March 14, 2021

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"Welcome and inspire all to share Christ's love through faith and service."

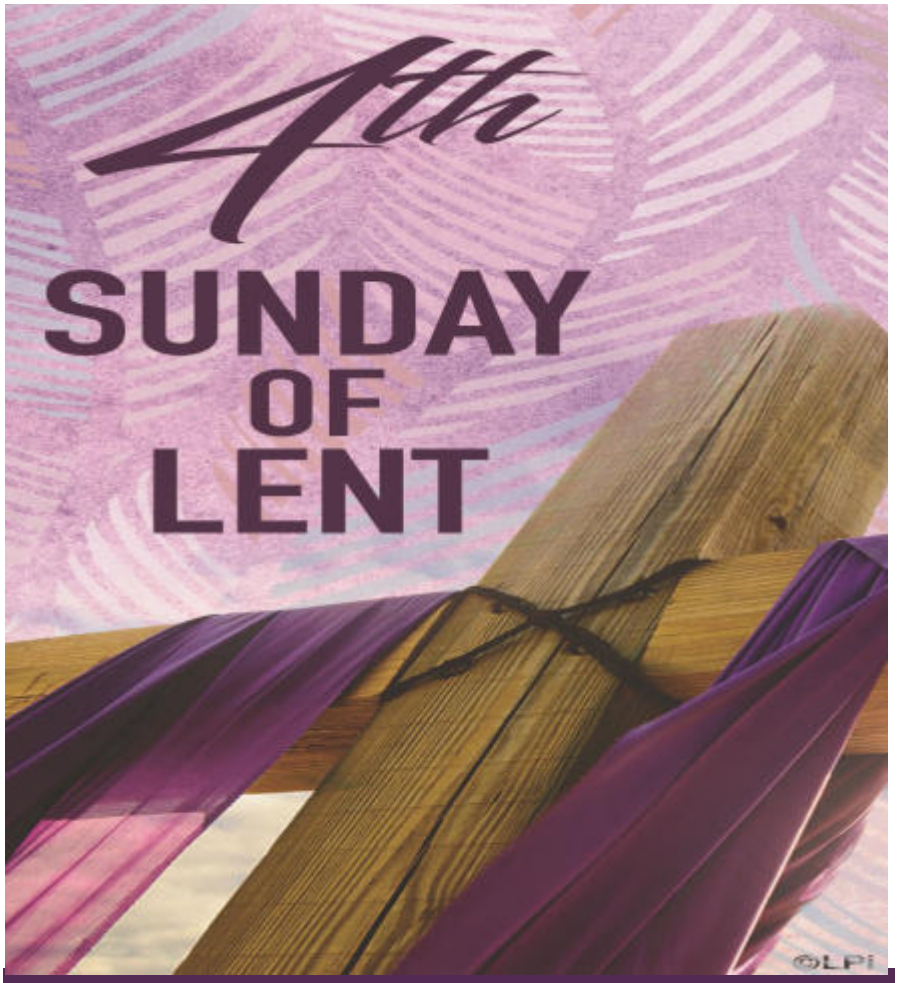
WEEKEND MASSES
Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 8:00 & 10:00* am
*Will be livestreamed

WEEKDAY MASSES
Monday, March 15
Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday, Friday
8:00 am

TRIDUUM MASSES
Holy Thursday April 1, 7:00 pm
Good Friday April 2, 1:00 pm
Easter Vigil April 3, 8:00 pm
Easter Sunday April 4, 8:00
and 10:00 am

RECONCILIATION
Saturday
3:00—4:00 pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday—Thursday
8:30 am—2:00 pm
Friday
8:30 am—Noon



Have patience to listen to the truth of Christ who brings light to the world.

MUSINGS FROM THE DEACON CAVE

Lest We Forget

I feel blessed to have great memories of my childhood. A safe home, loving family, good friends, and an environment that allowed me to explore all the town had to offer, i.e., riding my bike to my friend's house, going down to the river to catch salamanders, playing around in the storage warehouse that was owned by one of my friend's dad. I treasure these memories, not just for the memories themselves, but because I know those experiences are embedded in me as part of who I am today. It also makes me sad that the majority of children today will never share those experiences because we simply have not built a world where children are free to be children. If I would stop being sad it would mean that I would have forgotten the gift I was given in my childhood.

The responsorial psalm today has a similar theme. The psalmist today is someone who was part of the great exile from Jerusalem to Babylon ordered by King Nebuchadnez-zar. They are lamenting the separation from their homeland and that it would be an enormous tragedy if they would ever forget what it was like in Jerusalem. They seem to understand that their homeland had a big impact on who they were, and they are saddened that that experience isn't available to them or to anyone else.

Through the measures taken to slow the spread of the current coronavirus, we have all experienced a kind of "mini-exile" from our normal life. We have not been able to do many of the things that we could before and even now we can't do them without all sorts of precautions. One area that has been affected is celebrating at Mass. Even though more people are coming back to worshipping in person, there are still many who have chosen not to return for health concerns or other reasons. But much like our psalmist today, even though we may be away from church, we should not forget what the Mass is about or the impact that it has had on shaping who we are now.

When the Babylonian exile was over, not all of the Jewish families returned. Some chose to stay in Babylon while others chose to go back to Jerusalem and begin the work of rebuilding. We all know the work of rebuilding can be hard. It is usually easier to forget than it is to do the work of rebuilding. This is especially true of relationships. The choice is much like that of the exiles. Do we return to those relationships and do the work to rebuild, or do we just forget?

Deacon Mike

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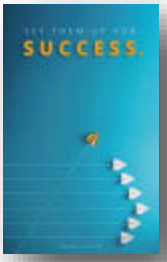

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If you enjoy reading the weekly musings from the Deacon Cave, the first 147 articles written are now available in a book aptly named "*Musings from the Deacon Cave: Reflections on the Sunday Scriptures*." The book is available on Amazon (print -$8.95, kindle $6.95), or contact Deacon Mike.

FORMED

Have you ever felt like you wanted to get more out of Mass? Have you ever heard people say that they just aren't being fed? Well if you have struggled with looking for more or to answer someone's questions about our Catholic Faith and The Mass..... look no further.

Many know of Father Mike Schmitz. He is an excellent speaker and brings warmth and fun to his teachings. Father Mike is the Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry for the Diocese of Duluth, as well as the Chaplain of the Newman Center at the University of Minnesota-Duluth. He will inspire and educate us in this Lighthouse Talk about the highest form of worship - The Mass.

His Newman Center focuses on being fed through the Sacraments as well as study and knowledge of the Church. It has thrived under his humble and Spirit-filled guidance. In this presentation, you should walk away with a deeper and more profound experience of the Mass and answers to the opening questions posed.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MARCH

Sunday 14	1st Reading	2 CHR 36:14-16, 19-23
	Psalm	137:1-6
	2nd Reading	EPH 2:4-10
	Gospel	JN 3:14-21
Monday 15	1st Reading	IS 65:17-21
	Psalm	30:2 & 4-6, 11-13
	Gospel	4:43-54
Tuesday 16	1st Reading	EZ 47:1-9, 12
	Psalm	46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9
	Gospel	JN 5:1-16
Wednesday 17	1st Reading	IS 49:8-15
	Psalm	145:8-9, 13-14 17-18
	Gospel	JN 5:17-30
Thursday 18	1st Reading	EX 32:7-14
	Psalm	106: 19-23
	Gospel	JN 5:31-47
Friday 19	1st Reading	2 SAM 7:45a, 12-14a, 16
	Psalm	89: 2-5, 27, 29
	2nd Reading	ROM 4:13, 16-18 22
	Gospel	MK 12:28-34
Saturday 20	1st Reading	JER 11: 18-20
	Psalm	7: 2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12
	Gospel	JN 7:40-534
Sunday 21	1st Reading	JER 31:31-34
	Psalm	51-3-4, 12-15
	2nd Reading	HEB 5:7-9
	Gospel	JN 12:20-33

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	**March 13**	**Thursday**	**March 18**
4:30 pm	Clarence Molden*	8:00 am	De Hoang & Bach Tuyet*
Sunday	**March 14**	**Friday**	**March 19**
8:00 am	Doug Seidler*	8:00 am	Anne Walz*
10:00 am	Members of St. Bernard	**Saturday**	**March 20**
Tuesday	**March 16**	4:30 pm	James & Margaret Conrad*
8:00 am	*James & Rebecca Maher*	**Sunday,**	**March 21**
Wednesday	**March 17**	8:00 am	Mike Tassoul*
8:00 am	Ryan G Hanson*	10:00 am	Members of St. Bernard

***In memory of**

Through the Eyes of Mary—March 17, 24

Wednesdays, 12:15 pm
This Way of the Cross follows Jesus on His journey to Calvary through the eyes of His mother, Mary.

The Way of the Cross—March 19, 26

Fridays, 6:30 pm
This version has traditional meditations that draw us closer to our Lord during His passion and death.

Mass & Coffee with Fr. John—Monday, March 15

Monday, 8:00 am
Monday Morning Mass with Fr. John Broussard.
Join Fr. John for Coffee and Conversation after Mass.
If you are unable to come for Mass, feel free to join us for Coffee and Conversation.

Discipleship Nights and HS Life Night

Elementary & Middle Youth

March 17	Family Night
March 24	Discipleship Night
March 30	At Home

High School Life Night

Wednesday or Sunday

Sunday, March 14 (Attend Parish Mission)
OR
Wednesday, March 17 (Attend Parish Mission)

Lenten Penance Service—Wednesday, March 24

Wednesday, 6:30 pm
Our Parish Penance Service will be held in-person and livestreamed, followed by the Sacrament of Reconciliation until 8:00 pm.
The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be offered on Friday, March 26, 5:00—7:00 pm and Saturdays, 3:00—4:00 pm.

Parish Mission

Topics

- The Theology of Suffering and the Cross
- The Blessed Virgin Mary
- The Eucharist and the Mass
- Living the Faith in our Daily Lives

Parish Mission presented by Fr. John Broussard, CPM

Parish Mission Series Keeping the Faith
Mission Talks (7:00—8:00 pm)

Sunday	March 14
Monday	March 15
Tuesday	March 16
Wednesday	March 17

Evening Confessions
6:00 pm-7:00 pm

(Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament)
All Mission talks will be livestreamed on Facebook, YouTube and at St. Bernard Appleton web page.

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Financial information Week 36

Weekly Giving 3/12/2021

Envelope Collections ..	$ 28,193
YTD Actual Env.	$467,724
Last FYTD	$511,402
Loose Collections	$ 156
YTD Loose	$ 14,589
Last FYTD	$ 22,237
SCRIP	
Sold	$ 3,040
Cost	$ 2,900
Rebate	$ 131

Scrip is available in our Parish Office. Please call ahead at 739-0331 to place your order.

St. Bernard Parish Bishop's Appeal 2021

Goal	$50,843
Gifts	$33,375
Balance	$17,468

World Poor Collection this weekend.

We will sponsor a special collection for the World's Poor. This collection combines an appeal for four Catholic agencies who serve the poor all over the world. This collection includes Catholic Relief Services, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, Peter's Pence, and the Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. In this collection you have a choice to contribute to any one or all four funds, by designating an amount for each on your envelope.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Baptisms are usually scheduled once a month. Baptism formation class is required. To schedule a Baptism or register for the formation class, please contact Edna in the Parish Office at 920.739.0331.

Anointing of the Sick

During times of severe illness, one may be in need of the special sacrament for the sick. Contact the Parish Office if you or a family member may be in need of the Anointing of the Sick Sacrament.

Marriage

Weddings are a time that brings a couple together in a special way. The standard preparation time for weddings with the church is 6-12 months in advance of the desired date. Please email Deacon Greg Humpal at ghumpal@stbernardappleton.org or call him at 920.739.0331.

Reconciliation

Confessions are heard on Saturdays, 3:00 to 4:00 pm. Individual appointments with Fr. Jude can be scheduled by calling the office.

RCIA

Interested in becoming Catholic? Contact Deacon Mike Eash at meash@stbernardappleton.org

HOLY WEEK, EASTER, PENTECOST DECORATION/FLOWER MEMORIAL

If you would like to remember a loved one with a donation to the Decoration/Flower Memorial Fund, please fill out this form, place it in an envelope marked "Decoration/Flower Memorial," Place your envelope in the collection basket or bring it to the Parish during regular business hours.

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