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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
March 12, 2023

GOSPEL REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK

John 4:5-42

The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water,
so that I may not be thirsty
or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Gospel Question:

What water am I seeking to satisfy my thirst?

Gospel for next week:

John 9:1-41

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and staff contacts on the inside cover.*

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Thursday: 8:30 am - 8:00 pm
Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

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Weekend Mass: Saturday 4:30 pm and Sunday 8:30 am, 10:30 am and 5:00 pm
Weekday Mass: Monday through Friday 8:00 am

SACRAMENTS:

Baptism: To arrange a baptism and begin the required preparation class, call 480-998-3843 a minimum of three months in advance.

Marriage: Arrangements must be made a minimum of nine months in advance. Call the Parish Office for an appointment.

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00 - 4:00 pm

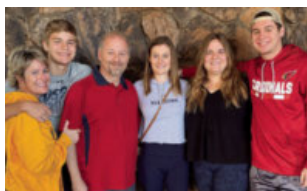
Anointing of the Sick or Communion to the Sick:
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First Down with Fr. Eric



Dear Friends,

There are a lot of parishes or Catholic institutions who have Saint names. They become their patron or patroness. I personally believe that our patron Saint for our parish, St. Patrick, is the most popular and well known feast day/saint in this part of the world. Catholics, those who are Irish, many Christians, and those with no religious affiliation celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Our feast day, March 17, is celebrated during the Lenten season. This year the feast of St. Patrick falls on a Friday, a day of abstaining from meat/penance/fasting.

Thanks to our Bishop, Bishop John Dolan, we all have dispensation to eat meat and/or put aside our penances that day to celebrate a great feast day.

In honor of our Bishop's decision, we are celebrating with a dinner for all parishioners on Friday, March 17, starting at 4:30 pm. We are calling the evening "Meat at St. Patrick," an invitation for every parishioner to come and share a meal, share fellowship, and hear some entertainment. One of the desires heard at our Synod Listening Sessions was people would like to have events that encouraged getting to know each other better.

The evening includes BBQ, with brisket, pulled pork and some side dishes. The cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children and \$30 per family (2 adults and 2+ children). All ages are welcome to join us for this wonderful evening.

We can celebrate well, our Feast Day, and be joined by so many people who celebrate with us.

Peace in Christ,

Fr. Eric

Lent Confession Schedule

We invite parishioners to view our Lenten Penance Prayer Service on YouTube.

Confessions every Saturday 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Wednesday	March 15	6:00 - 7:30 pm	2 priests
Wednesday	March 22	6:00 - 7:30 pm	2 priests
Monday	March 27	12:00 - 2:00 pm	1 priest
Wednesday	March 29	6:00 - 7:30 pm	2 priests
Monday	April 3	6:00 - 8:00 pm	8 priests
Wednesday	April 5	6:00 - 7:30 pm	1 priest

**LAST
OPPORTUNITY**

Christian Disciples in Mission Living Beyond Sunday

BY MARY PERMODA,
Director of Pastoral Activities



DIOCESE OF PHOENIX TAX CREDIT WEEKEND

Four Diocese of Phoenix Catholic Tax Credit Organizations: Catholic Charities along with FSL, Catholic Education, and Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be present after Masses to increase awareness and eliminate brand confusion on Arizona Tax Credits to Diocese of Phoenix parishioners through a coordinated Tax Credit Weekend across multiple parishes.

How is your Lenten journey going? On Ash Wednesday Fr. Eric challenged the kids at the 4:15 pm service, to quit complaining and show more gratitude and love...how are you doing?

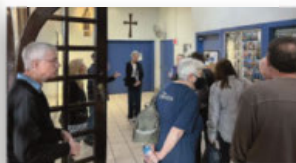
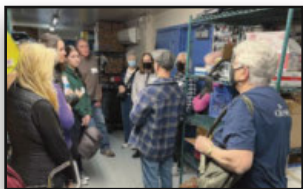


Cancer Support Community AZ

Join us Wednesday March 15 for an "Expressive Arts" class!

Expressive Arts focuses on projects that help members explore the changes and challenges they find themselves in through various artistic methods. A unique approach to decreasing stress and increasing control by using your own innate creativity. At Cancer Support, many modalities are used including drawing, painting, ceramics, music, and writing art. No experience necessary. Materials provided.

GPS, Giving, Praying and Serving at work! The Praying subcommittee of the Stewardship Council and our Social Justice and Outreach ministry had a spirit-filled Encounter Tour! Saturday, February 18 Gina Accola and John Burgess of the Stewardship Council took 12 people down to hear and experience the good work of Justa Center and André House! They met with the staff to hear the scope of their work and to experience firsthand the environment in which they serve. Stay tuned for our next Encounter Tour on May 6 when we go to St. Joseph the Worker and St. Vincent de Paul!



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Stewardship

The readings for the 3rd Sunday of Lent help us think about our true desires.

The first reading tells of how God satisfied the thirst of the Chosen People in the desert. The psalm reminds us to let God open up our hearts and flow through them. The second reading tells us again that God pours himself into our hearts.



The gospel is the story of the woman at the well. In Jesus' encounter with the Samaritan woman, we learn about the fullness of God's mercy. Jesus brings the Samaritan woman to new life through his mercy and compassion. It is worth noting Jesus chose to interact with a Samaritan (an outsider) and a woman. So this is also a good time to discuss how we treat outsiders. What can you do this week to show Jesus' love to others? How can we be more like Jesus during Lent and beyond?

Please visit us at stpatcc.org for more details about our Parish or subscribe to our weekly "Connection" E-newsletter at welcome.stpatcc.org/

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Tax Credit Weekend

March 11 or 12, 2023

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3/13 How Catholics Can Overcome the Liturgy Wars
3/27 Who Should be Allowed to Receive Communion
4/24 Are Critical Race Theory and Catholicism
Compatible
5/8 Why Catholics Should be Involved in Politics
5/22 Do I Have to Follow Every Church Teaching



Get on the Bus is rolling
along towards our May 12 date
at Perryville.

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Christ in Our Neighborhood



March 19, 2023

Prayer

Father of peace, we are joyful in your Word, your Son Jesus Christ, who reconciles us to You. Let us hasten toward Easter with the eagerness of faith and love. Grant this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Commentary

1st Reading: Samuel 16:1,6-7,10-13

Our readings this weekend invite us to see with God's eyes. The Book of Samuel challenges us to step outside of the obvious and ordinary way of seeing and to use our eyes of faith.

Using our eyes of faith allows us to see as God sees.

How does God see? God does not give value to our appearance, our age, or stature in life. Instead, God values our hearts and souls.

As our reading reminds us: "Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart." If we use only our natural senses to handle life's issues, we will never escape the trap of this world. Instead, this Lent invites us to take the extraordinary step into Christ's world and see our world from His perspective.

This requires a conversion of the heart.

Question

What issue in my life today needs to be examined from God's perspective?

Commentary

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

As the days become a little longer and the sun warms the Earth, our calendars do not need to confirm what our senses our already tell us. Spring has arrived and we see signs of it all around us.

If spring has come and winter is behind us, we turn off our heat, open the windows, and let the warm breezes fill our home.

In a similar way, our 2nd Reading from Paul to the Ephesians reminds us to live as children of the light and not in darkness. The light of faith in Christ Jesus warms our spiritual hearts and calls us out of our spiritual hibernation.

We are told, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light."

Why continue to live in the cold darkness of our sins, when Christ our Light can warm our souls?

This Season of Lent invites us to see with God's eyes that we are no longer in darkness. Instead, we live in Christ our Light!

Question

What steps am I taking this Lent to remain in the Light of Christ?

*The commentaries over these 6 weeks of Lent are presented by Bishop John Dolan of the Diocese of **Phoenix**.*

4th Sunday of Lent

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Commentary

Gospel: John 9:1-41

Our Gospel today reminds us that there are three ways of seeing. When the man who was born blind is healed by Jesus, he receives “natural” sight. What a miracle!

However, a second miracle occurs as this man is able to proclaim that Jesus is a prophet.

Normally, the word “prophet” would be an extraordinary title for anyone in Jesus’ time.

A prophet was one who was favored by God with wisdom. The healed man not only received physical sight, but “insight” to recognize that Jesus was an extraordinary person.

A third form of seeing occurs in the Gospel where the man is approached by Jesus again. This time, the man sees that Jesus is more than a prophet. He sees that Jesus is Lord and he worships Him.

Lest we forget, the Season of Lent invites us to see that Jesus is Lord and God of our lives. He is more than a miracle worker. He is more than a prophet with wisdom. He is the God of our lives!

Question

The man worshiped Jesus as Lord. In what way do I worship Jesus?

This Week’s Task

This week, make an attempt to be a light for someone who is living in darkness. Consider:

- reaching out to a homebound person
- writing a letter to a person who could use comfort
- inviting a person to lunch or dinner

Group Prayer

The group leader invites the group to say the following prayer. A lighted candle may be placed on a table as the group prays this Breastplate of Saint Patrick.

Christ, as a light illumine & guide us.
Christ as a shield overshadow & cover us.
Christ be under us, Christ be over us.
Christ be beside us, on left & on right.
Christ be before us, behind us, about us.
Christ, this day, be within and without us.

The leader will then guide the group in praying Psalm 23 (from the 4th Sunday of Lent).

Psalm

Psalm Response: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
In verdant pastures he gives me repose;
Beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you **are at my side With your rod and your staff that give me courage.**

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; You **anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.**

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Conclude with an OUR FATHER

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in Lent

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Reminder: Bishop Dolan has granted a dispensation from
abstinence from meat this year for the Feast of St. Patrick.

Social Justice

With Spring Training 2023 kicking into gear AND the observance of National Women's History Month here in March, how can we not take the time to acknowledge the women who literally "stepped up to the plate" in order to keep the game of baseball alive and well during World War II?



The All-American Girls Professional Baseball League (AAGPBL) began play in 1943 and lasted a dozen seasons. More than 500 women had the

opportunity to play professional baseball. It just wasn't playing the game of baseball, but their talents and love of the game kept this national sport alive while both men and women were serving overseas during the war. The AAGPBL was recognized and has a place in Major League Baseball's Hall of Fame. "We would rather play than eat. We put our hearts and souls into the league. We thought it was our job to do our best, because we were the All-American girls. We felt like we were keeping up our country's morale" (Lavonne "Pepper" Paire Davis, infielder).

Lavonne was born in Los Angeles in 1924 and played for eleven seasons with various teams during the AAGPBL tenure. She primarily played the catcher position but was also known to play third base and shortstop. Her love of the game was exemplified through her continual drive to improve her skills and her tenacity to overcome the criticisms and skepticism that many of the women had to endure. One can get a better glimpse of her story in the movie, "A League of Their Own" with Geena Davis (who plays "Pepper") and Tom Hanks (who plays her coach). Lavonne died February 2, 2013.



The AAGPBL was developed by Chicago Cub owner Philip Wrigley. Manpower shortages, due to the war, threatened to shut the game and ballparks down. Tryouts were held in the Spring of 1943 and over 300 women from the US and Canada showed up. Teams were located mostly in the Midwest region. The league grew to 15 teams and they played a 108 game schedule. Former big league players coached the women. Attendance rose steadily and topped out at around a million in 1948 with 500 participating women playing. The league continued until 1954 when it dissolved.

For more insight and information on this league, go to aagpbl.org for wonderful stories and photos.

Daily Mass Readings For Your Personal Reflections

Monday	2 Kings 5:1-15a	Luke 4:24-30
Tuesday	Daniel 3:11-20	Matthew 18:21-35
Wednesday	Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9	Matthew 5:17-19
Thursday	Jeremiah 7:23-28	Luke 11:14-23
Friday	Hosea 14:1-9	Mark 12:28b-34
Saturday	Hosea 6:1-6	Luke 18:9-14

Come Prepared for Sunday Mass

Reading and praying the Sunday readings starting on Monday and reflecting on them during the week is a great way to come hear the scripture readings proclaimed at Sunday Liturgy. Here are the readings and reflections for next week

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

First Reading: Samuel is sent to anoint David as king.

Second Reading: The Ephesians are told to live as children of light.

Gospel Reading: Jesus heals the man born blind and reveals himself to him as the Son of Man.

You can pray the Daily and Sunday Readings via our website: stpatcc.org.

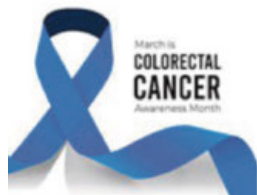
Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am

Masses for the Week

Mar. 13	8:00 am	✠ Abe Salalac
Mar. 14	8:00 am	The family of Rosemary Gustin
Mar. 15	8:00 am	✠ Donald Stremski
Mar. 16	8:00 am	Stephen Curtin
Mar. 17	8:00 am	For the people
Mar. 18	4:30 pm	✠ Donald Stremski
Mar. 19	8:30 am	✠ Joseph Guarnaccia
	10:30 am	✠ Evelyn Flahive
	5:00 pm	✠ Diane Wernecke

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- Encourage your family members and friends over age 45 to get screened.
- Quit smoking and stay away from secondhand smoke.
- Get plenty of physical activity and eat healthy.

TRUE or FALSE?

Colorectal cancer is the 2nd leading cancer killer. TRUE FALSE	Both men and women get colorectal cancer. TRUE FALSE	Colorectal cancer often starts with no symptoms. TRUE FALSE	Screening helps prevent colorectal cancer. TRUE FALSE
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CARE & SUPPORT AT ST. PATRICK

Cancer Support This support group is for those dealing with the effects of cancer in their lives and their families' lives. Group meets virtually the first Wednesday of the month, September to May, 7:00 - 7:30 pm. For more information please contact Gloria Yturralde at 602-370-7042.

Divorced/Separated The "Catholic Divorce Survival Guide" is a twelve part program of sharing, comfort, and healing for divorced or separated people. It is a journey of learning, reflection, and prayer. All are welcome. This course is offered in the spring and fall. For more information contact Benny Jetson at 602-920-1671 or Therese Mexas at 480-278-3805.

Family, Personal Support Catholic Charities Counselor available Mondays from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. For an appointment call 602-749-4405. Fees based on sliding scale.

Annulment Support—A group of annulment ministers help people navigate the system of annulments in the Phoenix Diocese. For an appointment call 480-264-4319.

Prayer Support Small Christian Communities is a support for people who have a desire to pray with others in a supportive community. For prayer requests email to weprayforyou@stpatcc.org.

Grief Support Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one. GriefShare is a special weekly Monday seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life. We know it hurts, and we want to help. Sessions started in September. Please contact Sandy Meyers at griefsupport@stpatcc.org.

Benefits Assistance Program Assistance with Medicare and other health insurance benefits available for seniors, the disabled and caregivers. For information, please call Megan Pops at 480-998-3843 ext. 138.

The Next Chapter A group for men and women further along on their grief journey to address the ongoing needs after the loss of a loved one through spiritual, educational and social activities. Meeting start date was Tuesday, September 13. Please contact Peg Bohnert at thenextchapter@stpatcc.org.

NAMI Family Support Group - This group is a free, confidential and safe place, open to family members, partners and friends of individuals living with a mental illness in order to support each other. Group meets the first and third Tuesdays of the month, 6:00-7:30 pm in the House of Mercy/Pope Francis Room. Questions: namimaricopa@gmail.com.

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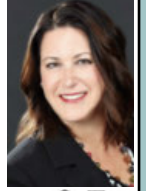
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