

## February 28, 2021 Second Sunday of Lent

### Stewardship is a Way of Life. Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

Tithing income for the week of February 7,  
February 14, and February 21, 2021: Not available

Mass Attendance for February 20, 2021      28  
Mass Attendance for February 21, 2021      64



My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

One year ago, on Feb. 19, 2020 the Roman Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg (RCDH) filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. While the Covid-19 pandemic has delayed the proceedings, we have continued to work in earnest with the Federal bankruptcy court and interested parties. As a step in this process, on February 8 & 9, the RCDH, our present and historical insurance providers, and the survivors of abuse (individually or through a committee representing their interest) met for the first mediation. This mediation process is an effort to work together to reach a consensual resolution regarding the survivor claims against the RCDH.

At this time, there is little I can say as the mediation discussions are confidential. However, I am able to report that progress was made between the involved parties and that all parties intend to continue negotiations and mediation, to reach a consensual resolution that will acknowledge the harm suffered and provide for meaningful and fair compensation for survivors.

As was explained at the beginning of this process, filing for reorganization was the only option to right our financial situation, especially after the significant legal and investigative costs we incurred due to the Grand jury Subpoena in years of declining revenues. I have full confidence that at the conclusion of this process, our Diocese will have a much stronger foundation to build, and rebuild, upon.

I also wish to take this opportunity to address our annual financial audit. Typically, at this time of year, we would publish the results of this annual financial audit in *The Catholic Witness* and on our Diocesan website. Due to the ongoing bankruptcy process, we are unable

to release financial statements for the fiscal year end June 30, 2020 until this process is complete. We do provide regular financial updates to the bankruptcy court and all document related to this process can be found online at <https://dm.epiq11.com/case/reh/info>.

We still have several months of reorganization efforts ahead of us. As this process continues, I encourage you to visit [www.hbgdiocese.org/reorganization-information](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/reorganization-information) for the most up-to-date information.

I humbly ask for your prayers for our Diocese as we continue this process. May God grant us every grace needed during this difficult time. May Mar, Mother of the Church and our Mother, intercede with Her Son to be our strength and support  
Sincerely Yours in Christ,

**Most Reverend Ronald W. Gainer**  
**Bishop of Harrisburg**

### LITURGICAL NOTES

Mass  for the  
Intentions  Week  
And Weekly Readings



#### Saturday, February 27: Lenten Weekday

Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Matthew 5:43-48

5:30 PM Intention for Jill Tweedlie

#### Sunday, February 28: Second Sunday of Lent

Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Psalm 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19; Romans 8:31b-34; Mark 9:2-10

9:15 AM Steven Graham

from the Knights of Columbus

#### Monday, March 1: Lenten Weekday

Daniel 9:4b-10; Psalm 79:8, 9, 11 & 13; Luke 6:36-38

9:00 AM People of the Parish

#### Tuesday, March 2: Lenten Weekday

Isaiah 1:10, 16-20; Psalm 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 & 23; Matthew 23:1-12

#### Wednesday, March 3: Lenten Wednesday

Jeremiah 18:18-20; Psalm 31:5-6, 14, 15-16; Matthew 20:17-28

#### Thursday, March 4: Lenten Weekday

Jeremiah 17:5-10; Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Luke 16:19-31

#### Friday, March 5: Lenten Weekday

Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Psalm 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Matthew 21:33-43, 45-56

9:00 AM People of the Parish

#### Saturday, March 6: Lenten Weekday

Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12

5:30 PM Intention for Jill Tweedlie

#### Sunday, March 7: Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11; 1 Corinthians 1:22-25; John 2:13-25

9:15 AM Bill Nash from the Knights of Columbus

## LITURGICAL WORSHIP AIDS

### **Entrance Antiphon**

Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

### **Penitential Act**

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore, I ask blessed Mary Ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

### **Responsorial Psalm**

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

### **Profession of Faith (Nicene Creed)**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (bow) *and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.* For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and life of the world to come. Amen

### **Holy, Holy, Holy**

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who come in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

### **(For those who are watching from home)**

#### **A Prayer of Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were

already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

### **Communion Antiphon**

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

### **Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel**

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the Power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

**Good Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, is a day of fast and abstinence**, meaning only 1 full meal for that day, and no meat eaten at all. All the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. Lenten resolutions are optional but highly recommended as sacrifices, promoting spiritual health and generosity. One should ask God in prayer as to what God wants the resolution to be. Lenten resolutions are personal, in consultation with God. Christians fasting and sacrificing should strive to maintain charity and cheerfulness toward all during Lenten resolutions.



### **Thank you!**

Father Bill, Father Jay, and members of Saint Jude Thaddeus would like to extend a warm "Thank You" to Ruth Hower for the lovely "ciborium veil" she made for the church.

Our old one was quite yellow and worn from age. Ruth is blessed with a wonderful talent. Thank you for sharing it with all of us!

### **Request from St. Vincent DePaul:**

St. Vincent DePaul has received a request from one of the county schools for two single beds for two young girls who are sleeping on the floor with sleeping bags. If you can help, call us at St. Vincent dePaul at (717)363-4812 or email at [stvincentdepaullewisstown@gmail.com](mailto:stvincentdepaullewisstown@gmail.com)

### **Virtual Retreat:**

The Dauphin District Council of Catholic Women is hosting a virtual Lenten retreat March 20, 2021 via Zoom. Please register by March 16, 2021. To register and receive the log-in information please email [dauphindistrictccw@gmail.com](mailto:dauphindistrictccw@gmail.com)

### **First Friday Mass and Adoration:**

Shall be held Friday, March 5, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

### Scholarship available

The Harrisburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is offering a \$1,000.00 scholarship to a Catholic Senior Girl for her freshman year. Applicants must be sponsored by a Mother or Grandmother/Guardian who is a member of a Parish Council of Catholic Women and must meet all conditions established by the Scholarship committee. Anyone interested in applying may contact via phone at (717) 737-0927 or email to: [joynbob10@aol.com](mailto:joynbob10@aol.com)

### LENTEN SCHEDULE:

**Stations of the Cross: each Friday via FB 7:00 PM**

**Lenten Confessions: Sunday March 7, 2021 at 7:00 PM**

**Holy Thursday: April 1, 2021 7:00 PM Mass**

**Good Friday: April 2, 2021 7:00 PM Mass**

**Holy Saturday: April 3, 2021 8:00 PM Mass**

**Easter Sunday: April 4, 2021 9:15 AM Mass**

### CCD Teachers and Substitutes:

CCD Teachers and substitutes are needed. Please speak with Father Bill or Ginger Best.

### Announcements for the Bulletin:

Please have your announcements for the bulletin to the church office by Wednesday afternoon no later than 1:00 p.m.

### Fish for Sale! Knights of Columbus:

Shrimp \$10.00 Bag

Fries \$ 5.00 Bag

Please write your name and phone number on the sheet in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please call Joe Zarnowski at 908-892-0271.

### Lewistown Ministerium Weekly Lenten Services

 Come worship together every Wednesday of Lent by Zoom with one of our area Lewistown churches. Beginning Feb. 24th, from **12 noon to 12:30 PM**, a participating church will **Zoom a Lenten Service**. This is a meaningful opportunity to worship with believers from other churches and a good addition to your Lenten disciplines. **The Host Churches are:**

- 2/24 – St. Mark's Episcopal Church
- 3/03 – First United Methodist Church
- 3/10 – Lewistown Presbyterian Church
- **3/17 - Sacred Heart of Jesus Church**
- 3-24 – St. Johns Lutheran Church

**Zoom Meeting Code: 81095037129**

**Zoom Password: 81095037129**



### Year of St. Joseph – Seven Sundays Devotion

Pope Francis recently announced **2021 as the Year of Saint Joseph**. During this unique year of grace, meditation on the Sorrows and Joys on Seven Sundays is a wonderful way to foster a closeness of the faithful to the Spouse of Mary. **We prepare for the feast of St. Joseph by dedicating the seven Sundays before March 19 to St. Joseph**, in memory of his seven sorrow and joys. We encourage you to meditate upon these sets of Sorrow and Joys, and conclude by praying the Litany of St. Joseph.

#### Week 5

#### Joseph's Seven Sorrows

*The flight into Egypt (Matt. 2:14)*

#### Joseph's Seven Joys

*The overthrow of the idols of Egypt (Is. 19:1)*

#### Week 6

#### Joseph's Seven Sorrows

*The return from Egypt (Matt. 2:22)*

#### Joseph's Seven Joys

*Life with Jesus and Mary at Nazareth (Luke 2:39)*

#### Week 7

#### Joseph's Seven Sorrows

*The loss of the Child Jesus (Luke 2:45)*

#### Joseph's Seven Joys

*The finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple (Luke 2:46)*

### Litany of St. Joseph

Lord, have mercy - Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy - Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy - Lord, have mercy.

Christ, hear us - Christ, hear us.

Christ, graciously hear us - Christ, graciously hear us.

God the Father of Heaven - Have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world-Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit - Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, One God - Have mercy on us.

Holy Mary - pray for us .

Saint Joseph - pray for us.

Illustrious son of David - pray for us.

Light of the patriarchs - pray for us.

Spouse of the Mother of God - pray for us.

Chaste guardian of the Virgin - pray for us.

Foster-father of the Son of God - pray for us.

Watchful defender of Christ - pray for us.

Head of the Holy Family - pray for us.

Joseph most just - pray for us.

Joseph most chaste - pray for us.

Joseph most prudent - pray for us.

Joseph most valiant - pray for us.

Joseph most obedient - pray for us.

Joseph most faithful - pray for us.

Mirror of patience - pray for us.

Lover of poverty - pray for us.



Model of workmen - pray for us.  
 Glory of domestic life - pray for us.  
 Guardian of virgins - pray for us.  
 Pillar of families - pray for us.  
 Solace of the afflicted - pray for us.  
 Hope of the sick - pray for us.  
 Patron of the dying - pray for us.  
 Terror of demons - pray for us.  
 Protector of Holy Church - pray for us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world -  
 Spare us, O Lord.  
 Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world-  
 Graciously hear us, O Lord.  
 Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world -  
 Have mercy on us.

V. He made him the lord of His household,  
 R. And prince over all His possessions.

**Let Us Pray.** O God, who in Your ineffable providence were pleased to choose Blessed Joseph to be the spouse of Your Most Holy Mother, grant that as we venerate him as our protector on earth, we may be worthy to have him as our intercessor in Heaven, You Who live and reign forever and ever. Amen

**Guidelines For Mass**

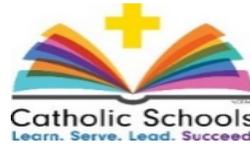
- ❖ Masks **must** be worn at all times.
- ❖ Remain 6 ft. apart.
- ❖ Ushers will seat you at the beginning of Mass and dismiss you at the end of Mass.
- ❖ Confessions are heard in the rectory garage on Wed., 6:30-6:45 PM & Sat., 3:00-3:45 PM
- ❖ Only permitted to fill the church to approx. 1/3 capacity. Space is limited; please come early. Sunday Mass obligation is still suspended. You may want to consider attending a weekly Mass in place of Sunday.
- ❖ Doors are locked during Mass for your safety.
- ❖ The restroom is available but **must be sanitized after each use.** Please clean the restroom after use according to the directions posted inside. Children must be accompanied by an adult & the adult must clean the restroom after the child is finished
- ❖ Crying room is closed.
- ❖ Collection basket will not be passed. Place your collection in 1 of the 2 locked collection boxes provided. Collection boxes are located in the Vestibule area or at the front of the church by the handicap door.
- ❖ Votive candles are not accessible at this time. If you would like a candle lit, call the parish office and they will have a sacristan light a candle for you. Your donation may be put in the collection box.
- ❖ Father will distribute Communion at the **end** of Mass from the altar area.

- ❖ Take all belongings with you and go single file up to the altar area. Right before receiving Communion drop one side of your mask and immediately put it back on after the Eucharist is in your mouth. Put one hand on top of the other palm side up. Father will try not to touch your hand. After receiving Communion proceed out the handicap door. If you are not receiving Communion just follow the flow of people as they proceed out the door.

These guidelines are an act of charity and out of concern for your safety and not an infringement upon your personal rights. Thank you for your continued cooperation. Your diligence in adhering to these guidelines helps to prevent further safety concerns for our parishioners. **These guidelines are not optional.**

**Year-End Tax Statements**

**Please contact the Parish Office at 717-242-2781 if you are in need of a year-end tax statement.** In addition, the Office of Stewardship and Development at the Diocese will be happy to send, via email, a donor's record of giving if it is requested. The Diocese will no longer automatically send statements and their preference is to send statements electronically via email if requested. If you need a statement, please call the Office of Stewardship and Development at (717) 657-4804 ext. 245.



**The 23rd Annual SHS Benefit Auction is now scheduled to be held May 22 & 23, 2021.** The auction committee is looking for handmade, new, or like new donated items to be auctioned off. As you continue to practice social distancing now is the time to find a unique item or put your talent to work creating a handmade item. All items are to be submitted by **Friday, April 16, 2021.**

**Register NOW for the 2021-22 School Year!**

Registrations are now being taken for any student interested in attending Sacred Heart School next academic year. Kindergarten students need to be age 5 by Sept. 1, 2021. We also have openings in grades 1 – 5. **Scholarships and Financial Aid are available, and applications are currently being accepted until March 1, 2021.** For additional information call the school at 717-28-5351. Additionally, there is plenty of information about the school, the application process, and financial aid on our website at [www.sacredheartschool.com](http://www.sacredheartschool.com). **All faiths are welcome!**

