

Our Lady of the Rosary Roman Catholic Church

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March 11, 2023 Saturday After Ash Wednesday



RIP Family Members (Kathleen Weidner)

Father is current accepting Mass intentions for March. Customary offering is \$25 per Mass.

Third Sunday of Lent

The holy Church gave us as the subject of our meditation for the first Sunday of Lent, the temptation which our Lord Jesus Christ deigned to suffer in the desert. Her object was to enlighten us with regard to our own temptations, and teach us how to conquer them. Today she wishes to complete her instruction on the power and stratagems of our invisible enemies. During Lent the Christian ought to repair the past and provide for the future; but he can neither understand how it was he fell, nor defend himself against a relapse, unless he have correct ideas as to the nature of the dangers which have hitherto proved fatal, which are again threatening him. Assuredly we should be the blindest and most unhappy of men if, surrounded as we are by enemies who unceasingly seek to destroy us, and are so superior to us both in power and knowledge, we were seldom or never to think of the existence of these wicked spirits. Ever since the promulgation of the Gospel, the power of satan over the human body has been restricted by the virtue of the cross, at least in Christian countries; but this power resumes its sway as often as faith and the practice of Christian piety lose their influence. But if we ought to dread the power he may be permitted to have over our bodies; if we ought to shun all intercourse with him, and take no share in practices over which he presides, and which are the worship he would have men give him: we ought, also, to fear the influence he is ever striving to exercise over our souls. What a terrible assault is being prepared for the poor soul, unless she be on the watch, and unless the peace,

which God has granted her, be on that is well armed for war! Alas, with many souls the very contrary is the case; and our Saviour describes the situation in which the devil finds them on his return: they are swept and garnished, and that is all! One would suppose that they were waiting to give the enemy admission. Then satan, to make his repossession sure, comes with a sevenfold force. The attack is made, but there is no resistance, and straightways the wicked spirits entering in, dwell there; so that the last state becometh worse than the first; for before there was one enemy, and now there are many

Let us meditate upon those other words of our Lord, in today's Gospel: *He that is not with Me is against Me*. What makes us fall back into the power of satan, and forget our duty to our God, is that we do not frankly declare ourselves for Jesus, when occasions require us to do so. We try to be on both sides, we have recourse to subterfuge, we temporize: this takes away our energy; God no longer gives us the abundant graces we received when we were loyal and generous; our relapse is all but certain. Therefore, let us be boldly and unmistakably with Christ. He that is a soldier of Jesus, should be proud of his title.

Wisdom of the Saints

Love Mary!... She is lovable, faithful, constant. She will never let herself be outdone in love, but will ever remain supreme. If you are in danger, she will hasten to free you. If you are troubled, she will console you. If you are sick, she will bring you relief. If you are in need, she will help you. She does not look to see what kind of person you have been. - St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Virgin

Announcements

Please see the mission newsletter for important volunteer needs to help the mission run.



Please join us for the Rosary. Sundays at 9 AM on Discord. https://discord.gg/K42TYCr

If you are not receiving the mission newsletter, please contact Christy Hilliard, <u>cahilliard7@gmail.com</u>.

Prayer List

Please remember the following intentions:

Donna Perry, Michael Spann, Kathleen Weidner, Dennis Smith, Theresa Fishman, Father Trough, Success of the Mission

Upcoming

Mar 11: Mass, 10 AM Mar 25: Mass, 10 AM Mar 26: Passion Sunday Apr 02: Palm Sunday Apr 09: EASTER SUNDAY Apr 15: Mass, 10 AM

Please visit our website, olrtcc.org, for the most current schedule.

Collections

Last Mass: \$1,204 Year-to-Date: \$4,237



Dress Code Welcome! Out of respect for the True Presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, and for the edification of our neighbor, we kindly request that all who come to our parish observe the basic traditional Catholic standards of dress for church attendance: -Women and girls must cover their heads. -Women and girls must wear dresses or skirts that cover the knee completely when standing or sitting. Slacks, shorts, sleeveless, tight or low-cut clothing, and dresses or skirts with long slits above the knees are not permitted. -It is recommended for men and boys to wear suit coats and ties for Sunday Mass. Jeans and other casual attire are inappropriate for attendance at church.