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4th Sunday of Lent ~ 31 March 2019
RCIA - Second Scrutiny

“Then the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son,’ But the father said to his slaves, let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!’ *Luke 15:21-22a, 23b-24a*

First Reading + Joshua 5:9, 10-12
Second Reading + 2 Corinthians 5: 17-21
Gospel + Luke 15: 1-3; 11 - 32

Mass  for the
Intentions  Week

Monday, April 1
NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, April 2
5:30pm+Marian Cenacle
6:00pm+HOLY HOUR
**6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS
7:00pm+Pat DEVEREAUX, RIP – P/F Healy

Wednesday, April 3
8:00am+Dorothy CROWLEY, RIP – M/A Crowley

Thursday, April 4
8:00am+Shane RIORDON, RIP – M Whelton
10:30am+Mass at Kingsmere Community

Friday, April 5
12:10pm+Jordan/Kristina TARDIF, Pers. Int – G/D Tardif
Followed by Adoration until Saturday morning Mass
7:00pm+STATIONS of the CROSS

Saturday, April 6
(Sat. daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)
9:00am+Anna GREEN, RIP – J Creighton & Family
5:00pm+Jane ALFARERO, RIP – L Alfarero & Family

Sunday, April 7
9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
10:30am+Msgr Philip KENNEDY, RIP – Jacks/Bartello Fam

The STATIONS of the CROSS

During Lent we will pray The Stations of the Cross
Friday's at 7:00p.m. up to Good Friday, April 19th

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

On the Apostolic Preaching

If we could be time-ported back to the second century, and if we stepped into a local Church on Sunday morning, would the celebration of the Mass seem strange or exotic? After the reading of the Gospel, when the Bishop delivers his homily, would there be anything in his preaching that would disconcert or startle us?

Some contemporary writings have survived which give us some idea of that early Church. St. Justin Martyr, around 150 A.D, describes the Mass:

On Sunday, all who live in cities or in the country gather together in one place, and the memoirs of the apostles or the writings of the prophets are read, then the ‘president’ preaches and exhorts to the imitation of these good things. Then we all rise together and pray, and when our prayer is ended, bread and wine and water are brought, and the ‘president’ offers prayers and thanksgivings and the people say Amen; and there is a participation in that over which thanks have been given. And those who are well to do, and willing, give what each thinks fit; and what is collected is deposited with the ‘president’, who takes care of the orphans and widows and all who are in need.

St. Justin is writing for non-Christians, so he uses words that they will understand. The ‘memoirs’ of the Apostles are the New Testament; the ‘president’ is the presiding Bishop or Priest. In another place he explains that the bread and wine truly become “the flesh and blood of that Jesus who was made flesh.” Here we have the earliest description of the Mass in its still familiar outline.

St. Irenaeus, a younger contemporary of Justin, wrote a short treatise *On the Apostolic Preaching*, hoping that “by means of this small work, you may understand all the essentials of the body of truth.”

For the way of all those who see is single and upward, illuminated by the heavenly light; but the ways of those who do not see are many, dark and divergent. The one leads to the kingdom of heaven, uniting man to God, while the others lead to death, separating man from God. Thus it is necessary for you to make your way by faith, lest you wander from the right path. Faith is produced by the truth; for faith rests on things that truly are.

The modern translator anticipates that the reader may be somewhat disappointed because “Irenaeus does not present Christianity as a system of theological beliefs” as one finds in a Catechism. Instead, Irenaeus “follows the example of the great speeches in the *Act of the Apostles*, recounting all the various deeds of God culminating in the exaltation of his crucified Son, and the bestowal of his Holy Spirit.” This ‘apostolic preaching’ concentrates on what Jesus did on the road to Emmaus: “And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.”

PIEROGI DINNER

Saturday, April 6 @ 6:30pm

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— Cardinal Thomas Collins

**Today is ShareLife Sunday.
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Tuesday Evening Video Series

Following the 7:00 pm Mass

NO GREATER LOVE

A Biblical Walk Through Christ’s Passion

April 2 – The Death of the Messiah

April 9 – The Seven Last Words

St. Paul’s Cemetery & Immaculate Conception Cemetery Clean-up Saturday, April 27th at 9:00 a.m.

(Rain date May 4th)

Bring rakes & gloves; Refreshments provided

Qualifies for community hours

Notice to Lot Owners — St. Paul’s Catholic Cemetery

As part of our spring clean-up we will be removing all metal or iron crosses, glassware, ceramics and lawn ornaments (*Bylaw 10.15*). These items can pose a safety risk to our maintenance staff and equipment and detract from the decor of our cemetery. If you would like to save these items, please collect them before April 14th. We appreciate your cooperation in keeping our cemetery clean and safe.

Volunteer Appreciation Week – April 7 – 13

**St. Paul the Apostle Parish Thanks our Volunteers
THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!**

Did you know that there are 146 volunteers in our parish, sharing their time, talent and experience. We could not be as active a parish without them. They volunteer in areas such as:

Choir and Music, Children’s Liturgy, Collection Counters, Cemetery Board, Eucharistic Ministers, Friendship Group, Lectors, Pastoral Council, Finance Council, St. Vincent de Paul, Ushers, Youth Ministry.

Would you like to be a volunteer in our parish? Please contact Carla Beckett, Volunteer Screening Coordinator to register, at beckettcarla@gmail.com or 705.440.7701

Prepare for Easter!!!

What: Lenten Day of Reflection

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Reconciliation Reflections by Fr. Pierre Farrugia, Celebration of the Mass

When: Monday April 8, 2019

Where: Henry Carr Farm

Time: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Potluck lunch at 12:00 noon.

Contact: Claudette Morrison 705-435-3234

A small donation for Fr. Pierre would be appreciated but is not obligatory.



Catholic Ministry to Grades 9-12



Catholic Ministry to Grades 6-8

HOLY THURSDAY RETREAT April 18/19

An overnight retreat in the church experiencing the Last Supper to the Resurrection in our role as Easter people.

SAVE THE DATE

**SATURDAY, May 25th
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