



The First Scrutiny: Water

by Caitlin Cusack, Music Ministry

Immersion in the font of baptism brings much more than cleansing from sin. The water of baptism slakes our thirst for God and unites us to Christ, making us, like him, "living water"

**"If you knew the gift of God
and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,'
you would have asked him
and he would have given you living water."**

John 4:10

Reflection

As only a master storyteller can, Jack Shea recasts the remarkable encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman in his book *An Experience Named Spirit*. He delves into the details: why the woman came to the well at noon and not at break of day like the other women; how she laughed "like a prisoner"; the hurts she bore under a calloused demeanor.

And in the end, after Jesus hears her story, after he meets her with compassion and absorbs her sorrow, dares even to share a cup of water with her—after all this, the woman returns to her village, where the townspeople observe that a miraculous transformation has taken place: Her laughter rises like a fountain of living water.

Prayer

Lord, we thirst every day. Help us to know you in our thirst.
Help us to find refreshment in your ways—
ways that are holy, enduring, and sustaining.
Even as a deer yearns for running streams, let us yearn for living water.

*Reflection and Prayer by Steven C. Warner
Newman Centre for Faith and Reason
Dublin, Ireland*

**Let all who thirst; let all who seek; let all who toil;
let all who have nothing; let all who are weary:
COME TO THE WATER.**

Readings for March 19 - 26

Sunday Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;
Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29;
Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Tuesday

Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23

Friday

Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17;
Mk 12:28-34

Saturday Annunciation of the Lord

Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11; Heb 10:4-10;
Lk 1:26-38

Sunday Fourth Sunday of Lent

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6;
Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38



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Happening this Week in Our Parish

Sunday (3/19) 3rd Sunday in Lent

8:00 a.m.	Mass	Vocations	New Church
9:15	Faith Formation (K-2)		New Church
10:30	Mass	+ Peter Morello	New Church
5:30 p.m.	Mass	For Our Parish	New Church

Monday (3/20)

9:30 a.m.	Pastor Conversations		Biggby Coffee
5:00 p.m.	Mass	For Families	New Church
5:30	Reconciliation		New Church
7:00	Exposition and Adoration		Cook-DeWitt Greenroom
7:00	Reconciliation		Cook-DeWitt Rm 120
7:00	Finance Council Meeting		Rectory

Tuesday (3/21)

5:00 p.m.	Mass	For those seeking Employment	New Church
5:30	Reconciliation		New Church

Wednesday (3/22)

5:00 p.m.	Soup Supper		New Church
5:00	Mass	Catechumens & Candidates	New Church
5:30	Reconciliation		New Church
6:15	Young Disciples (3-5)		New Church
7:00	Stations of the Cross		New Church
7:30	Parish Choir Rehearsal		New Church

Thursday (3/23)

5:00 p.m.	Mass	+ For All Who have Died	New Church
5:30	Reconciliation		New Church
8:00	Catholic Student Ministry		Kirkhof Rm 0072

Friday (3/24)

9:30 a.m.	Parish Breakfast Club		Murphy's
5:00 p.m.	Mass	GVSU Student Retreat	New Church
5:30	Reconciliation		New Church

Sunday (3/26) 4th Sunday in Lent

7:30 a.m.	Blood Drive		Blood Bus
8:00	Mass		New Church
9:15	Faith Formation (K-2)		New Church
10:30	Mass		New Church
5:30 p.m.	Mass		New Church

Ministries for March 26

Lectors

8:00 a.m.	Elyse Underhill (1st), Jason Horton (2nd)
10:30	Robert Talbert (1st), Patricia Roslund (2nd)

Altar Servers

8:00 a.m.	Ethan Thomas, Isaac Perry
10:30	Gabbi Gaiser, Levon Gaiser

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

8:00 a.m.	Kim Thomas, Sheryl Horton, Jeanne Benedict
10:30	Jon Noworyta, Carol Schoenborn, Cathy Talbert, Elaine Briar, Amy Wolf

Ushers

8:00 a.m.	Dwayne Thomas (lead), David Boon, Ron Gorlewski, Tim Rowland
10:30	Dan Gaiser (lead), Rich Conflitti, Tom Garvelink, Larry Flagg

Saint Luke University Parish

March 19, 2017

Third Sunday in Lent

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Ministry of the Paulist Fathers

Financial Update

	February	Envelope	Online	Combined	Budgeted	Over/Behind
Total for Month	\$ 10,825	\$ 6,915	\$ 17,740	\$ 23,440	\$ (5,700)	
Weekly Average for Feb.	\$ 2,706	\$ 1,729	\$ 4,435	\$ 5,860	\$ (1,425)	
March Month to date	\$ 7,953	\$ 3,980	\$ 11,933	\$ 11,720	\$ 213	



This week's Altar Flowers
In Memory of
Elizabeth Weideman,
Willis McWilliams, & Patricia McWilliams
by Larry & Karon Flagg

The Spring Retreat for GVSU Catholic Student Ministries is this coming weekend (March 24-26). Please keep all those who are participating in your prayers. Many thanks!

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults – last Sunday evening, at the 5:30 p.m. Mass, Nick Miller and Kayla Haley expressed their desire and intention to seek Baptism and were received into the Order of Catechumens. This is the first "official" step on their journey to receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist). The purpose of the catechumenate is to provide those in the catechumenate with a thorough background in Christian teaching. It is a process that lasts at least a year, perhaps longer. Please remember Nick and Kayla in your prayers.

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive

Next week the Michigan Blood Bus will be visiting our new parish center. Join the Knights of Columbus and Michigan Blood on Sunday, March 26, 7:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. to help us save lives. Each donor can help save several lives. Our goal is to have at least 15 donors. Appointments are preferred. For more info contact Jason Horton at 616-895-2247.



Paulist Associates Diaper Drive

The Paulist Associates group will be conducting a Diaper Drive during Lent to assist the Diaper Ministry at Spring Valley Church in Allendale. The Diaper Ministry provides diapers and wipes to families and mothers who are unable to afford them within our Allendale community. They have a strong need for diaper sizes 4, 5, and 6, but any size would be helpful. We have a collection area in the narthex of the Church throughout Lent. Please help us to help our neighbors.

Easter Ham from Mike's Processing

Mike's Processing is now taking orders for Easter hams. Orders of half (8-10 lbs) or whole (18-20 lbs) are all \$1.99 per lbs. and include cooking instructions. Call Mike's Processing to place an order at 616-895-6900. They are located at 12196 64th Ave. in Allendale.

SCRIP

Calling all Uber riders, Uber has joined the scrip program with e-certificates. Gift to the people you care about, or add value to your Uber account. Certificates are available from \$20 - \$100 with a 3% rebate to the parish. *Weekly specials* are Bass Pro Shops (12%), JC Penney (6%), Meijer (5%), and Home Depot (7%).

Love INC Volunteers Needed

Volunteer positions are available at Love INC of Allendale. The 6633 Lake Michigan Drive office is in need of intake volunteers for Monday and/or Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., as well as a volunteer for data entry two hours a week. The 11620 60th Ave. store needs in store cashiers for Monday afternoons, Tuesday mornings and Saturday mornings. Please contact the Love INC office at 895-5683 if you are able to help. All training will be provided.

Grand Rapids Right to Life Volunteer Opportunities

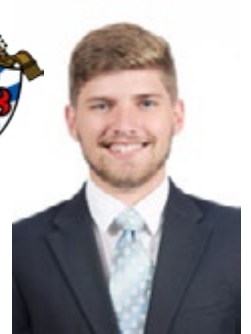
GR Right to Life is in need of volunteers to help create a culture of life in our city! Join a committee. Work an event. Staff our booth at an expo. Book a speaker for your youth group. Host a Coins for Kids drive. We can only protect the precious gift of human life with your help. And there's a special place for you in our organization, just ask! For more information visit grrtl.org/volunteer or contact Laura at 616-532-2300 or at info@grrtl.org.

Pray for our Paulist & Diocesan Seminarians

Loving God,
Raise up dedicated leaders who will shepherd your people and guide them to your Son. Give generous and willing hearts to the seminarians who have heard your call to live a life of service to the Church. Help us to encourage and support them as they strive to become priests who are models of discipleship, possessors of wisdom and on fire with love for your people. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



David Rice
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Home Town:
Chatham, OH



Noah Thelen
Pre-Theology II
Home Town:
Grand Haven, MI

Ash Wednesday





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Office of the Bishop



March 2017

Dear Friends in Christ,

The Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC) will be taken up in the parishes of our diocese during the weekend of **March 25-26, 2017**. By participating in this collection, you are responding to the hidden presence of Jesus in some of the most marginalized communities in our world. This collection provides services for immigrants, humanitarian aid in the wake of natural disasters, refuge for the displaced, and advocacy for peace and justice around the world. Let us join together in support of those who are suffering and living on the margins of society.

Our world is in the midst of the largest refugee crisis since World War II. Millions of people, many of them children, have been displaced due to war and persecution. We have seen images of sinking boats full of refugees and babies strapped to their mothers' backs making long and dangerous treks to safety. Refugees are traveling hundreds of miles from their homes, navigating unfamiliar lands, languages, and cultures in an effort to reach a safer and better life. The CRS collection helps Catholic Relief Services reach out to refugees, providing hope and assistance, education, counseling, and care for children, housing, and other forms of support. Basic necessities are being provided along with urgent medical care and emergency relief for tens of thousands of refugees.

Your support of this collection makes a difference for refugees and many others around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection. For additional information on the CRS collection and those whom it benefits, please visit usccb.org/catholic-relief.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak
Bishop of Grand Rapids