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Like St. Anthony called to love and to serve - we try our best in following Christ on the road of this world using God-given gifts for his glory and for the good of our brothers and sisters.

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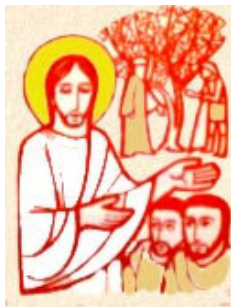
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**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

**March 20, 2022**

*Repent, says the Lord; the kingdom of heaven is at hand.*



Often it is not what we do wrong but the things that we leave undone that prevent us from growing in the love of Christ. The real heartache is that we are guilty of sins of omission and neglect of which we are hardly even conscious. Our lack of concern for others reveals too clearly this form of personal selfishness and highlights our failure to live the Christian life to the full. Without exception, each of us needs to make a better effort in caring, sharing, loving and being available to our neighbor. Lent is an opportunity to take a hard look at our lives and ask how we stand before God right now. The challenge confronting us is to allow the grace of God to fertilize the soil around our hearts in the expectation that it will produce good fruit.

## **TERZA DOMENICA DI AVVENTO**

La presenza di Gesù' come Messia è l'evento supremo della misericordia di Dio nella storia.. Nella Pasqua del Signore è il volto nuovo della vita. Non più la morte come punizione e ultima parola sull'umanità'. Tutti muoiono. Ma è qui la svolta pasquale della vittoria della vita sulla morte. Nella parabola del fico sterile c'è un segreto supremo di misericordia. Il padrone è Dio si presenta con giusto giudizio. E il vignaiolo, Gesù, che deve tagliarlo, obietta e rinvia di un anno accompagnandoci con cura e premura fino al frutto. Anche la conversione è opera di Dio in Cristo e richiede la nostra collaborazione!



**Parish Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00am-12 noon 1:00pm- 4:00pm**

**For Daily & Weekend Mass Intentions see inside**

**SATURDAY: 5:00 PM (English)**

**SUNDAY: 9:00 AM (Italian - English) & 11:00 AM (English)**

**Registration:**

Parish Census Forms at Church entrance or call the Office.

**Baptism:**

Parish Membership & Baptism class required. Please contact the Office.

**Marriage:**

Parish Membership & Preparation required. Call Office 6 months in advance.

**Reconciliation - Confession:**

Saturday 4:00pm & 30 min. before each Mass or on request.

**Anointing of the sick:**

Every First Friday of the Month during the Mass & on request.

**Church & Hall at one level:**

Wheelchair & Washroom Facilities available. Hall: 768-9368



## Fruits of the Fig



In the Church, we are made children of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob—the God who makes known His name and His ways to Moses in today's First Reading. Mindful of His covenant with Abraham, God came down to rescue His people from the slave drivers of Egypt. Faithful to that same covenant, He sent Jesus to redeem all lives from destruction, as today's Psalm tells us. Yet the Exodus events were also given as a "warning"—that being children of Abraham is no guarantee that we will reach the promised land of our salvation. The fig tree in the Gospel parable is a familiar Old Testament symbol for Israel. As the fig tree is given one last season to produce fruit before it is cut down, Jesus is giving Israel one final opportunity to bear good fruits. Lent should be for us like the season of reprieve given to the fig tree, a grace period in which we let "the gardener," Christ, cultivate our hearts, uprooting what chokes the divine life in us, strengthening us to bear fruits that will last into eternity. - Scott Hahn

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**SENIORS GROUP:** will resume on Tuesday, March 29 at 1:00pm with **GENERAL MEETING & ELECTIONS.** Everyone is encouraged to attend.

**CWL MEMBERSHIP DUES:** can be paid for at the office.

**HELP NEEDED:** We are thankful that we can resume congregational singing to praise & worship the Lord during the Mass celebration. To make this possible, volunteers are needed to operate the projector during masses so the congregation can join in singing. Interested youth & adults are invited to speak with a music minister. This is an opportunity for high school students to collect hours for community service.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** please contact Helen Iorianni to update your contact information. Email [heleniorianni@hotmail.com](mailto:heleniorianni@hotmail.com) Schedules for April & May are available in the church lobby. Sign Up sheet for Holy Week posted in the sacristy.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** During Lent, parishioners are invited to meditate on the Stations of the Cross every Friday following the 7:00pm Mass.

**CONFIRMATION DATE:** May 28th & 29th.

**FIRST COMMUNION DATE:** June 18th & 19th. Regular attendance at Sunday Mass is really the best way to prepare your child for the Sacraments.

**THE DISCALCED CARMELITE COMMUNITY:** invites you to a Lenten evening of reflection presented by Fr. Terry Sawchuk on Sunday, March 27th at 7:00pm at Our Lady of Loretto Parish, 290 Grenville Avenue.

**ITALIAN SOCIETY OF P.A.:** next general assembly meeting will be April 4th. There will not be a need to show proof of vaccination. Please join us for the meeting and fellowship afterwards.  
Spaghetti Take Out—March 20 12-5pm  
Chicken Parm Take Out—March 25—must preorder

**SPAGHETTI / MEATBALLS:** Take out Thursday, March 24th at the Columbus Centre (301 May St. S.) 623-3252. Pick up 2-5:30pm. Orders are prepackaged.

**SUNDAY COLLECTION:** \$2,410.00  
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**MASS INTENTIONS March 21—27, 2022**

**Monday, March 21**

All Parishioners

**9:00am English**

Pastor

**Tuesday, March 22**

Michele Turco  
Fiore Coccimiglio  
Delfina Sabotig  
Tarcisio & Maria Copetti  
Bruno Berghignan

**7:00pm Italian**

Maria, Lina, Rosa & Fam.  
S. & R. Scaffeo  
P. Rizzi & Family  
Lucina  
Lucina

**Wednesday, March 23**

Antonietta DiGiuseppe

**7:00pm English**

Italia & Family

**Thursday, March 24**

Vincenzo Romeo & Deceased Bruzzese & Romeo Family  
Marcello & Domenico Donato Family  
Maria & Giovanni Moraca C. & J. Ianni  
Luigino, Concetta & Gaetano Mollame F. & L. Mollame

**7:00pm Italian**

Dina & Family  
brother & sisters  
Family  
Family

**Friday, March 25**

Bobby Carvalho, Gloria & Jose Rodriguez  
Sam Larizza  
Natalina Quinn  
Elio Bisignano

**7:00pm English**

B. & E. Melchiorre  
Eva & Family  
wife Lina & Family  
Wife  
Santin Family

**Saturday, March 26**

Giuseppina & Pasquale DiMarco  
Salvatore Sanzo  
Marcel Nigro  
Nicola Tucci  
Dino DiGiuseppe

**5:00pm**

B. & E. Melchiorre  
Eva & Family  
wife Lina & Family  
Wife  
Santin Family

**Sunday, March 27**

**Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**9:00am**

Angelo Nardari  
Carmine & Antonetta DeGrazia  
Bruno Larizza  
Nella Badolato

Wife & Family  
Family  
Moglie & Family  
Family

**11:00am**

Maria Pacheco  
Luisa & Rosario Larizza  
Fay & Ron Allen  
Alfredo Agostino  
Marianna & Ciro Frattaroli  
Deceased of Filice Family  
Elio Bisignano

E. & L. Melo  
Family  
staff of St. Margaret School  
F. & G. Biancospino  
Family  
Family  
Family

*Our 11:00am Mass can also be viewed  
by livestream  
with the link being found on the church website:  
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† Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Vincenza Bruno-Bossio who recently passed away.



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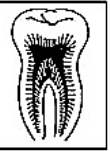
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