

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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St. Veronica Chapel

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"You have heard that it was said, An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. But I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil. When someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one as well." - Mt 5:38-39

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Each Saturday at 7:30 A.M. in the Parish Hall, Men's Prayer Group meets to reflect on Sunday scriptures. All men are welcome.

PRAY THE ROSARY

The rosary is prayed each weekday after the 9:00AM Mass at St. Thomas More and for the special intention of Peace in the World on Saturday mornings at 8:30AM before Mass. Please join us whenever you can.

OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed this Monday, February 21st in observance of President's Day.

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From the Mailbag

I want to express my sincere thanks to you and your community for making such a great effort in painting our Chapel and hallway. Because of your efforts, hundreds of families will benefit from this great job. I know that many of you literally went the extra mile to get this project done. It is a joy for me to work with such dedicated and talented brothers. God has truly blessed our Saint Charles Parish with your thoughtfulness. We couldn't have done it without your help. Thank you for a terrific job and please be assured of our continued prayers to the Lord in your behalf. May God bless you. Sincerely yours in Christ, Fr. Jaime Garcia

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February/March 2011

- SUN. AM:** FEB. 27TH
GR. 1-4 MARCH 6TH, 13TH, 20TH & 27TH
10:05-10:55AM @ ST. V.
- MON. PM:** FEB. 28TH
GR. 1-4 MARCH 7TH, 14TH, 21ST & 28TH
4:10-5:00PM @ STM
- GR. 5 & 6:** WED., MARCH 2ND, 16TH, 23RD & 30TH
4:10-5:00PM @ ST. V.
- GR. 7 & 8:** WED., MARCH 2ND, 16TH, 23RD, 30TH
7:00-8:00PM @ ST. V.
- CONF. I:** SUN., FEB. 27TH
SUN. & MON. MARCH 13TH & 14TH – LENTEN
MISSION AT ST. V. – 7-8PM
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1ST COMMUNION - PARENTS MEETING

There is an important meeting for First Communion (Grade 2) parents on Monday, February 28th, at 7:00PM at St. Thomas More. **At least one parent must attend!** Babysitting will be provided.

KNITTING MINISTRY

The Knitting Ministry's next meeting is this Wednesday, February 23rd at 12:30PM at the home of Irene Tanner. Please call Pat Wesselhoeft for more information - 783-1956.

PENNIES FOR THE POOR

There is a small box near the parking lot entrance of St. Thomas More Church and the poor box at St. Veronica Chapel where people place change, mostly pennies. Donations go to the Diocesan Dire Emergency Fund in South County that helps with rental assistance, utilities, prescriptions and other emergencies. Thanks to all who make "change", "change" the world.

MARDI GRAS PANCAKE SUPPER

St. Veronica Chapel on Tuesday March 8th from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Please join us and celebrate Mardi Gras with delicious pancakes and toppings and Mardi Gras crafts for the kids. Only \$5 per person or \$20 per family (pay at the door). Cooks and Servers will be our Confirmation students! All proceeds to benefit our Mission Trip to the Dominican Republic this fall.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Ash Wednesday – March 6th
Masses – STM – 9:00AM & 12Noon
Masses – St. V. – 7:00AM & 7:00PM

Lenten Retreat – Capucin Sisters - Sunday & Monday, March 13th & 14th - 7PM at St. Veronica

ROLLER-SKATING NIGHT

A Family Roller-Skating Night featuring Christian Music this Tuesday, Feb. 22nd, from 6:30-9:00PM at the Narragansett Ocean Skate Club. The cost is \$6.00 per person or \$25.00 for an entire family (does not include skate rental). Proceeds will benefit the Providence Rescue Mission (homeless & needy of RI).

FREE TAX ASSISTANCE

Federal & State Income Tax returns will once again be prepared free of charge at the Neighborhood Guild on Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9:00AM-1:00PM – first come first serve (no appointments taken). Please bring last year's return and this year's supporting documents.

REFLECTIONS ON MATRIMONY

Sacrament of Enduring Love – Saturday, March 12th from 1-4PM, Bryant University – MAC Center. Calling all couples – enrich and deepen your love with an afternoon of reflection on the rich sacrament and the unique spirituality of Matrimony. The deadline to register is March 1st. For more info., call Office of Marriage Preparation at 278-4576.

iPhone Confession?

This past week several parishioners contacted and spoke to me about the news story that received wide circulation regarding a new iPhone application regarding confession. The story was reported differently by different news outlets and has led to some confusion and consternation.

There really is an iPhone application that has been made available to people to help them *prepare* for confession. This would formally be called an examination of conscience. The application also contains the ritual and format for the normal reconciliation. In and of itself this could be good news, another useful tool to help people to prepare for receiving the sacrament.

Never is the application a chance *to go to* confession. In order for this to happen, one needs to be physically present with a validly ordained priest. There were some reports that cited a different application and website that mistakenly indicated you could simply list your sins and be done with them. I think it was this piece reported by secular outlets who do not really understand sacraments that helped send this story into viral orbit.

Some summary thoughts:

- It is always good to examine our conscience before celebrating the sacrament as a way to deepen our experience of God's mercy.
- Be sure to be careful to use a Catholic examination that is mainstream in its approach.
- Remember reconciliation is available each Saturday from 4-4:45 at St. Thomas More Church year-round!
- There are free examinations of conscience available online through great Catholic websites and there are pamphlets at the doors of our churches that can also be a great tool.
- Remember that being sorry and open to God's mercy is the center of the sacrament. Don't be anxious about "how to go" since the priest will always help you. It's more important to go than how you go!
- Each of our confessionals has the formal Act of Contrition typed out in there for your convenience and ease.

Blessings!

Fr. Tailon

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