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First

Sunday

in Lent
March 1, 2020

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Continuing our Discipleship

1ST SUNDAY IN LENT MASS LITURGY

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| OPENING HYMN | Bulletin |
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| ENTRANCE HYMN | Psalm 91: 1-2; Psalm 17:8 |
| C: You who dwell in the shelter of the Most High, who abides in the shadow of the Almighty, says to the Lord, My refuge and fortress, my God in Whom I trust. | |
| R: Keep me as the apples of Your eye, hide me in the shadow of Your wings. | |
| C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. | |
| R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. | |

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| OPENING PRAYER | |

LITURGY OF THE WORD

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| First Reading | Genesis 2: 7-9, 3: 1-7 |
| Responsorial Psalm | Psalm 51 |
| R: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned. | |
| Second Reading | Romans 5: 12-19 |
| Lenten Acclamations. | Matthew 4: 4b |
| L: Glory and praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ. | |
| R: One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God. | |
| R: Glory and praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ. | |
| Gospel | Matthew 4: 1-11 |

SACRAMENT OF THE WORD

LITURGY OF THE FAITHFUL

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| R: Lord, Hear our Prayer | |
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Opening Hymn: “The Glory of These Forty Days”

CC Hymn 239

The glory of these forty days,
We celebrate with songs of praise;
For Christ, by Whom all things were made,
Himself has fasted and has prayed.

Alone and fasting Moses saw
The loving God Who gave the law;
And to Elijah, fasting, came
The steeds and chariots of flame.

So Daniel trained his mystic sight,
Delivered from the lions’ might;
And John, the Bridegroom’s friend, became
The herald of Messiah’s Name.

Then grant that we like them be true
Consumed in fast and prayer with you.
Our spirits strengthen with Your grace,
And give us joy to see Your face.

Closing Hymn: “Cross of Compassion”

PNCC Hymnal 110 verses 1, 2, & 3

Cross of compassion, Cross of salvation
Cross of all wisdom, Cross of love
He who would seek thee, love Thee and know Thee
He shall find guidance, from above.

Cross of contrition, Cross of redemption
Cross of all victory Cross of gain
We would come near Thee, there rest our burden
and share our sorrow, grief and pain.

When with deep suffering and doubts affliction
Your heart is wounded through and through
When peril threaten, to the cross hasten,

It will sustain and rescue you.

This Week

Sunday, March 1, 2020

Lent 1

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| Holy Mass | 9:00 A.M. |
| +David Phillips Int. David & Sandy Kost; +Joseph Parknavy Int. Annunciation Bell & Chopin Choirs | |
| SOCL | 10:15 A.M. |
| Holy Mass | 11:00 A.M. |

Wednesday, March 4, 2020

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| Bible Study | 5:45 P.M. |
| Bitter Lamentations Part 2 | 7:00 P.M. |
| Chopin Choir Rehearsal | 7:30 P.M. |

Thursday, March 5, 2020

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| Annunciation Bell Choir Rehearsal | 6:30 P.M. |
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Friday, March 6, 2020

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| Stations of the Cross | 7:00 P.M. |
| Parish Choirs to participate in the mediations | |

Sunday, March 8, 2020

Lent 2

Institution of the PNCC

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| Holy Mass | 9:00 A.M. |
| +Deacon Raymond Lagesse & Max Sleczkowski Int. Sleczkowski & Lagesse Families +Deceased members of the Lasota Family Int. Mr. & Mrs. Tom Tondera | |
| SOCL | 10:15 A.M. |
| Holy Mass | 11:00 A.M. |

In Sympathy

Holy Family gives it condolences and prayers to Judy Waskowicz and family upon the recent passing of her Father, Frank Maringo. Eternal rest grant to him Lord and

let the perpetual
upon him. May
peace.



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Saturday, March 21st, 2020 * Parish Hall * 9 AM -3 PM

Crafters-Vendors-Chinese Auction

Kitchen: Wedding Soup, Haluski, Stuffed Cabbage

Baked Goods

Hosted by Holy Family Youth Group

Donated Chinese Auction Baskets are always welcomed

Today's Sunday Ministry

9:00 A.M.

Greeter: C. Trumpe

Lectors: Red Team

Ushers: S. Tadajski & L. Guy

11:00 A.M.

A. Fioravanti

B. Zaucha

J. Wagner

Next Sunday Ministries

9:00 A.M.

Greeter: M. Sleczkowski

Lectors: Youth Team

Ushers: J. Bagshaw & R. DeLong

11:00 A.M.

A. Fioravanti

B. Zaucha

J. Wagner

First Sunday in Lent Word Search

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WILDERNESS
 TEMPTED
 DEVIL
 FASTED
 FORTY
 HUNGRY
 STONES
 LOAVES
 ANGELS
 FOOT
 SATAN
 WORSHIP



Lent 2020

Lent is a Christian Year season, in which the Christians observe simple living, fasting and prayers. The PNCC still observes abstinence of meat on Wednesday and Fridays. Hence it is a forty days long season without counting the Sundays. The purpose behind Lent is praying, performing penance, and almsgiving. Almsgiving is also one of the important of the three customary practices of Lent. In this, people make voluntary contributions to assist the poor. Almsgiving signifies doing justice towards your neighbors. It is basically a sincere religious observance in the Christian calendar. Holy Family is participating with 3 projects to choose from: The Youth Community Project, the PNU Branch 132 Food Drive: “Roll Away the Stone of Hunger” and the Homeless Clothing Drive. More information can be found in the bulletin in how you can help. The Future Direction’s action plan for March will be about Martha & Mary of Bethany Prayerfulness, Service. (Luke 10: 38-42, John 11: 1-45).

Future Direction’s 2020 March Action Plan

Reflection Question: Martha and Mary together give a balanced model of the aspects of our discipleship. Do

you have this same balance of prayers and service in your daily life? What can you do to achieve it? A special Lenten Penitential Service, mini retreat, is scheduled for Friday, March 13th at 7:00 P.M. as part of March Action Plan.

Scheduled readers for the Station of the Cross

March 6th Choirs.

March 20th YMSR.

March 27th SAMBS.

April 3rd Acolytes, Sacristans, SOCL, Youth Club.

Parish Service Projects

The youth are collecting travel toiletries for Witness Bags during this spring for the Intersection as part of the Future Direction's Community project. Baskets are downstairs with hopes of filling each of them with 25 items. Still needed are Band Aids, Neosporin, Cortisone Cream, Cotton Swabs, Listerine (travel size), Deodorants, Razors, Nail clippers and socks. Hopefully this can be an ongoing project with the parish.



PNU Branch 132's "**Roll Away the Stone of Hunger**" campaign, part of the Future Directions suggestions, will be collecting food for the McKeesport Intercession. Check the bulletin board for what is needed.

David Kost will be collecting coats, hats, gloves, sweater, scarves, blankets, socks and toiletries (travel size). The clothes should still be wearable and in decent condition. A designated spot in the hall will be available. David will take care of delivery weekly so there will be no accumulation. He is working with a group of people who distribute clothing to the homeless.

2019 Fair Share

For those who would like a copy of their 2019 Fair Share offerings for tax purposes, please contact Fr. Bruce @ 412.276.5562 or email bsleczkowski@aol.com



Next Sunday - Don't Forget

First Sunday in Lent

First Reading: Genesis 2: 7-9, 3: 1-7

Responsorial Psalm: 51

Second Reading: Romans 5: 12-19

Gospel: Matthew 4: 1-11

KEY VERSE: “Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. Matthew 4: 1

READING: Our first reading deals with the tempting of Adam and Eve. Despite all God did for them, at the first suggestion of the tempter, they disobeyed God. Paul reminded the Romans that by His obedience to God, Christ undid the harm done by the disobedience of Adam. The Gospel shows that, like us, Jesus had to struggle against evil. He was tempted in every way that we are, but He did not succumb.



REFLECTION: In the Cycle of Sunday Readings, the oldest are those of Year A in Lent - these Gospels have accompanied the Church for many centuries. We must realize why: Lent was

originally the time of immediate preparation of candidates for Baptism those baptized time to at Easter, already used it as a prepare for



the renewal of Baptismal promises. Therefore, so much of the Scripture in Lent is about Baptism, New Life and Salvation. What is the new life of Baptism? What are we set free from? What is sin? We begin Lent by hearing about sin and temptation; the Gospel will tell us of Jesus' own temptations, something he shares with us, though he did not sin. The other Scripture readings prepare us for the Gospel, in which Jesus, the new Adam, triumphs over temptation.

PRAYING: Heavenly Father, in Your gentle mercy, guide our efforts at renewing our lives this Lent, for we know that left to ourselves we can do nothing. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

