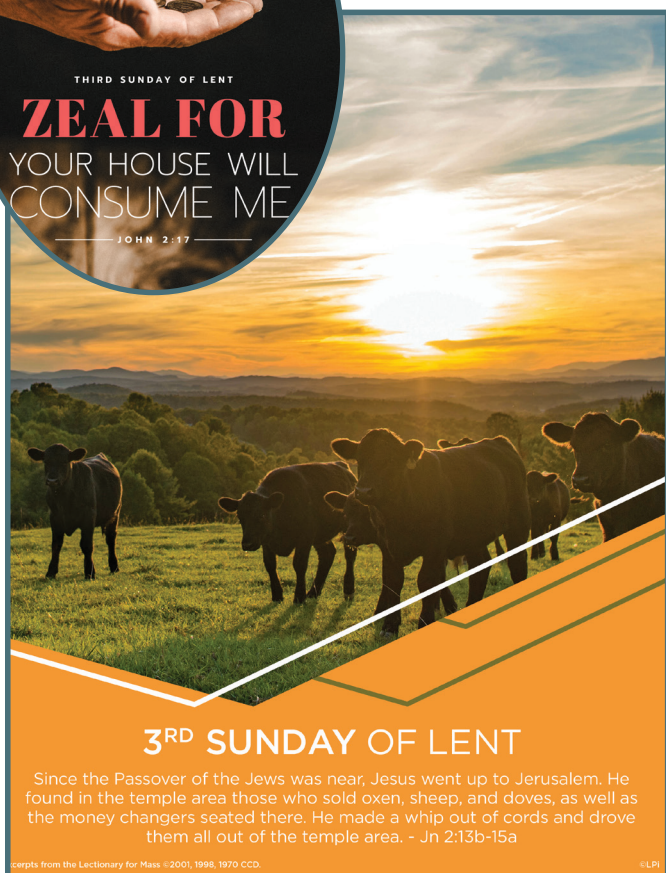




Third Sunday of Lent March 3, 2024



Live the Liturgy - Inspiration for the Week
Jesus was not afraid to confront iniquity wherever he encountered it, and his zeal for righteousness was so strong it looked like anger as he drove the moneychangers from the temple. Pray that, with that same devotion and care, he will cleanse our hearts from sin. ©LPi



Liturgy Schedule

Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	8:30 & 11:00 am, 5:00 pm
Monday-Thursday	5:00 pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Wed & Sat	4:00 pm

March 2 - March 10

Third Sunday of Lent

Sat	5:00 pm	Kay Harris
Sun	8:30 am	Fr. Tom Ogg
	11:00 am	Catherine Bridgmon
	5:00 pm	Parishioners of St. Paul's
Mon	5:00 pm	no intention
Tues	5:00 pm	no intention
Wed	5:00 pm	Roy Johnson
Thurs	5:00 pm	no intention

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Sat	5:00 pm	Parishioners of St. Paul's
Sun	8:30 am	Nathan Pieper
	11:00 am	Marian Gruenfelder

No 5:00 pm Sunday Liturgy due to Spring Break



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The Staff is unavailable during weekly meetings at 10:30 a.m. on Mondays and 11:00 a.m. on Thursdays.

Pray for Elect and Candidates as they prepare to receive the sacraments of initiation.

The Elect:

Eric Butler	Cadence Girus
Erick Graham	Janelle Pieper

Candidates for reception and full communion:

Ron Brian	Auna Butler
Rusty Case	Glenny Croft
Brock Peterson	Haylee Greenawalt
Luke Wilson	



Soon and Very Soon
Daylight Saving Time begins
Sunday, March 10, 2024. Time to Spring Forward.

Upcoming Events

Stations of the Cross and Simple Meal
Continuing Fridays during Lent at 5:30 pm
March 8, 15 & 22 at St. Laurence

CompassionateUSA

Wednesdays at 5:30 pm
Fireplace Room

First Communion Preparation

Tuesdays at 5:30 pm
Continuing March 5 & 19

Adoration & Praise

Wednesday, March 6 at 8:00 pm

Sacrament of Anointing

Saturday, March 9 at 6:00 pm

UW Spring Break March 11 - 15
no 5:00 pm Sunday Liturgy on March 10

Taizé Prayer

Monday, March 18 at 6:30 pm

Communal Reconciliation

Sunday, March 24 at 7:00 pm
Worship Space



Andre House
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MAKING GOD KNOWN, LOVED AND SERVED

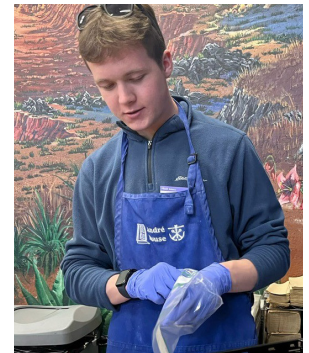
2024 Lenten Project

Andre House is a low barrier agency meaning that there are little to no requirements for guests to access services from us. This opens the doors to people who may not be able to get services elsewhere. What distinguishes us from other service agencies is our focus on hospitality, kindness and meeting our guests where they are at when they are sometimes at their worst, which is often when they need the most help.

Student Comment:

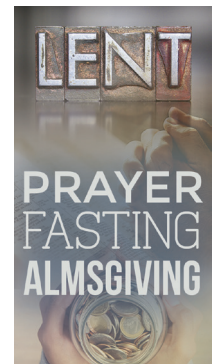
"The past few days have been truly transformative for me. It was a pleasure to get to work with the homeless in such a caring community and I'm grateful for this opportunity."

--Max Seibold



Adoration & Praise

Consider adding this as a Lenten devotion. Join our students on Wednesday, March 6 at 8:00 pm for an hour of prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. The time will include reflection, praise music, and prayerful silence.



Stations of the Cross & Simple Meal Continues

Stations of the Cross continue on Fridays beginning at 5:30 pm following by a simple meal. We move to St. Laurence for this devotion and meal on March 8, 15, & 22.

Communal Reconciliation

Our community celebration of reconciliation is scheduled for this Sunday, March 24 at 7:00 pm in our worship space. Communally, we pray and support each other as we recognize our weaknesses and our need for God's love. Join us for this time as we celebrate God's forgiveness and compassion in preparation for Easter.

Activity bags for children These are available help keep your children occupied during Liturgy. The bags will include books, puzzles and other toys that have a faith connection. Bags will be in the northeast corner of the entryway and you are asked to return them to the same place after liturgies.



An Evening of Taizé Prayer

Taizé is a type of meditative prayer experienced through singing simple chants alternated with silent reflection. Come take time to rest in the peace of Christ as you experience Taizé Prayer, Monday, March 18 at 6:30 pm in the Worship Space.



Holy Week
March 24 - March 31



Bringing Home the Word



Third Sunday of Lent (B)

March 3, 2024

The Long Arm of the Law

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Eventually, you're going to get caught. That is how most people understand law—as something that hems them in and, if disregarded, will catch them in the end. But that is not how Israel understood its law. Today's verses from Psalm 19 insist that the law refreshes the soul, rejoices the heart, enlightens the eye, is more precious than gold, and is sweeter than honey. The people cherished the law because it outlined for them how they were to live as God's Chosen People. Those who want to run a marathon, learn to fly a plane, or join a club, are eager to take on the directives that will enable them to accomplish their

goal. That is how Israel viewed the law outlined in today's first reading. It's as if God said, "If you want to be my people, this is the way you should live."

Whenever the law of Israel seems to be criticized (as is often the case in St. Paul's writings), it is not really the law itself but the inappropriate attitude toward it that is censured. As important and precious as the law might be, it is only a means to an end. It is not the end itself, any more than the instructions for flying a plane are. From the Bible's point of view, the long arm of the law is meant to direct and support us, not intimidate us. †

A Word from Pope Francis

Does the Lord feel at home in my life? Do we allow Him to "cleanse" our hearts and to drive out the idols, those attitudes of cupidity, jealousy, worldliness, envy, hatred, those habits of gossiping and tearing down others? Do I allow Him to cleanse all the behaviors that are against God, against our neighbor, and against ourselves...?

ANGELUS, ROME, MARCH 8, 2015



Sunday Readings

**Exodus 20:1–17 or
Exodus 20:1-3, 7–8, 12–17**

You shall not have other gods besides me.

1 Corinthians 1:22–25

Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified.

John 2:13–25

[Jesus said,] "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace."

*The people cherished
the law because
it outlined for them
how they were to live
as God's Chosen People.*



REFLECTION QUESTIONS

ONE QUESTION REFLECTION

- Of the Ten Commandments, which are the most difficult for you?
- Which Commandments help you live with integrity?

Our Balancing Act Needs God in the Mix

Kay Murdy

In the 1950s, the *Ed Sullivan Show* was a Sunday-night institution in our family. Although he had no performing ability himself, Sullivan understood showmanship and had a keen eye for talent for his “really big shew.” Using the principles of the vaudeville stage for the new medium of television, Sullivan would juxtapose the extreme ends of the entertainment spectrum: the classical pianist or ballerina alongside novelty acts, such as the guy who kept plates spinning on long poles without them falling off.

In our complex life today, each of us has many plates to keep in the air all at once. We have one for our family and another for our job, sports, and recreation. We have our church responsibilities amid a myriad of others that keep us in a dizzy spin. In addition,



we try to keep God somewhere in the mix. Unfortunately, that's not a life in balance.

The way to keep our equilibrium is to balance God's purposes, which Jesus summarized in the two greatest commandments—love of God and love

of neighbor as ourselves. *The Baltimore Catechism* asks how we can accomplish this: “What must we do to love God, our neighbor, and ourselves?” The answer: “To love God, our neighbor, and ourselves we must keep the commandments of God and of the Church, and perform the spiritual and corporal works of mercy” (190). It goes on to define what these seven “bodily” works are: to feed the hungry, to give drink to the thirsty, to clothe the naked, to visit the imprisoned, to shelter the homeless, to visit the sick, and to bury the dead (191).

Lent is a time to seek balance in our spiritual lives through the love of God, by prayer and worship and by reaching out to our neighbors in need. The trick is to keep the two in balance. †

Source: *Daybreaks: Daily Reflections for Lent and Easter*, 2013

Wisdom from Catholic UPDATE

From “The Ten Commandments: Sounds of Love from Sinai”

By Alfred McBride, OPræm

Moses heard the sounds of love as well as the cadences of the law when he went to Sinai. Divine love created us as a people of faith and provided us with ten core values that show us how to love. Covenant is the key to the richest understanding of the Commandments. Covenant is a love bond between God and us. Love liberates the human person. The Ten Commandments propose ten statements of liberty from attitudes and behaviors that undermine love. Far more than being restrictive laws, the Ten Commandments are liberating values and loving directives for our moral lives. †

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*So that we may live lives
of integrity, free to be
generous, compassionate,
and loving, we pray—
Lord, let us be like you.*

The Redemptorists

WEEKDAY READINGS

March 4–9

Monday, Lenten Weekday:

2 Kgs 5:1–15ab / Lk 4:24–30

Tuesday, Lenten Weekday:

Dn 3:25, 34–43 / Mt 18:21–35

Wednesday, Lenten Weekday:

Dt 4:1, 5–9 / Mt 5:17–19

Thursday, Lenten Weekday:

Jer 7:23–28 / Lk 11:14–23

Friday, Lenten Weekday:

Hos 14:2–10 / Mk 12:28–34

Saturday, Lenten Weekday:

Hos 6:1–6 / Lk 18:9–14

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