

**MARCH 11 – SATURDAY**

Mt 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Vigil Readings: *see Sunday*4:00 PM – Fr. Jim *English* – Harold Ritner6:00 PM – Fr. Rudy *Spanish***MARCH 12 – SUNDAY**

Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

9:00 AM – Fr. Rudy *Spanish*11:00 AM – Fr. Pat *English* – Intention of the  
Parishioners12:30 PM – Fr. Rudy *Spanish***MARCH 13 – MONDAY**

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Lk 4:24-30

7:30 AM – Fr. Pat *English* – Kent Henderson**MARCH 14 – TUESDAY**

Dn 3:25, 34-3; Mt 18:21-35

7:00 PM – Fr. Rudy *Spanish***MARCH 15 – WEDNESDAY**

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19

7:30 AM – Fr. Rudy *English* – Josiah Eyre**MARCH 16 – THURSDAY**

Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23

7:00 PM – Fr. Rudy *Spanish***MARCH 17 – FRIDAY**

Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34

7:30 AM – Fr. Pat *English* – Barb Luken**MARCH 18 – SATURDAY**

Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14

Vigil Readings: *see Sunday*4:00 PM – Fr. Jim *English* – Nick Nuxoll6:00 PM – Fr. Rudy *Spanish***MARCH 19 – SUNDAY**

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

9:00 AM – Fr. Rudy *Spanish*11:00 AM – Fr. Pat *English* – Ed LeSaint12:30 PM – Fr. Rudy *Spanish***Ministry Schedule: March 18/19**

Lectors: 4:00 PM – S. Heidemann

11:00 AM – S. Drury

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

11:00 AM – J. Ruter

Servers: 4:00 PM – B. Browning/M. Sonenschein

11:00 AM – J. Ruter

Offertory Family: 4:00 PM: Welz

11:00 AM: N/A

**FROM THE FINANCE COMMISSION**

Last Sunday's Collection: \$6,946

Offerings received to-date: \$245,366

Amount needed to catch up: \$59,634

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 Melissa Sheperd, Mary Ann Denier, and Christine Keller. They are the week 28 winners and each won \$25.

**CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS**

**WEEK:** Deb Hogan (13), Matthew Schlaechter (13), Val Nastold (14), Alicia Zapf (14), Maddie Gelly (14), Jay Johnson (15), Paul Lévasseur (16), Terri Sunderman (16), Pat Hogan (17), Mary O/Bryan (17), Tina Schlaechter (18), Larry Schulten (19).

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** On the Fridays of Lent, at 7:00 p.m., join with others as we walk the way of Jesus on his way to Calvary. This is a bilingual service and all our welcome.

Make a long-lasting difference! Leave a Legacy by remembering St. Boniface Church in your Will. For more information contact Jenni Lindgren at 513-541-1563, ext. 51.

**REFLECTIONS BY FR. RUDY:**

Once again, let us think back to our childhood and the days we spent outdoors on a warm, humid day of summer. For many of us of a certain age, our mothers would encourage us to spend the day outside, often to get us moving, and out of the house, so her work could be accomplished. We loved those days, because they were a simple expression of innocence and hope for the future. All we needed was a friend, a game, and a sunny, warm day. Do you remember how you felt after a long afternoon of play and suddenly a feeling of extreme thirst overcame you when you hit the indoors? You were tired and parched, thirsty for that cold drink of water right from the tap. A simple, satisfying gulp that seemed heaven sent.

Today we do not think twice about satisfying our thirst; often it is a coke, iced tea, or perhaps a bottle of water, yet we do not think about the act of satisfying thirst. Symbolically as well, we don't focus on how to satisfy the yearning in our lives for meaning, truth, and being all we can be in this life. We turn to immediate gratification and do not consider taking a long gulp of the living water our Lord has given us through his life, death, and resurrection. Just like the Samaritan woman at the well, we discount prayer, sacrifice, and giving of oneself to quench this need within us. The woman we read about in today's Gospel realized, as we should, that only the living water of Jesus Christ can move us through life successfully and offer salvation to us at our death. She is stirred by her conversation with Jesus and accepts the water of Christ with a grateful heart. Yes, Jesus understands each of us more fully than we know ourselves, and through Him, we will receive the all-encompassing support we need here on earth. Think about it, pray about it, and accept this God-given gift, and you will thirst no more.

Christ asks the woman "Give me a drink;" His material thirst symbolizes a far deeper reality: it expresses his ardent desire that his dialogue partner and her fellow-citizens will open themselves to faith. The Samaritan woman, when she asks Christ for water, is basically revealing the need for salvation present in every heart. And the Lord is revealed as the one who offers the living water of the Spirit, that

satisfies forever the infinite thirst of every human being...

According to St. Pope John Paul II, "The episode of the Samaritan woman charts the journey of faith that we are all called to pursue." One special saint, whose birthday is this week on March 15, is Daniel Comboni who charted his journey of faith to the far regions of the world in the evangelization of the African continent. Today, we honor his legacy and his ministry.

**EASTER FLOWERS:** Would you like to remember a special loved one in a unique way? Would you like to help make St. Boniface look extra beautiful at Easter? We offer two ways you can do so. *First*, envelopes are available at the doors of church that you can use to make a memorial offering in the name of a deceased relative or friend. Put their names on the envelope and enclose whatever amount you care to give. Place the envelope in the collection basket before Easter Sunday to ensure their names are presented at the Offertory. The Easter morning Masses at 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. will be offered for all who participate. *Second*, we are also looking for people with a good eye for arranging flowers to help decorate the church for Easter. If you think you can help, call the Parish Office and let Jenni or Kathie know.

**CONFESSIONS DURING LENT:** Just a reminder that next Saturday, March 18, at 10:00 a.m., we will have a Penance Service with confessions being heard until noon. Confessions are also offered following the Spanish Masses on Tuesday and Thursday evenings or by appointment with either Fr. Rudy or Fr. Jim.

**FISH FRY:** Don't forget our fish fry every Friday during Lent. Meals served 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. with carryout available for those who don't wish to stay.

**NATIONAL MEN'S CONFERENCE IS SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2023:** Get your tickets now! The National Men's Conference (formerly known as the Cincinnati Men's Conference) will be held on Saturday, March 25, 2023, at the Cintas Center on the campus of Xavier University. Mass will be concelebrated by Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr and Bishop Earl K. Fernandes. Go to [nationalmensconference.com](http://nationalmensconference.com) for more info and to buy your tickets!