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# SAINT PAUL

## THE APOSTLE

February 25, 2024 2nd Sunday of Lent



#### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday (Anticipated)–4:00 PM Sunday–8:00 AM, 10 :00AM, Noon, 5 :00 PM

#### **Daily Masses**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday-6:40 AM
Monday - Saturday-8:30 AM
Thursday-6:15 PM
We livestream our Sunday 10:00 AM, Saturday 4:00 PM, and 8:30 AM Masses, and weddings, funerals, and special events upon request at <a href="mailto:stream">stpacc.org/livestream</a>.

#### **Mass Times for Holy Days**

Please refer to the parish website or call the Parish Office to confirm Mass times.

#### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Thursdays after the 8:30 AM Mass until 5:55 PM unless otherwise noted.

First Fridays after the 8:30 AM Mass until 4:00 PM

#### Rosary

After the 8:30 AM weekday Masses
Mondays at 6:30 PM in the Church and First
Saturdays at 7:00 PM at stpacc.org/onlinerosary

## Divine Mercy Chaplet

**Monday - Friday-3:OPM** 

#### SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

If you are interested in information about becoming Catholic, getting married in the Church or having your children baptized, please turn to page 5 of this bulletin.

#### Featured

## Seminarian Support

The Diocese of Columbus has a GOOD AND GROWING NEED by virtue of 16 ADDITIONAL young men interested in the priesthood. The Diocese is dedicated to limiting the financial burden of costs for a seminarian education so our seminarians can focus on their call to the priesthood. Join us in this mission to support future priests throughout our Diocese by giving to this special collection. <a href="mailto:stpacc.org/seminarian-support">stpacc.org/seminarian-support</a>



## Saint Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

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#### Worship Hymnal Readings - #1031

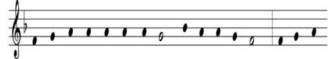
#### **Hymns**

Entrance – The Glory of These Forty Days #467 Offertory – Transform Us #880

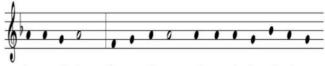
#### **Eucharistic Acclamations**

# Sanctus

San-ctus, San-ctus, San-ctus Dó-mi-nus De-us Sá-ba-oth.



Ple - ni sunt cae - li et ter - ra gló - ri - a tu - a. Ho-sán - na

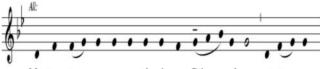


in ex-cél-sis. Be-ne-dí-ctus qui ve-nit in nó-mi-ne



Dó - mi - ni. Ho - sán - na in ex - cél - sis.

#### Mysterium Fidei



Mor-tem tu - am an-nun-ti - á-mus, Dó - mi-ne, et tu - am



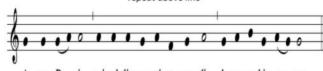
re-sur-re-cti-ó-nem con-fi-té-mur, do-nec vé-ni-as

#### **Agnus Dei**

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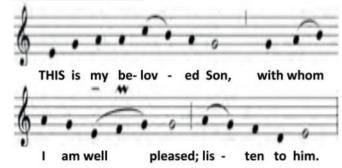


A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: mi-se-ré-re no - bis.



A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa-cem.

#### Communion Antiphon



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#### **Choir Anthem Lyrics**

#### Offertory Anthem - O Lux Beatissima

O lux beatissima, O most blessed light, reple cordis intima tuorum fidelium. O most blessed light, fill the inmost heart of your faithful.

Sine tuo numine, Without your grace, nihil est in homine, nihil est innoxium. Without your grace, there is nothing in us, nothing that is not harmful.

#### Canticle of Praise - Adoramus Te, Christi

Adoramus te, Christe, (We adore Thee, O Christ,)

et benedicimus tibi, (and we bless Thee,)

quia per sanctam crucem tuam (Who by Thy Holy Cross)

redemisti mundum. (hast redeemed the World)



## **LENT 2024**

"Hear us, O Lord, and have mercy on us, for we have sinned against thee..."

#### FRIDAYS OF LENT

March 1, 8, 15, 22 5:00PM · Fish Fry in Miller Hall 7:30 PM · Stations of the Cross

#### PENANCE SERVICES

Wednesday, March 13
Wednesday, March 20
7:00 PM · Adoration & multiple
Priests available for Confession

#### PARISH MISSION

Rev. Pawel Rytel-Andrianik Sunday, March 17 Monday, March 18 Tuesday, March 19 7:00 – 9:00 PM

## SPREAD THE WORD

by supporting our parish offertory

Fill out and return your offertory commitment card today to help us continue to be inspired by Saint Paul and spread the Gospel to the far reaches of our community.



Scan here or visit stpacc.org/fundthe-mission to submit your card online

## The Pastor's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

Staying informed: If you do not have Flocknote, I ask that you to please consider getting the app so you are "in the know!" To secure the Flocknote app, just go to <a href="mailto:stpacc.org/flocknote">stpacc.org/flocknote</a> or text STPACC to the number 84576.



#### Searching for a Director of Sacred Music:

It is with very mixed emotions that I inform you that recently John Bryan resigned from his role as our Director of Sacred Music. John has been a fixture at St. Paul Church for decades. He has led a truly magnificent sacred music program that rivals any parish. John will continue to work as the director until the end of June. If you know John, you know he has a strong desire to teach. Thankfully while he is stepping back from his director position, he will become a full-time music teacher at St. Paul School. Our students are quite blessed to have him.

#### Proclaim the Gospel. Fund the Mission:

Thank you to all who have already returned their offertory pledge card—and to those who regularly give of their time, talent, and treasure. Through your offertory support we provide for the material needs necessary to answer Jesus' Great Commission, "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." (Mt 28:19-20). As I mentioned during our offertory appeal weekend, we are asking all members of the parish to prayerfully consider an increase in your offertory of 5% or more this year to continue to fulfill our mission of evangelization.

Our Sunday Offering: I want to sincerely thank the very many who regularly give of their time, talent, and financial support to our parish. WeShare Online Giving is a secure, and convenient platform. Just text stpaulohio to the number 800-950-9952 or go online to <a href="www.stpacc.org/donate">www.stpacc.org/donate</a>. If you have any questions about your parish offertory or WeShare, please contact Parish Accountant Deb Hawking at either <a href="mailto:dhawking@stpacc.org">dhawking@stpacc.org</a> or 614-882-2109 ext. 229.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Wilson

## MASS INTENTIONS

#### Sunday, February 25, Second Sunday of Lent

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 8:31b-34: Mk 9:2-10

12:00 PM † Thomas N. Rouhana

5:00 PM † Duke and Mary Yannon

#### Monday, February 26

Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13; Lk 6:36-38

6:40 AM † Mary Lou Del Bianco

8:30 AM † Rosemary Steinbauer

#### Tuesday, February 27

Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mt 23:1-12

#### Wednesday, February 28

Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16; Mt 20:17-28

6:40 AM Emily Hawking (Living)

8:30 AM † Chris Cudnik

#### Thursday, February 29

Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 16:19-31

8:30 AM † Mary Ann Olvera

6:15 PM † Michael Feeney

#### Friday, March 1

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

6:40 AM † Cecilia Guzzo

8:30 AM † Robert "Don" Schueler Jr.

#### Saturday March 2

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

#### Third Sunday in Lent (anticipated)

4:00 PM † Jenny Mackinaw

#### Sunday, March 3, Third Sunday in Lent

Ex 20:1-17 or Ex 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

8:00 AM † Trevor Williams

12:00 PM † Joseph Gdula Jr 5:00 PM † Hayden Whitfield

\*\*Mass with incense.

## NEW TO ST. PAUL?

## Here's what you need to know:

Welcome to Saint Paul the Apostle Catholic Church. Inspired by our patron Saint Paul, we are a parish of disciples of Jesus Christ called to bring His truth and love into our community through humble, collaborative service that is faithful to the Word of God, filled with the Holy Spirit, and centered on the Holy Eucharist.

#### **Welcome Home**

Whether you are brand new or returning after a while, we are excited to welcome you to Saint Paul. We look forward to seeing you at Mass and around the parish!

#### Stay Connected with us

We would love to stay connected with you! There are always new and exciting things happening at Saint Paul. Sign up for our Flocknote newsletter to receive email and text updates from our parish!



STPACC TO 84576



#### **Interested in Becoming Catholic?**

If you are curious about Catholicism or seeking to enter the Church, we invite you to get involved in our preparatory program for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). We're happy to accompany you! Find more information about the program at <a href="mailto:stpace.org/rcia">stpace.org/rcia</a>.

#### **Get Involved**

Looking to get involved in a vibrant Catholic community, or serve the Lord and our local Westerville community? We invite you to get to know one of our community opportunities and explore our many ways to serve among all our parish ministries. This week's schedule can be found in this bulletin. More can be found at stpacc.org/ministries

#### St. Paul School

Want to give your children a Catholic education? Discover our St. Paul Catholic School (preschool and grades K-8) dedicated to teaching, living, and learning in the light of Christ. <a href="stpaulk-8.org">stpaulk-8.org</a>

## **Our Parish Staff**

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## Parish Office Hours

Our Parish Office is open Monday-Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

## Parish Registration

If you will regularly be worshiping with us, we encourage you to register at stpacc.org/register.

## **Baptisms**

Families wishing to have their child baptized should contact Annette Ramos at aramos@stpacc.org.

## **Matrimony**

If you would like to be married at St. Paul the Apostle, please visit stpacc.org/weddings to begin planning.

### Confessions

9:15 AM on Thursdays; at 2:30 PM on Saturdays. The confessionals are located in the Church.

## Marian Gift Shop

Our Marian Gift Shop is located in the Church and is open from 9:00 AM to 1:30 PM on Sundays; closed on Mondays; open on Tuesday and Thursdays from 2:30-6:30 PM; and on Wednesdays, Fridays, and also on Saturdays from 9:15 AM until 12:30 PM. 614-882-5257; stpacc.org/shop

## **Bulletin**

Articles for the bulletin must be submitted two weeks in advance to stpaulcommunications@stpacc.org. Thank you!

## **Important Contacts**

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Prayer Line stpaulprayerline@stpacc.org

St. Vincent DePaul Helpline 614-973-9772

Young Professionals StPaulYoungProfessionals@gmail.com

Spirit of Peace Counseling stpacc.org/counseling-services

## **Pregnancy Support Resources**

Women's Care Center 614-251-0200 Birthright 614-221-0844 **PDHC** 614-444-4411 Mommies Matter 614-723-9308

Option Line optionline.org 1-800-712-4357

614-445-8400 Stowe Mission, Columbus Pregnancy Resources of

Delaware County

740-417-9358

## THE CATECHETICAL CORNER



### The Time is Now

The vestments are violet, the organ is quieter, and we are not singing the "A word." Something is different. Lent is upon us. If you ask any priest, deacon, or parish employee, this is by far the busiest time of year in the Church's calendar. Why is it so busy? A lot of preparation needs to be completed—more preparation than Christmas, believe it or not. During Lent, we are preparing for a man to rise from the dead, which is not something that occurs on a daily basis. Not only are we busy preparing the Church and the liturgical calendar, but we must be busy preparing ourselves. How do we do this?

Lent is the season for us to step back and take stock of our spiritual life. We begin Lent with very drastic measures if you think about it. There is no easing into the season. On day one, we are required to fast, abstain from meat, and have dirt put on our foreheads, reminding us of our imminent death—remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return (I hope the Church never gets into the greeting card business). Spiritual preparation is necessary. If we do not look interiorly at ourselves, we miss the mark. Many people go through the Lenten season looking outside of themselves. They miss "the reason for the season."

What is the reason?Namely, the Resurrection. If Jesus did not rise from the dead: 1) we have no hope of rising from the dead, 2) Sacred Scripture, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and any other teaching is pointless, 3) our faith is worthless as St. Paul tells us, 4) we are still in our sins, for Jesus did not conquer anything, 5) believers who have died before us are lost. There are many implications. However, Sacred Scripture tells us that Jesus did rise from the dead and is seated at the right hand of God. We believe and have faith in this. However, our faith must continue to grow.

Whether you go to Mass every day or weekly, you can always grow in your faith, and Lent is a great time to do this. Having faith in the Church and Christ is countercultural. Growing in faith is not always comfortable—there is stretching. Society tells us that if something causes discomfort, we should avoid it at all costs and only focus on things that provide comfort. As Pope Benedict XVI once said, "The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness."

We can liken our faith to a muscle. If our faith does not continue to grow and stretch, it will become atrophic. Lent is a great time to exercise and experience discomfort in our spiritual life. There are many liturgies the Church offers us, such as the Stations of the Cross, parish missions, Penance Services, and, of course, Holy Week, that can help us. If we do not continue to challenge ourselves, we risk becoming one with the current culture. We risk falling into today's trap of denying God, denying that he is the creator of all, denying that he wants the best for us.

If we begin to deny God a place in our spiritual lives, we will start to doubt his existence. I am reminded of a quote from the Venerable Pope Pius XII. Think about this quote and see if it hits close to home. He once stated, "A day will come when the civilized world will deny its God, when the Church will doubt as Peter doubted. She will be tempted to believe that man has become God. In our Church, Christians will search in vain for the red lamp where God awaits them. Like Mary Magdalene, weeping before the empty tomb, they will ask, 'Where have they taken him?'"



Andrew T. Burson, Director of Parish Ministry

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# PARISH SAINT PAUL SSON

"THIS IS MY BODY..."

This Lent, grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ through a renewed focus on the Holy Eucharist.

March 17 • 18 • 19, 2024 7:00 PM

St. Paul the Apostle



FEATURING THREE TALKS BY **REV. PAWEL RYTEL-ANDRIANIK** 

Night 1:

**Eucharistic Miracles in the 21st Century** 

Night 2:

Two Tables, One Mass

Night 3:

The Eucharist and the Devotion of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Father Pawel Rytel-Andrianik, a Polish priest and professor at the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross in Rome, is head of the Polish Section of Vatican Radio - Vatican News and deputy director of the Abraham J. Heschel Center for Christian-Jewish Relations at the Catholic University of Lublin.

stpacc.org/parish-mission

#### This Week in Our Parish Sunday, February 25

Guatemalan Coffee Sale After AM Masses

Parlor 1

#### 10:00 AM - Rite of Sending Church

Celebration of the Call to Continuing Conversion and the Rite of Sending for RCIA Catechumens and Candidates. Celebrated during 10:00 AM Mass.

#### 2:30 PM - Youth Choir Rehearsal **Choir Classroom**

The Youth Choir program begins in September and ends with its service at the 10:00 AM Easter Sunday Mass. stpacc.org/ministries/youth-choir

#### 6:00 PM - Alcoholics Anonymous Room 2 (Parish Office)

Alcoholics Anonymous holds twice-weekly Sundays and Fridays in Room 2 of the Parish Office.

#### 6:30 PM - High School Youth Ministry Klinger Center

Our Youth Ministry's mission is to bring the youth of our parish into a deep and personal relationship with Jesus by giving opportunities to have an authentic encounter with Christ through His Church. Ends at 8:30 PM.

stpacc.org/ym

#### Monday, February 26 3:00 PM - Divine Mercy Chaplet Church

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed every weekday at 3 PM in the church. Join us in praying this devotion to the mercy of God! Learn the prayers at stpacc.org/chaplet

#### 6:30 PM - Rosary Church

Join us in this timeless prayer, enriching your spiritual life as we contemplate the life of Christ through the eyes of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

#### 6:30 PM - Walking with Purpose Lower Level Room 3 (Church)

Walking with Purpose (WWP), the heart of our women's ministry, is our parish-based Bible study program for adult women. stpacc.org/wwp

7:00 PM - Nar-Anon Room 1 (Parish Office)

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#### Tuesday, February 27

9:15 AM - Walking with Purpose Lower Level Room 3 (Church)

2:30 PM - Youth Choir Rehearsal Choir Classroom

3:00 PM - Divine Mercy Chaplet Church

#### Wednesday, February 28

9:00 AM - SVDP Sandwich Drop-Off Church Circle Parking Lot Ready-made bologna and cheese sandwiches, water bottles, fresh fruit and canned food items most appreciated.

3:00 PM - Divine Mercy Chaplet Church

#### 4:45 & 6:45 PM -PSR Classes St. Paul School

Parish School of Religion is part of the educational arm of the parish community, responsible for providing religious instruction, formation and sacramental preparation to children attending public or non-Catholic private schools. stpacc.org/psr

#### 6:30 PM - That Man is You! St. Peter Room

Rosary at 6:30 PM; meeting at 7:00 PM That Man is You! honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers. <u>stpacc.org/tmiy</u>

6:45 PM - 8:00 PM High School Discipleship in Lower Level Room 3 (Church)

7:00 PM - Overeaters Anonymous Parish Office Room 2

#### Thursday, February 29

6:30 AM - That Man is You! St. Peter Room Rosary at 6:30 AM; meeting at 7:00 AM

#### 9:15 AM - Confessions Church

Catholics can experience healing through forgiveness of sins and reconciliation with God and His Church. Catholics are always welcomed back to receive this sacrament whether it has been two weeks or two decades since the last Confession. stpacc.org/sacraments/reconciliation

#### 9:30 AM - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Church

Spend some time in the real presence of Jesus after the 8:30 AM Mass. Adoration concludes with benediction at 5:45 PM.

3:00 PM - Divine Mercy Chaplet Church

7:00 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal Church

7:00 PM - Knights of Columbus **Lower Level Room 2** Officers' Meeting

#### 7:00 PM - Young Adult Bible Study Lower Level Room 1 (Church)

Young Adults is a group of young Catholics looking to grow in faith and fellowship. Anyone ages 18 to 40 is welcome to join us for our meetings. stpacc.org/ypm

Sacred Heart Monthly Meeting Lower Level Room 3 (Church)

7:30 PM Al-Anon Room 1 (Parish Office)

## Friday, March 1

#### 9:00 AM - First Friday Adoration Church

Adoration follows 8:30 AM Mass and concludes at 4:00 PM.

3:00 PM - Divine Mercy Chaplet Church

5:00-7:30 - Fish Fry Miller Hall

7:30 PM - Stations of the Cross Church

7:30 PM-Alcoholics Anonymous



#### Saturday, March 2

#### 7:00 AM - Men's Prayer Breakfast St. Peter Room

Join us the first Saturday of every month for Breakfast, prayer and fellowship.

stpacc.org/menbiblestudy

#### 10:00 AM - Prayer Shawl Ministry Lower Level Room 4

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets four times a month on the first and third Saturdays and the second and fourth Thursdays.

#### 11:00 AM - Knights of Columbus Regional Free Throw Competition Klinger Center

2:30 PM - Confessions Church

## Sunday, March 3 Coffee & Doughnuts after AM Masses Lower Level Room 3 (Church)

#### 11:00 AM - RCIA Klinger Center

Interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith? Learn more about the RCIA process at <a href="mailto:stpacc.org/rcia">stpacc.org/rcia</a>

#### 2:30 PM - Youth Choir Concert Church

The Youth Choir program begins in September and ends with its service at the 10:00 AM Easter Sunday Mass. stpacc.org/ministries/youth-choir

#### 6:00 PM - Alcoholics Anonymous Room 2 (Parish Office)

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#### 6:15 PM – Middle School Youth Ministry Klinger Center

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#### **Opportunities to Serve**

#### Altar Linens Ministry Help Needed!

We are looking for one to two people interested in helping out with cleaning and ironing the altar linens, corporals, and other linens used during mass. No experience is required, you will be trained. Commitment is one month per year. Please contact Amy San Filippo at <a href="mailto:sanfilippo\_amy@yahoo.com">sanfilippo\_amy@yahoo.com</a> for more information.

#### **Rosary Making Group**

All who are interested in sharing the gift of the rosary are invited to join the Rosary making group at St. Paul's. No experience or knowledge of making rosaries is required and anyone can be easily taught to make them! All materials for rosary making will be provided and finished rosaries will be sent to missions across the world. Meetings will be held once a month in Lower Level Room 2 on second Tuesdays at 7pm. First meeting is on March 12

Please reach out to Dominica Bean (614-271-9450, <u>dominicabean13@gmail.com</u>) with any questions."

#### **First Friday Adoration**

In the aftermath of the November election, Bishop Earl Fernandes encourages us to make reparation for sins against human life and dignity and to recommit ourselves to building a culture of life and civilization of love

On March 1, we will hold First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from the conclusion of the 8:30 AM Mass to 4:00 PM. This will be in addition to our weekly Thursday Adoration from 9:00 AM-6:00 PM. Please join us in this important prayer to build a culture of life and civilization of love.

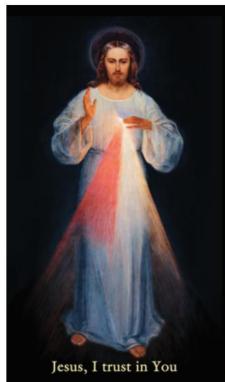


Power and Love 2024 High School Spring Retreat

MADE WHOLE

March 1st and 2nd





## What is Divine Mercy?

"Divine Mercy is God's love reaching down to meet the needs and overcome the miseries of His creatures."

thedivinemercy.com

- Join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet, weekdays, 3:00 PM, in the church.
- Divine Mercy Novena, Good Friday (March 29) April 6, 3:00 PM, in the church.
- Divine Mercy Sunday Service Sunday, April 7, 3-4 PM, in the church.

## St. Paul the Apostle's Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Our Recent Mass Attendance & Offertory Collection

Week Ending	Attendance	Collection		
January 28	3,280	\$ 54,798.28		
February 4	3,252	\$ 124,459.90		
February 11	3,218	\$ 56,800.59		
February 18	3,416	\$ 93,784.57		

Year to Date Collection Summary through February 18, 2024

Summary for Week # 33	Actual	Budget	Difference	Last Year Actual	Prior Year +(-)
Sunday & On-line Collections	\$2,460,078	\$2,581,996	\$(121,918)	\$2,302,184	\$157,894
Christmas	\$86,308	\$85,000	\$1,308	\$83,772	\$2,536
Easter	\$1,069	\$-	\$1,069	\$805	\$263
Major Collection Totals	\$2,547,454	\$2,666,996	\$(119,542)	\$2,386,761	\$160,693
Prior Week Totals	\$2,317,647	\$2,503,754	\$(186,107)	\$2,181,320	\$136,326

Special Collections To D	ate Include:	*Church Building Fund Envelopes:	Our Offertory We
St. Vincent DePaul	\$ 60,205	\$ 61,856	This amount includes
WARM Ash Wednesday (JOIN)	\$ 48,285 \$ 3,545	Church Loan Balance: \$3,667,808  *Parish fiscal year is July 1 to June 30	Accelerated Principal Pays Savings Deposit to our Em
Ash Wednesday (JOIN)	\$ 3,545	*Parish fiscal year is July 1 to June 30	A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR

#### Our Offertory Weekly Goal is \$78,244.

This amount includes weekly withdrawals for: Accelerated Principal Payments on Debt of \$ 7,750 Savings Deposit to our Emergency Fund of \$ 7,900



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Why use offertory envelopes when you can give online via WeShare? It's a safe and convenient platform. Text stpaulohio to 800-950-9952 or simply go to stpacc.org/donate.





#### **Entrees:**

Fried Cod, Baked Tilapia, Mac & Cheese Penne Pasta

#### Sides:

(Select 1) Mac and Cheese Penne Pasta, French Fries, or Seasoned Rice (Select 1) Homemade Slaw or Apple Sauce

Hawaiian rolls, coffee, tea, milk and condiments included with all meals

Adult Meal - \$15.00 Seniors (65+) - \$12.00 Children (6-11) - \$6.00 Family - \$50.00 (2 adults + 3 or more kids) Slice of Pizza - \$4.00 Desserts - \$2.00 Soups - \$4.00 Wine - \$4.00 Beer - \$3.00

## **HOLY WEEK 2024**

#### **HOLY THURSDAY · MARCH 28**

8:30 AM · Matins & Lauds
7 PM · MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
Until 11 PM · Adoration at Altar of Repose (KC)

#### PALM SUNDAY · MARCH 24

Mass with Blessing of Palms Sat 4 PM · Sun 8 AM · 10 AM with solemn procession · 12 PM · 5 PM

#### GOOD FRIDAY · MARCH 29

8:30 AM Matins & Lauds · 1–3 PM Confessions
12 PM Stations of the Cross · 1 PM Rosary · 2 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet
3 PM · 7 PM | CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION

HOLY SATURDAY · MARCH 30 8:30 AM · Matins & Lauds 9:00 PM | EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT

#### EASTER SUNDAY · MARCH 31

8 AM · 10 AM (Church) · 10 AM (WNHS) · 12 PM

## Sacred Heart of Jesus

You're invited to the Sacred Heart of Jesus monthly meeting on Thursday evening, Feb. 29, 7:00-8:30 PM, lower level room #3, St. Paul Church.

Through St. Margaret Mary, Jesus gave us 12 special promises for those who keep a loving devotion to His Most Sacred Heart. Emily Jaminet, author of Holy Habits From the Sacred Heart, will discuss the Third Promise: "I will comfort them in all their afflictions."

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## **Around the Diocese**

#### Laghi Chair Lecture at the Josephinum

The Pontifical College Josephinum's 2024 Pio Cardinal Laghi Chair Lecture will feature a presentation by alumnus Father Thomas Petri, OP, STD, President of the Pontifical Faculty of the Dominican House of Studies in Washington, DC. He will present "Grace, Freedom, and Beauty: Saint Thomas Aquinas on the Blessed Mother" on Wednesday, March 13, at 7:00 p.m. in the Jessing Center. Free admission and parking; reservations not required. For more information, please call 614-985-2274.

The Pio Cardinal Laghi Chair was inaugurated at the Josephinum in 1992 in honor of Pio Cardinal Laghi, then Prefect of the Congregation for Catholic Education. American cardinals and presidents of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops promoted the funding of this chair in recognition of Cardinal Laghi's dedicated service to the Catholic Church in the United States.

#### Come and See Weekend at the Pontifical College Josephinum

The Pontifical College Josephinum, in Columbus, Ohio, has scheduled a "Come and See" Live-In weekend for March 7-10, 2024. The weekend has been set aside to allow young men (high school juniors, seniors, and college-aged students) to visit the seminary for a few days. Live-in participants will experience seminary prayer life, classes, communal worship, and interaction with current seminarians, faculty, and staff. Live-in weekends include introductory presentations on discernment, student life, and the college seminary formation program.

The weekend begins with arrival at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 7, and concludes with departure at noon on Sunday, March 10. All meals and recreation are included. There is no charge to participate. For more information, contact the Vocations Office, 614-221-5565, or email <a href="mailto:vocations@columbuscatholic.org">vocations@columbuscatholic.org</a> or contact your parish priest.

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26	St. Thomas More Newman Center	8:15 AM	8:00 PM	St. Nicholas, Zanesville	8:30 AM	3:00 PM	
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28	St. Brendan the Navigator	7:00 AM	7:00 PM	3 1 St. Cecilia	9:00 AM	9:00 PM	
	Blessed Sacrament Church, Newark	9:00 AM	11:00 PM	St. Patrick, Columbus	7:30 PM	11:59 PM	
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29	St. Patrick, London	7:00 PM	11:59 PM	Ss. Simon & Jude	9:00 AM	6:00 PM	
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## Reflecting on the Gospel for the Second Sunday in Lent, February 25, 2024

First Reading: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Second Reading: Romans 8:31b-34 Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

Just six days prior to this glorious event of the Transfiguration, Jesus spoke for the first time to His disciples about His pending crucifixion and death. He taught them that "the Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and rise after three days" (Mark 8:31). Recall that Peter had a difficult time accepting this teaching. Jesus went on to rebuke Peter for his refusal to accept this prophetic teaching and further explained that "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me" (Mark 8:34). These disciples then had six days to ponder this prophecy of our Lord before witnessing the Transfiguration.

In your life, is there something that God is trying to say to you that you have difficulty accepting? If so, it will most likely be related to God's call to you to take up your cross and follow Him. The Cross of Christ comes in many forms throughout life. It might be experienced when we allow the passion of anger to die so that pure mercy can be offered to one who has hurt us. Or it might be that God is calling you to step out in faith to embrace some endeavor that requires courage and trust. Or it might be that God is calling you to accept some hardship in life that is difficult to accept, such as the loss of a loved one, an illness, the loss of a job or any other difficulty that you struggle to accept with love and trust. Bitterness, resentment, anger, fear and the like are often the most difficult crosses we are called to embrace and let die.

If this resonates with you, then this story of the Transfiguration is for you. After giving these disciples six days to ponder the difficult news of His coming Cross, Jesus gives them hope and inspiration through this sacred encounter. Though it lasted for only a short time, this manifestation of Jesus' glory was all that these disciples needed to begin to accept Jesus' prediction of His passion. On one hand, they feared what Jesus said was going to happen. But on the other hand, they saw His glory and majesty.

By combining these two experiences, these disciples were given a new hope and strength to trust that whatever was to happen in the future, God was in control.

We also need the consoling revelation of our Lord's glory to help us navigate the difficulties we will endure. For some, life is good, very good, and they walk with joy and ease with our Lord. But for others, life has taken a difficult turn and confusion has set in. If life is good for you right now, then rejoice that you are currently sharing a taste of the glory of the Transfiguration. Give thanks to God and tell Him with Saint Peter, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here!" Give thanks to him for the joy and consolation you currently experience. But if life is difficult for you right now, ponder those six days during which the disciples struggled with the prediction of the Lord's passion. Think about their confusion, doubts and fear. As you do, turn your eyes up the mountain. Know that the glory of God awaits you and that He wants to free you from all fear and anxiety. The mountain is climbed by a firm faith that is grounded in prayer. Make that journey with our Lord through prayer.

Reflect, today, upon this holy mountain to which you are called. Know that as you climb it with perseverance and determination, hope and joy will be given to you. Pray for the ability to trust in the God Who not only died a cruel death but also is radiant in glory for all eternity. Trust Him, turn to Him and commit to the journey ahead.

My Transfigured Lord, You revealed Your glory to these disciples as a way of helping them accept Your Cross. Help me to also embrace Your Cross in my life and to see clearly the glory that results from its embrace. I trust in You, dear Lord; help me to trust You more. Jesus, I trust in You.

Readings for each day and links to daily reflections can be found at <a href="mailto:stpacc.org/readings">stpacc.org/readings</a>

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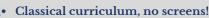
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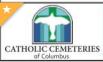
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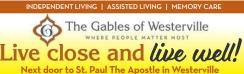
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