

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

#### First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Moses discusses the power God has displayed in freeing his people from oppression and leading them to a rich land. He tells the people that they should make offerings to God to show their gratitude, then celebrate over the great things he has given them.



#### Second Reading: Romans 10:8-13

Paul tells us that if we proclaim, "Jesus is Lord" and truly believe that God raised him from the dead, we will be saved. For God shows his mercy toward everyone who calls upon his name.

#### Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

Jesus fasted in the desert for forty days, then Satan appeared to him and tempted him to turn stone into bread. After Jesus refused, Satan promised him great powers if Jesus would worship him. Jesus replied that he would worship God and no one else. Then Satan tried to persuade Jesus to put God to the test, but again Jesus resisted his temptation.

**For the Week of February 14<sup>th</sup> through  
February 20<sup>th</sup>**

#### Sunday

Dt 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

#### Monday

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46

#### Tuesday

Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

#### Wednesday

Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

#### Thursday

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12

#### Friday

Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

#### Saturday

Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

The US Council of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) provides a full listing of the Sunday and Daily Readings, in print and audio format, on its website,

<http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings>.



**THE SACRAMENT OF  
RECONCILIATION WILL BE  
CELEBRATED ON FRIDAYS DURING  
LENT (FEBRUARY 12<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH  
MARCH 18<sup>TH</sup>) AT 9:15 A.M. AT  
SACRED HEART**

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup>

4:00 p.m. Phil Mench

### Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m. Anthony Jankowski

10:00 a.m. Mary Keenan

### Monday February 15<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Gary Kloster (living)

### Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

### Wednesday February 17<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

### Thursday, February 18<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Darren Rhodes

### Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Miss Kitty

### Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Jack DePoulter

4:00 p.m. Anita Gelderman

### Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>

8:00 a.m. Mandie Generson

10:00 a.m. Alex Rasin

## REMEMBERING THE SICK AND DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Remember in your prayers the sick of the parish:  
*Barron Scott, Barbara Darrah, John Troffo, Valerie  
Lindyberg, Patricia Dana, Ryan Elizabeth  
Quintero, Edith Follin, Elizabeth Montague, Sandy  
Bugni, Angela Wilmer, and all those whose names  
appear in the PARISH BOOK OF INTENTIONS  
located in the front foyer of Sacred Heart/St.  
John's.*

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Please remember in your  
prayers Catherine  
"Miss Kitty" Harris.

*Grant her eternal rest, O  
Lord, and let perpetual  
light shine upon her.*



## PREP

### Parish Religious Education Program

“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but love rejoices with the truth.” 1 Corinthians 13:4-6

**VALENTINE FOOD DRIVE:** Students in PREP are invited to participate in the parish food drive for our local food pantry in celebration of St. Valentine's Day. The children have been challenged to contribute just two items each. There will be a special collection basket at the top of the stairs in the Hall. Let's reach out with “action” in the name of love and friendship this Valentine's Day.

**OPERATION RICE BOWL:** PREP families will be participating in *Operation Rice Bowl*, Catholic Relief Services' Lenten Program for almsgiving. There will be a presentation for students during PREP classes this Sunday beginning at 11:30 a.m., when the Rice Bowls for collection will be distributed. Parents are welcome to join us to learn about the project. Visit [www.crsricebowl.org](http://www.crsricebowl.org) for more information.

#### PREP SCHEDULE:

##### FEBRUARY:

**Sunday, 14th**- RE CLASS - Operation Rice Bowl Lenten Program Begins/Valentine Food Drive

**Sunday, 21st** – RE CLASS

**Sunday, 28th** – RE CLASS - Confirmation Sponsors & Students Class

##### MARCH:

**Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup>** - RE CLASS

**Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup>**- RE CLASS

**Sunday, 20th** - RE CLASS - Confirmation Sponsors & Students Class

**Sunday, 27th** - NO CLASSES – Happy Easter!

## OUR LENTEN JOURNEY

**OUR LENTEN JOURNEY:** Lent is the season of the Christian year forty days before Easter when we focus on simple living, prayer and fasting in order to grow closer to God. Our parish offers the opportunity each Friday in Lent to come together in community for prayer and reflection. Afterwards, everyone is invited to a simple meal of Soup & Bread and a time of fellowship. The schedule for the Friday Lenten programs is located on the postcards at the doors of the church. Please consider yourself invited and plan to join us for one or all our Friday Lenten Programs.

#### LENTEN PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19<sup>TH</sup> :

We come together to begin our journey through Lent with retreat facilitator, Anita Wood, for a Mission entitled...*Healing through Forgiveness*. Anita will challenge us to respond to Jesus' call to mercy as we pray with the Sermon on the Mount. We will ponder practical steps in the process of forgiveness and discover its healing power for us and for our world. The program will be held in the church at Sacred Heart.



#### LENTEN SOUP AND BREAD FELLOWSHIP:

We are now coordinating volunteers to make and bring soup & bread. You are asked to make a homemade, meatless soup

in a personal crock pot and bring it with one loaf of artisan, unsliced bread to the hall on your designated night. If you would like to contribute, please call or email Becky Davis at 410-778-3160 or [sacredparish@gmail.com](mailto:sacredparish@gmail.com). Your support and contributions to this community effort are appreciated.

## TEACHINGS AND TRADITIONS

**TEACHINGS AND TRADITIONS OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH** meets weekly following the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday. The readings of the day are discussed so that we can better apply them to our daily lives; and a particular piece of Catholic doctrine is then presented and explored. This is a wonderful way to grow in knowledge of our faith!

*Won't you join us?*



#### FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup> – SEASON OF LENT

**Facilitator: Barbara Kelly**

This is the First Sunday of Lent. The six weeks of Lent are a time of baptismal and penitential preparation for the Easter sacraments. Today's session will focus on the Season of Lent—what we believe and what we celebrate.

**Next Week: Prayer**

## SALT AND LIGHT MINISTRIES

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT WINTER SHELTER IN CHESTERTOWN:** The Winter Shelter is in urgent need of volunteers to help staff the shelter in February and March. This is an important ministry for our whole community. The shelter is open now at the First United Methodist Church, staying until the end of March. **They are in need of two volunteers each night for the 5:30 p.m. to 11:00**



**p.m. shift. They need one sleeper from 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. each evening (bring your own bedding). They need one breakfast person from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. each morning.** If you can help, please e-mail [barbara.hrrsn@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.hrrsn@gmail.com) or call 410-778-0165.

Thank you so much.

## PARISH NEWS

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS:** The Ministry Schedule has been created for Holy Week. Please take a moment to review your schedule early and make requests for changes now. Thank you for your continued commitment to service in our church community.



*Today is World Marriage Sunday.* Following is a prayer from the *Roman Missal* that we encourage you to use at home, praying for married couples and asking God's blessing upon them:

“O God, Creator of all things, who in the beginning made man and woman that they might form the marriage bond, bless and strengthen the union of your servants (*if in the presence of the couple here mention their names*), that they may show forth an ever more perfect image of the union of Christ with his Church. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.”

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## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

**BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS:** This weekend's second collection is for Black and Indian Missions – please give generously.

**ELECTRONIC GIVING:** It is possible to make your weekly financial commitment to the Parish using Electronic Funds Transfer. We are encouraging everyone to consider using this contribution method. Contact Senta Burton with any questions at 410-778-3160, or [senta.burton@sacredparish.org](mailto:senta.burton@sacredparish.org). Sign up forms are available at the doors of the Church.

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES:** The offertory envelopes for 2015 are in the Church Office. If you have not gotten yours, please call 410-778-3160 or stop in during office hours from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon Monday through Friday.

### Offertory - Week Ending 2/7/16 Week 32

Thank you for your offering. It is with your continued support and the sharing of your time and talent that the ministries, programs and activities at Sacred Heart and St. John's are made possible. “Whatever you give to the Lord, He will return to you a hundred fold.”

	Received	ACH	Budgeted	Diff.
Offertory 02/7- Wk.32	\$5,683	\$2,390	\$6,442	\$1,631
YTD Wk. 32	\$164,295	\$36,334	\$206,144	-\$5,515

## LENTEN RULES ON FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

**Fasting** is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those bound by this rule may take one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs. Eating between meals is not permitted.

**Abstinence** from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent by all Catholics 14 years and older.

