

Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 26, 2017

From the Pastor

In the Gospel this weekend, Jesus saw and acknowledged the beloved child of God that was the blind man. He healed the blind man and the man's faith became realized. Pope Francis tells us to see people as Jesus Christ sees us – to see each person as a beloved child of God to be acknowledged, treasured, and loved. We need to look within ourselves and remove whatever blindness holds us back, whether it is blindness in our hearts, in the way we live, in our attitudes, or in our beliefs. And, then each day we need to live our life bringing Christ's light into the world around us and see people as Jesus Christ sees us.

Wishing you many blessings this Lent.

God bless, Fr. Dan

CUA High School Summer Institute



THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

Light the World! is a Summer Institute that takes place at The Catholic University of America. Rising High School Juniors and Seniors are invited to join us June 25-July 1 or July 9-15 as we explore how our faith is lived within the fields and careers of Art, Science, Sport, Business and Politics. Please visit us at www.lighttheworldcu.org for more info and application materials.



Food Pantry

We are in the midst of collecting food for the food pantry at Our Lady of the Wayside Catholic Church. Just take a paper bag from the vestibule, put non-perishable food in it, then bring it back and we'll deliver it to the food pantry. Or, if you would like to donate money, simply write a check out to the Mary Lou Gough Food Pantry and we'll get it to them. Although this is a special food collection for the Lenten season, we collect food throughout the year so please bring food in anytime and simply place it in the wicker bin in the vestibule.

Open House @ Camp St. Charles



Camp St. Charles runs boys and girls Catholic summer camps. Attend their open house on April 9th, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Join them for lunch, a tour, a ride on the giant swing and an opportunity to meet the staff. For over 60 years, run by the Salvatorian Fathers and Brothers and Lay Salvatorians, thousands of children have attended the summer camps. Camp activities include a challenge course, archery, riding horses, camping out, paddling on the river, art and lots of other projects, all while making friends. Camp St. Charles is fully accredited with the American Camp Association and certified by the State of Maryland. For directions and to sign up for the open house, go to www.campstcharles.org, e-mail director@campstcharles.org or call 301-934-8799 or.

New SFX Website

Please visit our newly designed SFX website.

www.stfrancisxavierchurch.org

Lenten Series at St. Aloysius Church

The Lenten Series *Making Time for Easter* continues at St. Aloysius Church with the next two parts of the series held at 7 p.m. on March 28th and April 11th. Includes a 20-minute reflection, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and opportunity for Confession.

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Sunday – March 26th

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8:00 a.m. – SFX Parishioners

11:00 a.m. – Father Tom Crowley

Monday – March 27th

9:00 a.m. – Father Tom Crowley

Tuesday – March 28th

No Mass

Wednesday – March 29th

9:00 a.m. – Kim Fiorentino

Holy Hour & Confessions @ 6:30 p.m.

Thursday – March 30th

9:00 a.m. – Frank CarPELLI

Friday – March 31st

9:00 a.m. – Rev. Msgr. Richard A. Hughes+

Stations of the Cross @ 7:00 p.m.

Saturday – April 1st

Confessions @ 3:15 p.m.

4:00 p.m. – SFX Parishioners



Every Wednesday 6:30-7:30 p.m. during Lent is a Holy Hour with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, time for personal silent prayer, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

There are numerous opportunities to go to Confession at all Catholic Churches during Lent. To find the day and time for Confessions being offered in St. Mary's County, just go to this web address:

www.thelightison.org/st-marys.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy

During the season of Lent, the Knights of Columbus leads the praying of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy on every Sunday at 3 p.m. in the hall. All are welcome.

