

## March 27, 2022 Fourth Sunday of Lent

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

Tithing income for the week of March 20, 2022:  
**Regular:** \$2,889.72  
**Easter Flower Collection:** \$235.00  
**Hispanic Collection:** \$225.00



Bishop Gainer has invited all parishes in the Diocese to donate to a special collection for the Humanitarian Aid Fund for Ukraine. In an effort of solidarity, Sacred Heart will be contributing the March 13<sup>th</sup> tithing of \$653, earmarked for the Diocesan Disaster Relief Fund, to this special collection. Sacred Heart will accept donations this week from any individual parishioner who also wishes to contribute to the relief effort. Please put your checks in a separate envelope, marked Ukrainian Relief Fund and place it in the collection box. Checks should be made payable to the "Diocese of Harrisburg" with Humanitarian Aid Fund for Ukraine written in the memo line. Visit the Humanitarian Aid Fund for Ukraine at [www.ukrarcheparchy.us](http://www.ukrarcheparchy.us). Please click on Donate via PayPal. There are no small or large donations! No matter the size, your donation can change someone's life for the better. Whether or not you are able to donate monetarily, please continue praying for the people of Ukraine and all those suffering because of the war.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS  
**HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly  
Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ  
**Fourth Sunday of Lent**  
**March 27, 2022**

**"And all this is from God, who has reconciled us to himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation, namely, God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ not counting their trespasses against them and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation... We are ambassadors for Christ... We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God."**

We are walking toward the great gift of mercy, the passion, death and resurrection of Christ. But why? Listening to Paul, returning with the younger son, we are in need of our Father's embrace. He is looking for me.

I ask myself, honestly – aren't there areas in my life right now, which need to be changed, forgiven and removed? As I stand before the Lord right now, is there not something for which I am ashamed and sorry? The Sacrament of Penance offers me the great opportunity as I really live this Lent. My mantra for this week: "His great love is without end."

**First Reading: Joshua 5:9a, 10-12**

Joshua and the Israelites celebrated Passover in Jericho. This was the first time they had eaten the produce of the

promised land. After this, there was no more bread sent from heaven because they were able to eat the yield of the land.

**Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21**

Paul tells us that anyone living in Jesus is a new creation because God has reconciled with us through Christ. As an ambassador for Jesus, Paul implores that the Corinthians be reconciled to God through Jesus.

**Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32**

The Pharisees grew disgusted with Jesus because of his compassion toward sinners. So Jesus told them a story of a son who squandered his inheritance. When a famine broke out, he returned home and asked his father to become a hired hand. His father instead welcomed him with a joyful celebration, just as God is overjoyed when a sinner returns to him.

### LITURGICAL NOTES

Mass  for the  
Intentions  for the  
Week



### Weekly Readings

**Saturday, March 26: Lenten Weekday**

**Hosea 6:1-6; Psalm 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab;**

**Luke 18:9-14**

5:30 PM Karen Hammerschmidt

**Sunday, March 27: Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**Joshua 5:9a, 10-12 (33C); Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7;**

**2 Corinthians 5:17-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32**

9:15 AM Confirmation Candidates from Alice Arnold

1:30 PM People of the Parish

**Monday, March 28: Lenten Weekday**

**Isaiah 65:17-21; Psalm 30:2 & 4, 5-6, 11-12a & 13b;**

**John 4:43-54**

9:00 AM People of the Parish

**Tuesday, March 29: Lenten Weekday**

**Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12; Psalm 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9;**

**John 5:1-16**

**Wednesday, March 30: Lenten Weekday**

**Isaiah 49:8-15; Psalm 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18;**

**John 5:17-30**

**Thursday, March 31: Lenten Weekday**

**Exodus 32:7-14; Psalm 106:19-20, 21-22, 23;**

**John 5:31-47**

**Friday, April 1: Lenten Weekday**

**Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22; Psalm 34:17-18, 19-20, 21, & 23;**

**John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30**

9:00 AM People of the Parish

**Saturday, April 2: Lenten Weekday**

**Jeremiah 11:18-20; Psalm 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12;**

**John 7:40-53**

5:30 PM Maggie Sander

**Sunday, April 3: Fifth Sunday of Lent**

**Isaiah 43:16-21 (36C); Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6;**

**Philippians 3:8-14; John 8:1-11**

9:15 AM People of the Parish

1:30 PM People of the Parish

## **BISHOP GAINER INVITES US TO PRAY FOR URAINE**

As we awoke to the tragic news this morning that Russia had invaded Ukraine, I ask you to join me in praying for restoration of peace in Ukraine and for the Ukrainian people in the homeland, as well as our brothers and sisters in the Ukrainian Churches here.

The following prayer dates form the 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> century and is very dear to the Ukrainian people. I ask you to seek our blessed Mother's intercession to end this brutal aggression.

"We fly to Your patronage, O Virgin Mother of God.

Despise not our prayers in our needs,

But deliver us from all dangers,

Since you alone are pure and blessed.

O most glorious Ever-Virgin Mary,

The Mother of Christ our God, accept our prayers

And present them to your Son and God,

That for the sake of You, He enlighten and save our souls"

Thank you and may the Prince of Peace reign over our hearts and our world.

### **LENTEN SCHEDULE:**

**Stations of the Cross:** each Wednesday beginning  
March 9, 2022 at 7:00 PM

**Holy Thursday,** April 14, 2022 7:00 PM Mass

8:00 – 10:00 PM Adoration

10:00 PM Night Prayer

**Good Friday,** April 15, 2022 7:00 PM Mass

**Holy Saturday,** April 16, 2022 8:00 PM Mass

\*No 5:30 PM Mass

**Easter Sunday,** April 17, 2022 9:15 AM Mass

**Good Friday, April 15<sup>th</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.



### **OFFERATORY**

Commencing the weekend of April 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Jude Thaddeus Church will resume the passing of the baskets for the offertory collection. The baskets will no longer be placed in the back of the church prior to or at the end of mass. Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish!

### **Please continue to pray for the repose of the souls of:**

Genevieve Gregos

Steven Graham

Nicholas Spak

Mary Ann Truitt

John T. Kromel

William Nash

Roseanne Spak

Mary Tonge

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The Knights of Columbus wishes to thank everyone who purchased COAL tickets. The Drawing will be held May 13, 2022!

### **YOU ARE INVITED TO THE WOMEN'S GUILD**

The Women's Guild has served our Parish for many years raising funds to help support the Parish and to support projects which benefit our church and our community. The Guild is in need of new members not just to share the work, but the make plans for the future. There are three meetings still to come this season before the summer break, and the Guild would love to welcome you.

Tuesday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall

Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall

Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Hall

Your participation and input would be greatly appreciated. Come enjoy the fellowship, and being an important part of our parish life.

### **CROSSES ON A CHRISTMAS TREE?**

Wondering why there are crosses on a Christmas tree? Help us to help the Juniata County Food Pantry during this season of Lent. It will help the Food Pantry with putting together their items for families to enjoy Easter dinner. Pick up a cross (or two or ?) and return all items to the church by April 10<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please speak with Ginger Best.

### **LENTEN MESSAGE OF MERCY:**

Saint Katherine Drexel Parish will be welcoming Father Chris Alar to lead a two-day Lenten Mission on Sunday March 27<sup>th</sup>, and Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. His topics will be "The Mass" which will be presented on Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, and a deeper understanding of "The Real Presence of the Eucharist" presented on Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. Both nights Father Alar will begin his presentations at 6:00 p.m. and will end by 8:00 p.m. This is a wonderful opportunity to deepen YOUR Lenten Journey. All are welcome. If you have questions, please call Bill Benning at 717-571-8808 or Saint Katherine Drexel's Parish office 717-697-8716,

### **COFFEE SOCIAL HOSTS:**

March 27, 2022

LYDIA

April 3, 2022

MEGAN

April 10, 2022

GARY & BETH

April 17, 2022

LADIES

## ROSARY

Please join us as we pray the Rosary each Sunday at 8:45 a.m. before the 9:15 a.m. Mass.

"The Rosary is the most excellent form of prayer and the most efficacious means of attaining eternal life.

It is the remedy for all our evils, the root of our blessings. There is no more excellent way of praying."

- Pope Leo XIII

## FORGIVEN!

**FORGIVEN** is a Life Changing Study being held in our parish during this season of Lent, and communicates God's invitation to each one of us to come experience his indescribable love in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us Sunday evenings from **5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., March 27, and April 3** for this inspiring series on the sacrament of reconciliation. Each session begins with a light meal to share followed by a video, reflection and discussion. **The program will end with a Parish Lenten Full Day Retreat on Saturday, April 9, 2022 starting at 9:00 a.m. and concluding with the Mass at 5:30 p.m.** While there is no cost for the sessions, we ask that you register for the series on the sheets in the back of the church to help in preparing the materials. Even if you are not able to make all the sessions we encourage you to join us as videos will be available through [FORMED.ORG](https://www.formed.org). If you have any questions, please contact Ralph Perez at 717-543-1905.

## FORGIVEN – ON LINE PROGRAM

We are pleased to provide all Parishioners a FREE subscription to [formed.org](https://www.formed.org)

Discover all the best Catholic content in one place, Enlighten programs, entertaining movies, inspiring talks and a great selection of popular e-books for everyone in the family all just a click away.

To sign up for free visit: [signup.formed.org](https://www.signup.formed.org)

Enter our parish zip code: **17059**

Select: **St. Jude and Sacred Heart and Next**

Enter your **Name** and your **email address**

and select **Sign Up**

**After you sign up all the content is available through PC through FORMED.ORG, and Smart TVS, Roku, I-Phone or Android with the FORMED App.**

## SAVE THE DATE – MAY 27<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH MAY 29<sup>TH</sup> RETREAT FOR

Harrisburg Diocese Young Adult Catholics

One Church, One Family. A retreat for all young adults (age 20s and 30s), married or single

Daily Mass, Adoration, Confession, Group Discussions, Fellowship, Praise and Worship Music

## UPDATED COVID PRACTICES and GUIDELINES



With the current COVID-19 numbers improving in our area, the Diocese of Harrisburg has lifted COVID-19 protocols and restrictions for parishes in their area.

- Pastors are going to continue to mask and sanitize for Communion during the transitional period while implementing the updated guidelines.
- Parishioners have the option to wear masks
- The communal invitation to the Sign of Peace has been reinstated.
- Choirs and groups of singers are not required to mask.

We are further tweaking our Coronavirus measures and guidelines. Whenever possible, Pastors are asked to ensure that the full experience of the Sacred Liturgy is restored, especially at Sunday Masses. **Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time of gradual transition with the goal of keeping our parishioners safe and restoring normalcy. With much prayer and mutual charity, we will persevere and eventually prevail, but only through God's grace.**



### Ministry Schedule: March 26-27

**Saturday, March 26, 2022 5:30 PM**

**Lector: M. Tonge**

**Cantor: M. Kerchusky**

**Altar Server: J. Zarnowski**

**Usher: T. Kerchusky**

**Sunday, March 27, 2022 9:15 AM**

**Lector: J. Fitzgerald**

**Cantor: M. Miller**

**Altar Servers: C. Schall, D. Miller, C. Miller**

**Ushers: S. Arnold, L. Bastian**

### Ministry Schedule: April 2-3

**Saturday, April 2, 2022 5:30 PM**

**Lector: M. Fitzgerald**

**Cantor: M. Kerchusky**

**Altar Server: J. Zarnowski**

**Usher: T. Kerchusky**

**Sunday, April 3, 2022 9:15 AM**

**Lector: T. Kromel**

**Cantor: J. Schall**

**Altar Servers: C. Schall, J. Schall, D. Miller**

**Ushers: S. Arnold, R. Aufer**

### 2022 Diocesan Men's Conference

Mark your calendars for the Diocese of Harrisburg's Men's Conference, *Becoming Champions for Christ*, on April 2 at in the Diocesan Center, Harrisburg. Keynote speaker Adam Janke headlines a panel of excellent speakers that will focus on standing firm as men of faith among the challenges of today's faith-less society. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction, Confession, and Mass celebrated by Bishop Ronald Gainer are also part of this annual event. Registration is \$35 for in-person (includes light breakfast fare and lunch) and \$20 for virtual. Register today or learn more at [www.hbgdiocese.org/men](http://www.hbgdiocese.org/men).



### **Knights of Columbus – Knight at the Races**

The annual **Knight at the Races**, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus is **Saturday, May 7, 2022** at the Reedsville Fire Company beside Super Shoes on Rt. 655. Pre-Race Social time will be 5:30 – 7:00 PM. Post Time is 7:00 PM. Single social tickets are \$30. Buy a Horse for \$60 and receive 2 tickets. Sponsor a race for \$125 and receive 4 admission tickets plus a horse. Price of all tickets include all you can eat and drink. Race Sponsor forms are available from any Knight, at the Parish Office or by contacting Larry Sutusky at 717-667-3104. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Since this year's Knight at the Races coincides with the Kentucky Derby a **Best Bonnet Contest** will also be held. Originality and those who exemplify the tradition of the Kentucky Derby will determine the winners. First, second and third place prizes will be awarded. Best Bonnet contestants should arrive beginning at 5:00 PM. Hope to see you there!



## **HERSHEYPARK**

### **Hersheypark Discount Ticket Offer!**

Discount tickets to Hersheypark are available to the friends and families of the parish for **significant savings**. Gate admission for Regular is \$77.80; our price is **\$39.95** (ALL ages 3+).

\*ADD-ON discount Hersheypark Meal Tickets at a savings of up to 12% off retail prices - **\$13.99 each** and

\*ADD-ON Snack Vouchers - **\$4.50 each**

\*ADD-ON Parking Pass - **\$20.00 pre-ordered** or pay \$25.00 onsite

Tickets purchased in 2022 are valid for any single day of operation throughout the 2022 calendar year, expiring on our final day of operation, January 1, 2023.

Orders must be received at the parish by Friday, April 29, 2022.

Parishes will receive tickets on or before the week of May 23, 2022.

### 2022 Woman of Grace Conference, "Faith, Fortitude, and Femininity: A Formula for Such a Time as This."

This one day conference with Johnnette Benkovic Williams will be held on April 2, 2022 at Holy Name of Jesus Parish, Harrisburg. *Rosary Mass Confessions Lunch Adoration Fellowship*. There is also a special day planned for young girls (12 to 17 years of age), which will be led by Women of Staff. Mothers and daughters share a special legacy with the Blessed Mother "Young Women of Grace Retreat" "Made for Joy, My Mother, Her Powerful Prayer and Me!

Activities Inspiring Speakers

Register Online [www.womenofgrace.com](http://www.womenofgrace.com)

For more information contact Christine Arnold at [carnold@womenofgrace.com](mailto:carnold@womenofgrace.com) or 717-379-6041.

### **Join us as we prepare for a glorious Easter**

#### **Lenten Message of Mercy**

Saint Katharine Drexel Catholic Church, 1 Peter Drive, Mechanicsburg, invites you to a parish Mission which will take place tonight, March 27<sup>th</sup> and tomorrow March 28<sup>th</sup>, from 6:00 to 8:00 PM.

### **SACRED HEART SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday – Friday 7:30 AM to 3:30 PM**

\*\*If assistance is needed outside of office hours, leave a message on the school answering machine at 717-248-5351 or contact the Parish Office at 717-242-2781

### **Register NOW for the 2022-23 Academic 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, 2022. We also have openings in grades 1 – 5. **Scholarships and Financial Aid are available, and applications are currently being accepted.** Call the school to schedule a tour. We hope to see you there! Please share the good news of SHS with your friends and family. **All faiths are welcome!**



**Save the Date! SHS Benefit Auction weekend: October 15-16 at the Mifflin County Youth Park!** Stay tuned for more information in future bulletins!

Do you have a unique talent like woodworking, painting, cross stitching, quilting, etc? If so, we would love to have your handmade donation as part of the 2022 SHS Benefit Auction. Each year, these items have proven to be the most sought after and cherished by our generous bidders. If you are willing to share your talent with us, please contact Ashley Henry at the Parish Office 717-242-2781 or by email at [development@sacredheartschool.com](mailto:development@sacredheartschool.com).