



3RD SUNDAY OF LENT



Jesus said to them in reply, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!" - Lk 13:2-3

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MASS:

Wednesday 9:00 a.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

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Thoughts On A Watch

It's been so long since the Super Bowl now that I can barely remember who won, but one thing stands out in memory: The watch that Tom Brady wore when he was part of the duo calling the game.

I am not any kind of expert on men's watches, which may be why the one Brady prominently wore that day caught my eye. It was made with yellow sapphires and white diamonds, from what I later read, and it was reported to have cost about \$750,000. Which, if my math is correct, would make it some \$749,950 more expensive than the Timex I have worn and enjoyed for about the last 15 years. Brady's "Caviar Tourbillon" is a great deal flashier, but both timepieces perform the same function, although his no doubt has additional features not found on the one my spouse bought for me at Kohl's.

Though I have never been on the cover of Gentleman's Quarterly and am hardly the fashion icon that pro football's greatest quarterback can claim to be, my watch may have one advantage: Nobody has ever tried to steal it, which I doubt Brady would be able to say if he walked the streets of New Orleans flashing that amazing timepiece.

All of which led me to reflect on what matters in life and what does not. Brady's football talents entertained millions, including yours truly, for 20 years. But when it comes time to "shuffle off this mortal coil," as Shakespeare so memorably put it, you would be better off wearing a worn religious order habit or a pair of Levi's and a sweatshirt from WalMart than that expensive timepiece, the cost of which might have fed thousands of the world's starving.

Of course, I am not opposed to people spending money they have earned any way they want. Everyone has a passion or an enjoyment that they may perhaps spend too much money on. Surely I have. So this reflection comes from a time in my life when meeting God with deeds I need to account for seems closer at hand than it was before. But as for Brady....I've been thinking.

Someday, his gold watch that caused such a sensation on social media will be buried in dust and rubble. My sincere hope for him is that he has something of more lasting worth than a gold diamond watch and seven Super Bowl trophies to present to the Almighty when they inevitably meet face to face.

— Lou Jacquet

Bishop's Cup Golf Event Set

The third annual Bishop's Cup Golf Classic, supporting diocesan seminarians and the diocesan Vocations Office, will be held Monday June 30 at the Lake Club, [1140 Paulin Road](#), Poland. 11 a.m. registration; buffet lunch; 1:30 shotgun start. \$200 donation per golfer. \$800 per foursome/team. 18-hole golf scramble with cart; hole-in-one contest and team prizes/raffles. Register online at [doy.org/golf...](#) Checks payable to the Diocese of Youngstown c/o Father Chad Johnson, [144 W. Wood St., Youngstown OH 44503](#); information, Father William Wainio, 330-678-0240. Last year's event raised more than \$60,000.

Altar/Rosary Meeting 3/30

St. Brendan's Altar & Rosary Society will meet on Sunday, March 30, in Room 102 following the 9 a.m. Sunday Mass. We will be making plans for our upcoming Bingo/Card Party on April 27. We are reaching out to our parishioners to ask for your support by donating gift baskets, gift cards, lottery tickets, etc. Every contribution counts, and we appreciate your generosity. You are more than welcome to come to the meeting and help us plan this event. If you have any questions, you can call Sharon Pasquale at 330-207-7836.

Sunday, March 23

9:00 a.m. George and Mary Alyce Kinnick
By Family

Wednesday, March 26

9:00 a.m. Paul Robinson
by Richard & Margie Williams

Sunday, March 30

9:00 a.m. Barb Perry by Koewacich Family

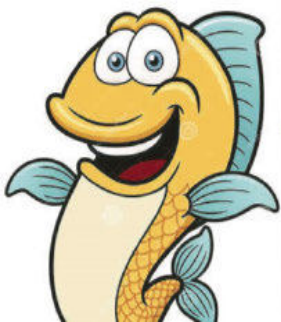
Please Pray For Our Sick

Frank Roman, Mary Pavlak, Beverly Detate, Frank Lightner, Michelle Smith, Ken Mains, David Deihl, Barbara Bonninsegna, Mary Beth Celio, Fr. Richard Brobst, Charles Slivkoff, Harold and Debra Brown, Rita Thomas

Pray for the Faithful Departed

Margaret Ann Chizmar

Fish Dinner Update



"Fish Dinner volunteers prepared 620 pounds of fish on March 14. There were 645 dinners, 80 sandwiches, 46 additional sides and 23 pieces of fish served. Our fish dinners have become a West Side tradition. We receive many wonderful compliments. If you have not tried our din-

ners, please give us a try and help St. Brendan's Church."

— Patty Infante and John Coudriet, co-chairs

Correction

An item in the March 16 bulletin concerning praying for recently deceased members of our parish incorrectly spelled the name of Margaret R. Jendre. She died Feb. 26, 2025. We apologize for the error.

Office Hours are Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Call Jackie Niznik with questions at 330-792-3875.

'The Food That Nourishes the Heart'



**From a treatise on the Lord's Prayer
by St. Cyprian, bishop and martyr**

"Dear brothers and sisters, the commands of the Gospel are nothing else than God's lessons, the foundations on which to build up hope, the supports for strengthening faith, the food that nourishes the heart. They are the rudder for keeping us on the right course, the protection that keeps our salvation secure. As they instruct the receptive minds of believers on earth, they lead safely to the kingdom of heaven."

Sunday's Scriptures: The Name and the God That Saves

Today's readings for the Third Sunday of Lent are from Exodus 3: 1-8, 13-15; 1 Corinthians 10: 1-6; 10-12; Luke 13: 1-9.

In the Book of Genesis (2:20-22), Adam is given authority over all other created beings. By being given the power to name them, Adam does not simply repeat the name that God originally supplies. Instead, God brings the beasts and birds to the man "to see what he would call them. Whatever the man called them, God allowed that to stand as their name."

In our first reading from the Book of Exodus, we are to learn the power of The Name. Moses is tending the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian. He is leading the flock across the desert when he comes to the mountain of the Lord, Mount Horeb (Sinai). As he approaches, "God appeared to Moses in fire flaming out of a bush...though the bush is on fire, it was not consumed." Moses was intrigued by this sight and walks closer to the bush. God speaks to Moses and instructs him, "Come no closer...remove the sandals from your feet, for the place where you stand is Holy Ground."

Moses was called by God and received one of the greatest missions of the Old Testament. Moses was to help God save the Israelite people from their slavery in Egypt. He was changed from a man who led sheep safely in the desert

near Mount Horeb to the prophet/leader who will lead God's people from slavery to freedom, from Egypt to the Promised Land, and from sinful ways to the Law given at Sinai. The relationship Moses has with God will strengthen Moses as a man and leader.

God trusted Adam to name the animals. Now, God trusts Moses with His people and His Name. God reveals to Moses the Name that has the power to free the Israelites. They are to know God by the Name, "I Am Who Am" (Yahweh). "This is what you shall tell the Israelites: I AM sent me to you...the Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob has sent me to you. This is My Name forever; thus I am to be remembered through all generations."

In the New Testament, humankind will be saved by the death and resurrection of Jesus (His name means Yahweh saves). Jesus' name will be remembered through all generations. At his Second Coming in glory, the power of the Name will be fully manifested: "And at the Name of Jesus, every knee will bow, in heaven, on earth, and under the earth, and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord." There is no other Name that saves!

— Geri Jacquet

Mass for Sick, Healthcare Workers

In observance of the Jubilee Year 2025, Bishop David J. Bonnar, Bishop of Youngstown, will celebrate a special Mass commemorating the "Jubilee of the Sick and Healthcare Workers" at 4 p.m. Sunday April 6 at St. Columba Cathedral, [154 West Wood St., Youngstown.](#)

In addition to praying for those who are sick or suffering in mind, body, and spirit, the Mass will also celebrate those in various ministries throughout the Diocese of Youngstown.

A reception, co-sponsored by Mercy Health Foundation Mahoning Valley, Canfield St. Michael Parish, and Church Budget Envelope Company will be held in Saint Columba Parish Hall immediately following Mass. For more information, contact Catholic Charities, Diocese of Youngstown, at 330-744-8451, ext. 245.

Mt. Carmel Hosts Bingo/Cards

The Mothers of the Crucifix Society of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Basilica ([343 Via Mount Carmel Way](#)) in Youngstown are sponsoring their annual Bingo and Card Party at 3 p.m. Sunday March 30. Lunch will be served; tickets are available for \$7 donation at the door.

April Ministry Schedule

Eucharistic Ministers

Jerry and Amy Kernan

Lector

Lou Jacquet

Your Sacrificial Offering

Amount needed monthly to meet expenses

For March 2025 **\$29,440.00**

Week of March 16, 2025

Sunday Collection	\$2,061.00
Increased Operating Exp.	\$3.00
Rentals	\$1,050.00
Maint. Support	\$1,110.00
Total	\$4,224.00

3 week total \$16,552.00 toward the goal of \$29,440.00

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Mass 9 a.m.

3/16– 113



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celebrating the sacraments
and loving our neighbor as ourselves.*

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Wednesday 9:00am



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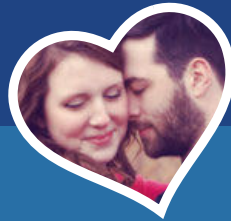
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