everyone got lax about following the religious norms regarding the temple. Now those with business savvy set up the selling of necessary materials for offering their sacrifices (e.g. two turtle doves, etc.) and were able to pay-off or wear down those responsible for maintaining the religious nature of the temple. In so doing, the real purpose of the temple became distorted. Its primary purpose was no longer to adore God and offer appropriate sacrifices. Instead, it had become one more place of business. Jesus' anger not only reveals his passion for truth but his passion for his Father and His Father's House! That is righteous

anger. He is not only speaking up for himself but for all his fellow believers in order to get things back into their right order so that worship of God may again be pure.

One of the great gifts of so many community organizations and community organizers is that they rouse up the hearts and souls of people to "speak truth to power." They identify the injustices that are encouraged and supported by those in power enjoying the status quo and demand it be confronted and changed for the good of all the people. Obviously, if everyone has gotten used to the way things are, correcting this injustice is going to cause upset, disorder, change. Most of all, a giant pushback from those who are being challenged. Often when people rise up and speak this kind of truth, the pushback comes in the form of outrage, anger, and fury directed at those who are pointing out the flaws of the current system. At those moments, those who are the greatest supporters of the injustices become the loudest shouters that they are now being treated unjustly. When, in fact, what they are actually protecting, is their place of privilege and superiority.

As we have seen in so many examples in recent years, righteous anger is met by weaponized anger, escalating situations in order to defeat those who have been unjustly treated. Weaponized anger is always wrong and only ever leads to more violence and destruction and injustice. That is the reason so many great leaders, like Gandhi, like Jesus, like Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., have refused to allow violence to be used in that way, demanding that all those who follow their teaching be non-violent in their resistance.

Lent is a good opportunity for personal and societal reflection. It is a good time to consider what "ticks me off?" Do my ire and my bile rise up appropriately because I am being treated unjustly? Or is it because I am

one of the privileged and don't want my exalted status threatened and even taken away? It is at this point we begin to see the interconnectedness of Jesus' teachings and how he lived his life. Unless I can see every other human being as my equal, the world is unjust. And unless I am a tool for changing that inequality and ushering greater equality, even if I am doing nothing to support the inequality, in fact, I am supporting it. My "take no stand" supports the status quo.

We know from the life and death of Jesus and so many others that the work of our life in serving equality and truth is both exhausting and demands such a high price, even, for some, to the point of death.

M. Scott Peck pointed out in his writings that "life is not fair." That is certainly the truth of all who live in this world. But the next steps in our response to that truth are hard. Speaking truth, living truth will exact a price. Consider right now how many people are insisting on certain lies because they like that version of reality better than the truth! And they are very willing to pay a lot to maintain those falsehoods. Even if it means destroying foundational values. Even if it means destroying the property and lives of those with whom they disagree.

For each of us this Lent, what is the "it"? What is the inappropriate anger I need to come to grips with? And the other side of that, what are the things about which I should be angry because they are creating or maintaining an unjust reality for me and others? That is the beginning of living the gospel that we are called to every Lent, and every day of our Christian life.

Anger can be a great tool for good when it fuels our passion -- when we know why we are angry and what we are willing to change in ourselves, first, and then what are we willing to fight for in the broader world in which

we live.

Lenten Reconciliation Service

Next Sunday, March 14, everyone is invited to join in our Parish Reconciliation Service at 1:00 pm in church. As in past years, this is a reflective service, allowing time for listening to scripture and the opportunity of a "Guided Reflection" which is an examination of conscience.

Absolution will be given and we will be maintaining the usual protocols for spatial distancing, requiring reservations for entrance into church, etc.

This is a great way to prepare spiritually for the celebration of Easter. Hope to see you next Sunday at 1:00 pm! Register to attend <u>here</u>.

Daylight Savings Time - Next Weekend

Reminder: We change clocks next Saturday night! Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 14. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night.



Growing in Faith

If you're a person of a certain age, like me, then you'll know of what I speak when I say, "Jesus Christ Superstar is the Greatest Rock Opera Movie of All Time!!" Of course, this is my humble opinion.

This week's Gospel reading (John 2:13-25) is about Jesus throwing out the moneychangers from inside the temple. That scene is made extremely vivid in the movie Jesus Christ Superstar. In fact, the setting and its accompanying song are titled "Moneylenders and Merchants". For me, that scene gets to the heart of how disappointed and disheartened Jesus probably felt when he saw the temple, his house of prayer, turned into a desecrated and debased marketplace. I imagine Jesus must have also felt that his followers didn't—or couldn't—understand what was happening or what was to come. In the movie, Ted Neely, as Jesus, sings woefully [that] "After all I've tried for three years, seems like thirty, seems like thirty." At this point in the movie you gain a clear sense of Jesus' despair.

When I watch the movie and experience the power and beauty of Jesus' passionate prayer at Gethsemane, I feel as if I am on that journey to Golgotha with our Lord. After all, isn't that 'walk with Jesus' part of our Lenten calling? Grace and peace comfort me, because I know our Lord and Savior will conquer death, will be raised up in three days, and will reign forever.

Do yourself a favor: Watch Jesus Christ Superstar during this Lenten season. If you can't stream it or find a DVD of this incredibly awesome rock opera movie, I'll be happy to lend you my copy!

~ Troy McMillan for *Growing in Faith*



St. Gertrude Auction 2021 Fundraiser: More Than \$28,000 Raised!

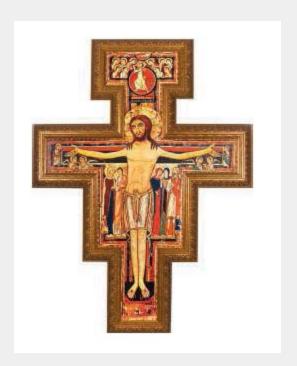
We are so grateful for the overwhelming support of our parish's Auction 2021! Our final tally is just over \$28,000 - exceeding our target of \$25,000!

Thank you to all the people that helped make the Auction a success. Dorothea Tobin worked so hard to get donations for our auction, Mary Clare generously shared her incredible musical talent with us, and Greg Pierce served as our auctioneer at our live event. We are equally grateful for Margie Guadagno, Laurie Hasbrook, and Kevin Chears, some of our amazing Rectory staff, who put in so much time to make the Auction happen.

Thank you to everyone that donated items, placed a bid, and joined in our Live Auction. We are so grateful that so many people helped and participated!

If you did bid on an item and win, it is available to pick up at our Rectory office, open from 9:00 am-2:30 pm Monday-Saturday and 8:30-11:30 am on Sunday. Please call us at 773.764.3621 before coming and observe the Parishioner Guidelines for Visiting the Rectory.

If those times do not work for you, please call the office or email stgertrudechicago.org to make alternative arrangements.



Letter to the Parishioners of St. Ignatius, St. Jerome, and St. Gertrude

To the faith communities of St. Ignatius, St. Jerome, and St. Gertrude parishes:

We, the three pastoral leaders of the Rogers Park-Edgewater Catholic community, want to share our thoughts to assist the transition of the three parishes into two parishes this summer. For St Ignatius parishioners, the

loss of their parish weighs heavily on their minds and hearts. Working together with all the members of the three parishes, we hope to be able to develop strategies that can move us forward in creating a renewed parish life in Rogers Park and Edgewater.

We hope that your Lenten season has begun prayerfully and well, especially during this ongoing pandemic time. In the second reading of Ash Wednesday, St. Paul urges us to be "ambassadors for Christ, as if God were appealing through us." It reminds us that Lent is not only a time for personal renewal, but also for bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ to others. In this time of transition, we all need to become ambassadors for Christ as we seek to build new relationships across "parish boundaries". This is the hoped-for essence of the Renew My Church process.

We three have begun to meet regularly to discuss the implementation of the decision, particularly the winding down of St. Ignatius as a parish and the welcoming of parishioners to the parishes of St. Jerome and St. Gertrude. The Renew My Church Organizational Transformation team will be assisting our parishes as part of that process.

From now through Easter, we will be working together to plan activities to invite our sisters and brothers of St. Ignatius to join St. Jerome or St. Gertrude as their new parish homes. In the Easter season, we envision pastoral leaders and lay members of St. Gertrude and St. Jerome visiting St. Ignatius for worship and conversation on how we can support one another and welcome new members.

Representatives from all three parishes will begin discussions to explore potential opportunities for a Mission Center in the neighborhood. This planning will also engage Loyola University, the local Jesuit community, and

possibly other community partners.

Once we have walked with Jesus on his Pascal journey and celebrated his Resurrection, the level of our activities in these and other areas will expand. We encourage you to share your ideas or questions about this time of transition. Please do not hesitate to contact us. Our emails are noted below. We ask that you pray to determine how you can be an ambassador in the formation of a renewed church in Rogers Park-Edgewater.

~ Deacon Chris, cmurphy@archchicago.org, Fr. Rich Prendergast, rprendergast@stgertrudechicago.org, Fr. Noel Reyes, nreyes@archchicago.org



National Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS: March 7 through March 14, 2021

This national week of prayer calls our attention to the AIDS epidemic in the United States and the unique role that communities of faith can and are

playing in AIDS prevention, education, service, and advocacy. This commemorative week highlights the need for a continuous mobilization and education of faith communities to take an even greater role in the implementation of AIDS education and services within their local communities and across the nation.

The week is intended to raise awareness and strengthen our nation's faith communities to influence social norms and thus contribute to the prevention of HIV/AIDS, reduce the associated stigma and provide compassionate support to those who are living with and affected by HIV/AIDS.

At Holy Thursday's Mass of the Lord's Supper on April 1, we will take up a collection to support both <u>Bonaventure House Alexian Brothers AIDS</u>

<u>Ministry</u> and <u>Catholic Charities'</u> efforts to help those living with and affected by AIDS. Donations can also be made <u>HERE</u>.

Members of every church, mosque, synagogue, temple, educational, and health care institution and those at home are invited to join in prayer for the healing of AIDS. In unity with this week of prayer across our nation, we offer the following from the Alexian Brothers, Bonaventure House:

Prayer to Christ the Healer

In the comfort of your love, I pour out to you, my Savior,
The memories that haunt me, the anxieties that perplex me, the fears that
stifle me, the sickness that prevails upon me, and the frustrations of all the
pain that weaves about within me.

Lord, help me to see your peace in my turmoil, your compassion in my sorrow, your forgiveness in my weakness, and your love in my need.

Touch me, O Lord, with your healing power and strength. Amen.

~ Catholic Charities HIV/AIDS Task Force for the Archdiocese of Chicago.

For more information, call 312-948-6500 or visit www.hivaidsservicesministry.org.

Donate here



RCIA Events

At last Sunday's 10:30 am Mass, Jessica Navarro, part of this year's Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) group seeking entrance into the Catholic faith, headed down to Holy Name Cathedral in the afternoon for the Rite of

Election.

There, she was presented to Bishop Grob and recognized alongside other catechumens (unbaptized) in the final weeks of their preparation for entering the Church at the Easter Vigil Mass on Holy Saturday. Please keep her, Corina Cleja, and Daniel Geihsler, our other RCIA candidates (who have already been baptized), and the RCIA team in your prayers in these final weeks of this important faith formation process.

Over the next three weekends at one of the Sunday Masses, the RCIA group will undergo the Scrutinies where they will be examined about their own desires to turn away from sin and embrace the gospel of Jesus. These Rites invite all of us "old Catholics" to do the same in our lives, as we share the common goal of being ready for the celebration of Easter. The schedule is:

- First Scrutiny Saturday, March 6 at the 5:00 pm Mass
- Second Scrutiny Sunday, March 14 at the 8:00 am Mass
- Third Scrutiny, Sunday, March 21 at the 10:30 am Mass



Lenten Events and Schedule: Stations

of the Cross, Lenten Reconciliation Service, Holy Week

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross are prayed every Friday during Lent at 3:00 pm in Church. During the Stations of the Cross at 3:00 pm, the priest/minister will not invite any of those in church to walk with him/her. Everyone else must remain in their pew while the minister moves from Station to Station.

No registration is necessary to attend. Please check-in at the greeter table using the door on Granville.

Lenten Reconciliation Service - Next Sunday, March 14

Our Lenten Reconciliation Service will take place on Sunday, March 14 at 1:00 pm in church. Registration is available here or in the link below.

Holy Week - Registration is Now Open to Attend Services

Due to COVID-19, all the Holy Week Services have new protocols. The Palm Sunday Processions, Holy Thursday's Washing of Feet, Lighting of the New Fire on Holy Saturday, and other portions of the rituals have either been removed or greatly simplified. Click <u>HERE</u> to see the Mass times and to register to attend.

Palm Sunday Masses - click <u>HERE</u> to register

Sunday Vigil, Saturday, March 27 at 5:00 pm Sunday, March 28 at 8:00 am and 10:30 am (live-streamed)

Weekday Masses During Holy Week

Monday, March 29, Tuesday, March 30, and Wednesday, March 31 - 7:30 am Mass

There are no 7:30 am Masses offered on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or Holy Saturday.

Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday, April 1

7:30 pm \sim Mass of the Lord's Supper (live-streamed) - click <u>HERE</u> to register

(Church is open until 10:00 pm for Eucharistic Adoration.)

Good Friday, April 2

3:00 pm ~ Stations of the Cross

7:30 pm \sim Service of the Lord's Passion (live-streamed) - click <u>HERE</u> to register

Holy Thursday, April 1

7:30 pm \sim Mass of the Lord's Supper (live-streamed) - click <u>HERE</u> to register

(Church is open until 10:00 pm for Eucharistic Adoration.)

Good Friday, April 2

3:00 pm ~ Stations of the Cross

7:30 pm \sim Service of the Lord's Passion (live-streamed) - click <u>HERE</u> to register

Holy Saturday, April 3

11:00 am ~ Blessing of Easter Baskets

7:30 pm ~ Easter Vigil Mass (live-streamed) - click <u>HERE</u> to register

Easter Sunday, April 4 - click HERE to register

8:00 am ~ Mass 10:30 am ~ Mass (live-streamed)

Click here to register for the March 14 Reconciliation Service

Click Here to Sign up for Palm Sunday, Holy Week, & Easter Masses



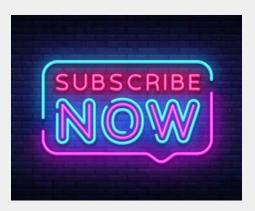
Our Lenten Almoner's Program

Previously, our Almoner's Program distributed \$5 gift cards to McDonald's to parishioners after Mass. They were then asked to share the card with someone in need and take the opportunity to have a brief and humane conversation with the other person, affirming them and wishing them well.

This year, we have adjusted our program due to COVID and have opted to collect donations to purchase McDonald's gift cards for two local ministries that serve those in our community who are in need - The Night Ministry and Care for Real. Both organizations have seen a dramatic rise in people needing help since the beginning of the pandemic.

Donations to our Lenten Almoner's Program can be made via GiveCentral online <u>HERE</u> or placed in the collection box on the Lenten resource table when attending Mass. Please be as generous as you can!

Donate to our Almoner's Program!



Subscribe to our Newsletters

If you are sharing this weekly bulletin with a friend or family member, encourage them to sign up for it! Two options are available - register to receive the bulletin AND our daily reflections/occasional announcements or JUST the e-bulletin and occasional announcements (no daily reflections.)

Send an email with your preferences to stgertbulletin@yahoo.com.



Recruiting Ministers of Praise

Interested in joining a special ministry that has no required meetings, no dues, or outside responsibilities? Yet its participants have a valued connection to our parish life. You can enrich your life by praying for others every day.

Here's how it works: we provide our committed participants (you) with a monthly guide sheet reflecting some of the prayer petitions taken from St. Gertrude Church's Prayer Wall. You then refer to this guide every day as you pray. As one of our prayer angels, you become an unseen blessing to so many.

We welcome your interest in this caring Ministry of Praise. Please contact Jane Callahan-Moore by calling the Rectory office at 773.764.3621.



Northside Catholic Academy- Primary
School Open House Scheduled for
Saturday, March 6, Coming Fundraisers
- Wildcat Roaring Races, & NCA Trivia
Night

Northside Catholic Academy- Primary School Open House

Join us for our Primary School Open House on Saturday, March 6, from 10:00 am-2:00 pm at 6216 N. Glenwood Ave. Families must RSVP before arriving.

We are an award-winning academy committed to providing our students with an exceptional educational experience that includes intellectual, spiritual, physical, and social development. We offer a well-rounded and rigorous curriculum for PreK-8th grade. Families will have the opportunity to tour our Primary Campus with our admissions director.

All families must wear a mask, receive a temperature check at the door, and schedule a tour time before attending the open house. Please click the link HERE to schedule your tour time.

For questions, please email Shakira, our admissions director, at **smorrissette@ncaweb.org**.

Wildcat Roaring Races- Become a Wildcat Winner!

Join our Wildcat Roaring Races Facebook group! Wildcat Roaring Races is Northside Catholic Academy's virtual fundraiser. The races are held, and the prizes are posted on the Wildcat Roaring Races Facebook group for anyone to win. You will have a 1-25 chance to win every race you enter. There are lots of GREAT prizes posted every week!

Here's how it works; items are posted with a picture, description, and line price in the Wildcat Roaring Races Facebook group. If you are interested, you will click on the link provided in the group, and the link will direct you to order and pay for your races. Races are hosted via Facebook Live in the Facebook group on Thursdays at 7:30 pm. ALL ARE WELCOME! Please invite your family and friends to join our private Facebook group. Don't miss out on this fun opportunity to win a variety of prizes!

Tell your family and friends and click the link <u>HERE</u> to join our Wildcat Roaring Races Facebook group today!

NCA Trivia Night- March 6 at 7:00 pm!

Did you think a pandemic was going to stop our trivia fun?! NO WAY! Northside Catholic Academy is having a Virtual Trivia Night! Buy your ticket and grab your cocktail because this is one Trivia Night you don't want to miss!

The NCAPO will be hosting the Virtual Trivia Night on Saturday, March 6. Organize your team of 2-8 people (we recommend keeping teams to no

more than 8 people to make it more enjoyable) and register at the following link: http://weblink.donorperfect.com/ncatrivianight2021.

Tickets are \$25 for single players/\$50 per couple.



Readings and Music for Sunday, March 7

- PDF of readings for March 7
- PDF of lyrics and copyright info for March 7
- Music planned and hymn numbers from *Breaking Bread Hymnal*:
 - o Prelude: My Soul In Stillness Waits
 - Entrance: Enter the Journey, #634
 - Kyrie: Barker (piano and cantor only)
 - Psalm: #25 Your ways, O Lord are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.
 - Gospel Acclamation: Barker-Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.
 - o Offertory: O God you Search Me, #438

Mass Parts: Schubert-Deutsche Mass

o Agnus Dei- chant

o Communion: Eye Has Not Seen,#462

• Meditation: Sacred Silence, #592

• Recessional: Your words are spirit, #592



Additional Parish Information Found on our Website

List of info/articles

- Mass Schedule/Links to Sign up for Mass
- Video of What to Expect When Returning to Church
- Parishioner Guidelines for Attending Mass in Church
- What to Expect/Do in Church (photos w/captions)
- Volunteers Needed to Help with Mass
- Parishioner Guidelines for Visiting the Rectory
- Meetings at St. Gertrude



Lectors, Cantors, Eucharistic Ministers, Set-up/Greeters/Clean-up Teams, and Musicians Planned for This Weekend

This weekend, our cantors will be:

- Saturday, March 6 at 5:00 pm Siobhan O'Neill Meluso
- Sunday, March 7 at 8:00 am Carol Ann Munro
- Sunday, March 7 at 10:30 am Michael Callahan; Jay Lamble-guitar,
 Nicholas Bussey-trombone

Please note, we ask that those attending Mass in person do not sing due to concerns that singing may spread germs further than six feet.

Our Eucharistic ministers are:

• Saturday, March 6 at 5:00 pm - Tim Harrington

- Sunday, March 7 at 8:00 am Hallie Burhoe
- Sunday, March 7 at 10:30 am Patrick Robinson

Our readers this weekend are:

- Saturday, March 6 at 5:00 pm Kathleen Dawson
- Sunday, March 7 at 8:00 am Marty McDermott
- Sunday, March 7 at 10:30 am Troy McMillian

Our set-up/greeter team this weekend is:

- Saturday, March 6 at 5:00 pm TBA
- Sunday, March 7 at 8:00 am TBA
- Sunday, March 7 at 10:30 am TBA

Our clean-up team this weekend is:

- Saturday, March 6 at 5:00 pm TBA
- Sunday, March 7 at 8:00 am TBA
- Sunday, March 7 at 10:30 am TBA

We still need other volunteers to fill teams for greeting/set-up and clean-up. For safety reasons, volunteers should be between 18-64 years of age and not have conditions that would put them at risk for negative outcomes from COVID-19 infection (immunosuppressive therapy, heart or lung disease, cancer, etc.)

If you would like to participate on a team, please <u>download this form</u> and email it to Kevin Chears at kchears@stgertrudechicago.org and include your preferred e-mail and telephone number.











Ways to Help Our Parish: Amazon Smile, Text to Give, GiveCentral, PayPal, Archdiocese Link, and Amazon Smile

Visit <u>smile.amazon.com</u> and select St. Gertrude Parish as your charity of choice. From then on, connect to Amazon through <u>smile.amazon.com</u> and St. Gertrude will automatically benefit as your charity of choice.

We have set up a "Text to Give" option through GiveCentral. Parishioners are welcome to text the word *Donate* to 1.773.741.9505 to make a donation via phone.

The Archdiocese has <u>an online giving option via the Archdiocesan website</u>. You simply click on the link and it takes you to the website. Once there, you determine if you want to contribute via a credit card or a checking account. You fill out the form, including selecting the parish to which the contribution is going, and the money will be electronically debited. The site offers options for amounts and the frequency of the contribution.

To access our PayPal link, please visit <u>our parish website</u> and donate from there. <u>GiveCentral</u> offers parishioners the option of one-time gifts or weekly

contributions.

For more information on text to give or to sign up for online giving, please email Art Blumberg, Director of Parish Management and Facilities, at ablumberg@stgertrudechicago.org. He will be happy to help in any way he can.

Click here to go to GiveCentral

Click here for PayPal (via our website)

Donate via the Archdiocese website



Now Open: Special Health Insurance Enrollment Period As the global pandemic continues, millions of Americans are facing new health concerns and also remain underinsured or uninsured and still need affordable health coverage. That's why President Joe Biden signed an executive order calling for a Special Enrollment Period so you and your families can apply and enroll in the coverage you need.

Up until March 15, 2021, you can purchase, change, or renew your health care plans under the Affordable Care Act for coverage starting on the first of the next month.

Visit <u>Healthcare.gov</u> to learn about the options that are available to you and your family.

Most people using <u>Healthcare.gov</u> qualify for financial assistance and in 2019, 2 in 3 people found plans for \$10 per month or less. Access to affordable health coverage is more important now than ever. Don't go uncovered. Go to <u>HealthCare.gov</u> and find a quality affordable plan that works for you.



Rest in Peace

- Stella Hernandez
- Olga Cecilia Galtan Martinez
- Joy Ransdell, mother of Paula Dempsey



Daily Scripture Readings

Click **HERE** for the daily readings for Masses.

Here is the list of readings for this for parishioners that prefer to look them up:

Monday, March 8: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Lk 4:24-30 Tuesday, March 9: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35 Wednesday, March 10: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19 Thursday, March 11: Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23 Friday, March 12: Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34 Saturday, March 13: Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14

Sunday, March 14: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 (32) or, for Year A, 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38 (31)



Mass Intentions/Mass Book for 2022 Opens March 16 (New Date)

The Mass Intentions book for 2022 will open on Tuesday, March 16 (**this date has changed**) at 9:00 am. Intentions are limited to one per Mass. There is a \$20 suggested offering. Please note that the dates for intentions are subject to change.

If you plan to come to the rectory, please observe the <u>Parishioner</u> <u>Guidelines for Visiting the Rectory</u>.

Monday, March 8: 7:30 am - Living and deceased parents of St. Gertrude parishioners

Tuesday, March 9: 7:30 am - Maria Y-Nhu Tran+

Wednesday, March 10: 7:30 am -Martin+ & Ellen+ Joyce

Thursday, March 11: 7:30 am - Communion service

Friday, March 12: 7:30 am - Rachelle Reyes; 3:00 pm - Stations of the

Cross

Saturday, March 13: 7:30 am - Mr. & Mrs. Thoai Phan+; 5:00 pm - Solange

Byers+

Sunday, March 14: 8:00 am - Parishioners of St. Gertrude; 10:30 am - John+ & Mary+ Philbin



Please Pray for Our Parishioners and Friends

- Jean Bautista
- Walter Bradford
- Sharon Brown
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