



# Mass Intentions for the Week

**Saturday, March 10 - 4:00pm**  
*Germaine Welch* - requested by Natalie & Larry Welch

**Sunday, March 11**                      **Fourth Sunday of Lent**  
**7:00am**  
*Aurelien St. Pierre* - requested by Gerry & Priscilla Tanguay  
**10:30am**  
*Frank & Anna Molloy* - requested by Bob & Lorene Molloy

**Monday, March 12 - 8:30am**  
*Marcel Laroche* - requested by Priscilla & Gerry Tanguay

**Tuesday, March 13 - 8:30am**  
*Travis McGillen* - requested by the homeless ministry

**Wednesday, March 14**  
**NO MASS**

**Thursday, March 15 - 8:30am**  
*Marcel Laroche* - requested by his wife Jeannine

**Friday, March 16 - 8:30pm**  
*Lucille Gagnon* - requested by Pauline Gagnon

**Saturday, March 17 - 4:00pm**  
*Suzanne Routhier* - requested by Janice & Roger Beaudin

**Sunday, March 18**                      **Fifth Sunday of Lent**  
**7:00am**  
*Minnie Marino* - requested by Rose Starr  
**10:30am**  
*Bob Pariseau* - requested by Don & Priscilla Bournival

*Walk  
in the  
Light  
of the  
LORD*  
see John 5:19-21



This Sunday is called "Laetare" Sunday. Laetare means "rejoice!" We rejoice because we are half-way through Lent, and closer to Easter Sunday. We rejoice because we have been faithful in denying ourselves something for God and have been successful; we rejoice because even if we haven't been successful we know that God loves us anyway – so we can laugh a bit at ourselves as we echo our favorite sports team: "Maybe next year!"; we rejoice because spring is almost here; we rejoice because the days are getting longer. If we have trouble feeling a sense of joy because of some challenge in our life, today's scripture directs us to ask God for what we need: Eyes of wonder! In today's Gospel, Jesus heals the man born blind from birth. Nobody will believe that he is really healed, even his parents have doubts. But what does he care what other people think. He has experienced Jesus Christ personally and so his faith in Jesus leads him into a deeper relationship with him. He almost doesn't even care about his physical sight as much as he cares for belief in Jesus. Faith has given him new eyes: eyes of wonder. And so Jesus rewards his faith with not only physical sight, but also with eyes of wonder. With this new spiritual sight, the blind man now cured will see all of life with amazement! What a gift from God. We don't know what happened to him after his encounter with Jesus ended, but we can be sure that he never closed his newly opened eyes of his heart to wonder unfolding around him. Now he would understand Rabbi Abraham Joshua Herschel who said: "Our goal should be to live life in radical amazement...get up in the morning and look at the world in a way that takes nothing for granted...to be spiritual is to be amazed." When we believe in Jesus, our problems aren't even that worrisome anymore to us; they almost don't matter. For we now only want more closeness to Jesus, so that we can see life as He does: with amazement! So let this 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent, Laetare Sunday, prompt you and I to rejoice in the amazing gifts of life, family, and the beauty around us in nature and in people!

~ Fr. John

"Almsgiving helps us to recognize our neighbor as our brother or sister, and to acknowledge that what we possess is never ours alone." ~ Pope Francis

**STEWARDSHIP: FAITHFUL & GENEROUS:**  
**March 3 & 4, 2018**

<b><u>Weekend Offertory</u></b>		<b><u>General Parish Fund</u></b>	
Envelopes	\$2,893.18	Candles:	\$47.00
Loose	\$1,070.00	Adoration Chapel:	\$27.00
Electronic Offering	\$1,512.00		
<b>Total Offertory:</b>	<b>\$5,475.18</b>		

**Outreach Fund**  
 St. Anthony Bread for the Poor: \$67.98  
 Food Pantry: -0-

*Thank you for your continued support of our Parish and our Outreach Programs.*



**Let us pray for these special intentions:** For all our parishioners that are homebound and in nursing homes; for all our parishioners, family and friends that are struggling with illness or recovering from surgeries; and for Virginia Clark, Maurice Allard, Joe Bennett, Larry Green, Paul Cody, Jackie Theodorou, Jeannine Bouchard, Paul Allard, Richard Tanguay, RFG, Acilda Dachowski, Arnold Wright, Pat Begin, Janice Beaudin, John Moro, Roger Mustone, Richard Joyce, Joan Bick, Norma Lemire, Rita Marshall, Claire Dachowski, Fr. Joe Gallagher, Helen Zachos, Mary Sylvain, Ginny George, John Young, Leonard Houde, Lise Guillemette, Stephen P. Gilmartin, Bob & Linda Tetreault, Nancy Lohnes and Arthur Proulx.

**80th Anniversary of Pulaski Park: Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 10am - Noon, Holy Trinity Cathedral Hall, 166 Pearl St.** Please join us for a history presentation, update on the monument restoration project and sharing of our Polish-American history. Light refreshments will be served.

**PARISH LEADERSHIP**

**PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRIES**

St. Anthony Food Pantry  
 Colleen Hayward 935-9949  
 My Brother's Keeper Sleeping Bags  
 Rosemary McNair 647-2797  
 Shoes For Kids/General Outreach  
 Lisa Siraco 622-5445  
 St. Anne's Closet (clothing for children)  
 Karen McAndrew 464-0331  
 Parish Elderly Ministry  
 Diane Steele 669-8825

**PARISH MINISTRIES**

Adoration Chapel  
 Irene de Repentigny 622-7775  
 Boy/Cub Scouts  
 Ron St. Cyr 622-8182  
 Parish Prayer Line  
 Gemma Houde 668-3993  
 Young Adult Faith Formation/Confirmation  
 Dan & Debbie Goulet (Year 1) 623-5354  
 Sr. Marjorie Lupien (Year 2) 315-7623  
 Funeral Ministry  
 Sr. Marjorie Lupien 622-5445  
 Liturgical Ministers  
 (Eucharist Lectors, Altar Servers)  
 Sr. Marjorie Lupien 622-5445  
 Memorial Meals  
 Gloria Pilotte 623-8173  
 Terry Sylvain 669-2582  
 Prayer Shawl Ministry  
 Sr. Anne & Sr. Joan 622-7138  
 Religious Education (Gr. 1-7)  
 Martha & Steve Donohue 627-4868  
 RCIA  
 Sr. Marjorie Lupien 622-5445  
 Secular Franciscan Order  
 Nick Cort 224-4605  
 Social Committee  
 Donna Guertin 669-5232  
 Spirits Alive!  
 Sr. Anne & Sr. Joan 622-7138  
 Youth Group  
 Ellen Donohue 867-8881  
**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS**  
 Baptism, Marriage, Sacrament of the Sick  
 Fr. John Bucchino, ofm 622-5445  
**MUSIC MINISTRY**  
 Music Director & Organist, Adult Choir and Cantors:  
 James Butka 540-7638

*Upcoming*  
EVENTS

**Sunday, March 11**

\* Religious Ed grades 1-6, 9am, hall  
 \* Parish coffee following 10:30am Mass

**Monday, March 12**

\* Spirits Alive!, 3:30pm, OLOM house  
 \* Boy Scouts, 6:30pm, church hall

**Tuesday, March 13**

\* Devotion to St. Anthony following Mass

**Wednesday, March 14**

\* St. Anne's Closet, 1-3pm  
 \* Food Pantry, last names A-C & D-J, 1-3pm  
 \* Marian Prayer Cenacle, 7pm, adoration chapel

**Thursday, March 15**

\* Prayer Shawl Ministry, 9:15am, OLOM house  
 \* Cub Scouts, 6pm, hall

**Friday, March 16**

\* Stations of the Cross, 9am, church

**Saturday, March 17**

\* St. Patrick's Day Dinner, 5:30pm, hall

**Sunday, March 18**

\* Religious Ed grades 1-6, 9am, hall

**St. Theresa of Lisieux Adoration Chapel**

Daily Hours: 7am-7pm

**Open Hours:**

**Thursdays: 3pm**

**Fridays: 5pm Saturdays: 12pm**

Come and spend an hour with Jesus this Lent! Spending time in adoration is a wonderful Lenten practice. Call Irene de Repentigny, Chapel Coordinator at 622-7775 for more information.



Please join us this **Sunday, March 11** following the 10:30am Mass for our monthly coffee & donuts social. This month's social will be hosted by the Food Pantry.

We will also use this social as an opportunity to say goodbye and give our well wishes to long time parishioners, Don and Priscilla Bournival who are moving to the west coast to be with their family. Don and Priscilla have been so dedicated to Blessed Sacrament. We will miss them.



**St. Patrick's Day Dinner Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>**

The dinner is prepared & hosted by the Boy Scouts for our parish, but is a fundraiser for our parish. We do need volunteers to help with setup and serve. Set up will be on Friday morning at 10:30am. Please call the parish office if you would like to help. Tickets are available at the parish office.

**Menu:** Salad, choice of corned beef & cabbage or sliced ham, potatoes, turnip, carrots, rolls, coffee, tea, soda and dessert. **Cost: \$10 per person; \$30 for family of 4 or more.** Tickets available at the parish office.

Fourth Sunday of

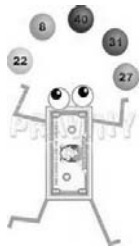


**Come and See**

April 6-8, 2018 Registration Deadline: March 30, 2018

**Sr. Holly Gauthier, p.m. and the Vocation Team**

The more we come to know Jesus, the more our hearts begin to cry out with the early disciples, "Rabbi, where do you live?" The Lord replies, "Come and See!" This weekend gives single Catholic women the opportunity to look at questions relating to religious life. You will meet and talk with Sisters of the Presentation of Mary, have time for quiet prayer, liturgy, group sharing, and relaxation. For more information contact: Sr. Holly Gauthier, p.m. [shollypm@gmail.com](mailto:shollypm@gmail.com) or 978-701-3031



**300 Club Week 17:**

- #39 Tim Fisk
- #40 Peter Bergeron
- #41 Julie Smith
- #175 Diane Fortin
- #297 Annette Pezzulo

Congratulations!

Please see one of the captains to get your lucky number!!

Captains: Lisa (in the parish office) 622-5445, Doris Cote 624-1013; Gloria Pilotte 623-8173, Terry Sylvain 669-2582.