

**MASSES FOR MARCH 1-7**

Monday, 1	8:30 am	(SF)	<b>Joan Lay (Family)</b> Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday, 2	8:30 am	(SJ)	<b>Kate Hawkins Green (John Green)</b> Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday, 3	8:30 am	(SF)	<b>For the People</b> Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday, 4	8:30 am	(SJ)	<b>Suzanne Gooch (Cadegan Family)</b> Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday, 5	8:30 am	(SF)	<b>Jennie Dobies (Shirley Wilson)</b> Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday, 6	5:00 pm	(SF)	<b>Dick Blackburn (Wife, Jo &amp; Daughters)</b> Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 (Daily Readings)
Sunday, 7	9:00 am	(SJ)	<b>Edward Waggoner (Bob &amp; Anita Montgomery)</b>
	11:00 am	(SF)	<b>Wade Steele (Tim &amp; Joyce Gribben)</b> Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17; Ps 19:8-11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

**THE WEEK AT A GLANCE**

<b>SUNDAY:</b>	<b>Vespers &amp; Benediction – 6:00pm (SF)</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY:</b>	<b>Parish School of Religion – 6:00pm (SJH)</b>
<b>FRIDAY:</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross – 6:00pm (SJ)</b>
	<b>Confessions – 7:00pm (SJ)</b>
<b>SATURDAY:</b>	<b>Confessions – 10:30am (SJ)</b>
<b>SUNDAY:</b>	<b>Vespers &amp; Benediction – 6:00pm (SF)</b>

**As of 02/23/2021:** Due to COVID-19, hospitals have restricted visitation, except for anointing the sick. Trinity West: **Agnes Santin, Gary Grimm, Jackie Maple**; Trinity East: **Marcia Bishop, Joe Keenan**. Please remember to pray for all our sick, shut-ins, and those in nursing homes. If you or a family member becomes hospitalized, please be sure to contact the rectory.



**2021 Diocesan Parish Share Campaign:** You may have received a letter from Bishop Monforton asking you to consider your contribution to this year's Diocesan/Parish Share Campaign. Pledge Sunday will take place on **March 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>**. Through your participation in the D/PSC, you actively share in the life and mission of the Church. Your sacrificial gifts enable the diocese to educate our seminarians (your future priests), care for retired priests, educate our youth through Catholic schools, religious education programs and youth ministry, assist the poor through Catholic

Charities and other local efforts, and much more! Please keep this in mind as you graciously consider your contribution.



**The 2<sup>nd</sup> week of Lent:** **“Come back to me with all your heart” ~ Joel 2:12.** This is a call that God sends to all His children. Calming our minds and opening our hearts will allow us to turn to His voice. He longs for a deep relationship with us. Take time during this Lenten season to further your journey with Christ. Continue to make an effort to attend **daily Mass, Stations of the Cross** with a time for **confession following immediately after Stations and Vespers and Benediction on**

**Sunday's.**

**Thought for the Week:**

*“Forgiveness is the key that unlocks the door of resentment and the handcuffs of hatred. It is a power that breaks the chains of bitterness and the shackles of selfishness.”*


*~ Corrie Ten Boom, Clippings from My Notebook*



**CHURCH SUPPORT:** **St. Francis:** Adult: \$2,097.00; Loose: \$99.00; Candles: \$55.00; Ash Wednesday: \$275.00. **St. Joseph:** Adult: \$1,196.00; Loose: \$2.00; Candles: \$22.00; Ash Wednesday: \$46.00. May God bless you for your goodness to His Church! **Weekly Mass Attendance for February 21<sup>st</sup>:** Saturday **5:00pm:** 74; Sunday: **9:00am – 61; 11:00am – 50.**

**MASSES:** For **Gary Hughes** by Brian Taggart; for **Maryanne Meek** by Jim & Diane Orsini.

**MEMORIALS:** To **St. Francis Church** in memory of **Gary Hughes** by Tim & Agie Rock; for **Dick Carter** by Shelley & Bill Meyer & the Manning Family.

 Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Ralph Noonan, Jr.** We extend our deepest sympathy to the Noonan family. May Ralph Jr. live in the eternal light of Christ.



**John Phillipson**, a lifelong parishioner of St. Francis/St. Joseph parishes will celebrate his 94<sup>th</sup> Birthday on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you would like to remember him on his birthday, please send greetings to **101 Johnson Lane, Toronto.**

*Second Sunday of Lent  
by The Faithful Disciple*

### **GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE**

**GROW:** Oh, the gloom! The view out my window on a typical Michigan winter day can be described as “grayscale monochrome,” a technical term for black-and-white photographs. Fortunately, the sun peeks out on occasion, providing a lovely sunrise or sunset that can lift my mood and remind me that spring will come. If such an ordinary thing can provide hope, imagine what the Transfiguration provided for the disciples who witnessed it? “His clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them.” And even though they were so terrified, the voice of God came from a cloud, conveying comfort and truth: “This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.” The disciples did not know what lay ahead, but this vision of Jesus and the Father’s presence in their midst would give them hope and foretell Jesus’ glorious resurrection. As we continue on our Lenten journey, we can turn to God, who will one day transfigure us in the same way Christ was, to strengthen us through the gray days ahead. And St. Paul’s powerful words that “God is for us” add solace and encouragement.

### **GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT**

**GO:** As Catholics, we are likely very familiar with the four Gospels, but I have to say I can’t get enough of Paul’s letters. Like a good coach, Paul encourages us to dig deep and trust God. In today’s reading, he reminds the Romans that God loves us so much that he did not spare his own Son. I’m struck by his assurance that Jesus not only died and was raised for us, but “indeed intercedes for us.” Lent is an ideal time to turn to Jesus in prayer, asking that he give us the grace to grow in faith and turn away from sin. At the same time, we can offer intercessory prayer for others, just as we do at every Mass. Perhaps as we continue our Lenten journey, we can make an extra effort to pray for the needs of other people: Those we know personally, such as friends and family members; and those whom we do not know, such as government leaders or Christians experiencing persecution in other countries.

**PRAY:** I find that I often make prayer all about me! Yet, as the Church teaches, “in intercession, those who pray look ‘not only to their own interests, but also to the interests of others,’ even to the point of praying for those who do them harm.”(CCC 2635) One way to practice intercessory prayer is to make a list and pray for the people and intentions on it once a day. For those of us who regularly pray the rosary, another practice might be to dedicate each decade to an individual in need of prayer.