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MASS INTENTIONS: 7TH MAR.—15TH MAR.

7 th Mar	5pm	Edna DeMary †
	7pm	BT Intention
8 th Mar	9am	Lucía Kate Prestifilippo
	12pm	Pro Populo
9 th Mar	—	* No Mass *
10 th Mar	9am	Emily Boisvert
11 th Mar	9am	BT Intention
12 th Mar	11:30am	BT Intention
13 th Mar	9am	BT Intention
14 th Mar	5pm	James Slicker †
	7pm	BT Intention
15 th Mar	9am	Alex Wunder
	11am	Pro Populo
	1pm	BT Intention

WEEKLY OFFERTORY

29th Feb.—1st March: \$6,222.75

Church in Central & Eastern Europe: \$1818.59

Black & Indian Missions: \$1510

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:

March 22nd: Catholic Relief Services

KNIGHTS CORNER

<http://koc12274.com/> www.kofc.org

Meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

in helping those in need, serving our parish, growing in faith or obtaining exclusive access to top rated insurance protection for your family? Knights of Columbus is the for you. **BT Council 12274 is looking for new members.** Please consider joining our Council. Please contact Grand Knight Chris Firth or any knight wearing a name tag.



Stations of the Cross:

Fridays of Lent:

English: 6pm

Spanish: 7pm

At 5pm there will be:

March 13 / 20 / 27 Soup and Bread

April 3 Fish Fry

SIGN OF PEACE & CHALICE

Due to global concern about the rapid spread of COVID-19 (coronavirus) & influenza remaining a worry in many states, the Diocese of Charleston has encouraged the suspension of the "handshake/kiss of peace" during Masses. Parishes may offer to alter the exchange of peace to another gesture or acknowledgement of the Peace of Christ that still "expresses peace, communion & charity."

In addition, the distribution of the chalice to the faithful will be suspended until the spread of the diseases has safely subsided. Pastors may choose to lift that suspension on Holy Thursday & at the Easter Vigil.

Remember that receiving the Precious Body is to receive the *fullness of the Lord - Body, Blood, Soul & Divinity*. Refraining from receiving the chalice, or extending a handshake, anytime during the year when one is experiencing the symptoms of an illness should not be seen as disrespecting others in any way. It may be that a person wishes not to transfer his or her germs to others.

REMINDER AND INVITATION . ~

The Eucharist is the center of our Catholic faith : the Church makes the Eucharist and the Eucharist makes the Church ; appealing to that immense truth we remind and invite YOU all Catholics to attend on Thursdays to the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at any time between 12 and 7pm ; this invitation is specially to those who happily have been called by the good Lord to serve in a ministry at our dear Blessed Trinity or those who happily belong to the Knights of Columbus and the Ladies Auxiliary who as Catholics must show their love and devotion to God the Almighty and specially on that occasion when the Divine Love is awaiting for you . Give some thoughts about this loving invitation , awake from the slumber , spread your wings and fly to Jesus exposed there in the monstrance.

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

EX 17:3-7; PS 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

ROM 5:1-2, 5-8; JN 4:5-42

Lent is a time for conversion, a time for the Truth which "makes us free" (cf. Jn 8:32), since we cannot deceive the one who searches "*the minds and the hearts*" (Ps 7:9). In the presence of God our Creator, in the presence of Christ our Redeemer, in what can we take pride? What riches or what talents could give us a sense of superiority?

As for true riches, those which do not pass away, Mary teaches us that they come from God. We must long for them, we must hunger for them, putting aside what is artificial and passing, in order to receive these good things, and to receive them in abundance. Let us be converted, let us forsake the old leaven of pride and of all that leads to injustice, contempt, and the thirst to possess for ourselves money and power.

If we recognize ourselves as poor in the presence of God - this being the truth, and not a false humility - we will have the heart of one who is poor, the eyes and hands of the poor, in order to share the riches which God has lavished upon us: our faith, which we cannot keep selfishly for ourselves alone; hope, which those deprived of everything need so much; and charity which makes us love the poor as God does, with a preferential love.

Shall we come to the end of Lent with a conceited heart, full of our own importance, but with empty hands for others? Or led by the Virgin of the Magnificat, shall we find ourselves at Easter with the heart of one who is poor, starving for God, but with our hands filled with all God's gifts to be distributed to the world which needs them so much?

Pope John Paul II, Message for Lent (1987)

UNBOUND: This weekend, please welcome Rev. Rick LaBrecque who will be with us to celebrate the Masses and tell us about the work of *Unbound*, a lay Catholic sponsorship ministry that helps children & elderly in 19 developing countries. To learn more, call (800) 875-6564 or visit *Unbound* online at www.unbound.org

LENTEN CONFESSIONS: Monday, March 23rd, at 7pm. Various Confessors will be present at the parish to administer the Sacrament of Penance.

NEXT MEETING OF MINISTRIES

(*Capernaum*) with Fr. Jaime will be held on **Thursday, March 12th, 7pm** for all those serving as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Choir Members, Catechists, Ushers.

NOTE ON MINISTRY MEETING PARTICIPATION:

All those who are involved in any parish group, ministry or liturgical function should be attending the monthly meetings held with Fr. Jaime. This is an opportunity to be formed in the faith which requires a certain commitment & responsibility on our part. Through perseverance in service to the Church this leads us to joy in the Spirit.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR HOMEBOUND & SICK:

Phil Bianchini, Harry DeMary, Mary King, Joan Crouch Leroy & Gail Drummond, James & Dorothy Rood, Joe Weber, Frank Miller, David Soto, Celine Lehner, Raymond Hock, Margie Howard, Jim & Carol Kaosky, Larry Brown

GREER SOUP KITCHEN in need of spaghetti sauce, Kleenex, salmon, canned collards. Thank you for supporting their efforts.

CHARITY PROGRAM SEWING: Calling all ladies who sew to help at the parish with pre-cut kits for childrens' quilts on Sat., Mar. 14th, 9am-1pm, & Sat., Mar. 28th, 9am-12:30pm. Sewers, pressers & helpers needed. Please bring: *sewing machine, white/neutral thread, scissors, rippers, blue marking pen, 1/4" foot, quilting foot* at the Mar. 28th session plus other accessories needed for sewing. Worthwhile project benefits *BirthRight & Shriners Children's Hospital*. Questions? Please speak to Vickie Wunder or Emily Boisvert.