

**FEBRUARY 25 – SATURDAY**

Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32

Vigil Readings: *see Sunday*4:00 PM – Fr. Jim *English* – Thomas Fahey6:00 PM – Fr. Rudy *Spanish***FEBRUARY 26 – SUNDAY**

Gn 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11

9:00 AM – Fr. Rudy *Spanish*11:00 AM – Fr. Pat *English* – Intention of the  
Parishioners12:30 PM – Fr. Rudy *Spanish***FEBRUARY 27 – MONDAY**

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46

7:30 AM – Fr. Pat *English* – Living and Deceased  
Members of the St. Mary's Ladies Society**FEBRUARY 28 – TUESDAY**

Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

7:00 PM – Fr. Rudy *Spanish***MARCH 1 – WEDNESDAY**

Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

7:30 AM - Fr. Rudy *English* – Ed LeSaint**MARCH 2 – THURSDAY**

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12

7:00 PM – Fr. Rudy *Spanish***MARCH 3 – FRIDAY**

Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

7:30 AM – Fr. Pat *English* – Intention of the  
Parishioners**MARCH 4 – SATURDAY**

Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

Vigil Readings: *see Sunday*4:00 PM – *English* – Ken Horn6:00 PM - *Spanish***MARCH 5 – SUNDAY**

Gn 12:1-4a; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

9:00 AM – *Spanish*11:00 AM – *English* – Bill Konerman12:30 PM – *Spanish*

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**Ministry Schedule: March 4/5**

Lectors: 4:00 PM – R. Welz

11:00 AM – K. Gillespie

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:**4:00 PM – B. Burns/K. Fahey/M. Sonenschein/  
Volunteer

11:00 AM – J. Chesher

Servers: 4:00 PM – K. Fahey, M. Sonenschein

11:00 AM - A. Browning

Offertory Family: 4:00 PM:

11:00 AM: N/A

**FROM THE FINANCE COMMISSION**

Last Sunday's Collection: \$6932  
Offerings received to-date: \$231,144  
Amount needed to catch up: \$57,856  
Our Weekly Goal is \$8,000

Thank you for your generosity.

Make it easy on yourself. *Use our direct debit system for your Sunday Stewardship offering.* To take advantage of this convenience, please call  
513-541-1563

**FOUR GRAND CLUB:**

Congratulations to Mary Jean Buckmeier, Madonna Scola, and Dan & Nancy Staudigel. They are the week 26 winners and each won \$25.

**CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Arthur Hughes (27), William O'Bryan (27), Karen Landers (27), Nicole Nastold (27), Anna Bolin (27), LaVerne Washam (28), Shirley Kathmann (1), Taylor Eilerman (1), Emmett Tucker (1), James Kiffmeyer (2), Susan Wolterman (2), Mike McCoy (3), Tanya Dempsey (3), Janet Schmits (4), Elizabeth Lienhart (5)

**REFLECTIONS BY FR. RUDY:**

When we are blinded by the things we want to obtain for ourselves, tempted by extravagances we know are not good for us, or focused only on a worldly point of view to provide for our happiness, we often

lose sight, balance, and the sustenance that our faith and our personal relationship with our Lord that He can only bring to us. Are not our perceived longings for these temptations and reliance solely on ourselves to get them, an invitation to abandon the person we really want to be?

Today is the First Sunday of Lent, and in the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus confronts the devil in three instances—in the desert, on the parapet of the temple, and on the summit of a tall mountain. These concrete examples of the temptations Jesus faced may seem incredibly irrelevant to our modern world. Yet, remarkably, in each situation, Jesus is telling us something of great value and worthy of our consideration.

When tempted by the devil in the desert, he says, “It is written, one does not live by bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.” Jesus is telling us to depend on our Father to satisfy our deepest hunger and to call out to Him in times of need. Are we inclined to fold our hands and fall to our knees in prayer and reflection in difficult times, or do we run around and focus our energies on actions that we think will lead to positive outcomes and happier lives? In this racing, chaotic world, we must find the time to seek the Lord and our lives will certainly be more fulfilled in the process. or many years,

Please consider beginning this Lenten season as a journey of renewal of faith and be more present and reflective in your Lenten activities. Listen with an open heart to the whispers of your faith, ever present, that has sustained you and brought great gifts to your life. Open your heart, too, to other people who may need your counsel, your help, or gifts only you can bring them. And most importantly, turn to God for the graces you need for the day. Live Lent like you never lived it before!

*Give us grateful hearts, our Father, for all thy mercies, and make us mindful of the needs of others. Bless, O Lord, thy gifts to our use and us to thy service. Blessed are you, O Lord God, King of the Universe, for you give us food to sustain our lives and make our hearts glad. For these and all his mercies, God's holy Name be blessed and praised through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. From the Common Book of Prayer*

**SERVERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS OF COMMUNION** are needed at the 4:00 p.m. and 11:00 a.m. English Masses. If you are able to minister in either of these ways, please call the Parish Office, 513-541-1563. Thank you.

#### **A LETTER FROM ARCHBISHOP SCHNURR**

"The implementation of Beacons of Light marks a new chapter in the life of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. It is now just over six months since our 208 parishes were organized into 57 Families of Parishes, in several instances under new pastoral leadership. These changes, while necessary and infused with great hope, understandably have been a source of concern and anxiety for many of you, as well as for your priests. Please accept my heartfelt gratitude for your patience and fortitude during this time of transition. Your steadfast commitment to the work of the Church and your parish community is a great testament to the depth of your Catholic faith.

In any undertaking as complex as Beacons of Light, it can be easy to 'lose the forest for the trees.' For that reason, it is important to pause from time to time and remind ourselves why we are doing this and what we hope to accomplish."

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT:** St. Therese Little Flower Parish in Mt. Airy has hosted Bereavement Support Groups for members who are grieving the loss of a loved one. This program involves meeting once weekly for 8 weeks for 90-minute sessions; meetings are held at Little Flower Church. The meetings are usually held on Tuesdays, and the group members determine whether the meetings occur in the daytime or evening. This year a new session of this program will begin in late March. It is open to members of the parishes within our Family. If you are grieving the loss of a loved one and wish to participate or get more information, please contact Anita Bechtold 513-708-3318 or [adelunab@fuse.net](mailto:adelunab@fuse.net). Your loss is important to us.

**MASS AND HEALING SERVICE:** You are invited to a Mass & Healing Service on **Wednesday March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 at 7:30 pm in St. Ignatius Church**, 5222 North Bend Rd., Monfort Heights. For more information visit our website at [www.LRC1.org](http://www.LRC1.org) or call **513-471-LITE (5483)**.