

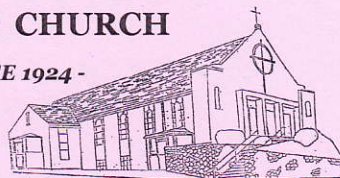
HOLY SAVIOUR PARISH

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BULLETIN for
2nd Sunday of LENT
February 25, 2024
Holy Mass at 9:00 AM

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Mass Intention for this Sunday: *in memory of † Dan and Helen Warner*; Requested by Diane Szczesiul.



A reading from the Book of Genesis (22:1-2,9,10-12,15-18)

God put Abraham to the test. He called to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am!" he replied. Then God said: "Take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him up as a holocaust on a height that I will point out to you." - When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. Then he reached out and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the LORD's messenger called to him from heaven, "Abraham, Abraham!" "Here I am!" he answered. "Do not lay your hand on the boy," said the messenger. "Do not do the least thing to him. I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son." As Abraham looked about, he spied a ram caught by its horns in the thicket. So he went and took the ram and offered it up as a holocaust in place of his son.

Again the LORD's messenger called to Abraham from heaven and said: "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you acted as you did in not withholding from me your beloved son, I will bless you abundantly and make your descendants as countless as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore; your descendants shall take possession of the gates of their enemies, and in your descendants all the nations of the earth shall find blessing-all this because you obeyed my command."

**Psalms (116) Response: I will walk before the Lord,
in the land of the living.**

*We are Catholic community called to serve God
and others through Eucharist, prayer, education,
and daily living of the Gospel values.*

*Everyone is always welcome to worship with us
in our beautiful church. It is a house of prayer for all,
who with sincere heart desire to praise the only God.*



A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Romans (8:31-34)

Brothers and sisters: If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with him? Who will bring a charge against God's chosen ones? It is God who acquits us, who will condemn? Christ Jesus it is who died-or, rather, was raised who also is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.



Gospel Acclamation: **Glory to you, O Christ,** **King of eternal glory!**

From the bright cloud
the Father's voice was
heard: "This is my
beloved Son.
Listen to him."

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St Mark (9:2-10)

Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. Then Elijah appeared to them along with Moses, and they were conversing with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here! Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified.

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. - As they were coming down from the mountain, he charged them not to relate what they had seen to anyone, except when the Son of Man had risen from the dead. So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what rising from the dead meant.

General Intercession: *Response: Father, help us to listen to your Son, Jesus*

**THIS MONTH
BIRTHDAY CELEBRATE:**
Natalie Schweizer – February 14
John M. Tropeano – February 17



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

➔ For us as Catholics **Lenten season is a special time of preparation through prayer, repentance of sins, almsgiving, and self-denial** for celebration of the most important mysteries of our faith, namely passion, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. - Therefore, **each Friday of the Lent we should refrain from eating meat and poultry.** This applies to all of us between the **ages of 16 and 65.** However, individuals with some medical conditions are exempt. Let us also remember about charity deeds for those in need within our community.

➔ **Stations of the Cross are held each Friday during Len at 6:30 PM.** This devotion is combined with the **exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**, which concludes with **Benediction.**

➔ **The Elected officers** at the last annual meeting who will serve in our Parish Board this year **will take the oath on Sunday, March 10th,** which is the Solemnity of the Institution of our Church, (127 years). They have already been approved by our Bishop Paul Sobiechowski. Also a few new parishioners will officially join our parish.

➔ **Pastoral/Sacramental Visit.** If you are confined at home or have a family member at hospital or nursing home unable to take part in Sunday Mass and Sacraments, please notify the father to set the day and time for pastoral visit. **In emergency call directly Fr. Paul's mobile phone @ 475-208-4455.**



➔ **Please remember in your prayer** those who are suffering, sick or confined at home, hospitals and nursing homes, especially our parishioners and friends: **Cheryl Peters, Sarah Squezzello, Logan Caruso, Debbie and Emil Caruso, Robert and Aiden Klain, Agnes Geruch, Very Rev. Senior Joseph Soltysiak, Lorraine Krusienski** (Very Rev. Joe Krusienski's wife) and **Joseph Poltrack** (John Kapteina's cousin).

➔ **Heating of our church.** So far, we have raised \$3,170 for this purpose. **THANK YOU VERY MUCH!**

➔ **Our delicious pierogi, cheese or potatoes, as well as stuffed cabbage - gotąbki, are available from our freezer. Credit card payments are now ACCEPTED!**

For many Christians, the season of Lent typically includes some kind of fasting. These fasts usually take the form of abstaining from all food throughout a given day or certain kinds of food for the duration of the forty-day season. In place of a food fast, some Christians commit to give up a pleasurable activity or dedicate themselves to charitable giving. Focus on prayer and devotions are also especially emphasized during Lent. But even though our Lord recommends and comments on the Lenten disciplines of fasting, almsgiving, and prayer in His Sermon on the Mount, these practices can become legalistic rituals that are centered inwardly on the self rather than outwardly on Christ. If during Lent Christians choose to give up something or rededicate themselves to helping those in need as a way to proclaim the salvation Christ has won for all by His suffering and death, then **such activities are sacrifices that glorify God.** However, it is essential to remember that nothing we do through self-denial or good works can ever earn the Lord's forgiveness or repay Him for what He accomplished for us. Lent is not about our giving up something to please God. Lent is about what Jesus Christ gave up to pay the penalty for the sins of the world - His own life.

Readers for this month:

February 4th - **Janet Tropeano**
February 11th - **Donna Warner**
February 18th - **Henry Zapatka**
February 25th - **Ken Krasko**

