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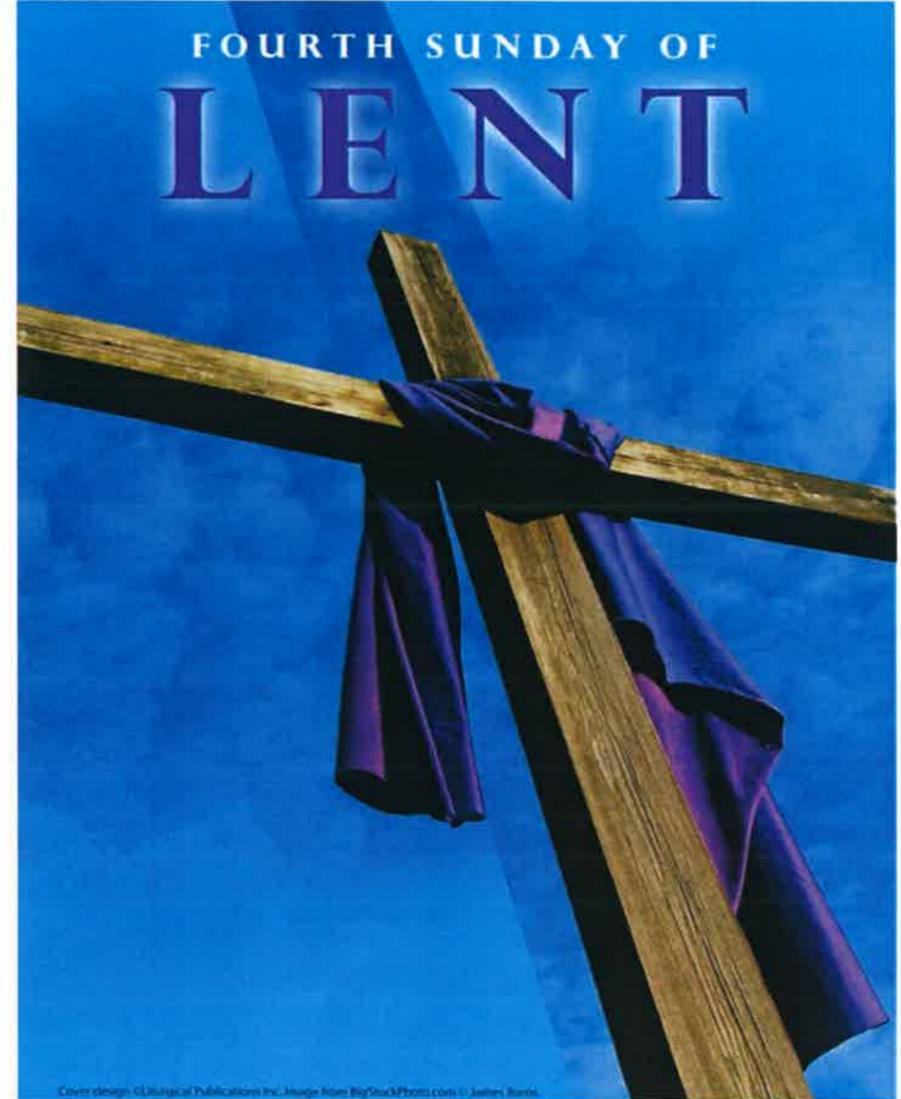
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Today's Readings begin on pg. 892 Year A

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

David is anointed as king of Israel.

Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5,6

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

Ephesians 5:8-14

Arise from the dead and Christ will give you light.

9:1-41

The man who was blind went off and washed himself and came back able to see.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 14th
8:30AM— (St. J)

-For World Wide Protection of Human Life.

4:00 PM— (St. J)

-For George & Elizabeth Clifford by Cris & Dave Adsit.

Sunday, March 15th
8:00AM—(St. P)

-For Chad Burdick by Rosemary Fitts.

9:30AM—(St. J)

-For Living and Deceased Members of the Malara and Lyon Families.

Monday, March 16th
8:30AM — (St. J)

-For Jason & Cynthia (Living Intention) by Sara Speno.

Tuesday, March 17th
8:30AM—(St. J)

-For Our Parishioners & Their Intentions.

Wednesday, March 18th
7:30AM— (St. J) Holy Hour

8:30AM—(St. P)

-For Joan Barry by the Catholic Women's Club.

4:30PM-6:30PM— (St. J)
Oasis Wednesday

Thursday, March 19th
8:30AM—(St. J)

-For Nick Amiccuci (Living Intention) by Pat and Patty Costello.

Friday, March 20th
8:30AM—(St. J)

-For James & Mary Collins Family by MaryLou & John Serth.

5:30 PM—(St. J) Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 21st
8:30AM— (St. J)

-For Our Parishioners & Their Intentions.

4:00 PM— (St. J)

-For John Sugar by Jane & Family.

Sunday, March 22nd
8:00AM—(St. P)

-For Cathy Gates by Her Family

Rebecca Ritter (B-day) by Her Family

9:30AM—(St. J)

-For Tom Crowley by the Podkowka Family.

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MASS TIMES

Daily Mass

Monday through Friday
8:30AM (SJ) Boonville; Saturday 8:30AM (SJ)
Wednesday 8:30AM (SP) Forestport

Holy Hours

Monday—Friday 7:15AM-8:15AM (SJ)
Exposition and praying of the Rosary
during the Holy Hour.

Sunday Mass

Vigil Saturday 4:00PM (SJ) Boonville
Sunday 8AM (SP) Forestport
(confessions from 7:15AM-7:45AM (SP))
9:30AM (SJ) Boonville

Baptism

Please call the office to make arrangements.

Marriage

Please make an appointment with the priest at least 6 Months
prior to wedding date.

Reconciliation

Sacrament of Reconciliation Monday-Friday 6PM-6:30PM (SJ)
3:00-3:45PM Saturdays at St Joseph's, Boonville
and 7:15-7:45AM Sunday at St Patrick's, Forestport

† To request either the Anointing of the Sick or
Communion to the Sick please call the Parish Office. †

**2025 ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION
STATEMENTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE
AT THE CHURCH OFFICE. PLEASE
CALL OR STOP BY.**

"SEARCHING FOR AND MAINTAINING PEACE" BY FR. JACQUES PHILIPPE

Please join us at Gill Hall on Tuesday evenings from
6:30PM-8:00PM for a light meal and
discussion with Fr. Ward on the above book.
Please check Parish Facebook page for cancellations.

Fr. Ward will also be holding weekly meetings in Gill Hall on
Thursdays from 6:30PM-7:30PM on the subject of OCIA
(Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)
for interested individuals. The initial sessions
will focus on inquiry.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Catechism of the Catholic
Church explains the relationship
between Faith and Understanding:

"Faith seeks understanding": it is
intrinsic to faith that a believer desires
to know better the One in whom he has put his faith, and to
understand better what He has revealed: a more penetrating
knowledge will in turn call forth a greater faith, increasingly set
afire by love. The grace of faith opens "the eyes of your hearts"
to a lively understanding of the contents of Revelation: that is, of
the totality of God's plan and the mysteries of faith, of their con-
nection with each other and with Christ, the center of the revealed
mystery. "The same Holy Spirit constantly perfects faith by his
gifts, so that Revelation may be more and more profoundly
understood." In the words of St. Augustine, "I believe, in order to
understand; and I understand, the better to believe." (CCC, #158)

We get a sense of this when we reflect on The Gospel this
weekend and contemplate the encounter with the man born blind.
We can be tempted to think that illness is the result of personal
sin. The disciples of the Lord held this opinion when they asked
Jesus "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was
born blind?" Our Lord's answer to this query is very enlighten-
ing: "Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of
God might be made visible through him. ... Night is coming
when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of
the world."

After saying this, Jesus makes clay with the saliva, and smeared
the clay on his eyes, and said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of
Siloam" —which means Sent—. So he went and washed, and
came back able to see. It is important to note that the man does
not immediately return to Jesus. Rather, he was brought to the
Pharisees who interrogated him and his parents about whether he
had in fact been born blind and how it came about that he could
now see. The Pharisees maintain their unbelief and question the
man further to which he finally exclaims: "I told you already and
you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you
want to become his disciples, too?" In asking this question, the
man is making it clear that, even though he had never seen Jesus,
he believes in Him and regards himself a disciple of the Lord.

After being thrown out by the Pharisees, he encounters Jesus a
second time. However, now he is able to look upon Him and
Jesus proclaims: "I came into this world for judgment, so that
those who do not see might see, and those who do see might
become blind." The paradox is stunning. The man was not born
blind because of sin, but the Pharisees remain blinded by their sin
of pride and unbelief. Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you
would have no sin; but now you are saying, 'We see,' so your sin
remains." As mentioned above, faith gives us more understand-
ing of what has been revealed to us in Christ.
This understanding, in turn, helps us to increase our faith and our
love for the Lord. Our vision grows ever more clear the more we
seek to understand the truths of our faith.

Grace be with you all,
Rev. Thomas I. Ward



PRAYER REQUESTS

We remember in our prayers

Charles Mooney, Frances Miller,
Jamie Uhl-Goosman, Jeffrey Batt, Lorraine King,
Walt Belewich, Sr., Jim White,
John Bailey, Cretia Carpenter, Candace Schaffer,
David Hoffman, Michael Stinebrickner,
Ron Cuccaro, Michelle Durney Croniser,
Alan Ripp, Wayne Millnitz, Rick Dano,
Matthew King, Tim Thayer, Eric Wayne Brown,
Everett Otto Stoots, and Jeremy VanValkenburg

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

Looking forward to Spring, our next CWC meeting
will be on Wednesday, April 1. It will be a dish to
pass luncheon at 12Noon, followed by a business
meeting at 1PM. Please save the date.

OASIS WEDNESDAYS

REFRESH YOUR SOUL



**HOLY HOUR AND THE SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION**
4:30PM- 6:30PM AT ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

Lent is here! This is a perfect time to make a commitment
to join the **Decade A Day Ministry**. All you need is 5
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Brochures are available at church entrance.

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March 2026 Second Collections
March 15- Catholic Relief Services
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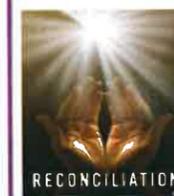
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The food pantry has distributed 1239 meals to a total
of 19 families for the month of February.
If you know anyone in need of assistance please
contact the pantry at 315-507-0547.

**THE THRIFT SHOP WILL REOPEN ON
APRIL 11TH**

FAITH FORMATION

APPROXIMATELY 40-45 FAITH FORMATION
STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES HAD AN
AWESOME TIME AT THE BOWLING PARTY
LAST SUNDAY! THANK YOU FATHER WARD,
AND TO ALL WHO DONATED TOWARD THE
EVENT!



**THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU
CONFESSIONS AT
ST. JOSEPH'S
MONDAY, MARCH 30TH
4-7PM**

HOPE APPEAL 2025

**As of February 15th, Christ Our Hope Parish
has reached 113% of our goal.**

KIDS CORNER



Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.

