THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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All Souls Catholic Church
Sanford, Florida
February 28, 2016
3rd Sunday of Lent

"But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!" Who wants to repent? Who wants to change habits, make sacrifices, or chart a more challenging course? Repentance isn’t the easy road. Few of us are naturally drawn towards it. Perhaps that’s why Jesus had to speak with such boldness in today’s Gospel. Repent, or perish. Change, or suffer and die. Not what we like to hear. Not what we like to do. But we would be foolish not to listen.

The entire Gospel message is certainly one of mercy and compassion. Jesus was the first to show forgiveness to sinners, and he always called others to do the same. He suffered and died so that WE wouldn’t have to suffer eternal death. But the fact remains that we can still CHOOSE to "perish." We can choose to stay rooted in our favorite sins and to cling tightly to the comfortable vices that stifle a virtuous life. When we won’t let go of them, then we don’t truly repent. But Jesus urges us to change so that we can enjoy the eternal benefits of his mercy. He doesn’t want us to perish! As we hear in today’s psalm, “He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion.” Repenting—turning back to God—puts us in the right position for this spiritual coronation.

Lent is a time especially built for repentance. It is a season that calls us not only to recognize where we need to change, but to actually set those changes into motion. Lent isn’t just a pious liturgical ritual. These forty days are a response to Christ’s stern warning that we need to repent in order to save our souls. Let’s not pretend to be exempt from the message. Lent is meant for ALL of us.

3er Domingo de Cuaresma

Este pasaje de la higuera tiene mucho para reflexionar y cuestionar nuestro comportamiento habitual de todos los días. Narra que algunos se acercaron a Jesús para contarle lo que sucedió acerca de una matanza que Pilato había hecho en el templo y los que murieron cuando la torre de Siloé se desplomó. Esas personas esperaban que Jesús les dijera que habían muerto porque lo merecían. Sin embargo, Jesús les llama la atención sobre lo que es importante y del cómo la violencia trae más violencia y subraya la importancia de la conversión, de la que responsablemente depende uno mismo. Luego Jesús añade la comparación de la higuera que no da higos y de la conversación con el viñador que la defiende.

¿Cómo va mi conversión en esta tercera semana de Cuaresma? ¿Soy consciente que Dios me ha dejado un año más para dar fruto? ¿Quién le pone abono a mi vida para florecer? Dios nos deja cada año más para dar fruto. Si no, el año que viene la cortaré.” (Lc 13, 8-9). LPI, Inc.
Make All Souls Your Parish Home Today!

Often people attend Mass at All Souls for several years, but never register. Registering here is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic community and to make a commitment to the life of All Souls Church. Being a registered parishioner makes the process much easier when it is time for infant baptism, school or religious education registration, weddings, when asked to be a baptismal or confirmation sponsor, and even funerals. A registered parishioner receives all parish mailings, too.

Church law advises that territories or boundaries no longer limit parish registration. All Souls accepts anyone who wants to share in the life of the parish regardless of where they live. In order to register, you need to complete a registration card. These may be found in the narthex of the church or chapel, the parish office during the week or online at our parish website: www.allsoulssanford.org. Why not sign up today?

We Love New Members! We Welcome:

Pamela Jess
Lina & James Openshaw

Join Our Parish Today!

Join Our Family of Faith

Stewardship

Here is a list of recent donations and collections:

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Did you forget your envelopes? Register for online giving today! www.allsoulssanford.org

Attendance
February 22, 2016
5pm 393
8am 148
9:30am 380
11am 347
12:30pm 400
Total: 1,668

Donations Report for 2016

If you would like a statement of your contributions made to All Souls Catholic Church during 2016, please call Ann Cammarata at the parish office 407.322.3795, extension 302 or email her at acammarata@allsoulssanford.org with 2015 Tax Stmt in the subject line. People who give online may also print out a statement of their contributions by logging on to their account with WeShare through the parish homepage on our website.

That Man Is You!

Men of the parish, please join our meetings at the Knights of Columbus Meeting Hall, 2509 S. Oak Ave., Sanford at 6am each Saturday. That Man is You! honestly addresses the pressures and temptations that men face, especially those relating to their roles as husbands and fathers. Please contact Scott Kinser: scottkinser@gmail.com for more information.

Soup & Stations

Join us for Stations of the Cross And Soup this Friday!

Historic Chapel—Oak Avenue

Soup offered in the Social Hall (after English Stations) @ 7pm

March 4, 2016
6:30pm—English
8:00pm—Spanish
Parish Fish Fry in the Social Hall from 5pm to 9pm

March 11, 2016
6:30pm—English
8:00pm—Spanish
Soup Sponsor: Grupo de Oración: “Jesús, María y José”

March 18
6:30pm—English
8:00pm—Spanish
Soup Sponsor: Pares y Madres Orantes

Our Knights of Columbus

The Council invites all Catholic men of the parish and their families to be our guests at the next social meeting on Tuesday, March 1st to chat with the Knights about the Order and what we do. We want your ideas on how the Council may continue to be of service to God, parish and community. Meetings 1st (Social) and 3rd (Business) Tuesdays 7pm, 2504 S Oak Ave, Sanford. kofc5357.org

DAWG Ministry: Easter Cross Witness

This weekend through Palm Sunday, we encourage all parishioners to stop by the Welcome Table in the Narthex and purchase the Easter Cross Witness sign, “He is Risen!”. Your $8 donation will support our DAWG annual mission trip and be a testimony to your belief in the Resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday. Beginning on Palm Sunday, place your cross on your lawn or in your window, the blank side out and turn it, on Easter Sunday to display, “He is Risen!”. The cross (you may purchase more than one) is not meant to be yard art, or Easter decoration, but a witness to the Risen Christ. Hopefully you will have opportunities to share with your neighbors the hope that is within you. Quantities are limited make your purchases while supplies last!

JOIN THE EASTER CROSS WITNESS!
All Souls Catholic School offers VPK—Voluntary Prekindergarten Education—a free prekindergarten program for 4-year-olds who reside in Florida and were born on or before Sept. 1 each year. Contact the school office for more information.

Dr. Kathleen Kiley, Principal
Mrs. Mary Moran, Asst. Principal
Phone: 407.322.7090 ~ FAX: 407.321.7255
Visit our website: www.allsoulscatholicschool.org

Attention Parents! Important dates to remember...

Monday, February 29th, 6:30pm, Historic Chapel FHC Sacramental Preparation Session III. Please bring an assigned item for the homeless. Attendance at this class is mandatory.

Our Catechumens

We are very honored to welcome the members of The Elect—our Catechumens in our R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) Program. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for baptism and reception into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil:

The Elect: Alas, Ilda (Daniella); Magaña, Karla (Patricia); Claudio, Anthony (Luciano); Leon, Giovani; Sandberg, Chance (Christopher); Perez Koenke, Luis (Alberto); Mendez, Yennifer (Mareidi); Nottingham, Stephen (Christopher); Rivera, Dimary; Rivera, Ty (Andrew); Rogers, Joshlyn; Torres, John (Ryan); Torres, Adrian (Dario); Villazano Estrada Lesly (Dayana); Villazano Estrada Yandel (Lamberto); Willick, Brennon (Tyler); Willick, Conner (Nathenry); Aviles, Jazmin*; Gordon, Mark (Douglas)*; Rengel, Crystal (Marie)*; Rogers, Amanda (Lee)*

*Adults

This weekend, at our Masses at the church on SR#46, you will have an opportunity to randomly pick a name of a catechumen and pray for him or her daily in a special way. Please feel free to write notes of encouragement, or share special prayers. If you wish to share anything with the children, please put it in two envelopes unopened, with their name on it and bring to Jenny Mansingh, Director for Faith Formation.

COMMUNAL LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE—Thursday, March 3rd, 7:00 pm Church on SR#46.

Come and experience the heart of our merciful Father. Visiting priests will be present to hear individual confessions.

Spanish Speaking priests will also be available to hear confessions.

Our Catholic Appeal

Dear Parishioners, Our Catholic Appeal for 2016 is well underway! Over the past few weeks, many of your fellow parishioners have responded with a gift and I thank you from the bottom of my heart. If you have not made a pledge, it is my hope that you will demonstrate your personal support for this effort by giving as generously as your means permit. As you think and pray about your gift, I ask that you give special consideration to the Church’s Year of Mercy as Pope Francis calls us to “find the joy rediscovering and rendering fruitful God’s mercy, with which we are all called to give comfort to every man and every woman of our time.”

When we share our treasure with Our Catholic Appeal, we not only glorify God through our personal generosity, but we also help our parish, our diocese, and our Bishop to glorify God through ministry.

You may pick up a pledge envelope at the Welcome Desk or you may visit the Appeal website at www.cfocf.org/oca to make your gift online.

Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity. May all that we do bear witness to God’s goodness and glory. Father Medina
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**Remembering our deceased diocesan priests**

Let us remember the truly remarkable priests who have imparted our lives and especially those deceased priests of the Diocese of Orlando.

Let us pray during this month of March for the repose of the soul of:

- March 20, 1982: Rev. Thomas Grass
- March 22, 1972: Msgr. Martin B. Power
- March 25, 1978: Rev. John P. Molloy

Prayer for our Deceased Priests: O God, you raised your servants, to the sacred priesthood of Jesus Christ, according to the Order of Melchisedech, giving them the sublime power to offer the Eternal Sacrifice, to bring the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ down upon the altar, and to absolve the sins of men in your own Holy Name. We beseech you to reward their faithfulness and to forget their faults, admitting them speedily into your holy Presence, there to enjoy forever the recompense of their labors. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Our Council of Catholic Women**

The Next Meeting of our All Souls Council of Catholic Women is Tuesday, March 1st at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 7:00pm Thank You to everyone who helped make the Bunco a huge success, especially co-chairs Marty Schwallie and Lynn Farrelly. For More Information on ASCCW please call Ronnie Capalino 407.320.0885. “Service is Joy”

**Mass Intentions…**

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**Pope Francis, Shepherd of Truth**—Notable quotations from Pope Francis and official teachings of the Roman Catholic Church...

“It is my burning desire that, during this Jubilee, the Christian people may reflect on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. It will be a way to reawaken our conscience, too often grown dull in the face of poverty.

This week, the Sanctuary Light in our Church burns in loving memory of Lamar & Helen Hughes as requested by their family. The Sanctuary Light in our Historic Chapel burns in loving memory of Lou Ada Coleman as requested by Vince & Marcia Salas. May they rest in eternal peace.
The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Food Pantry Need of the Week: Shelf (boxed) milk. Last Week: Thanks to all of you, we collected 223 items with a retail value of $510.

Scholarship Shortfall: Increased assistance to our brothers and sisters in need means we have fewer resources for our Scholarship Program. This year we’re only able to provide two $1,000 scholarships while in years past we’ve awarded four. Would you like to help us provide an additional scholarship? Donations marked “Scholarship” will be earmarked for this education assistance. Thank you!

Vincentian Reflection: In today’s Gospel, Jesus is quite clear in his message: “Bear fruit or be cut down.” This Lent we are called to cultivate and fertilize our spiritual lives through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. In the month of February, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist many families by providing food, help with utility and rent bills and more. Thanks!

SVDP Assistance Hotline call: 407.330.4400
SVDP for Pick up of donations: 1-888-986-4483
Thrift Store Location:
216 N. Hwy 17-92, Suite #150 – Big Lots Plaza
Longwood, 32750
Hours: Mon. to Fri.: 10am to 7pm; Sat. 9am to 6pm

Our Best Souper Supper Yet! Every table filled and plenty of tasty soups for everyone—thank you for helping make our latest Souper Supper Mardi-gras style the biggest and best yet!

Annual Fish Fry Tickets on Sale Now!

Friday, March 4, 2016
5 pm—9 pm
Adults—$8 ($10@door)
Children (3-12) —$5
All Souls Social Hall
800 S. Oak Ave.
Sanford, FL 32771
Tickets also available at the parish office.

Sunday TV Mass for the Homebound

The Diocese of Orlando has announced the TV Mass for the homebound will be on WRBW Channel 65 at 7:30am. every Sunday, beginning on Feb. 21. Please share the time and channel information with friends or family members who are unable to get to church because of age, illness, or other struggles:

Cable and Satellite Channels:
AT&T U-verse Ch.5, 100S; BrightHouse Ch.6, 16, 477, 1065
CenturyLink Ch.5, 8, 13, 1005, Comcast Ch.15, 436
DirecTV (Orlando) Ch.65, 955, Dish TV (Orlando) ch.65, 8275

Prayer intentions from viewers, uplifting homilies, a Prayer for Spiritual Communion during distribution of the Holy Eucharist, and closed-captioning make Heart of the Nation’s My Sunday Mass on TV and online a time of spiritual comfort and hope. To watch the Mass online, visit www.heartofthenation.org.

Coffee and Donuts...

Sunday Morning Hospitality! Please stop by the table outside the church after our 9:30am, 11:00am, and 12:30pm Masses on Sunday, March 6th for coffee and donuts. The coffee is good and the donuts are fresh! Enjoy the hospitality and meet your fellow parishioners.

Our March 6th Coffee & Donuts is hosted by the Catholic Mom’s Ministry. Thank you! Donations to off set the costs of coffee and donuts are sincerely appreciated.

Latin Mass Social Gathering

There will be a Latin Mass Social in the hall adjacent to the Historic Chapel on Sunday March 6 after the 2:00pm Holy Mass.

Come join us for coffee, donuts and good fellowship.

This week in the parish

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<td>Parish Lenten Penance Service, 7pm (CH)</td>
<td>Annual Parish Fish Fry, 5 pm (SH)</td>
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It’s Scholarship Time

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) Conference at All Souls will award educational financial assistance for the 2016/2017 school year to students from schools located in the geographical boundaries of Seminole or Volusia Counties or attending Bishop Moore or Father Lopez High Schools. The awards are for students of any faith who are entering a post-secondary course of study at an accredited college, university or technical school.

Financial aid of up to $1,000 per scholarship will be awarded on the basis of academic achievement, financial need, school and community activities and personal qualities and strengths. To be eligible, a student must have a grade point average of at least 2.5. A St. Vincent de Paul member will be assigned to the student as a personal mentor and liaison with the Society.

Scholarship overview, criteria and application may be downloaded here: http://www.allsouls-sanford.org/2016-scholarship-information