COMMUNITY COMING EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

03/30 (IV Sunday in Lent) Holy Mass at 10 am. Catechism class for children.

Coffee hour (fellowship hour) follows the Mass.

04/06 (V Sunday in Lent) Holy Mass at 10 am. Catechism class for children.

Coffee hour (fellowship hour) follows the Mass. No Mass Intention so

<u>far!</u>

- A big thank you to Jonathan, Anthony, Jeffrey, Mike, and Fr. Adam for their hard work repainting the hall this past Monday! The space looks so much brighter and refreshed thanks to your efforts. <u>This is just the beginning</u>—next up are bathroom renovations and window replacements as part of our ongoing hall improvement project.
- FREE FOOD PANTRY in the Church Hall.

ST. JOHN'S COMMUNITY NEWS

 Recent project: renovation of the choir space (catechism classroom): additional heating and security camera, windows' sealing and painting, wall painting, monitor for catechism classes...

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Recent project: bathroom renovation (right side).

Upcoming birthdays & anniversaries: N/A.

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IV SUNDAY IN LENT

MASS INTENTION - 10am

For + EUGENIA PALUSZYNSKA (requested by Maria, Joe and Robert)

INTROIT

C: The Lord commanded the skies above; the doors of heaven He opened;

R: God rained manna upon them for food; bread from heaven He gave them.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.



HOLY MASS

. 10.00 am



MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass said for a particular intention, you must stop by the Parish Office or the sacristy in the Church before/after Sunday mass. Masses can be said for a deceased person or as a special intention for the living. You may reserve a Sunday of your choice, and your intention will be published in the parish bulletin.

We encourage you to offer a Mass on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or special personal (family) need.

READING 1

A reading from the Book of Joshua.

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have removed the reproach of Egypt from you."

While the Israelites were encamped at Gilgal on the plains of Jericho, they celebrated the Passover on the evening of the fourteenth of the month.

On the day after the Passover, they ate of the produce of the land in the form of unleavened cakes and parched grain. JOS 5:9A, 10-12

On that same day after the Passover, on which they ate of the produce of the land, the manna ceased.

No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

"Taste and see the goodness of the Lord."

PS 34

READING 2

A reading from the Second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

Brothers and sisters:

Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away;

behold, new things have come.

And all this is from God,

who has reconciled us to himself through Christ

and given us the ministry of reconciliation, namely, God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ,

not counting their trespasses against them

2 COR 5:17-21

and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. So we are ambassadors for Christ,

as if God were appealing through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL

LK 15:1-3, 11-32

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory be to You, Lord.

Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." So to them Jesus addressed this parable: "A man had two sons, and the younger son said to his father, 'Father give me the share of your estate that should come to me.' So the father divided the property between them. After a few days, the younger son collected all his belongings and set off to a distant country where he squandered his inheritance on a life of dissipation. When he had freely spent everything, a severe famine struck that country, and he found himself in dire need. So he hired himself out to one of the local citizens who sent him to his farm to tend the swine. And he longed to eat his fill of the pods on which the swine fed, but nobody gave him any. Coming to his senses he thought, 'How many of my father's hired workers have more than enough food to eat, but here am I, dying from hunger. I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers." So he got up and went back to his father. While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion. He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him. His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found.' Then the celebration began. Now the older son had been out in the field and, on his way back, as he neared the house, he heard the sound of music and dancing. He called one of the servants and asked what this might mean. The servant said to him, 'Your brother has returned and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' He became angry, and when he refused to enter the house, his father came out and pleaded with him. He said to his father in reply, 'Look, all these years I served you and not once did I disobey your orders; yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends. But when your son returns who swallowed up your property with prostitutes, for him you slaughter the fattened calf.' He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.""

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.