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Fourth Sunday of Lent • March 18, 2012

Good News!

March 18, 2012

Fourth Sunday of Lent

2 Chr 36:14–16, 19–23 / Eph 2:4–10 / Jn 3:14–21

“Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy.”

We proclaim those words at most liturgies, but how often do we really pray them? During Lent at our parish, we sing the Greek translation—*“Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.”* We’re literally begging our God to be merciful to us; unfortunately, I’m uncertain how much intention and purpose we place behind those words. Do we really know what we’re asking God and what God asks in return?

Today’s readings describe the richness of God’s mercy and compassion. We’re reminded that God’s sending Jesus and his promise of eternal life are merciful gifts to us sinners. Do any of us deserve the gift of Jesus or the gift of resurrection? Certainly not—but God gives to us anyway. Mercy is given to the undeserving—those who deserve justice but instead are given compassion.

Our earthly lives are sustained by God’s mercy, but how merciful are we in return? How many of us vehemently support the death penalty? Do we celebrate when a terrorist is maimed or killed? God’s mercy extends to all—we sinners and those we consider to be even worse sinners. Sometimes it’s a simpler matter: When someone cuts us off in traffic, perhaps we feel entitled to speed past and cut him off in return. Sure, the driver “deserves” justice, but mercy is what we’re expected to give. How can we beg God for mercy on us each week at Mass if we’re not willing to extend that same mercy to all God’s children—both close to home and far away?

Be the mercy of God this week—and experience God’s mercy poured out on you.

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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturdays at 4:00 p.m.

Sundays at 7:30 and 10:00 a.m.

Holy Days at 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

WELCOME!

If you are new in the Parish, please register and introduce yourself to the Pastor. The Parishioners wish to meet and serve you! Drop by at our Coffee Social or Pancake Breakfast after the Sunday Mass, both per the Calendar online or as announced inside the bulletin. We hope you will favor our Parish with your prayers, your presence, your talents and your financial assistance according to your means!

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By appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please call the rectory (860-643-4466) to arrange for a meeting with the Pastor.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Arrangements must start more than 6 months before marriage. Necessary interviews, a pre-cana course and plenty of paperwork is required. We strongly urge you to contact us to begin the Diocesan preparation course as soon as you are engaged to get the most out of it without rush.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP:

The Sacramental Guidelines define Church Membership in terms of Sunday Mass attendance and Church support. For membership verification and sponsorship certificate, registration and regular use of the envelope system are the only way we have of verifying this for you. Please notify us if there are changes in your address, marital status, etc., so that we may update your records.

VISITATION TO THE SICK:

We are most anxious to help anyone who is not able to celebrate Mass with us in Church due to illness, handicapped or age. If you wish the Sacraments, please call 860-643-4466.

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THIS WEEK
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 17 – 18 , 2012
USHERS GROUP IV

Annual Catholic Appeal Commitment Weekend

SATURDAY, MAR. 17

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for +Doris Gidius request of Rich, Gail & Terri Gidius

SUNDAY, MAR. 18

7:30 A.M. Mass Offered for +Judy Daly request of Jennifer & Phil Daly

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

9:00 To 9:45 A.M. – FAITH FORMATION

9:00 A.M. – ADULT FAITH EDUCATION

10:00 A.M. Mass Offered for +Rose Brissette request of St. Maurice Christmas Fair Group

After Mass – Youth Band Meeting in Church Basement

5:30 P.M. LITURGY OF THE HOURS

6:30 P.M. – ADULT FAITH EDUCATION

MONDAY, MAR. 19

9:00 A.M. Mass Offered for +Henry Leonard

5:00 P.M. Parish BINGO – Food available from 5 P.M. GAMES begin at 6:30 P.M.

TUESDAY, MAR. 20

9:00 A.M. Mass Offered for +Francesca Quagliano request of Josephine & Silvio Maratta

7:15 P.M. Adult Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 21 – No Mass

9:00 A.M. to Noon – Christmas Fair Workshop

3:00 P.M. To 7:00 P.M. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

THURSDAY, MAR. 22 – No Mass

FRIDAY, MAR. 23 – No Morning Mass

4:00 – 6:30 P.M. Fish Dinner Sponsored by St. Maurice Knights of Columbus

7:00 P.M. Mass and Stations of the Cross
Mass offered for +Henry Leonard

SATURDAY, MAR. 24

ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASS

Last week's Offertory Mar. 10 – 11 \$3,276
Last year's Offertory Mar. 12 – 13 \$2,814

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son..." – John 3:16

Of all the wonderful gifts that God has given to us, the gift of His own Son is truly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for a gift like that? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask that we be generous in making some sacrifices for Him.

NEXT WEEK
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 24 – 25 , 2012
USHERS GROUP I

SATURDAY, MAR. 24

5:00 P.M. Mass offered for +Joseph M. Bartle request of Rich, Gail & Terri Gidius

Altar Servers: Megan Shorey, Kaila Toce

Lector: Georgette Pelletier

Eucharistic Minister: Maureen Mozzer

7:00 P.M. **Movie Night for all Parishioners "The Passion of Christ" – this is especially for Confirmation Students and their Parents**

SUNDAY, MAR. 25

7:30 A.M. Mass Offered for +Barbara Sullivan request of Michele & Arlene Giglio

Altar Servers: Shirley Warbeck

Lector: Lynn Mancino

Eucharistic Minister: Arelene Giglio

9:00 To 9:45 A.M. – FAITH FORMATION

9:00 A.M. – ADULT FAITH EDUCATION

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY after Mass

10:00 A.M. Mass Offered for +Father Wojciech and his Ministry request of Kinghts of Columbus Fourth Degree

Altar Servers: LeeAnn & Ben Snuffer

Lector: Evelyn O'Connor

Eucharistic Minister: Lou Cloutier

5:30 P.M. LITURGY OF THE HOURS

6:30 P.M. – ADULT FAITH EDUCATION

MONDAY, MAR. 26

9:00 A.M. Mass Offered for +Henry Leonard

5:00 P.M. Parish BINGO – Food available from 5 P.M. GAMES begin at 6:30 P.M.

TUESDAY, MAR. 27

9:00 A.M. Mass Offered for +Henry Leonard

7:15 P.M. – Adult Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, MAR. 28

9:00 A.M. – Mass Offered for +Barbara Sullivan request of The Armstrong and Zabielski Families

9:00 A.M. to Noon – Christmas Fair Workshop

3:00 P.M. To 7:00 P.M. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

THURSDAY, MAR. 29 – No Mass

7:00 P.M. – CONFESSION – 3 PRIESTS WILL BE AVAILABLE PLAN TO COME

FRIDAY, MAR. 30 – No Morning Mass

4:00 – 6:30 P.M. Fish Dinner Sponsored by St. Maurice Knights of Columbus

7:00 P.M. Mass and Stations of the Cross
Mass offered for +Henry Leonard

Altar Servers: Amanda Baum & Stephanie Leiner

Lector: Stephen Paul

Eucharistic Minister: Maureen Mozzer

SATURDAY, MAR. 31

ROSARY BEFORE 5:00 P.M. MASS

Readings for the Week of March 18, 2012

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21
Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53
Next Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

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Commitment Weekend of March 17/18**2012 Annual Catholic Appeal – “To Love and Serve the Lord”**

Your Annual Catholic Appeal pledge is part of your personal commitment to Christian Stewardship; giving thanks to God by returning a portion of the blessings God has given you. There are so many ways God is made visible in the world around us. Our local Church sees God in the hundreds of thousands of people it takes care of every year by teaching, sheltering, and caring for all who come to it for help. At times, the needs of many seem overwhelming to us, but as God’s witnesses, he is urging us to “go out” from the church to work hard, to build good and loving relationships, and to care for our families. “If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also.” John:12-26 May your 2012 pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal bring “good news” to those who gather at the doors of the many ministries served by the ACA.

RACHEL’S VINEYARD RETREAT WEEKENDS

If you are silently grieving after an abortion; healing, forgiveness and peace can have a beginning with a **Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat**. Retreats March 23-25 in Westerly, RI call Carol at 401-421-7833 ext.118. March 23-25 in Litchfield, CT call Mary at 203-882-1326. March 23-25 in Stockbridge, MA call Claire at 413-452-0661. Website: www.rachelsvineyard.org “Project Rachel” is also a Diocesan outreach for anyone in need of healing. Priests in “Project Rachel” can help you through healing and forgiveness. Call 860-889-8307 or 1-800-554-5173. All inquiries are confidential.

Marriage Preparation Class for Engaged Couples

“God’s Plan for a Joy-filled Marriage” offered by the Office of Family Life. To register for the 4 session class please call 860-889-8346 ext.283.

Date: Fridays, April 13, 20, 27, May 4 ~ 7-9:15pm**Location:** Our Lady of Lourdes, RT. 12, Gales Ferry**Cost:** \$50.00 per couple

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GOOD FRIDAY – WAY OF THE CROSS**A Public Procession of Scripture and Prayer****April 6, 2012, 6:00 P.M. Chelsea Parade**

Walk with the Most Reverend Michael R. Cote, Bishop of Norwich, and leaders of other Christian Communities as we pray the Way of the Cross. The procession will move from Chelsea Parade down Broadway and Union Street to Central Baptist Church, remembering the suffering of Christ. We walk and sing in commemoration of Christ’s journey. We gather as Christians knowing that the Cross leads to the resurrection, even today.

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, March 17th**SAVE THE TIME: 7:00 P.M.****EVENT: Movie Night - see “The Passion of Christ”**

This is for all Parishioners especially for Confirmation Students and their Parents.

Defending Our Religious Liberty

The Obama Administration would have you believe that by opposing the federal health care insurance mandate, the Catholic Church is opposed to woman’s health care. This could not be further from the truth! In fact, the Church is the largest private provider of health care for women and their children in the United States. The Catholic Church strongly opposes the health care mandate, precisely, because it clearly violates our Freedom of Religion by requiring the church and its institutions, including hospitals, schools, and charitable organizations to pay for procedures that go against our moral convictions. If this mandate carries through, it means devastation not only for the Catholic Church, but for other religions, as well. Please contact the offices of your Congressional Representatives and Senators to express your opposition to the mandate. For addresses and phone numbers, please visit: ctcatholic.org or www.norwichdiocese.org.



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