

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 25 4:00 PM OPENING**

**SUNDAY FEBRUARY 26 8:30 AM OPENING**

**11:00 AM OPENING**

**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 28 8:00 AM + JEAN O'NEIL**

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 1 8:00 AM MARY ANN BRIERLY HEALTH & THE BENDING MARCH 2 8:00 AM OPENING**

**FRIDAY MARCH 3 8:00 AM OPENING**

**SATURDAY MARCH 4 4:00 PM OPENING**

**SUNDAY MARCH 5 8:30 AM + GEORGE MOORE 11:00 AM OPENING**

Eastern Shore Medical Weight Loss

251-625-4030

Physician Supervised FDA Approved Prescription Weight Loss

**Collection details:**

**2/19/2023 Sunday collection — \$ 3209**  
**Special collections— Today Black Indian mission**  
**March 19 Catholic Relief Service**



KNIGHTS OF COLUBUS AND- LADIES AUXILIARY #8740



In the beginning was the word...

Our Lady of Lourdes Liturgy



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall Tuesday at 6PM

Bulkheads • Boathouses • Dredging • Boatlifts



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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

During the Lent, Stations of the Cross on Fridays @ 5:00pm & Lenten fish fries on Fridays @ 5:30pm . Adult Plate \$ 10 & Children Plate \$ 5. Thanks to Knights and Ladies auxiliaries for doing this fund raiser for the Parish.

Lenten rice bowls are at the entrance of the Church for pick up. Please bring it back on Palm Sunday or on *Maundy* Thursday ( Holy Thursday)

**Annual Lawn Party on 23 April 2023 after 11:00am Mass**  
 Your Church tithing envelopes are in the Cry room; please take.

We need water and soft drinks for Lawn Party so please help us with your helping hands

**WEEKLY READINGS**

Sunday 26 Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7 Rom 5:12-19 Mt 4:1-11 First Sunday of Lent

Monday 27 Lv 19:1-2, 11-18 Mt 25:31-46 Monday of the First Week of Lent

Tuesday 28 Is 55:10-11 Mt 6:7-15 Tuesday of the First Week of Lent

Wednesday 1 Jon 3:1-10 Lk 11:29-32 Wednesday of the First Week in Lent

Thursday 2 Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25 Mt 7:7-12 Thursday of the First Week in Lent

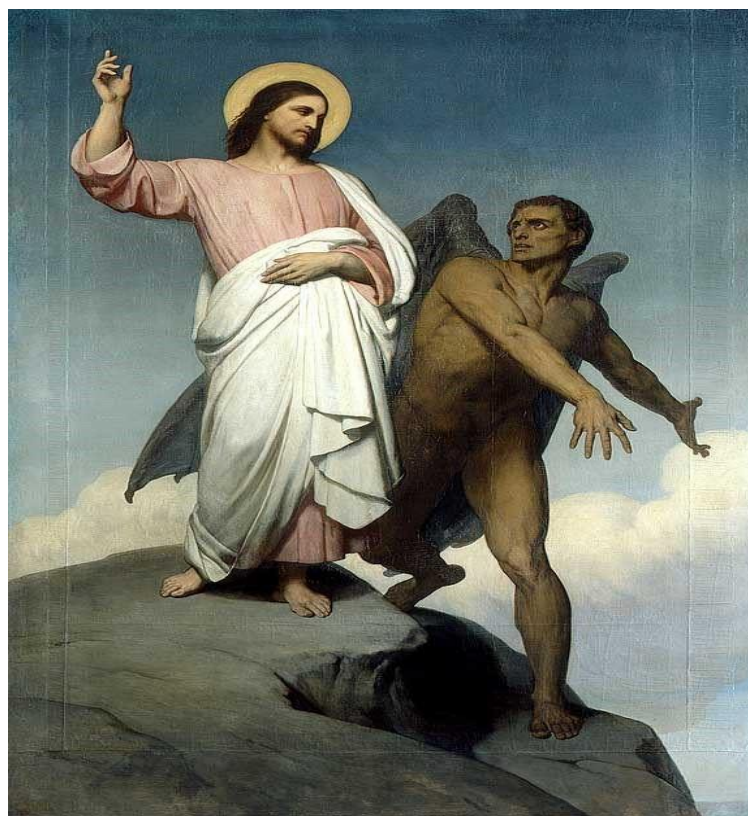
Friday 3 Ez 18:21-28 Mt 5:20-26 Friday of the First Week of Lent

Saturday 4 Dt 26:16-19 Mt 5:43-48 Saturday of the First Week of Lent



**OUR LADY OF LOURDES**  
 Catholic Parish

**REV. PRABHU AROCKIASAMY, PASTOR**  
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**Tuesday—Friday : 9AM to 1PM**  
**SATURDAY & SUNDAY : OFFICE CLOSED**

February 26 2023  
 First Sunday of Lent

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION, SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AND MASS SCHEDULES**

**SATURDAY 3:15PM EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & CONFESSION**  
**3:30 PM – HOLY ROSARY**  
**4:00 PM – HOLY MASS**

**SUNDAY**  
**8:00 AM – EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
**8:30AM- HOLY MASS**  
**10:30 AM – EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
**11:00AM- HOLY MASS**

**REGULAR WEEKDAYS**  
**MONDAY- COMMUNION**  
**SERVICE TUESDAY– FRIDAY**  
**8:00 AM – HOLY MASS**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Thanks to all who contributed for Ac Unit. Without you, this could have not been possible. You Did it and as the pastor of the Parish, I Thank God and Blessed Mama Mary for her intercession to make her children to contribute to the Parish with their generosity and support. your contributions to Ac unit on Ash Wednesday was \$ 9,491 & 2/19/23 Sunday contribution for Ac unit was \$ 870. **The Total amount for Ac received so far is \$ 10,361 and the total cost is \$ 13,500.**

Next Friday, people of the parish will do the stations of the Cross. (If anyone likes to read the stations, please contact Mrs. Sallie Washington)

Continued thanks to those who contribute for the food box in the cry room. There are a lot of local people from the communi- ty enjoy your food.

**ENCYCICAL LETTER FRATELLI  
FRATELLI TUTTI  
OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS  
ON FRATERNITY AND SOCIAL  
FRIENDSHIP  
AN ABSENCE OF HUMAN DIGNITY ON THE  
BORDERS**

37. Certain populist political regimes, as well as certain liberal economic approaches, maintain that an influx of migrants is to be prevented at all costs. Arguments are also made for the propriety of limiting aid to poor countries, so that they can hit rock bottom and find themselves forced to take austerity measures. One fails to realize that behind such statements, abstract and hard to support, behind such statements, abstract and hard to support, great numbers of lives are at stake. Many migrants have fled from war, persecution and natural catastrophes. Others, rightly, are seeking opportunities for themselves and their families. They dream of a better future and they want to create the conditions for achieving it". [36]

**Foot Note : [37] Ibid., 92.**

38. Sadly, some "are attracted by Western culture, sometimes with unrealistic expectations that expose them to grave disappointments. Unscrupulous traffickers, frequently linked to drug cartels or arms cartels, exploit the weakness of migrants, who too often experience violence, sufferings on their journey". [37] Those who emigrate, experience separation from their place of origin, and often a cultural and religious uprooting as well. Fragmentation is also felt by the communities they leave behind, and by families, especially when one or both of the par- which lose their most vigorous and enterprising elements, and by [38] For the reason, there is also of both of the pre- ficient might, endeavoring that, in the country of's origin". [38] For this reason, [39] also a need to reaf- firm the right not to emigrate, that is, to remain in one's

**Foot Note : [38] Ibid., 93.**

39. Then too, in some host countries, migration causes fear and alarm, often fomented and exploited for political purposes. This can lead to a xenophobic mentality, as peo- ple close in on themselves, and it needs to be addressed decisively. [40] Migrants are not seen as entitled like oth- er purposes. This can lead to a xenophobic mentality, as peo- ple close in on themselves, and it needs to be addressed decisively. [40] Migrants are not seen as entitled like oth- Hence they ought to be "agents in their own redemption". [41] No one will ever openly deny that they are human beings, yet in practice, by our decisions and the way we treat them, we can show that we consider them less wor- [41] No one will ever openly deny that they are human thy, less important, less human. For Christians, this way of thinking and acting is deep convictions of our faith: of thinking and acting is deep convictions of our faith:

the inalienable dignity of each human person regardless of origin, race or religion, and the supreme law of fraternal love. love. **Foot Note : [39] BENEDICT XVI, Message for the 2013 World Day of Migrants and Refugees (12 October 2012): AAS 104 (2012), 908.**

40. "Migrations, more than ever before, will play a pivotal role in the future of our world". [42] At present, however, migration is affected by the "loss of that sense of responsibility for our brothers and sisters on which every civil society is based". [43] Europe, for example, seriously risks taking this path. Nonethe- less, aided by its great cultural and religious heritage, it has the means to defend the centrality of the human person and to find the right balance between its twofold moral responsibility to protect the rights of its citizens and to assure assistance and acceptance to migrants". [44]

**Foot Note : [40] Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation Christus Vivit (25 March 2019), 92.**

41. I realize that some people are hesitant and fearful with regard to migrants. I consider this part of our natural instinct of self-defense. Yet it is also true that an individual and a people are only fruitful and productive if they are able to develop creatively together and productive if they are able to move beyond those primal reactions because "there is a problem when doubts and fears condition our way of thinking and acting to the point of making us intolerant, closed and perhaps even - without realizing it - racist. In this way, fear deprives us of the desire and the ability to encounter the other". [45]

**Foot Note : [41] Message for the 2020 World Day of Migrants and Refugees (13 May 2020): AAS 104 (2020), 141.**

42. **THE ILLUSION OF COMMUNICATION**ides towards others are on the rise, distances are otherwise shrinking and disappearing to the point that the right to privacy scarcely exists. Everything has become a kind of spectacle to be exam- ined and inspected, and people's lives are now under constant surveillance. Digital communication wants to bring everything out into the open; people's lives are combed over, laid bare and banded about, often anonymously. Respect for others dis- integrates, and even as we dismiss, ignore or keep others dis- tant, we can shamelessly peer into every detail of their lives. **Foot Note : [42] Address to the Diplomatic Corps accredi- ted to the Holy See (11 January 2016): AAS 108 (2016), 124.**

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**TO BE CONTINUED NEXT WEEK**

**GOSPEL RELECTION**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus, In each of the three Syn- optic Gospels (Mark, Matthew, and Luke), after Jesus' baptism by John, Jesus is reported to have gone to the desert to fast and pray for 40 days. In each case, while in the desert, Jesus is tempted by the devil.

Matthew and Luke give more detail than Mark does, but each one tells how the devil tempts Jesus in the desert. In Matthew, as in Luke, the devil presents three temptations to Jesus. The devil tempts Jesus to use his power to appease his hunger; he tempts Je- sus to put God's promise of protection to the test; and he offers Je- sus all of the kingdoms of the world if Jesus will worship the devil. In each case, Jesus resists the temptation, rebuking the devil with words from Scripture.

The account of Jesus' temptation in the desert is filled with allu- sions and parallels to the Old Testament, including the story of the people of Israel. The Israelites spent 40 years wandering in the de- sert in Exodus, for example, and Jesus spends 40 days in the desert. As the Israelites were tempted during the Exodus, so too is

Each temptation offers insight into both God and the human condi- tion. Jesus' rejection of the temptations shows that he will not put God to the test. Grounding himself on the word and authority of Scripture, Jesus rebukes the devil, confident in God's protection and faithfulness.

As we start our journey through Lent, our Sunday readings call us to adopt the same confidence that Jesus had in the face of tempta- tion: God's word alone will suffice; God's promise of protection can be trusted; God alone is God.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit -  
Amen

Rev. Prabhu Arockiasamy

**Catholic Charities for 2023**  
**Number of Pledges—63**  
**Total Amount Pledged \$ 22,618.60**  
**Our parish has achieved 83% of overall goal**  
**of \$ 27,300.00**

**2022 BENEFIT NIGHT - SPONSORS**





*Mr. Matt O'Rourke*  
*Greg and Cindy Hall*

**PRAYER LIST**

Anita Barclay, Campbell Berger, Katherine Ber- ger, Bethany Ann Boltz, Roy Williams, ..Logan Bowers, Jerry Boyes, Patrick Webb Brownlie- Carey, Noli Causay, Teresa Coleman, Lee Cooley, Peter Cooley, Anita Cowart, Anne Davidson, Daniel Dorriety, Marquitta Dukes, Dodie Dumas, Louise Frontz, Janet Gafford, Tony Golemon, Mary Ann Keith, Dennis Keith, Liz Kilborn, Ed-

ski, Shirley Lacy, Michael Langan, Alfred Leon- ard, Margie Lord, Rodney Lundy, Mary McKeough, Patricia McRoy, Craig Miley, Archie Moore, Elaine Moore, Wally Neese, Kenny Nix- on, Tiffany Neese, Darlene O'Rourke, James M. O'Rourke, Alex Paneda, Lita Paneda, Scott Peck, Ursula Quintana, Kaitlyn Reynolds, Simon Schum, Cindy Snow, Mandy Spotswood, Curtis Steiner, Rita Steiner, Todd Stringfellow, Barbara Thomas, Katelyn Tillman, Tyler Upton, Norma Villanueva, Anna Visperas, Rudy Visperas,

Washington, Darlene Watson, Lou Watt, Brad Wells, Bubba Williams, Bobby Zarate, Diane Lit- tle , Joyce Ladnier, Roy Still, William Patrick A,

Frank Seltzer, Dennis Cottrell , Pete, Sam Barks- dale, Joey Murphy, Chuck Simmons , Damian Turk, John O'Conner, Fr. Francis J. Sofie Jr , Me- gan , Stephen Wiese, Matthew wiese, Raymond Floyes, Kay K Shaw, Lloyd J. Thompson , Ruby P Thompson, George E. Merren, Jr, Flora Decker, Mary Ann Fletchery, Pat McKeough , Mathew Wilson , Eddie Booth Jr, Helen Bender, Paige El- lis, Eunice Miles, Gloria Leslie, Diana Holifield, Bea Burton , Janet & John Frazier, Henry Hoven, Mark Westbrook, Ronnie Hudson, Jewanda Tay- lor Jowe , Nicholas Balch ,Jean Stanley , Colleen O'Rourke, Perry Hockaday, David Curtis, Kristi D Young.

**MASS OPENINGS**

7 March 2022—Opening  
8 March 2022—Opening  
9 March 2022—Opening  
10 March 2022—Opening  
11 March 2022—Opening  
12 March 2022—Opening  
14 March 2022—Opening  
15 March 2022—Opening  
16 March 2022—Opening  
17 March 2022—Opening  
18 March 2022—Opening