

March 27, 2022

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, March 26, 5:00 PM  
† Louise Joseph  
by Barbara Mathis

Sunday, March 27, 8:00 AM  
† Betty Clark  
by Barbara and Danny Pittman

Sunday, March 27, 10:00 AM  
† Maureen Delahunt  
by Nuala Greco

Sunday, March 27, 1:00 PM  
People of the Parish

Monday, March 28  
**No Mass**

Tuesday, March 29, 8:00 AM  
Ryan and Christopher Burg  
by Patricia Burg

Wednesday, March 30, 5:30 PM  
† Helen Walsh  
by Barbara Mathis

Thursday, March 31, 8:00 AM  
The Religious and the Poor  
by Patricia Burg

Friday, April 1, 8:00 AM  
† Gerda and † Adolf Burg and Family  
by Patricia Burg

Saturday, April 2, 5:00 PM  
† Helen Wojciechowski  
by Mary Lou Leonard

Sunday, April 3, 8:00 AM  
† Betty Clark  
by Mary Cavaleri

Sunday, April 3, 10:00 AM  
† Maureen Delahunt  
by Nuala Greco

Sunday, April 3, 1:00 PM  
People of the Parish



**Pray for the homebound, those in healthcare centers, and those who need your continuous thoughts and prayers:**

Barbara Mahaffey, Betty Barr, and James A. Harrelson, III.

**Pray for the speedy, or continued, recovery of:**

Natalie Wozniak, Ed Wozniak, Jim Lauro, Fred Fisher, Tom Lusby, Carol Lusby and John Yaniga.



**Pray for those in our Military:**

Jonathan Greene, Brandon Parker, Joseph Fairfield, Sheena McGee, J. Thomas Joseph, Jason A. Schroeder, Tirik Drayton, Jay Rivers, Brian Eduardo Vazquez and Matthew Mathis.

The names on our prayer lists will be printed for three months or less if the prayers are answered. Names on our military list will remain until we are notified by a family member. Please help keep our lists current.

If you would like to add or delete a prayer request, or if you or someone you know is hospitalized or homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please call the Parish office at 843-546-7416. **If you want the Prayer Chain to pray for you, please call Faye Altman at 843-546-8301.**



*Our community of faith extends our deepest sympathies to the family of Angel Khouiry who passed away on March 18, 2022. Please keep Angel and her family and friends in your prayers.*



**Easter Flower Donations**

Easter flower envelopes should have arrived in your March/April mailing. You can bring your envelope to the parish office or place it in the collection basket during a weekend Mass. Everyone listed on your envelope will be remembered at the 8:30 PM Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass.



**Stations of the Cross**



Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday evening at 6:30 PM during Lent. Soup and bread suppers will immediately follow. There are sign up sheets in the narthex if you would like to volunteer to bring a soup, bread or a beverage to share. Please come and enjoy the fellowship!



**The Knights Corner  
"Holy Family Light Our Way in Love and Charity"**

Congratulations to Br. Knight John R. Spagnuolo, as on February 14, 2022, he was recognized with Honorary Life Membership in the Knights of Columbus! John first joined the Knights on October 5, 1995.

Thank You for the great response we had this past weekend for our monthly Food Pantry Project. The donations were delivered, as always, to St. Cyprian Outreach Center and the Georgetown Helping Hands. Our April Food Pantry Drive will be on the 3rd weekend of April, April 16-17, 2022.

Spelling Correction: The Youth of the Quarter for March was Liseth Hernandez. Congratulations Liseth!

The Joseph M. Ros Georgetown Council No. 3067 approved unanimously at the March business meeting a donation of \$1000 to the recently announced fund by our Supreme Office of the Knights of Columbus, the Ukraine Solidarity Fund. These funds are being collected internationally by the Knights for the humanitarian and medical relief to the people of Ukraine for this unprovoked war that continues to devastate their country. Further, our Assembly No. 3272 approved a \$250 donation to this fund; and added Knights and friends/parishioners of our parish have continued to donate toward this cause. We have continued to take similar donations and will be sending another relief check this week! Thank you to all those who have been able to contribute to this most worthy cause!

The 101st South Carolina State Knights of Columbus Convention will be April 22nd - 24th in Myrtle Beach! Thank you to Brother Knight Chris and Debbie Voso for creating our Council and our Assembly's promotional Ad for the convention brochure! The Convention will also feature this year a Fourth Degree Exemplification on Saturday morning, April 23rd. All Knights with a valid membership card are welcome to attend, AT NO COST, the convention business meeting on Saturday as well as the festivities on Friday and Saturday night! Contact Br. Colin Peterson for more details at (843) 344-9771.

Brother Shane Goheen with our Knights of Columbus Insurance Agency remains on call for any of your insurance and investment questions at (843) 457-5757.

**Parish Support**

The offertory collection for March 19th and 20th was \$6,503.00. **This includes \$1,460.00 from online giving.** This is \$197.00 under our weekly goal of \$6,700.00.

**Sign Up For Online Giving**

To access online giving visit our parish website [www.stmaryourladyofransom.org](http://www.stmaryourladyofransom.org) then select "Parish Life," and then select "Online Giving".

*Thank you for worshipping with us!*

*If we can help you in your walk with Christ in any way, please call the church office.*

**A Promise to Protect, A Pledge to Heal**  
*Our goal at St Mary remains that the Parish be aware of and support the Safe Environment we seek to foster.*

## Fourth Sunday of Lent



### Weekly Readings

**Sunday:** Jos 5:9a, 10-12 Ps 34:2-7 2 Cor 5:17-21  
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32  
**Monday:** Is 65:17-21 Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b Jn 4:43-54  
**Tuesday:** Ez 47:1-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 Jn 5:1-16  
**Wednesday:** Is 49:8-15 Ps 145:8-9, 13c-14, 17-18 Jn 5:17-30  
**Thursday:** Ex 32:7-14 Ps 106:19-23 Jn 5:31-47  
**Friday:** Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Ps 34:17-21, 23 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30  
**Saturday:** Jer 11:18-20 Ps 7:2-3, 9b-12 Jn 7:40-53  
**Next Sunday:** Is 43:16-21 Ps 126:1-6 Phil 3:8-14 Jn 8:1-11

## Liturgical Roles

April 2 Saturday 5:00 pm	April 3 Sunday 8:00 am	April 3 Sunday 10:00 am
<b>Lector:</b> C Ramsey	L Altman	C Peterson
<b>Ushers:</b> C Peterson D Smith	T Clarke T/D Corvelli J Joseph	J Tupacz T Tupacz
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:</b>		
MF Lazzari	MJ/B Clark	M Walsh
<b>Altar Servers:</b> B Mathis	C Humphries	L Hernandez
<b>Altar Care:</b> C Ramsey	M Boelke	L Ortiz
<b><u>If you are unable to serve when you are scheduled, please remember to find a substitute.</u></b>		

### Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

The Face on God's Brochure

When a church is raising funds for a new building or a diocese is launching a stewardship appeal, there is usually someone — or several someone's — who serves as the face of the campaign. Maybe it's a married couple, or a family, or a group of folks who have been particularly active in the community and can speak to the worthiness of whatever endeavor is being undertaken.

Oftentimes, for better or worse, we fill that role for God. We are the face on the front of His promotional brochure. If we call ourselves Christians, that means that people will meet Christ through us. That's what being an Everyday Steward is — a steward, everyday; someone who conducts his Master's business when the Master is not seen.

It can be intimidating because we have so much baggage and no capabilities of our own. But then we remember that we are offered reconciliation through Christ — that "the old things have passed away, (and) new things have come" (2 Corinthians 5:17). We remember that we are the prodigal sons, and the fattened calf has been slaughtered on our behalf.

But it's a role that requires commitment. The story of the prodigal son is only compelling and only means something because the son, presumably, embraced his reconciliation to his father. He didn't go on to abandon him again.

So let us think to ourselves each day, "Whoever I encounter will meet Christ's ambassador. I was dead and have come to life again. How can I speak to the worthiness of that reconciliation? How can I make others desire it?"

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI

## PARISH EVENTS



**Mass Intentions for 2022** may be arranged by calling the Parish Office at 843-546-7416.

**To dedicate Flowers for the Altar for 2022** please contact the Parish Office to confirm names and dates.



**Gospel Study Group** meets every Wednesday, at 9:30 am in the parish hall. We look forward to seeing you. All are welcome. If you have any questions or know someone who is interested in joining our group, please call Mary Boelke at (843)543-3537.

### St. Mary's Altar Society

St. Mary's Altar Society meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month, September through May, at 2 PM in our parish hall. All ladies of the parish are invited to become active members. For more information call Ann Boone (843-235-4094) or Mary Roberts (843-546-4800).

### Religious Education

On April 8th, the Religious Education students will be leading the (living) stations of the cross.

If anyone has been participating in the CSR Rice Bowl program, please return your box to the office by April 10th.

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter



Commit to strengthening your marriage this lent. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences on June 24-26, 2022 in Bluffton, SC and Jan 27-29, 2023 in North Myrtle Beach, SC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://SCMarriageMatters.org> or contact us at [applications@scmarriagematters.org](mailto:applications@scmarriagematters.org) or 803-810-9602.

### Almsgiving

Giving alms has always been an important part of Lent. For many people, it means giving money to a good cause. But the concept of almsgiving goes much deeper. Jesus encourages us to reach out to people in need—not just with our money—but with our time and our talents. Think carefully about how you will share your time, talents and treasure during Lent. "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35).

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### Gospel Meditation

4th Sunday of Lent

God's love story reveals itself in our stories, experiences, and aspirations. We are all prodigal sons and daughters. There are many times in our lives when we would "sell our souls" in order to pursue our passions. We pursued what we wanted without regard for others or God. We have sowed our oats, thrown ourselves into care-less pleasures, spent what we know we ought to have saved, turned our backs on those we love and abused gifts we have been given. We even hit bottom and realized the silliness and self-destruction of it all. We needed to come home. We knew we erred and needed a gentle presence to show us God's unconditional love. This wayward journey home changed us.

As much as we need to be welcomed, we are also the one who needs to do the welcoming and mercy giving. Those we love need our guidance, but they don't always take it. We know that what they are doing is off the mark, self-destructive and wrong. We have to let them go and let it happen, even though they might get hurt. As we wait and hope, they choose to make their way back to us. They don't need us to judge them. They have done enough of that to themselves. We immediately embrace them and are just happy they're home. God uses us to help heal them. Knowing how much we craved understanding and forgiveness ourselves, we can now freely give it away. God uses what he has taught us to teach others.

We are also the entitled ones. At least we "think" we are entitled. After all, we work hard for what we have. We cannot get our heads around the idea that someone can get something that I really deserve! If I do what I'm supposed to do, I ought to be rewarded for that, right? If I do something wrong, I ought to pay the consequences. This is justice, isn't it? This is not God's justice. God is all about love, mercy, compassion, and forgiveness. God's justice is love freely given without merit. We carry the stories of the prodigal son, the unconditional forgiving father, and the entitled angry brother with us. When we make friends with all three, humbly telling those stories to others makes us Christ's ambassadors.

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