

MARCH 14, 2021

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One Year Later

It is hard to believe that a year ago this week, the bishop put out the decree that all Churches in the diocese were to close their doors to the public indefinitely. “Indefinitely” ended up being about three months, but things are still not what they used to be. Of course, it wasn’t only in the Church that things got turned upside down. It was also this time last year that everything in society changed. We learned new words like “social distancing” and “zoom” meetings. Masks became mandatory everywhere, and isolation became the norm.

One year later, and unfortunately, we are still facing many of the same problems. This past year has been one of the most difficult any of us has ever faced. Hundreds of thousands have died during this pandemic, and just about everyone knows someone who has contracted the virus. There is not one person who hasn’t been affected by this pandemic. Mental health issues stemming from loneliness and isolation have hit many during this past year.

And yet, despite everything, life continues on. All of us have been doing the best we can to carry on and live as normal a life as we can under the circumstances. Nowhere is this better exemplified than in our Churches. We may have to wear masks and be socially distant from each other; we might not be able to have servers and ministers, but we still come together every day and celebrate the Eucharist. It is a reminder that even in the dark times, the Lord continues to be with us.

With the number of new cases going down a little bit, and with more people having access to the vaccine, there does seem to be some light at the end of this dark tunnel. In spite of the struggles, I am so thankful that our communities continue to come together to celebrate and to worship. This week, we will be celebrating the feast days of St. Patrick and St. Joseph, two of the great saints in our Church’s history. In less than a month, we will once again be celebrating Jesus’ Passion, Death, and Resurrection, and this year, we will be able to celebrate in the Church.

It has been a difficult year for all of us, but I cannot thank all of you enough for keeping your faith strong in the face of such adversity. May we always remember that our Lord has been and will always be watching over all of us. I will continue to pray for all of you, that you continue to stay safe and be well during these trying times. God willing, we will make it through to the other side very soon.

Fr. Mike

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OFFICE HOURS (window service)

Monday –Thursday 8:30 am to 12:00 pm

1 pm to 4:30 pm CLOSED FRIDAY

CELEBRATION of the EUCHARIST

DAILY MASS (upper church)

Monday 10:00 am at Senior Living Centers

Suspended until further notice

Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 am,

Wednesday 6 pm

Friday, Liturgy of the Word, with Communion

Suspended until further notice

WEEKEND MASSES

Sunday: 8:15 & 10:30 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sunday 9:45 -10:15 am

Every Wednesday, 6:45-7:30 pm

or by appointment

HOLY HOUR

Wednesday, 6:45-7:45 pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Please check the bulletin for updates





WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE AND EVENTS

FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

DAY	MASS INTENTION	EVENTS
Sunday, March 14 Fourth Sunday of Lent	8:15 am ~ Tom Lantier—Anne Crowley 10:30 am ~ Nelda Kenville—Bob & June Sherman & family	Lector 8:15 am ~ J. Addyman 10:30 am ~ D. Doyle Collection for The Catholic Relief Services
Monday, March 15 Lenten Weekday	<i>Masses suspended at Nursing Homes</i>	
Tuesday, March 16 Lenten Weekday	8:00 am ~ Gloria Paddock—NHS Chix of 66	
Wednesday, March 17 St. Patrick, bishop	8:00 am ~ Margaret Tedesche—Mary Kay McGrath 6:00 pm ~ Julia Lentz—David	6:45-7:45 pm ~Holy Hour
Thursday, March 18 Lenten Weekday	8:00 am ~ Karl Chandler—Chris Hasseler & Steven	
Friday, March 19 St. Joseph spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary	<i>No Communion Service</i>	6 pm ~ Stations of the Cross
Saturday, March 20 Lenten Weekday	<i>No Mass</i>	
Sunday, March 21 Fifth Sunday of Lent	8:15 am ~ Martha Hegeman—Dan, Cindy & Chris 10:30 am ~ Gerry Crider—Jim & Judy Garen	Lector 8:15 am ~ J. Bouwens 10:30 am ~ C. Hasseler

Readings For March 21, 2021

First Reading
Jer: 31-34

Psalm
51: 3-4, 12-13, 14-15
Create a clean heart in me, O God

Second Reading
Heb: 5:7-9

Gospel
Jn: 12:20-33



ST. MICHAEL'S FINANCIAL GIVING Weekly Offertory
FEBRUARY 28 \$4793.00

Many thanks for your support of St. Michael's	Budget YTD As of 2/28/21	Actual YTD	Variance
Total Collections	\$229,354.00	\$202,800.00	\$(26,554.00)
Total Revenue (less)	\$269,475.00	\$247,843.00	\$(21,632.00)
Total Expenses	\$267,371.00	\$249,325.00	\$(18,046.00)
Net Surplus/Deficit	\$2,104.00	\$(1,482.00)	

2020/2021 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Christ, Our Light

As of	Donors	Pledged 61.18%	Paid	Goal
3/8/21	168	\$27,435.00	\$25,045.00	\$44,851.00

LENTEN NOON HOUR PRAYER
Fridays at 12:10 pm –12:55 pm

While we are not able to meet for Lenten Lunches, please consider joining Lucina Hallagan and Stephanie Mercer for a time of prayer, music and meditation. We will be meeting at Newark First United Methodist Church on Friday, 12:10-12:55 pm during Lent until Good Friday, April 2nd. If you are unable/uncomfortable meeting in person, please join us on Newark First's facebook page where we will livestream the events.



This week we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collections to help **Jesus in disguise**. This collection helps Catholic agencies to provide relief and support for struggling communities and to work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.



CHANGE YOUR CLOCK
CHANGE YOUR BATTERIES

SPRING AHEAD



The Year of St. Joseph

December 8, 2020–December 8, 2021

The man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence and yet played an incomparable role in the history of salvation

The statue of St. Joseph that had stood for many years in our school will now be in the gathering space in our church.

In honor of St. Joseph's Feast Day, March 19th, TODAY, March 14th the Parish Council will be giving each family a loaf of St. Joseph Bread at 8:15 and 10:30 Mass.

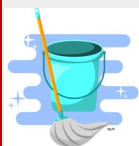
EASTER ALTAR FLOWERS

Envelopes and forms are both due back to the parish center by **Sunday, March 21st** so that the names of those to be remembered can be placed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Please write the names clearly on the back of the envelopes or the form. Any questions please call Katie at the parish center, 315-331-6753.



There's a new store in town!!
Angel's Attic at 604 South Main Street
You can find donated treasures of jewelry, household items, games and more!
All proceeds support the **Laurel House Comfort Care home.**
Come see what's new on Thurs/Fri/Sat from 10am-4pm
****Donations always appreciated****

Wayne County Public Health is working on planning points of distribution sites for when the COVID vaccine is pushed out to the health department and opened up to more groups. They are looking for people who are either medical or non-medical to assist with clinics (medical would be vaccinators/medical evaluators, non-medical would be flow monitors, registration, runner, security, janitor duties). If anyone would be interested in this, please call or email Christine Bilynski, WCPH Emergency Planner, to register as a volunteer. Christine's contact information, 315-946-5679 and email is CBilynski@co.wayne.ny.us Thank you.



Please help the church sparkle and shine for Easter! Volunteers will be cleaning the church, Saturday, March 27th, from 9 am until 12 pm. Please come join them. Many hands make light work.

Doing some Spring cleanup around the house? Our rummage sale is just around the corner. Please drop off your old treasures at the church. Marking for our Spring Rummage sale starts April 12th. The sale begins Tuesday, April 20th. Volunteers are always welcome.

Spring
CLEANUP

¿Cómo Está Tu Relación con Dios?

La semana pasada escribí sobre la oración que Jesús había enseñado a sus discípulos. Ahora me gustaría escribir un poco cómo dejar a Dios conocerte. Salmo 139 dice: "Señor, tú me examinas y conoces, sabes si me siento o me levanto, tú conoces de lejos lo que pienso...eres testigo de todos mis pasos." Dios invita a cada uno de nosotros entrar en una relación de intimidad, amistad o reciprocidad. Dios siempre está comunicándose con cada uno de nosotros. Dios nos desea y nos hace deseables para Dios y para los demás y desea a Dios. Quizás algunas veces hemos sentido unos momentos de plena felicidad, aunque no ha sido algo grande, pero es Dios quien está presente contigo.

Es una cosa que Dios sabe de nosotros, pero es otra cosa que compartamos con Dios nuestras personas con sus fortalezas y debilidades. Es dejarte ser conocido por Dios. Así es tan importante abrirte a Dios y dejarte estar conocido—lo bueno y lo malo. Entre dos amigos la amistad se pone más fuerte cuando los dos se comparten sus vidas, sus alegrías, sus tristezas, sus luchas, su flojera, sus deseos, sus tentaciones, su pasado, sus desafíos, sus fracasos, sus éxitos, sus metas, sus sentimientos, sus miedos...

La honestidad debe ser parte de la relación y parte de la oración. En oración no debemos decir solamente cosas que son buenas y bonitas, pero puede ser no totalmente verdaderas. Habla con Dios en silencio o en voz alta; cuéntale de tus problemas, pérdidas, crisis, penas, sufrimientos, emociones, enojo, falta de paciencia... Por compartir nuestras debilidades con un amigo, podemos entendernos más íntimamente, y así es en nuestra oración. Somos más humanos por nuestra honestidad. Nos mostramos nuestras necesidades de perdón y sanación.

También podemos llegar a ver a Dios por medio de otras personas, quizás sean personas que muestran amor y compasión a otras. Es como estar en la presencia de Dios—un Dios que ama a los demás por las acciones y bondad de otras. Hay que prestar atención a las experiencias de cada día, y al final de cada día revisar el día y ver en cuales personas, experiencias y acciones Dios se le había mostrado a usted. Dios esta, pero tenemos que abrir nuestros ojos y corazones a la presencia de Dios.

Que pueda sentir ese amor de Dios vibrando dentro de sí mismo. Abriese a Dios honestamente.

Hna. Kay

JUEVES
"Pongamos toda nuestra atención en Jesús, pues de él viene nuestra confianza, y es él quien hace que confiemos cada vez más y mejor"
Hebreos 12:2a (TLA)
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STATIONS OF THE CROSS
EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT
AT 6:00 PM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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2020/2021 YEAR
The beginning of our Religious Education program will be delayed until further notice.
We will have our Sacramental Preparation Program for any child who is of age to make their First Communion.

Family Ministry

Gospel Reading John 3:14-21

Jesus tells Nicodemus that the Son of Man will be raised up so that those who believe in him will have eternal life.

Parents whose children are afraid of the dark are struck by John's observation that darkness is preferred to light. Perhaps this is as it should be. God made us to live in the light of his love. But this original friendship with God was corrupted by sin. Our sin causes us to shy away from Christ, the light that has come into the world. During the season of Lent, we try to fight this tendency by remembering God's great mercy and the salvation that we have received through Jesus. We do not fear confessing our sins, knowing that God forgives us, and so, during Lent, we seek out opportunities to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

After your family gathers, sit for a time in darkness, then light a candle. Invite people to talk about what it felt like to be in the darkness and to compare that to their feelings when the candle was lit. What are we able to see by the limited glow of the candlelight that we couldn't see when we were sitting in darkness? Read today's Gospel, John 3:14-21. John's Gospel teaches us that Jesus was the light that came into the world. In this light we know ourselves to be sinners, but we are not condemned. Instead we have been saved because we have been forgiven through Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. Conclude in prayer together, thanking God for the great gift of forgiveness we have received through Jesus. Pray together the Act of Contrition.

*My God,
I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy.*

Cluster Mass Schedule

St. Joseph the Worker (St. Michael Lyons, St. Patrick Savannah & St. John the Evangelist, Clyde) & **Blessed Trinity** (St. Thomas Red Creek, Winter, St. Jude Fair Haven, Summer & St. Mary Magdalene Wolcott)

Weekend Schedule

4:00 pm ~ Saturday St. Michael Lyons
4:30 pm ~ Saturday St. Mary Magdalene Wolcott
8:30 am ~ Sunday St. Thomas Red Creek (winter) *time change*
8:30 am ~ Sunday St. Jude Fair Haven (summer)
10:30 am ~ Sunday St. John the Evangelist Clyde
4:00 pm ~ Sunday St. Patrick's, Savannah

Daily Mass Schedule

8:30 am ~ Monday St. Mary Magdalene Wolcott *time change*
8:30 am ~ Tuesday St. John the Evangelist Clyde *time change*
6:00 pm ~ Wednesday St. John the Evangelist, Clyde
8:30 am ~ Thursday St. John the Evangelist Clyde *time change*
8:30 am ~ Friday St. Michael Lyons *time change*
8:30 am ~ Friday St. Mary Magdalene Wolcott

Confessions

3:30-4:15 pm ~ Saturday St. Mary Magdalene, Wolcott
3:15-3:45 pm ~ Saturday St. Michael, Lyons
7:00-7:50 am ~ Sunday St. Jude, Fair Haven
5:20-5:50 pm ~ Wednesday, St. John the Evangelist, Clyde

St. Joseph the Worker

Phone: 315-902-4130

Webpage: www.saintjoetheworker.org

Facebook page: St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Wayne County, New York

The Catholic Community of the Blessed Trinity

Phone: 315-902-4130

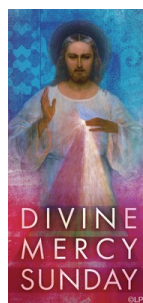
Webpage: www.ccblessdtrinity.org

Facebook page: Catholic Community of the Blessed Trinity

St. Joseph The Worker will have Bible Study the last Wednesday of every month at 4:30 pm at the parish office.

Cluster Stations of the Cross during Lent Schedule

Wednesday, 7 pm St. John, Clyde
Friday, 3 pm St. Michael, Lyons



The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed on the first Sunday of every month at 3 pm in St. John the Evangelist Church, 114 Sodus St., Clyde, NY. Exposition and Adoration will be before The Chaplet at 2 pm followed by Benediction at 2:45 pm. Let us come together to pray to Our Lord that He would bless us with His gracious Mercy and help us to bring mercy and peace to the world.



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To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under heaven

"... a time to be born..."

"...a time to love..."

"... a time to be healed..."

Please pray for the sick of our Parish.

Steven Sapp, Leigh Ann Henry, Nate Barnes, Claire Childs, Kim Zielinski, Michael Kowaleski, Gretchen Switzer Bouwens, Mary Santoro, Cathy Wilhelm, David Murphy, Darlene Fletcher, Marie Wemesfelder, ET Trunick, Donald Pieters, Marcia Palermo, Jerry Sielawa, Georgette Eagley, Mary Gilligan, Fran DeVelder, Mary Talbo, Ann Straight, Ivana Ernst, Gloria Viola, Michael George, Ada Lasken, Phillip Juliano, Sr. & Pearl Johnson

And please pray for our Parish friends. *Scott Weber, Richard Schweitz, Jr., Bonnie Crane, Tracy Diaz-Cruz, Barb Gallant, Ann Maliborski, Sherry Caughell, Tom DeYoung & Michael Bauer, Jr*

"... a time to die..."

"... and a time for peace."

In our world and for all people, military and civilian, who are in the midst of war. ***Ecclesiastes 3:11***

FOOD CLOSET ITEMS ARE STILL NEEDED.

The Newark Food Closet is still accepting donations of non-perishable food items. A few suggestions are found below.

Canned vegetables and fruit, Peanut butter and jams
Pasta and sauce, cereal, etc.

Please leave in the gathering space. Thank you for your generosity.

You can still get a
St. Michael Beanie Hat.
at the parish center. **Only \$15 a hat.**
You will be nice and warm in your hat,
but still looking COOL !

The Newark Food Closet at 301 E. Miller St., Newark, is open Monday-Friday from 10 till noon.
