

The Catholic Community of Bradford

Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 30, 2025

Rev. John Jacquel
Pastor

Rev. Edward Walk
Senior Associate

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St. Bernard of Clairvaux



WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:30 am

LENTEN SCHEDULE FOR DAILY MASSES

Divine Mercy Chapel: Saturday at 9:00 am
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday at 9:00 am
St. Bernard Church: Monday, Wednesday,
Thursday & Friday at 12:10 pm

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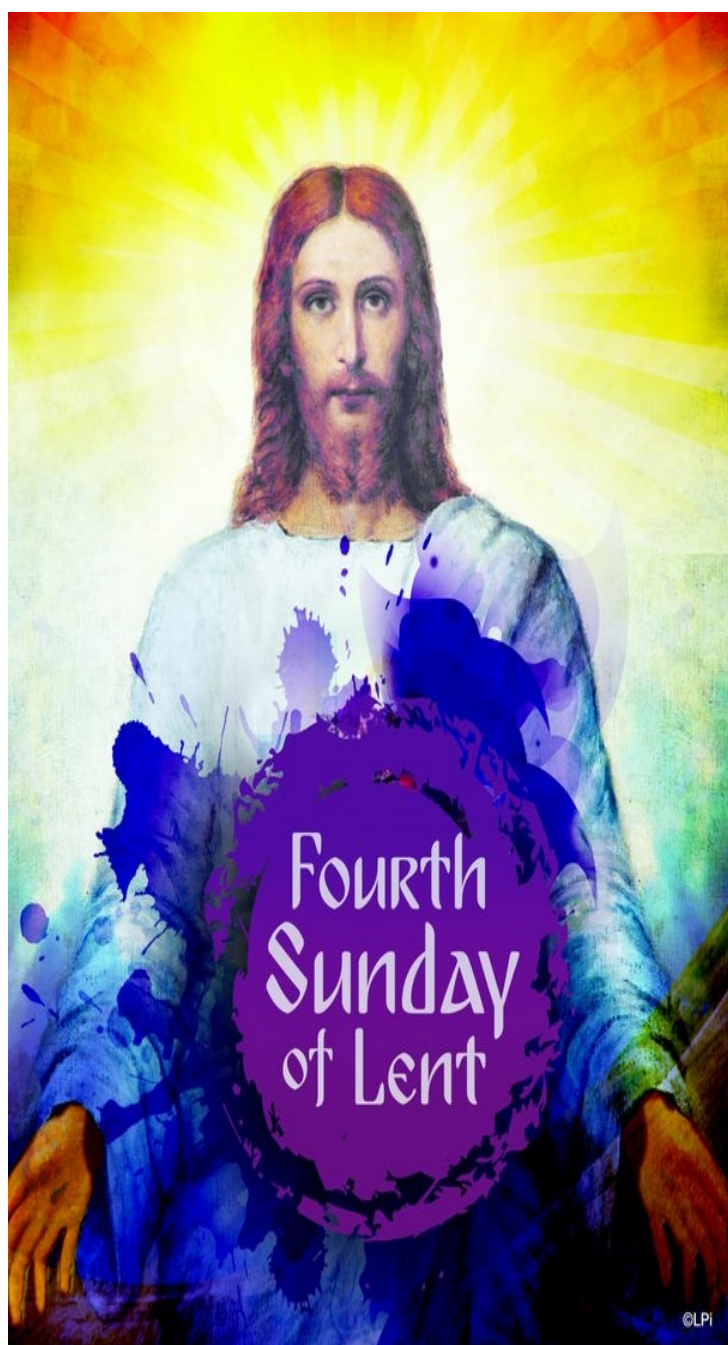
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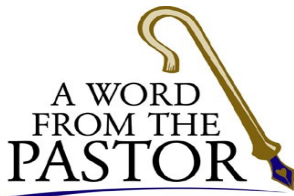
St Bernard of Clairvaux - Bradford, PA

LIVE STREAMING SUNDAY 10 AM

Youtube.com

St Bernard of Clairvaux, Bradford PA





When you bring someone into our church, you might want to point out some of the details in the renovations. They'll notice the pews right away, and hopefully find them comfortable enough to visit often. We have reduced the number of seats and spaced them farther apart – but that was due in part to newer codes.

The middle aisle is wider, to allow ample movement and facilitate funerals more easily – and the cross aisle makes it much easier to get around inside. St Rocco and St Anthony haven't moved a bit – we had the sound system technicians position speakers differently than they had originally suggested. Nor did they touch the gold leaf ceiling above the sanctuary, but just cleaned it.

The four medallions on the walls around the altar stand for the evangelists – Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John and were moved from the transepts near the top. They are better seen and appreciated now. But in the transepts are paintings of St Bernard contemplating the Blessed Mother (left) and St Francis experiencing his stigmata (right) – thus keeping the three patrons of our Bradford Catholic Community all together. Incidentally, St Bernard is outside of church on the left (Tops) side, and St Francis will soon be outside of church on the right (old post office) side as well. Our Mother of Perpetual Help is located in the entryway, next to the ramp door (now with an electric opener).

The Stations of the Cross were repainted and are now uniformly illuminated (switch in the sacristy). The old “side altars” have been reduced to pedestals under Mary and Joseph, but the walls behind have a new design, and the ceilings over each have also been gilded.

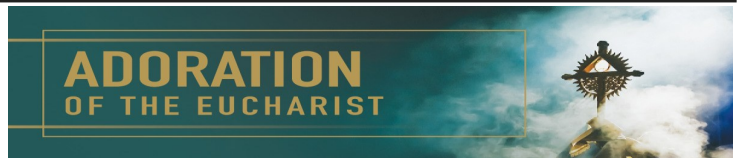
The communion rail in the center was relocated around our exquisite pieta sculpture, which is perfectly placed between the 13th (The Body of Jesus is Taken Down from the Cross) and 14th (The Body of Jesus is Placed in the Tomb) Stations.

Now that we have our worship space in better shape, it's high time to get our outreach ministries polished up as well.

Fr John

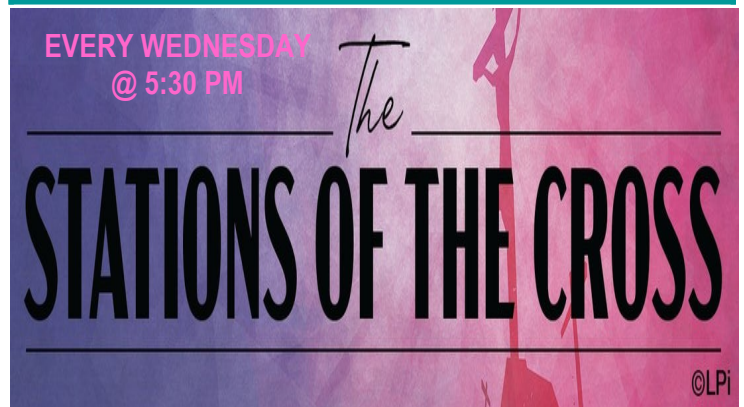


MARCH 31st-APRIL 6th—This week, we reflect on repentance God's mercy is limitless, and he invites us to return to him with open hearts. Confession is not about guilt—it's about grace and renewal. During this Lenten journey together, I invite you to embrace God's mercy. Take time to reflect on areas where you need his healing, and don't be afraid to seek the Sacrament of Reconciliation. How has God's forgiveness changed your life?



FIRST FRIDAY AT ST. BERNARD

We will have **Confessions** on **Thursday, April 3rd** beginning at 4:30 pm at **St. Bernard**. If we need to stretch that beyond 5:00, that's okay. God's mercy knows no boundaries. **First Friday morning, April 4th** we will have Eucharistic Adoration at **9:00 in the Divine Mercy Chapel** until closing at noon with Benediction. We will need to ensure someone will be able to remain in the Chapel, thus there will be a sign-up list near the chapel door.



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Rosary Altar: TBA

Widow's Group: TBA

K of C #403 : Tuesday, April 8th @ 7:00 pm

Cemetery Board: Wednesday, May 7th @ 11:00 am

Pastoral Council: Tuesday, April 15th @ 6:00 pm

Finance Council: Wednesday, May 7th @ 4:30 pm

SF 50+ Club: Wednesday, April 9th @ 11:00 am

Liturgy Committee: Tuesday, May 6th @ 6:30 pm

Catholic Women's Club: Sunday, April 13th, Meeting @ 11 am followed by Easter Bag Project with REP @12:10 pm



The Catholic Women's Club is again collecting items for Easter bags for our shut-ins. Items like crackers, candy and cookies in individual packages, small tissue packets, nail files, and other small items are needed. Please include only **new or unopened items**. The REP students (Grades 1-5) will help to pack the treats into gift bags on Sunday, April 13th at 12:15pm in Gallina Hall, for delivery just before Easter. Please drop items off at the parish office by April 10th. **Please no nuts or caramels.** Thank you!

THE OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS distributes a weekly email newsletter to parishioners who sign up to receive it. This newsletter provides updates about our diocese, the Catholic Church nationwide and worldwide and includes special messages from the bishop or other important information. To sign up for the e-newsletter, visit <https://bit.ly/Dioenews> (link is case sensitive).

Bradford - Rice Bowl - Local—Learn more about the local ministries who will benefit from your generous support through the CRS Rice Bowl. This year your donations will help the Kane Area Food Pantry, the Christian Community Services Food Bank, the Saint Joseph Soup Kitchen, the Friendship Table, and Destinations Bradford Community Outreach.

CRS Rice Bowl - Shahadat's village, and much of Bangladesh, is located on flat lowlands. The intense rainy season causes flooding that often destroys farms and crops. Find out how Shahadat learned new farming skills from a Catholic Relief Services program that enabled him to increase the yield of his vegetable crops despite the challenges of climate change. Visit crsricebowl.org/week-4 to read this week's Story of Hope.



The Bradford Council #403
of the Knights of Columbus
www.koc403.com

Meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the parish office. **Please Note: Next meeting on April 8th**
Council members are urged to attend, and new members are most welcome.



First Reconciliation for 2nd Grade will be on Sunday, March 30th in the Divine Mercy Chapel at 11:15 am.

GRADES 6-9 will meet in Gallina Hall on Sunday, April 6th at 5:45 pm. (Last Class)

NOTE: All students taking home Rice Bowls, please place them in the offertory basket during Holy Week.

PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION—Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister to parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENEROUS



COMMUNITY BLOOD BANK



The Blood Bank will be available
in the St. Bernard **Cafeteria** (Gallina Hall)
Monday, **March 31st**
12:00 Noon until 5:00 pm



We are offering the Gift Card (SCRIP) program again. Order Forms are available in the back of the church. A percentage of gift card sales goes directly back to the church. This is a great way to give back! **Orders are due by Friday, April 4th.** Please drop off order forms and payments to the Parish office.

April 2025

PRIESTS PRAYER CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 <i>Rev. Msgr Joseph Wardanski</i>	2 <i>Rev. Walter Packard</i>	3 <i>Rev. Msgr Robert Brugger</i>	4 <i>Rev. John Santor</i>	5 <i>Rev. Msgr. Gerald Koos</i>
6 <i>Rev. Leo Gallina</i>	7 <i>Rev. Scott Detisch</i>	8 <i>Rev. William O'Brien</i>	9 <i>Rev. Christopher Beran</i>	10 <i>Rev. Joseph Petrone</i>	11 <i>Rev. Msgr John Herbein</i>	12 <i>Rev. Kyle Seyler</i>
13 <i>Pray for Vocations</i>	14 <i>Rev. Jason Feigh</i>	15 <i>Rev. William Barron</i>	16 <i>Very Rev. David Foradori, EV</i>	17 <i>The Most Rev. Lawrence Persico</i>	18 	19 <i>Very Rev. Michael Ferrick, VF</i>
20 	21 <i>Rev. Jeffery Noble</i>	22 <i>Rev. Mark O'Hern</i>	23 <i>Rev. Joseph Dougherty</i>	24 <i>Rev. Raymond Hahn</i>	25 <i>Rev. James Power</i>	26 <i>Rev. Joseph Staszewski</i>
27 <i>Rev. T. Shane Mathew</i>	28 <i>Rev. Edward Walk</i>	29 <i>Rev. Cory Pius</i>	30 <i>Pray for Consecrated Life</i>			

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE We may feel like the Prodigal Son but the gospel wants us to focus on the father who was forgiving and understanding. We all make mistakes and need forgiveness. Who in your family needs your forgiveness and acceptance this Lent?

THE CHURCH VOLUNTEER CLEANING CREW will be meeting on Saturdays, April 12th and April 19th at 9:30 am to make sure the Church is ready for the Holy Week and Easter services. If you would like to help please meet at the Church on those days and times. You can also reach out to Craig Cuthbertson at 814-558-1785.

Say Yes!
to the tenth annual

1:38 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE
SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2025

PLACE: ST. JUDE PARISH, 2801 West 6th Street, Erie
TIME: 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM
REGISTRATION & REFRESHMENTS:
8:00 - 8:45 AM in the Church
COST: \$25
College students, High school students & Religious - FREE!
Conference includes: Two talks, Adoration, Confession,
Mass, Basket Raffle, Book/Media Sales, and 1:38 Women attire for sale.
ATTENDANCE: Live in-person, Live-streamed to a satellite parish or your home



Danielle Bean
Danielle is a Catholic writer and speaker. She helps women to know their dignity and worth so they can find peace, balance, and joy in faith and family living.



Sister Mary Gabriel, SV
Sister Mary Gabriel is a member of the Sisters of Life, a religious community dedicated to the protection and enhancement of the sacredness of human life.

MORE INFO
www.138women.com or 814-455-7364
ALL FAITHS WELCOME!



Final Call: Register Today for the 10th Annual 1:38 Women's Conference! The 10th Annual 1:38 Women's Conference is scheduled for this coming Saturday, April 5th, from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. The event is just \$25. You may attend as follows:

1. Live in-person at St. Jude Church in Erie.
2. Live-streamed to hosting parishes: participating parishes are listed on the website at www.138women.com.
3. Live-streamed to your home.

Hear two inspiring national speakers – Danielle Bean and Sr. Mary Gabriel, SV. For more information and to register, visit www.138women.com or call (814) 455-7364.

Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation Opportunities this Lent



- Saturdays after 9 am Mass in the Divine Mercy Chapel
- Saturdays before the 4 pm Mass in the church from 3 pm to 3:45 pm.
- Thursday, April 3rd starting @ 4:30 pm in the church
- Sunday, April 6th Fr Ed and Fr John will both be in the church from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm



EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPES—Please drop your envelopes in the offering basket or at the Parish Office **BY APRIL 7TH** to ensure inclusion on the In Memory /In Honor Easter Lists. Thank you!

St. Bernard Church Fish Fry



CATHOLIC TRIVIA Question: What is the generic name for the hymn sung at the end of Mass?

Answer: Recessional hymn.

LPI

Bus Trip

May 6th - 7th, 2025

Join us on this special two-day adventure to celebrate the JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE!



Trip includes:

- transportation by Anderson Coach Bus
- one night at the Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square
- attend the amazing live production of NOAH at the Sight & Sound Theatre
- lunch on Tuesday
- daily Mass
- visit three Year of Hope Pilgrimage sites
- an evening in Historic Lancaster for shopping/dining

Saint Catherine Labouré Shrine of the Miraculous Medal



Cathedral Parish of Saint Patrick



Historic Saint Mary's Catholic Church



Sign up today at synergyff@outlook.com

and secure your spot with a \$100.00 deposit.

Total cost is \$350 per person based on double occupancy.

Total cost with single occupancy is \$442.

Make checks payable to Holy Redeemer Church in a clearly marked envelope in the collection basket at either parish or mail to 11 Russell Street Warren, PA 16365.

Can be paid in multiple installments, total due April 7th.



St. Bernard Sanctuary Candle will be burning this week in Memory of Douglass Hannon

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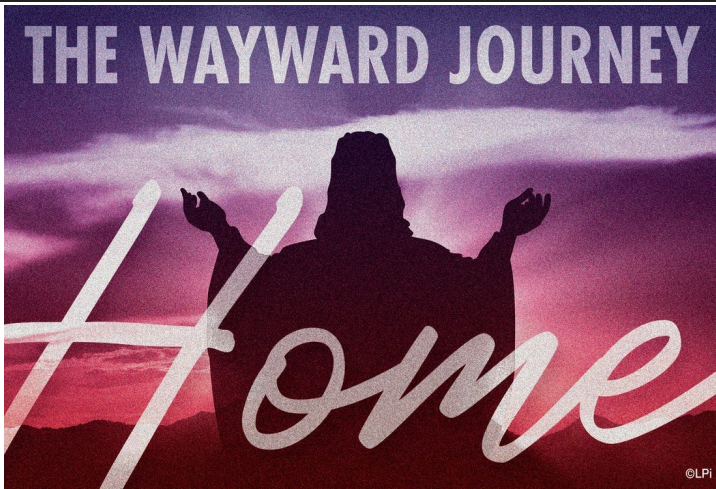
LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS


Total Collection - Needed Weekly: \$ 10,072

March 23.....	\$ 6,529
2025 Combined CSA Assessment	\$ 94,414
2025 CSA Collected	\$ 27.803

THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE TURNED IN THEIR CSA PLEDGES. THERE'S STILL TIME

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS





BULLETIN INFORMATION MUST BE RECEIVED IN WRITING BY NOON ON FRIDAY 2 WEEKS PRIOR TO BULLETIN DATE.

PASTORAL STAFF:
 Rev. John B Jacquell, *Pastor*
 Rev. Edward Walk, *Senior Associate*

LIVE STREAMING SUNDAY 10 AM:
 You Tube, [St Bernard of Clairvaux Bradford](#)

WEBSITE: <https://stbernardcatholic.org/>

FACEBOOK: [St Bernard of Clairvaux - Bradford Pa](#)

MAILING ADDRESS: PO Box 2394
 Bradford, PA 16701

OFFICE HOURS:
Monday thru Friday: 8:30 am to 4 pm
 Gina Davidson, *Business Manager*
 Elaine Doriguzzi, *Administrative Assistant*

CONFESSIONS:
St. Bernard — Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:45 pm before 4:00 pm mass; Thursday before First Friday from 4:30 to 5 pm; After 9 am mass on Saturdays.
 Private appointments may be made by calling the **Parish Office 362-6825.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (REP)
REP Coordinator: Kim VanHorn
 Students not attending Catholic school should be enrolled in REP programs. The Bradford Catholic Community Religious Education program is Grades 1—5 & Grades 6—9 (Confirmation). Please call the parish office for more information.

Nursery Program The former Nursery Program is now a Kid’s Liturgy Program. During the 10 am Mass, during the Liturgy of the Word, volunteers will take the kids, ages 3-6, for a mini lesson. The lesson will be held in a small room off the Sacristy. They’ll return to the pews during the Presentation of the Gifts. We are excited for this new format!

MEMBERSHIP: All Baptized Catholics should be registered, practicing and supporting members of a Parish. Only properly registered members appear on our parish list and are eligible to receive the benefits of parish membership for sacraments. Each parishioner is called upon to practice good stewardship of time, talent and treasure. If you are not currently receiving envelopes, you may not be registered. Call the Parish Office - we would love to meet you!

MARRIAGE: Couples need to contact a priest *at least six months before their wedding.* Registered and active participation needs to be considered before marriage.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:
 We welcome all inquiries about the Catholic faith. This **RCIA** process begins in the fall of the year. Please call the Parish Office for further information.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office to request the Sacrament of the Sick for family members who are seriously ill. Communion for the sick is taken to the hospital, nursing homes, and the home-bound on a regular basis.

BAPTISM: Both parents must attend the Pre-Baptism Preparation Program. Please call the St. Bernard Parish Office for dates and times of upcoming class. Baptisms are scheduled after completing the program. Call the Parish Office to schedule the class and baptism. Godparents must be at least 16, confirmed and active, registered members of their parish.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Liturgical

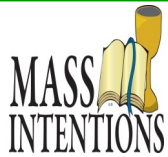
Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors

Organist St. Bernard	Rita Bennardi
	Michael Hicks
Resurrection Choir	Joan Raabe
God’s Housekeepers	Parish Office
Liturgy	Fr. John B Jacquell

Parish Community

Pastoral Council	Craig Cuthbertson
Catholic Women’s Club	Joan Yohe
Rosary Altar Society	Dawn Kozminski
Telephone Prayer Chain	Natalie Marasco (598-5565)

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WEEK OF MARCH 31ST—APRIL 6TH
 See Cover of Bulletin for Daily & Weekend
 Mass Schedule During Lent

Monday, March 31st

SBC 9:00 am Mary & Emery Allen (Joan Bator)
 SB 12:10 pm Elizabeth "Betsy" Costello (Catholic
 Women's Club)

Tuesday, April 1st

SBC 9:00 am Ray Cummiskey (Farrell Family)

Wednesday, April 2nd

SB 12:10 pm Aldo Pasquinelli (Bev Hull)
 SB 5:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Thursday, April 3rd

SBC 9:00 am All Parishioners
 SB 12:10 pm Kevin O'Donnell (Family)

Friday, April 4th FIRST FRIDAY

SB 12:10 pm Jeanne Cucuzza (Theresa & Aunt Louise)

Saturday, April 5th

SBC 9:00 am Barbara Bernheisel (Bill Peckham)
 SB 4:00 pm Helen Platko (Family)

Sunday, March 6th

SB 8:00 am Paulette Little (Bob & Sarah Boser)
 SB 10:00 am Lucille & Eugene Vinca (David Vinca)
 SB 11:30 am Roseanne Giordano (Family)

*Weekly confessions: Saturdays after 9 am Mass and
 3:00 to 3:45 pm before 4 pm Mass.*



APRIL 5TH, 2025

Saturday: St. Bernard 4:00 pm

Lector: Peggy Johnson
EM: Dick Williams **CUP:** Tammy Black/Chris Pehonsky
Servers: Aiden & Sean Kramer

APRIL 6TH, 2025

Sunday: St. Bernard 8:00 am

Lector: Martha Torrey
EM: Cindy Greek **CUP:** Deb Soyke/Joan Yohe
Server: David Hill
St. Bernard 10:00 am
Lector: Joyce Geis
EM: Kim Racine **CUP:** Gloria Scarano/Beth Mongillo
Servers: Luke Erickson/**VOLUNTEER**



St. Bernard 11:30 am

Lector: David Ditz
EM: Kim Ditz **CUP:** Karen McClain/Craig Cuthbertson
Server: Dan Cuthbertson



*Please pray for those who are sick or
 suffering*

Thomas Ackley, Virgil Anderson, Arnold Family, Dianne Barr, Mary Beth Behan, Nancy Black, Theresa Bond, Sue Bradley, Nancy Bukowski, Tim Burris, Michael Cagney, GiGi Carroll, Dominic "Frank" Cavallero, Dick Clark, Kelly Costello, Melissa Cox, Billie Cummins, Paul & Marianne Curcio, Charlotte Cuthbertson, Jennifer Smith Dawson, Josh Dawson, Christine DiStrola, Brady Dolan, Denise Douthit, Richard Douthit, James Drumm, Alliyson Feldman, Ferguson Family, Stepheny Franco, Robin Fuller, Pat Geary, Kate Geils, Chip Giordano, Pat Girard, Donna Gocella, Janet Goebel, Tonya Graves, Anthony Haller, Paul Hamer, Melissa Hannon, John Hart, Jill Henry, Joy James, Craig Johnson, Judy Keenan, Lilly Keesler, Mary Keesler, James Kibby, Bill Kline, Craig Kloss, Bob Kuntz, Chris Lechner, Shirley Lerch, Elizabeth Lindemuth, Harold Little, Don Long, Paula Louk, Susan McCann-Piganelli, Pat McCormick, Anita Magnetti, Mariana Militelo, Virginia O'Brien, Mary O'Connell, John Pockey, Dan Popiel, Courtney Prentiss, Donna Rail, Anne Reed, Virginia & Ed Reed, Sandy Rhodes, Steve Schmidt, Judy Signor, Steve Skaggs, Eileen Smith, Hailey Smith, Betty Soble, Alex Tingley, Molly Thompson, Carol Vinca, Damion Wasiewski, Philip Weese & Family, Matthew Whelan, Beckett Whitney, Lisa Zurat. *May they be strengthened by the healing presence of God's Spirit.*

Readings for the week of March 30, 2025

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 (9a)/
 2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a
 and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16
 Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/
 Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/
 Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21
 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/
 Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/
 Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

