March 7, 2021

St. James Church

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3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

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Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area. - Jn 2:13b-15a

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For the week of March 6 - 13, 2021

Saturday, March 6 ~ 4:00pm

Timothy J. Ahern req by Family
Anne Gensler req by Family

Thursday, March 11 ~ 6:45am Mass

Bernie Race req by Bev Barden

Thursday, March 11 ~ 11:00am Mass

Nancy Holland req by Family

Barb Goldacker req by Margy Costello

Saturday, March 13 ~ 4:00pm

Dan Goris req by Family

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The sick: Dorothea Kloiber, Peter Winnewisser, Mary Colligan, Paul Egan.

The deceased: Kenneth Meixner, husband of Lynn LaCourse; members of our families and communities.

Parishioners: in nursing homes and who are homebound.

Women and Men: Both at home and abroad serving in our military.

Mass Registration Online

You can now register for Mass online on our website, www.stjamescaz.org. Scroll down to the "Mass Registration" button. Click on "Sign-up" on the Mass date and then click on "Submit and Sign-up". Please fill in all the boxes. If you are making reservations for just yourself please fill in all boxes, please add any additional names in the "My Comment" box. Click on "Sign-up Now" button and you will be registered for Mass. You can continue to register by phone by calling the Parish Office, 315-655-3441.

Weekly Mass registration closes on Thursdays at 3:00pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Thursday, March 25, 6:00pm—Mary Stations led by Susan Green



Sustainability in El Salvador

Drought has become a big problem across El Salvador, making it difficult for farmers to produce enough crops to

support their families. But new farming techniques - and a new generation of young farmers - are making a difference. What would you do if your livelihood was threatened? How can you support young people in your community and around the world? Visit **crsricebowl.org** to learn more.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING MASS INFORMATION FOR ST. JAMES

On Palm Sunday weekend Mass times will be at 5:30pm on Saturday, March 27 and 9:00am on Sunday, March 28. Holy Thursday, April 1 Liturgy of Lord's Supper will be at 7:00pm, Good Friday, April 2 Solemn Commemoration is at 12:10pm. Easter Sunday morning, April 4 Mass will be at 9:00am. Masses will return to Sundays at 9:00am on April 11.

Special reflective workshop March 13

David McCallum, S.J., Executive
Director for Discerning Leadership
Program, will host a 90-minute
reflective webinar "The Heart of
Leadership: Love, Courage, and
Vulnerability" on March 13, 10 am ET.
Sponsored by LeMoyne College and the
Program for Discerning Leadership, all
proceeds will benefit the Albany and



Syracuse, NY regions of the Ignatian Volunteer Corps. (IVC) For more information and registration go to https://ivcusa.org/heart-of-leadership/

Lenten Conversations 2021

Fr. Kevin and Fr. Bob (Fr. St. Peter's) are hosting a Lenten Conversation series on Monday nights at 7:00pm during Lent on Zoom. If you're interested in joining by Zoom, contact the Parish Office for the link. The conversations are also uploaded to our YouTube Channel, St. James Church, Cazenovia, NY on Tuesday for all to view.

Day Light Saving Time begins next Sunday, March 14.





FIRST READING

In six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them; but on the seventh day he rested. (Ex 20:11)



PSALM

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life. (Ps 19)



SECOND READING

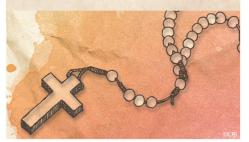
For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength. (1 Cor 1:25)



GOSPEL

"Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." (Jn 2:19)

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WORSHIP & MEDITATION



GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Many prefer a "create as you go" approach to life where laws and protocols primarily exist to secure and protect liberties rather than dictate and outline proper and right behavior. There are no real benchmarks for acceptable ethical and moral behavior, with a "you can't tell me what to do" attitude prevailing. Parents are even limited in what they can request of their children, and dealing with threatening behaviors, especially from adults, are a challenge as well. Acceptable and expected conduct seems to amount to safeguarding each other's space rather than increasing awareness of necessary relationships that require a more refined and higher response.

We have lost our axis to the world of "anything goes" and no longer see the Ten Commandments as practical and wise guideposts to effective living. We live on "relativism island" where only a possible suggestion to "love and do not harm" may be the only standard able to be preached. While Jesus most certainly emphasized love above anything else, it was never about warm fuzzy feelings or halfhearted humanitarian efforts. The love of which Jesus spoke establishes an intimate connection with God, neighbor, self, and creation. Because this love, who is God Himself, is at the foundational core of our lives, it demands actions and attitudes that serve to build up, increase, and free up those relationships. Love requires proper conduct. Preserving and enhancing these love centered relationships is at the heart of the Ten Commandments (and the Beatitudes) and the reason for Jesus' display of anger in the temple.

The Ten Commandments can save the world from turmoil and conflict by instilling basic moral and relational principles within us. They also hold a healthy sense of sin in balance and always remind us of our relationship with God and the freedom God offers. Our faith preserves these jewels of truth that we often look beyond, dismiss altogether, or seek to remove from public view. Human beings can be so arrogant at times. Our Lenten journey, especially when embarked upon with sincerity and resolve, can restore all of our essential relationships. When we get absorbed in life's preoccupations and demands, things can quickly get distorted and we can find ourselves way off track. In short, we find ourselves in sin. Humanity is losing a sense of both grace and sin. We need both to understand what is real and true. Until we do, the oppressive systems and ideologies that hurt so many will never change. We will never change. We are grateful for those courageous souls who willingly embrace the conversion and hard work Lent demands and stand against antiquated systems and ideologies. They give us hope that all is not lost.



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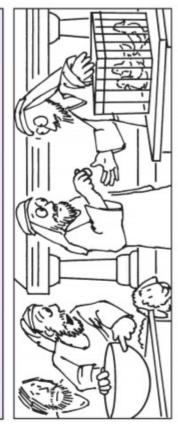
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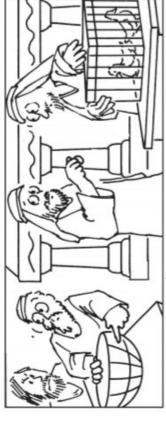
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Jesus Clears the Temple

very wrong. People were selling cattle, sheep and doves. There were men changing money at tables. to the temple in Jerusalem. He found something When it was almost Passover, Jesus went

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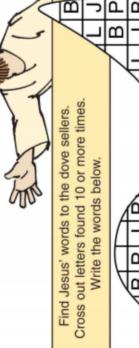
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