

**March 15, 2015  
Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23  
Ephesians 2:4-10**

**Psalm: 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6  
Gospel: John 3:14-21**

**FROM THE DESK OF FR. LUDVIK**



**WELCOME VISITORS**

Our profile as Church at St. Aloysius and Our Lady of Lourdes: We do second chances. We do grace. We do mistakes. We do I'm sorry. We do sing with zest. We do hugs. We do love. We do community. We do church. Our community is "Growing and Sharing in Jesus Christ"--please join us! We serve people from Buckley, Wilkeson, Puyallup, Sumner, Lake Tapps, Enumclaw, South Prairie and even more. Our small but vibrant Catholic parish may be small but

we too are here to build community and be Church together using our gifts of Time, Talent and Treasure in the service of the Lord.  
Fr. John J. Ludvik, Pastor



God's Word is always being spoken. As it is proclaimed we need to listen. Pay attention and you may even be spellbound.

**LAETARE SUNDAY - 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT**

FYI as Adult Education: The rose vestments on Laetare Sunday is a custom originating in the fact that, as a symbol of joy and hope in the middle of this somber Season, popes used to carry a golden rose in their right hand when returning from the celebration of Mass on this day (way back in 1051, Pope Leo IX called this custom an "ancient institution.") Originally it was natural rose, then a single golden rose of natural size, but since the fifteenth century it has consisted of a cluster or branch of roses wrought of pure gold in brilliant workmanship by famous artists. The popes bless one every year, and often confer it upon churches, shrines, cities, or distinguished persons as a token of esteem and paternal affection. In case of such a bestowal, a new rose is made during the subsequent year. The golden rose represents Christ in the shining splendor of His majesty, the "flower sprung from the root of Jesse."

**HELP JESUS IN DISGUISE**

Support the Catholic Relief Services Collection this weekend March 14-15. Your donation will help Jesus in disguise through providing humanitarian aid, resettling displaced individuals and families and providing legal and advocacy services for migrants. Please visit [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) and search "Catholic Relief Services Collection" to learn how you are making a difference. Thank you for your generous support.

**POPE'S CALL TO PARISHIONERS**

I recommend one thing, to you, to help people," he continued. "The first pastoral commandment is closeness: being close to the people. Closeness." "We cannot go to a family with sick or hungry children -- or those that have fallen to vice -- we cannot go with 'You must, you must, you must,'" said the pope. "No. We must go with closeness, with the caress that Jesus has taught us." "To save us, God was made close to us, was made one of us: Jesus, and suffered like us!" said Francis. "This is the way: Closeness." Continuing later in the meeting with the pastoral council of St. Mary Mother of the Redeemer Parish, Francis told the group that "we announce Jesus Christ with gestures: Also with words, but first with gestures. With closeness." "Get close," he exhorted them. "Do not be afraid of closeness. Do not be afraid of caresses: caress the people, the sick, the lonely, even those who deserve the title of 'miserable:' caress them, as God has caressed us." -----Are we working on becoming a close knit community?

**Calendar for the Week**

**Monday - Mar 16**

Rosary 3:00 pm  
PRE K-7th 4:30-5:30 pm

**Tuesday - Mar 17**

Mass +Joe Allman by L. Tomaszewski 8:00 am  
Legion of Mary 10:45 am  
Youth Group 7:00 pm

**Wednesday - Mar 18**

Mass +Gus Soler by M. Soler 8:00 am  
Divine Mercy Cenacle 7:00 pm

**Thursday - Mar 19**

Mass +Bob Allman by L. Tomaszewski 8:00 am

**Friday - Mar 20**

Mass Patricia Lavagio by B. Holbrook 8:00 am  
Rice Bowl Soup supper 6:00 pm  
Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm

**Saturday - Mar 21**

Confession 3:30 pm  
Mass 5:00 pm

**Sunday - Mar 22**

**5th Sunday of Lent** 8:30 am  
Mass at OLOL 10:30 am  
Mass for parishioners/intentions 5:00 pm

**Pope Francis tweets** "There is no sin that God cannot pardon. All we need to do is ask for forgiveness." Confession is every Saturday 3:30- 4:30p.



**MarriageToday**

Fill in the blank: The best thing about my marriage is \_\_\_\_\_. People change and grow, so don't be surprised if your marriage changes, too, from year to year. A marriage that doesn't change can become stagnant.



**IRISH DINNER—TONIGHT!**

Knights of Columbus - St. Patrick's Day Dinner Sunday, tonight, 5 PM.  
Cost: Adults \$10, Kids under 5 Free, Family (4+) \$35. We will have a Dessert Auction. Plan on bringing your whole family and gather to support the Knights and also to take advantage of building up the parish and bonding with other parishioners. Invite your friends as well. Menu:  
Corn Beef, Cabbage (Carrots & Potatoes)  
Gluten Free Dinner

**A Guardian Angel**

*These things, I warmly wish  
for you-  
Someone to love, some work  
to do,  
A bit of o' sun,  
a bit o' cheer.  
And a guardian angel  
always near.*





Please continue your prayers - March 29th, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way at Cedar River abortion clinic, 1401-A Martin Luther King Way, Tacoma to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information - and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact 253-536-LIFE (5433) or email: [info@tacoma40days.com](mailto:info@tacoma40days.com). Thank you for your support.

Soup & Bread Lenten Suppers are here. Different groups will be hosting our Soup and Bread meals on Friday nights this year at 6pm. Plan on coming for Soup Supper and then attending the **Stations of the Cross** in the church afterwards at 7pm. Since they will be on Fridays this year, this means the menu will be Vegetarian soup, vegetarian chili, clam chowder, potato soup, minestrone; etc. **Thank you to Religious Education Teachers for providing the soup and bread on Friday.** Thank you to all who could attend and give contributions to the CRS Rice Bowl campaign.



Groups are providing the soups but if anyone wants to assist please come and volunteer for any of the Fridays. PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR BOWL AND SPOON!! This will assist with the cleanup process. Thank you.

### SUMMER CAMP! SUMMER FUN!

The Catholic Youth Organization summer camp registration is now open. [www.seattlearchdiocese.org/camping](http://www.seattlearchdiocese.org/camping)

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

(Jesus) does not come down from Heaven each day to stay in the gold ciborium. He comes down to find another Heaven He cherishes infinitely more than the first, the Heaven of our souls, made in His image, living temples of the Most Blessed Trinity!"  
— St. Therese of Lisieux

### Ciborium

A chalice-like vessel used to contain the Blessed Sacrament. The word is of rather doubtful etymology, Some derive it from the Latin word *cibus*, "food", because it is used to contain the Heavenly Bread; while others trace it to the Greek *kirorion*, "cup", because of the original shape of this Eucharistic receptacle. According to modern liturgical usage the word denotes exclusively the sacred vessel employed for the reservation of the Consecrated Species.

### THE PASSION OF CHRIST

Men's & Women's Silent Retreat will be held from Fri March 27—Sun March 29 at the Archbishop Burnett retreat center at The Palisades in Federal Way. The retreat will be led by Fr. Jordan Bradshaw, OP. For more information please call (206) 748-7991 or email [palisades@seattlearch.org](mailto:palisades@seattlearch.org).

### ADVOCACY DAY

Seven Million Reasons to Register for Catholic Advocacy Day 2015 - The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that over 7 million people live in Washington State. As Catholics who believe in the life and dignity of each person, we have over 7 million reasons to advocate for life and justice during Catholic Advocacy Day on Thursday, March 26th. Your participation will help ensure that the Gospel message to care for our brothers and sisters is heard in Olympia. For registration questions, contact IPJC at 206.223.1138 / [CAD2015@ipjc.org](mailto:CAD2015@ipjc.org).

### CRS Rice Bowl—Fourth Week of Lent

#### *Hungering for a Season of Hope*

We journey with CRS Rice Bowl to Lebanon to be present to a people who themselves are on a journey. Here we meet a family of Syrian refugees, a family perhaps not so unlike our own. We are challenged through our almsgiving this week to reach out to those who are forced to flee their homes, who are seeking shelter in a land of peace. Please visit [www.crsricebowl.org](http://www.crsricebowl.org)

### Juliana of Norwich (1342–1416), from her Revelations of Divine Love

The love of God most High for our soul is so wonderful that it surpasses all knowledge. No created being can fully know the greatness, the sweetness, the tenderness, of the love that our Maker has for us. By his Grace and help therefore let us in spirit stand in awe and gaze, eternally marveling at the supreme, surpassing, single-minded, incalculable love that God, Who is all goodness, has for us.

### BUMPER STICKERS

Be fishers of men.... You catch 'em. He'll clean 'em.  
A family altar can alter a family.  
A lot of kneeling will keep you in good standing.

### LETTER FROM MOM

When the man came home, his wife was crying. "Your mother insulted me," she sobbed. "My mother? How could she do that when she is on vacation on the other side of the world?" the man asked. "I know. But this morning a letter addressed to you and marked private arrived. I opened it because I was curious." "And?" "At the end of the letter it was written: PS. Dear Diane, when you have finished reading this letter, don't forget to give it to my son.

### Financial Reports - March 8, 2015

|                             | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Budgeted</u> | <u>Variance</u> |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <b>St. Aloysius</b>         |               |                 |                 |
| Weekly Revenue              | \$2,762.00    | \$2,475.00      | \$287.00        |
| Fiscal Year to Date Revenue | \$102,325.71  | \$89,100.00     | \$13,225.71     |
| <b>Our Lady of Lourdes</b>  |               |                 |                 |
| Weekly Revenue              | \$541.00      | \$741.00        | (\$200.00)      |
| Fiscal Year to Date Revenue | \$30,504.30   | \$26,676.00     | \$3,828.30      |