



EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ✕ MARCH 2, 2025

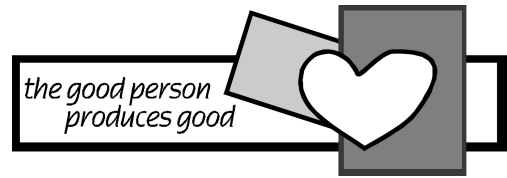


- Sat. Mar. 1** **VIGIL-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
4:00pm Donald Trump by Ron and Marie Natoli
- Sun. Mar. 2** **EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
9:00am Orest Kochan by Mr. and Mrs. Gregg Bowlby
10:30am James J. Wilde by Jeannie and Butch Bidwell
- Tues. Mar. 4** **SAINT CASIMIR**
9:00am Nick Genvese by Midge and Ed Edwards
- Wed. Mar. 5** **ASH WEDNESDAY**
9:00am Helen Scheller by Thomas Brosloki and Family
6:00pm Kelly Felins by Carlson Family
- Thru. Mar. 6** **THURSDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY**
9:00am Helen Marx by The Bidwell Family
- Sat. Mar. 8** **VIGIL-FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**
4:00pm Mary Lou Moritz by Mary Knowles
- Sun. Mar. 9** **FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**
9:00am Ron Scheimer by Lisa Smoyak
10:30am Bobby Jantz by Karen, Jamie, and Michael



Parishioners who are sick and in need of prayers can be added to our prayer list by calling the parish office at 570-842-4995. Please pray for: Margaret Adamiac, Camille Albert, Josephine Amato, Joanne Arredondo, Chelsey Bartro, Michael Bota, Rose Bremer, Reilly Canas, P.J. Cappola, Jane Colwell, Dennis Corbisiero, Marilyn Croak, Jim Dantis, William Delahanty, Scott Demarest, Barbara Derrenbacher, Carole Dougherty, Linda & Bob Earthy, Dan Edwards, Mary Ann Flaherty, Kyle Gemberling, Tyler Hanson, Pat Henes, Marge Imperatrice, James Imtianos, Mary Knowles, Sue Krayeski, Betsy Kressler, Susie LaFave, Tim Lenihan, Viviana Lewis, Donna Jean Marabella, Michael Martino, Stephanie Martino, Tammie Martino, Alice McAfee, Ellie McCauley, Tim McGovern, Carol McKnight, Donald Migliorato, Judy Morris, Paul Natoli, Tom Natoli, Marc Negri, Gioia Palmerio, Victor Panzella, Reed Phillips, James Piloni, Ruth Piloni, Edward Pizzo, Frank Quattroco, James Quinn, Jennifer Quinn, Pam Quinn, Steve Rish, Anthony Romaro, Joanne S., Mark Sallust, Lisa Sarnicola, Michael Sawko, Beth Schuil, Ellen Solomon, Duane Sprovach, Millie Stoia, Luke Stricker, Jason Scott Taylor, Dana Thorne, Skyler Thorne, Jack Tizio, Thomas Tizio, Gregory Tobin, Linda Wahlers, Helen Zerbe, and all the sick of the Parish.

Please call the Parish Office if someone should be taken off the list.



EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Sirach 27:4-7

This reading explains that quality and truth in conversation is a test for humankind. Only after listening to a person's reasoning can we know the mind of another.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Paul speaks of the mystery of transformation that is victory over death when our mortality puts on immortality. We are encouraged by Paul to be steadfast and immovable, filling our lives with the work of the Lord.

Gospel: Luke 6:39-45

Today, Jesus teaches through the use of parables, first encouraging us to be like the teacher, understand that the blind cannot lead the blind. Jesus also reminds us that only the heart's good treasure produces good. In order to remain steadfast, we must heed what Jesus tells us. If we hear God's word, our foundation will be strong, unshaken, steadfast, built upon rock.

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Sunday

Sir 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

Monday

Sir 17:20-24; Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday

Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20—6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday

Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

First Friday

Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday

Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32



Sacrificial Giving

WE ARE A STEWARDSHIP PARISH

God's Plan for Giving 02/23/2025

Sunday Offering	\$1558.00
Loose	\$ 156.00
School Debt	\$ 5.00
Fuel	\$ 3.00
Insurance	\$ 126.00
Rice Bowl	\$ 57.00
Utilities	\$ 2.00
TOTAL:	\$1907.00

Online Included above

**Mass Attendance: Sat: 4:00PM-- 24
Sun: 9:00AM- 43
Sun 10:00AM 18**

LENTEN HOLY HOURS WITH BISHOP BAMBERA

BEGINNING AT 7 P.M. EACH NIGHT

- Thursday, March 6: St. John the Evangelist Parish, Pittston
- Tuesday, March 18: Annunciation Parish, Hazleton
- Thursday, March 20: St. John the Evangelist Parish, Honesdale
- Monday, March 24: Christ the King Parish (St. Thomas Aquinas Church), Archbald
- Tuesday, March 25: St. Boniface Parish, Williamsport
- Wednesday, March 26: Our Lady of the Snows Parish, Clarks Summit
- Thursday, March 27: Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, Dickson City
- Monday, March 31: Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish (St. Basil Church), Dushore
- Tuesday, April 1: St. Faustina Kowalska Parish, Nanticoke
- Wednesday, April 2: St. Ann Basilica Parish, Scranton
- Thursday, April 3: Saint Matthew Parish, East Stroudsburg
- Monday, April 7: Saint Nicholas/Saint Mary Parish, Wilkes-Barre

Pilgrims OF Hope

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LENTEN REGULATIONS

ASH WEDNESDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY

These are DAYS OF FAST AND ABSTINENCE. Limit of one full meal on these days for all between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive. These are also known as meatless days.

WEEKDAYS OF LENT

These days do not have any special obligations to fast. However, voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

LENTEN FRIDAYS

All Fridays in Lent are DAYS OF ABSTINENCE. All who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain totally from meat.

LENTEN REMINDERS

- Almsgiving**-generously giving to those in need.
- Fasting**-practicing self-discipline and self-denial.
- Prayer**-reading, hearing and reflecting on the Word of God.



March 5, 2025
Masses with Ashes
9:00am
And
6:00pm

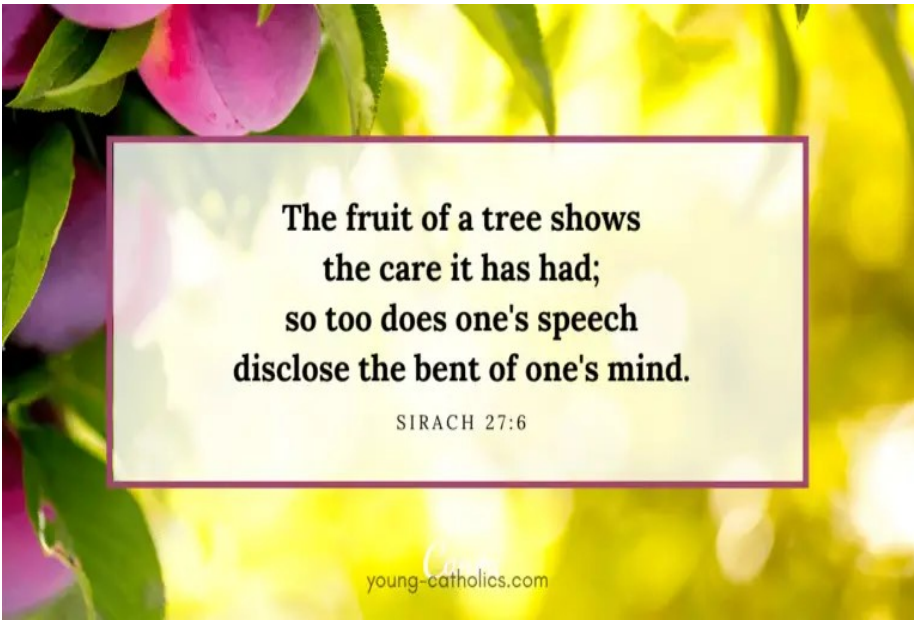
Each year, Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent and is always 46 days before Easter Sunday. Lent is a 40-day season (not counting Sundays) marked by repentance, fasting, reflection, and ultimately celebration. The 40-day period represents Christ's time of temptation in the wilderness, where he fasted and where Satan tempted him. Lent asks believers to set aside a time each year for similar fasting, marking an intentional season of focus on Christ's life, ministry, sacrifice, and resurrection.



If you like to sing, we would love to have you join our Choir! Simply go up to the Choir loft and see Fred!

Messages from God

**Just a Reminder—
I always answer
My Knee Mail
GOD**



Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle C
Sunday, March 2, 2025

First Reading

Sirach 27:4–7

In his conversation is the test of the man.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 92: 2–3, 13–16

The just shall flourish like a palm tree.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15: 54–58

Thanks be to God who has given us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Reading

Luke 6:39–45

Each tree is known by its yield.

Background on the Gospel Reading

The third and final section of Luke’s Sermon on the Plain begins: And he told them a parable. There are actually four parables, three of which we read today. They are all about how to be a good disciple.

The blind cannot lead the blind. And a disciple cannot be a good disciple unless he or she has learned from the teacher. Everyone who is fully trained is like the teacher who knows how to cure the blind. Before you can be a good disciple and teach others you must take care of yourself. Do not try to take a speck out of your brother’s eye until you have taken the board out of your own. Finally, only when you have purified yourself can you produce the good works that the teacher requires. Discipleship asks us to produce good deeds. But to produce them requires the integrity and purity of heart found in the teacher. When people see your good deeds they will know that this is because you have a good heart.

The final parable, which we do not read today, is about building on the solid foundation of rock and not on sand. This is the only way to face the difficulties a disciple will encounter and survive.



**EIGHTH SUNDAY
ORDINARY TIME**

**BE CONSCIOUS OF
YOUR WEAKNESSES
AND FAULTS**

27/02/2022

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“No disciple is superior to his teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher. Why do you notice the splinter in your brother’s eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own? How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me remove the splinter in your eye’, when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye? You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam in your own eye first; then you will see clearly.”

Education is constantly changing, new methods, new examples, new techniques. The new age of AI is that. We need good, trained teachers. When I think about Jesus, I claim Him as my Savior, acknowledge Him as a miracle worker, and most especially He is the Son of God. But today, may we focus on Jesus, the teacher.

He knows we need further training to live our Christian lives. When we are ready to criticize others, or dwell on their shortcomings and defects, it would be wise to remember the comparison of the speck in someone else’s eye, but the huge beam in mine. As we approach Lent this week, let’s plan to remove that plank in our lives. Jesus is our teacher. Then we will see clearly.

HIS WORD TODAY

BY REV. WILLIAM J. REILLY

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON
THE SUNDAY READINGS

