

March 19, 2017

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 or
4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42



“How can you ask me, a Samaritan and a woman, for a drink? Jesus replied: ‘If only you recognized God’s gift, and who it is that is asking you for a drink, you would have asked him instead, and he would have given you living water.’... Now that we have been justified by faith we are at peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Remember the raging waters which roared through Houston and Baton Rouge last summer? Remember the arid conditions of the droughts in California and New Jersey at the same time? Too much water, or no water at all. Water gives life, sustains life. Without it, we die.

Jesus, as He conversed with the Samaritan woman brought her to new insights making her wonder if He might be the messiah. She opened her eyes and heart, acknowledging that He knew her need. How few of us would invite others to come and meet someone who told me everything I ever did.” Could this be the Messiah”?

The lady took steps – a man, a Jew, a rabbi, a messiah, as she grew to accept Jesus. Cancer unfortunately is classified as being at certain stages. The spiritual life, like the Samaritan woman, happily finds us moving forward. As I begin this third week of Lent, I ask myself ‘at what stage am I?’ How ready am I to move forward. Are my eyes and heart open?

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

FEAST, SCRIPTURE, CITATIONS & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 18 *Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*
Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 (235)

12:10 p.m. Basil Harris

5:30 p.m. Pedro Juan

Sunday, March 19

Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42 (28)

9:00 a.m. *People Of The Parish*

11:30 a.m. Kennedy Family (*Living*)

6:00 p.m. Marilyn Guillen

Monday, March 20 *SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY*
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 (543)

12:10 p.m. Sean Clarke

Tuesday, March 21

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35 (238)

12:10 p.m. Emil & Michael Ferfoggia

Wednesday, March 22

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19 (239)

12:10 p.m. Paul C. D’Elia

Thursday, March 23 *Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop*

Jer 7:23-28; Lk 11:14-23 (240)

12:10 p.m.

Friday, March 24 *Blessed Oscar Romero, Bishop and Martyr*

Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:28-34 (241)

12:10 p.m. Mrs. Coppola

Saturday, March 25 *THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD*

Is 7:10-14, 8-10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38 (545)

12:10 p.m.

5:30 p.m. Ralph Eugene O’Connell

SECOND COLLECTION

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICE

All Masses— March 25th — March 26th

Thank you for your generosity!

OUR COLLECTION

Collection for March 12, 2017

By Mass as follows:

5:30 pm: \$822 9:00 am: \$1,636

11:30 am: \$2,016 6:00 pm: \$1,968

Sunday Masses Total: \$6,422

Faith Street: \$1,838

Parish Pay: \$645

Grand Total: \$8,925

THE CATHOLIC CENTER AT NYU

The Catholic Artists Society Presents
The 2016 – 2017 Art of the Beautiful Series

Saturday, March 25th

7:30 p.m.

Beauty, Piety, and Delight in Medieval Literature by Dr. Evelyn (Timmie) Birge Vitz,
Professor of French, Affil. Prof. of Medieval
and Renaissance Studies, NYU

***The Catholic Center will be closed during Spring Break, March 13th -17th. Daily Holy Hour, Confessions, and Mass will resume on Monday, March 20th.**



ACADEMY OF ST. JOSEPH

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As a way of expressing our gratitude to St. Joseph's Parish, to the Dominican friars and in celebration of the Academy's 10th year, we are pleased to announce the establishment of 10 scholarships for children whose families are established members of this parish.

These scholarships will guarantee a 50% scholarship for tuition for as long as the student remains at the Academy.

We have designated these the "*Father John McGuire Dominican Scholarships*" in honor of our beloved former pastor, Father John and all he did for the parish and the community.

For additional information, please call the school office to speak with Ms. Coombs.

CATHOLICISM: *The Pivotal Players*

Join Fr. John Baptist and others as we explore the lasting influence of these Pivotal Players.

Monday evenings—7:00-8:30 p.m.
Parish Library

(Ring the bell marked "St. Joseph's Parish House.")

March 20: "Blessed John Henry Newman," *the Convert*, left a prestigious career to seek and preach the apostolic faith.

March 27: "G.K. Chesterton," *the Evangelist*, publicly, humbly, and humorously announced the paradoxes and truth of Christianity.