



ST. MOTHER THEODORE GUERIN PARISH

St. Celestine and St. Cyprian
stguerinparish.org



MARCH 10, 2024

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

For everyone who does
wicked things hates the light
and does not come toward
the light, so that his works
might not be exposed.
- Jn 3:20

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ST. CELESTINE CHURCH and Parish Office

3020 North 76th Court
Elmwood Park, Illinois 60707
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MASSES
Saturday 5 PM
Sunday 7:30 AM
11 AM
Monday, Wednesday, and Friday
8 AM

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MISSION STATEMENT: "To do God's will as a unified, vibrant parish, and to foster an intentional relationship with Jesus through worship, witness, service, discipleship, and community."

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, March 9

4 PM St. Cyprian

+Joe Guidi
+Norbert Kosinski, Anniversary
Deceased Members of the
Kosinski Family

5 PM St. Celestine

+Felicidad Capulong, 20th
Anniversary

SUNDAY, March 10

7:30 AM St. Celestine

+Celia Samp, Anniversary

9 AM St. Cyprian

+Craig Bastek
+Katheryn Wolf

11 AM St. Celestine

+Roman and +Anna Romanyuk
+Frank Pudlo
+Ignazio Gatto, Birthday
+Anthony Del Santo
+Mary Daly
+Luciana Tauro
+Candida Bulala
+Christopher Morrison, 4th
Anniversary
Thanksgiving for Graces Received

MONDAY, March 11

8 AM St. Celestine

Faithful Departed

TUESDAY, March 12

8 AM St. Cyprian

People of the Parish

WEDNESDAY, March 13

8 AM St. Celestine

+Ephraim Fernandez,
Anniversary

THURSDAY, March 14

8 AM St. Cyprian

Faithful Departed

FRIDAY, March 15

8 AM St. Celestine

+Mary Daly

SATURDAY, March 16

4 PM St. Cyprian

+Genevieve
Makowski

5 PM St. Celestine

+Louis and +Juliana DaPrato
and the Deceased Members
of the DaPrato Family
+Olga Humowiecki, 15th
Anniversary
+Josephine Gutkowski, Birthday
+Peter Dalo, Birthday
+Bob Gutkowski
+Mary Petella

SUNDAY, March 17

7:30 AM St. Celestine

+James and +Dolores Heneghan
+Mary Daly

9 AM St. Cyprian

+Joseph Sweeney, 1st
Anniversary

11 AM St. Celestine

+Roman and +Anna
Romanyuk
+Frank Pudlo
+Patrick Riley
+Peter Eck, 1st
Anniversary
Mary Guidi O'Malley
+Concetta and
+Sabatino
DiCianno,
Birthday
+Nick DiCianni

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St. Mother Theodore Guerin

Welcome! If you are new to our churches or just visiting, please introduce yourself. We are happy to share in this celebration of the Eucharist. If you do not have a church home, or your church is not home to you, we are open to anyone looking for a spiritual home.

We invite you to become a part of our parish. Register by calling the parish office at 708-453-2555.

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From the Pastor's Desk: Father Paul Cao



Parish Annual Raffle If you haven't bought your raffle tickets yet, please do so. I would like to encourage every family to please help us by either buying the tickets or selling them to your friends and coworkers. We give away \$10,000 with the first prize \$5,000, second prize \$2,000 and three third prizes of \$1,000. You can return your tickets to the Pastoral Center or drop them off in the collection baskets. We will have a drawing on Easter Sunday after the 11 AM mass. Thank you for your financial support to our parish community and thank you for all you do to help our parish to grow spiritually strong and vibrant. May God bless you for all your good work!

Rejoice Sunday This weekend, we celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Lent and it is traditionally known as Laetare Sunday or Rejoice Sunday which sets a tone of joyful anticipation of the Easter mystery. In the Gospel this weekend, we will hear the famous word from the

Gospel of John 3:16: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." Let's rejoice because we almost close to Easter and I hope this is a great opportunity for us to set aside some time this Lenten season to reflect on the love of God so that we can return to him by turning away from our own sinfulness and being faithful to God in our daily live. You can ask yourself, "How am I doing so far during this Lenten Season?" If you haven't done much, there is still the opportunity to do something now.

I want to share Pope Francis' suggestions about fasting:

Do you want to Fast this Lent?

- Fast from hurting words ... and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness ...and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger ...and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism ...and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries ...and have trust in God.

- Fast from complaints ...and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures ...and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness ...and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness ... and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges ...and be reconciled.
- Fast from words ...and be silent so you can listen.

May God bless you always and may the Lenten season help us to be closer to the Lord!

In prayer,

Fr. Paul

Bulletin Deadlines

Please send in Word or as an editable PDF to Kim at khagerty@stguerinparish.org

March 24 is due on Monday, March 11 at 9 AM

March 31 is due on Monday, March 18 at 9 AM

April 7 is due on Monday, March 27 at 9 AM

The Fellowship Committee would like to thank the Men's Club for sponsoring the February 25 7:30 AM Mass at St. Celestine.



On Taking Thy Beak from Out of My Heart, and John 3:16

I'm a longtime fan of Poe's *The Raven*. I committed it to memory years ago because I love the rhyming pattern. I even wrote a Valentine's Day poem to my wife a while back (Once upon a February when my heart was light and airy/ Dreaming of a girl I knew in college many years before...) modeled after Edgar Allan's classic. There are a lot of poems I wish I had written. *The Raven* is near the top of the list.

The work is about a sad lover missing his lost Lenore. The man is visited by a cryptic raven who sits above his door saying only "Nevermore" (as in, nevermore will the man see his beloved). Nearing despair, the man says to the bird near the poem's end an extraordinary line that perhaps I can use someday when the moment is exactly right: "Take thy beak from out my heart, and take thy form from off my door."

I think of this line as I consider today's first reading. Not that I can see any ravens chanting "Nevermore" in 2 Chronicles. But I can hear the Israelites saying "Take thy beak from out my heart, and take thy form from off my door" to the book's author. Why? Because the Chronicler doesn't mince words re: the cause of the Babylonian Exile. He puts it directly on the people of Judah: "In those days, all the princes of Judah, the priests, and the people added infidelity to infidelity, practicing all the abominations of the nations and polluting the LORD's temple..."

And the Chronicler doesn't stop there. "Early and often" he writes, "did the LORD, the God of their fathers, send his messengers to them, for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place." But God's compassion was rejected, and the Chronicler rails on, explaining that the Israelites

"...mocked the messengers of God, despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets, until the anger of the LORD against his people was so inflamed that there was no remedy."

Can't you hear the Israelites railing back as well? "Take thy beak from

out our hearts, and take thy form from off our door"? Also per the Chronicler, Judah's enemies "...burnt the house of God, tore down the walls of Jerusalem, set all its palaces afire, and destroyed all its precious objects. Those who escaped the sword were carried captive to Babylon..." But who does God choose to rescue the Israelites in the end, enabling their return to—and restoration of—Jerusalem? Cyrus, king of Persia. A foreigner. Crazy.

And five hundred—some years later, God proves his faithfulness to his people all over again—despite the people's unfaithfulness to God—when he sends Jesus to take the nails for us. It's all right there in today's Gospel, specifically, John 3:16 (which, btw, two million people Google every month, according to a survey conducted by World Vision): "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." We can't earn our way into heaven. We can't even un-earn our way into heaven. Unless we choose to. "For by grace you have been saved through faith," the Apostle Paul tells us, "and this is not from you; it is the gift of God." Moreover, it is the gift that keeps on giving—in deference to Poe—evermore...

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Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers,
send his messengers to them,
for he had compassion on his people and his
dwelling place.

But they mocked the messengers of God,
despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets,
until the anger of the LORD against his people was
so inflamed
that there was no remedy. (2 Chr 36:15-16)

Psalm:

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Ps 137)

Second Reading:

God, who is rich in mercy,
because of the great love he had for us,
even when we were dead in our transgressions,
brought us to life with Christ. (Eph 2:4-5)

Gospel:

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him might not perish
but might have eternal life. (Jn 3:16)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Out of love for us, God sent His son into the world,
to illuminate the truth that brings salvation. But
light can be blinding to eyes that have only seen
darkness. Pray that God will teach us to walk
bravely in the light.

Observances for the week of March 10, 2024

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Lent, Daylight Saving Time begins

Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent



Saint of the week

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque was a French nun who had visions of Jesus and his Sacred Heart. She devoted her life to promoting Eucharistic adoration and the Feast of the Sacred Heart. Her Thursday night holy hours are still a common practice among modern Catholics!

Prayer for Laetare Sunday

Dear Jesus,

We've been in this season of Lent for a few weeks now. I want to re-commit myself in this time — renew and strengthen my resolve. Help me to use these last few weeks to grow closer to you. Amen.

(PRACTICING) CATH⁺OLIC

The Uncomfortable Life in The Light

If you have ever been a woman over the age of 30 who stayed in a budget motel, you know the horror of awakening in a dark room, switching on the bathroom lights and screaming at the shriveled-up she-witch you find hiding there.

And you know the feeling of disappointment that blooms in the pit of your stomach as you realize the shriveled-up she-witch is your own reflection staring back at you beneath the merciless glare of overhead fluorescent lighting.

You may also know the relief of visiting a nice restaurant after dark and catching sight of yourself in the mirror. You lean forward, mesmerized by how different — how matte! How smooth! — the contours of your face look in what we call “forgiving light.” But this turn of phrase is simply not correct. It is not light, and it does not forgive. It is darkness, and it merely conceals.

But it feels so much better, doesn't it? Salvation can feel like condemnation, when being lost is all you know. Sometimes it is so much more comfortable to live lost in the shadows.

It is possible to yearn for darkness. Darkness gives cover to so many things. The light has a harshness that can almost seem demanding, exposing. Light can bleach. Light can burn.

“Is this really me?” you think in that budget hotel bathroom, examining acne scars you never saw before and crow's feet that seem to have developed overnight. The answer is yes. Yes, that is really you, all of it, every inch. There's nothing to be afraid of, just step into the light and own it.

“And this is the verdict, that the light came into the world, but people preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil.” — John 3:19

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

What's the difference between priests and brothers, friars, etc.?

Answer:

The distinctions titles and categories used for priests and the male members of religious communities can be confusing, especially since the categories can sometimes be intertwined as a man can be both a priest and a monk, or a brother and a friar. So, to help to piece the puzzle together, it's important to begin by noting some basic distinctions:

The distinction between priests (who are ordained for sacramental ministry) and brothers (who are non-ordained members of religious communities and who are committed to lives of prayer and service).

Priests: A priest is a man who has been ordained for sacramental ministry and these fall into two categories: A) Diocesan (or Secular) Priests can either be attached to a diocese and who serve under a bishop. Their ministry is usually oriented toward pastoral service. B) Religious Priests are members of religious communities (like the Franciscans, Jesuits, Salvatorians, or Carmelites) and their lives are guided by the special mission and charism of their community. While both kinds of priest practice sacramental ministry, their spirituality and how they live out their priesthood can be very different.

Brothers: Brothers are non-ordained members of religious communities (such as those mentioned above) who live lives committed to prayer and service. Religious priests and brothers serve together in their communities and their ministries include much more than the care of parishes.

Monks, Friars, and Canons: These are broad categories that include religious priests and brothers, and each of these is connected to specific ways of life and spiritualities.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS Fridays at 7 PM
 March 15 at St. Cyprian
 March 22 at St. Celestine

Confession for those who speak Polish (Polish-speaking priest will be there) Saturday,
 March 23 3:30—5 PM at St. Celestine

HOLY WEEK

LABYRINTH in the Gym and Annex; Palm Sunday:
 Noon—5 PM, March 25—28: 5—9 PM, Good
 Friday, 9 AM—9 PM

Monday, March 25 7 PM Parish Reconciliation
 Service at St. Celestine

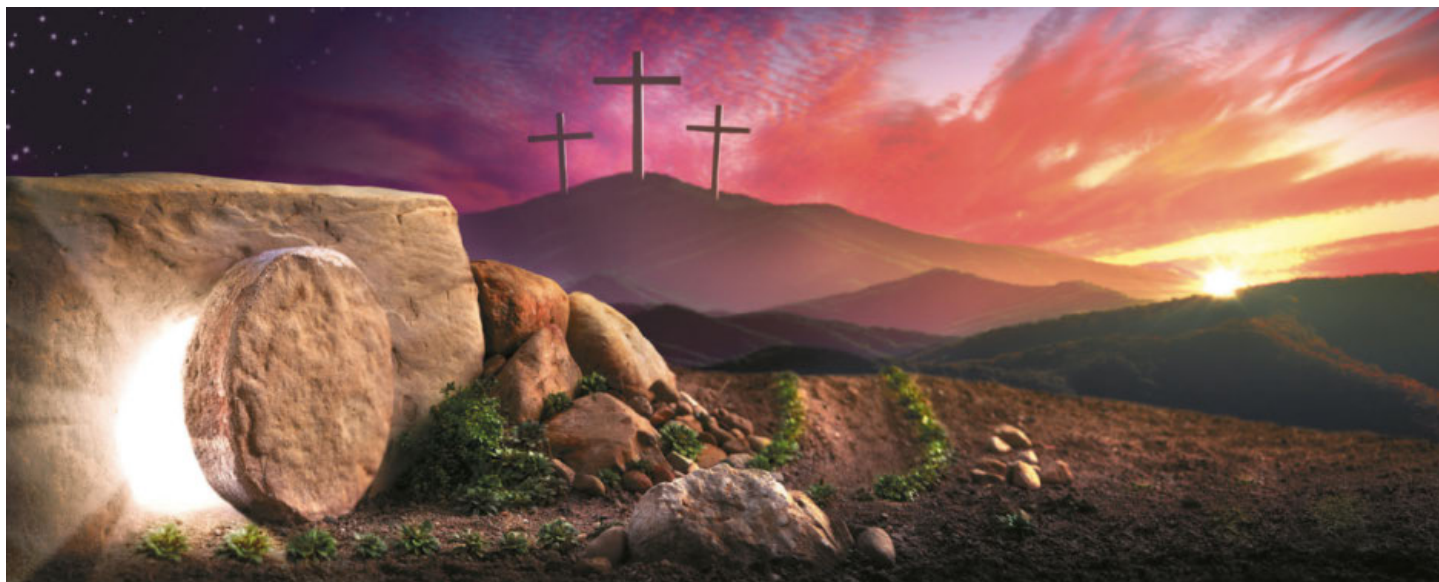
Wednesday, March 27 7 PM Taizé Prayer at
 St. Cyprian

Holy Thursday, March 28 8 AM Morning Prayer
 at St. Cyprian
 7 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper at
 St. Celestine followed by Church Visits

Good Friday, March 29
 8 AM Morning Prayer at St. Celestine
 3 PM Service at St. Cyprian
 7 PM Shadow Stations at St. Celestine

Holy Saturday, March 30
 8 AM Morning Prayer at St. Celestine
 11 AM Easter Basket Blessing at St. Cyprian
 Noon Easter Basket Blessing at St. Celestine
 7:30 PM Easter Vigil at St. Celestine

EASTER SUNDAY, March 31 Masses
 7:30 and 11 AM at St. Celestine
 9 AM and 11:30 AM at St. Cyprian



***This is My Body* Book Discussion**

During Advent we were invited to read Bishop Barron's book *This is My Body: A Call to Eucharistic Revival*. For Lent we would like to invite you to a weekly book discussion led by Lois DeFelice in which we will look more deeply at the Sacrament of Jesus' Body and Blood through this book.

This group will meet on Thursdays either after 8 AM Mass at St. Cyprian or at 6:30 PM at St. Celestine in the Fireside Room. Discussions will take place March 14 and 21. For Week 4 March 14, please read pages 69–88 and think about these questions:

- What deeper insight did this reading give you on the Eucharist?
- What can we learn about the Eucharist from the Church Fathers and the early Church?

Join us whether or not you have read the section; we hope to have a lively discussion!

Tax Letters

If you need a year-end contribution letter for your taxes with your donations to St. Mother Guerin parish for 2023, please call the Pastoral Center at 708-453-2555 to request one. It will be mailed to you in a few days or you can come in and pick it up.

Widowed Retreat

Retreat/workshop for Widowed Men and Women will take place on April 13 and 14 (2 day program—overnight encouraged) at St. Mary's Retreat House, Lemont, Illinois 60439 (Commute or stay overnight.) For further information, call: 708-354-7211 or email us at joyfulagain7211@gmail.com. See joyfulagain.org. *Joyful Again! is a spiritual program for widows and widowers who want to resolve the normal grief they feel after losing their spouse and who want to begin to start to live fully again.*



Women's Club Meeting

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

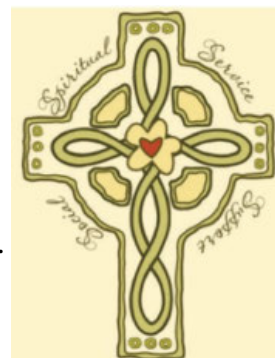
Women's Club Meeting

Thursday, March 21

Doors open at 6:30, meeting starts at 7PM in the annex at St. Celestine.

Learn how to make items from palms!

See you there!



Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross will take place on Friday, March 15 at 7 PM at St. Cyprian. Each Friday in Lent we will be praying the Stations; it will alternate at each church.

There are 14 stations that each depict a moment on Jesus's journey to Calvary. The object of the Stations is to help us to make in spirit, a pilgrimage to the chief scenes of Christ's sufferings and death, and this has become one of the most popular of Catholic devotions. It is carried out by passing from Station to Station, with certain prayers at each and meditation on the various incidents.

Holy Thursday Church Pilgrimage March 28



Join us on March 28 from 8:30 PM to midnight. We will leave St. Celestine Church and travel by coach bus to churches to visit (plans are still being finalized for which churches we will visit, but the plan is to go to St. John



Cantius, Holy Name Cathedral, Our Lady of the Holy Family, St. Mary of the Angels, and the Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii, all churches that are well over 100 years old). We will end with night prayer in the chapel at St. Celestine. **Please reserve your seat now by calling 708-453-2555. The cost is \$25 and space is limited.**

The Visitation to Churches is a devotion that involves traveling to local churches after Mass on the evening of Holy Thursday. These visits recall the final places Jesus went from his arrest on Holy Thursday to his death on Good Friday. In each church, the pilgrim kneels before the Altar of Repose, meditates on the appropriate Scripture, and offers prayers and adoration. In this way, pilgrims seek to spiritually accompany Christ as he enters his Passion.



Last Lenten Pasta Dinner March 22

Join us for the final Lenten Pasta Dinner serving from 5 to 7 PM in the Annex and Gym at St. Celestine on Friday, March 22.

Dinner includes two pastas, a specialty pasta from a featured restaurant and the house pasta, bread and butter, salad bar, coffee, and dessert. Assorted cold drinks will be available for purchase. To go containers will also be available.

Adults: \$10 Students: \$5 Children Preschool and under: Free bowl of in-house pasta

DONATIONS APPRECIATED: Please drop off baked goods at the Pastoral Center the day before the dinner! We also need: 12 oz. cans of Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite, Diet Sprite and 16-20 oz. bottled waters, and dry goods for salad. Thank you so much!

Pictures from the first Lenten Pasta Dinner: Thanks to the Women's Club for leading the volunteers, and to everyone who stepped up and helped by baking, setting up, serving, cleaning up, and helping to make it the evening go smoothly. We are also grateful to the Scouts and to our Resurrection and St. Patrick High School volunteers. Join us for the last Pasta Dinner on March 22. You can have dinner between 5 and 7 PM and then go to Stations of the Cross at 7 PM in St. Celestine Church.





Boy Scout Troop and Crew 690

Are collecting donations to help with activities, camp and equipment



CLOTHING DRIVE

Clothing/Shoes/Textiles(towels, sheets, blankets, pillows etc)/Accessories(Handbags, belts etc)

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Saturday March 16th
8am – 1pm

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or large items

St. Mother Theodore Guerin Parish
St. Celestine Church

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*Please drive into parking lot and look
for SCOUTS to assist you

Walk the labyrinth!

Holy Week 2024

Palm Sunday, March 24

Noon - 5 PM

Monday through Thursday

March 25 - 28 5 - 9 PM

Good Friday,

March 29 9 AM - 9 PM

The labyrinth is a simple walking path used to meditate or quiet the mind. It is a path of reflection, contemplation and clarity.

Labyrinths come in many sizes and patterns, but a labyrinth has only one path, there are no tricks to it or dead ends: it is not a maze.

The path winds throughout and becomes a mirror for where we are in our lives.

The labyrinth is a wonderful tool for re-connecting the mind, body and spirit. For some, it allows self-realizations that provide peace, healing and comfort.

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SPIRIT NIGHT DETAILS

Wednesday, March 13
5:00 - 9:00 pm
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Donation based on Dine-in and To-Go food sales only.
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Pray for Them

Sick

Please remember the following people who are seriously ill. If you wish to add a name with the person's permission, please call the parish office. Names remain on the list for 4 weeks.

Angelina Alongi	Emily Matos
Therese Anello	Angela McClain
Grace Baldessara	Amelia Miglio
Paula Biegalski	James Nasti
Alexandra Bradish	Larry Nestor
Edward Bray	Ron Nichols
Ray Brownlee	Sister Louise Noesen
James Burger	Mary Guidi O'Malley
Iris Cardona	Brendan O'Brien
Genaro Colin	Carolyn Paprocki
Betty Corbett	Robert Paprocki
Maria Cordero*	Manny Perez
Mary Daly	Adrienne Pudlo
Mary Davister	Sister Rita Mae Rabitoy
Elene Dimperio	Marylyn Robertson
Eleanor	Richard Robertson
Jim Eller	Austin Rose
Ricardo Encarnado	Rock Sarbacker
Patsy Galecki	Warren Sarbacker
Pepe Garcia*	Kathy Sassolino
Tammy Garcia	Kelly Schlanger
Baby Brendan Haro	Morgan Schlanger
Grace Hensley	Joseph Serwa
Kathy Johl	Heidi Stringham
Adele Johnson	Judy Virgilio
Greg Komendanchik	Lillian Wardzala
Justine Kucera	Jim Wazorick
Larry Lemanski	Sue Weber
Karen Lins	Joshua Wilmes
Carol Sheahan Marrero	*recently added

Faithful Departed

Theresa Donati	Maria C. DeRango
Izydora Pawlik	Sandy Rogalski

Military

Col. Stephen Acosta	Marines
Staff Sgt. Lawrence G. Campbell	Air Force
Senior Airman Cory McCambridge	Air Force
Lt. Col. Peter Anderson	Army
Sgt. Kenneth G. DiCristifano	Army
Spec Michael Migliorisi	Army
Pvt. John Cerrone	Marines
PFC Paul J. Lagoda	Marines
PFC Sophia M. Garcia	Marines
Lt. Robert Reynolds	Army
Staff Sgt. Alberto Boy	Marines
Staff Sgt. Natalie Borrini	Air Force
Cpl. Brian Macaluso	Marines
Lnc. Cpl. Meghan Jennings	Marines
Lnc. Cpl. Michael Casanave	Marines
Pvt. Nicolas Casanave	Marines
ABEAN Melanie Hodges	Navy
PFC Vincent Negron	Marines
Pvt. Matthew Meyer	Army

Master Sgt. Scott A. Cross	Air Force
Dario Rodriguez	Air Force
Ensign Devon Zych	Coast Guard
Lnc. Cpl. Andrew D. Nordlie	Marines
Luis N. Burciaga	Army
PFC Rudy De La O	Marines
Jose Flores, Jr.	Air Force
Carmelo Flores	Air Force
AB Ethen N. Ortiz	Air Force
Lnc. Cpl. Michael Joshua Barajas	Marines
Pvt. Cody Krawczyk	Army
Lnc. Cpl. Jake Kola	Marines
Airman Kaden Turocy	Air Force
A1C Rhian Frnzn Vengua	Air Force
Private Nicholas Drust, Jr.	Army
Private Jesse J. Mendoza	Army

SCRIPTURE SEARCH®

Gospel for March 10, 2024

John 3:14-21

Following is a word search based on the Gospel reading for the Fourth Sunday of Lent, Cycle B: Jesus speaks of being “lifted up.” The words can be found in all directions in the puzzle.

MOSES	LIFTED UP	SERPENT
OF MAN	SO LOVED	WORLD
HE GAVE	HIS ONLY SON	IN HIM
PERISH	SEND	CONDEMN
ALREADY	THE NAME	VERDICT
LIGHT	PEOPLE	DARKNESS
EVIL	HATES	EXPOSED

THE VERDICT?

S	E	N	D	A	D	E	S	O	P	X	E
N	O	S	Y	L	N	O	S	I	H	V	O
M	A	L	W	K	V	E	R	D	I	C	T
E	L	M	O	T	H	G	I	L	N	I	H
D	V	C	F	V	S	J	I	L	A	N	E
N	H	A	S	O	E	F	Y	F	V	H	N
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C	I	G	P	E	A	R	L	D	A	M	M
F	R	O	D	E	H	B	C	R	O	I	E
D	E	U	R	C	H	O	P	S	O	D	X
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D	A	R	K	N	E	S	S	V	B	O	P

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Parish Weekly Events

Sunday, March 10

7:30 AM ST CEL Girl Scout Cookie Sale after Mass in the Vestibules

Monday, March 11

4 PM ST CEL Athletics in the Gym
6 PM ST CEL Troop 47130 in the Annex

Tuesday, March 12

4 PM ST CEL Athletics in the Gym
7 PM ST CEL Knights of Columbus in the Annex
7 PM ST CYP Teen OCIA in the Rectory

Wednesday, March 13

3:05 PM ST CEL Troop 47441 in the Annex
3:05 PM ST CEL Children's Choir in the Church
4 PM ST CEL Athletics in the Gym
7 PM ST CEL Boy Scouts in the Lunchroom
7 PM ST CEL Adult Choir in the Music Room

Thursday, March 14

8:30 AM ST CYP Book Study in the Church
4 PM ST CEL Athletics in the Gym
4 PM ST CEL Food Pantry
4:30 PM ST CEL Troop 47362 in the annex
6 PM ST CEL Daisy Troop in the Annex
6:30 PM ST CEL Book Study in the Fireside Room
7 PM ST CYP OCIA in the Rectory

Friday, March 15

4 PM ST CEL Athletics in the Gym
7 PM ST CYP Stations of the Cross in the Church

Saturday, March 16

8 AM ST CEL Scouts Clothing Drive in the Parking Lot
9:30 AM ST CEL First Communion Parent/Child Activity in the Church
10 AM ST CEL Special Religious Education in the Gym and Annex

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Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, March 16

4 PM St. Cyprian

Presider
Lector
Eucharistic Minister

Fr. Paul Cao
Karen Moretti
Peg Gurnig

5 PM St. Celestine

Presider
Lector
Eucharistic Ministers

Fr. Fil Ngwila
Nick Kaspar
Tom Lepore
Lynn Loftus
Mike Miller
Bob Mitchell, O.F.S.
Peggy O'Donnell
Patricia Rinella
Pat Strabley

Sunday, March 17

7:30 AM St. Celestine

Presider
Lector
Eucharistic Ministers

Fr. Paul Cao
Betty Blonski
Minnie Reillo
Maria Mojek
Michelle Doyle
Bill Lesch
Larry Skelly
Ken Doyle

9 AM St. Cyprian

Presider
Lector
Eucharistic Minister

Fr. Ron Navoy
Lois DeFelice
Daniel LaCour

11 AM St. Celestine

Presider
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Fr. Moises Navarro
Josaphat Urytskyy
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Ray Maraviglia
Paulette Maraviglia
Julie McGuire
Kathy Iversen-Jaroch
Mary Joost

Save these Dates!

- **Bible Study on Mary** Mondays in April, 8, 15, 22, and 29 in the Fireside Room
- **Teen Meeting** Saturday, April 20 6:15 PM
- **Craft Fair:** Sunday, April 28 from 8:30 to 2 PM at St. Celestine
- **Anointing Mass:** Saturday, April 20 at 5 PM at St. Celestine
- **Totus Tuus:** for children: Monday, July 8 through Friday, July 12 during the day. For teens: Sunday, July 7 through Thursday, July 11 in the evening.
- **Garage Sale:** Saturday in July TBD
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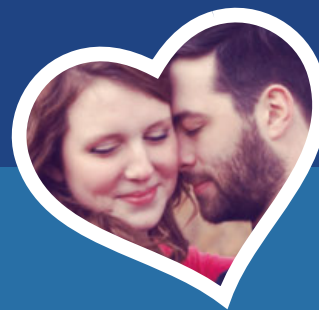
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Office Hours: Regular Hours (August 21—May 28):

Monday—Thursday, 8:30 AM—noon and 12:30 PM—8 PM
Friday, 8:30 AM—noon and 12:30 PM—5 PM
Saturday, 8:30 AM—12:30 PM Closed Sunday



Holy Hour: First Friday of each month at 3 PM at St. Celestine Church.

Baptisms: To schedule at St. Celestine contact Ruthanne Swiatkowski at rswiatkowski@stguerinparish.org or call 708-453-2555 x5017; contact Mary Krewer to schedule at St. Cyprian; mkrewer@stguerinparish.org or 708-453-2555 x5018. Baptisms take place at 12:30 PM on the second and fourth Sundays monthly at St. Celestine and the third Sunday of the month at St. Cyprian. Baptismal Prep classes take place on most first Wednesdays of each month at 7 PM at St. Cyprian; please call the office to sign up for the class.

Masses: See cover.

Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:30 PM at St. Cyprian and 4:15 PM at St. Celestine.

Weddings: Engaged couples are encouraged to call a year in advance of a preferred date. The couple must talk to Deacon Mike DeLarco before a wedding date can be reserved. Participation in marriage preparation is essential.

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