

# ST. JULIA PARISH



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142 LINCOLN ROAD LINCOLN, MA

**MARCH 10, 2019**

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374 BOSTON POST ROAD WESTON, MA

## **Rev. Mark A. Mahoney, Pastor**

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**Saturday Vigil:** 4:00pm (St. Julia)

**Sunday:**

7:30am (St. Joseph)  
9:00am (St. Julia)  
10:30am (St. Joseph)  
12:00pm (St. Julia)  
5:00pm (St. Julia)

**Daily:**

Monday 7 AM (St. Julia)  
Tuesday 9 AM (St. Joseph)  
Wednesday 7 AM (St. Julia)  
Thursday 7 AM (St. Julia)  
Friday 9 AM (St. Joseph)  
Saturday/Holiday 8 AM (St. Julia)

**COME AND WORSHIP THE LORD WITH US!**

## **THE MISSION OF SAINT JULIA PARISH**

We, the parishioners of Saint Julia Parish, seek to live our belief in Christ as we worship and serve Him according to His example and teachings. With appreciation of the diverse gifts of our individual members, we strive to gain the participation of each parishioner and work to ensure that everyone feels welcome in our community of faithful. We do this while mindful of God's love for us and the power of His Spirit that makes us holy, heals our brokenness and sustains us in all the good we do. We are committed in the spirit of Christian stewardship to share generously our time, talent, and treasure.

**OFFICE HOURS** 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Mon. through Friday.

### **RECONCILIATION**

Parish Center Conference Room, Saturday: 3:15-3:45 PM

### **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

After the 4:00 PM Saturday Mass; or contact Parish Office.

### **EUCCHARIST AND VISITS TO THE SICK**

Contact Parish Office to notify of anyone ill, homebound or hospitalized.

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

St. Julia Church: Every Friday, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

First Friday, 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.

St. Joseph Church: Every First Friday, 9:30 to 10:30 AM.

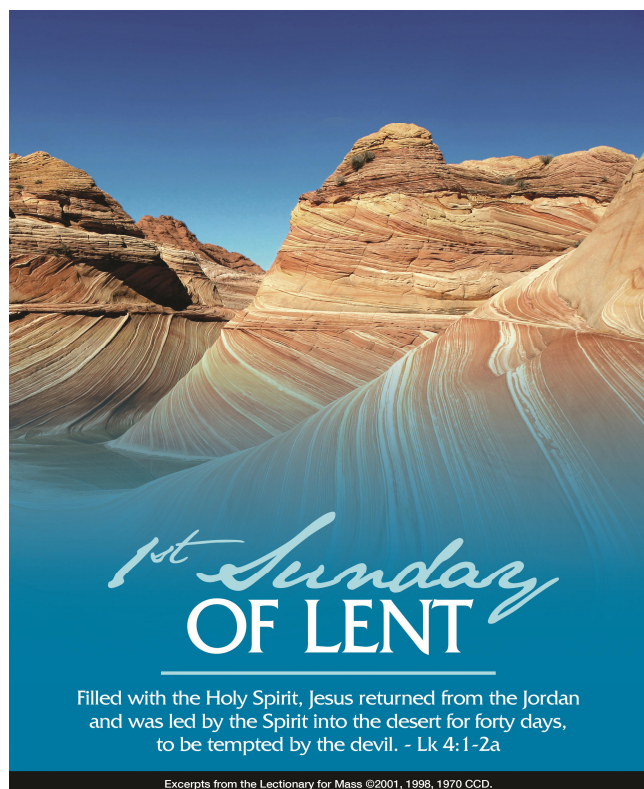
### **ROSARY IN ST JULIA CHURCH:**

After daily Mass.

### **BAPTISM**

Please contact the Parish Office in advance to make arrangements.

**BULLETIN NOTICES** should be proposed, by e-mail if possible, to the Parish Office by Monday **morning**.



## **GOSPEL MEDITATION FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

As we enter into this Lenten season of penance and self-denial, we're reminded that the God we follow is no stranger to these things. In this Sunday's Gospel, we see the temptations of Jesus which have parallels throughout Scripture and in our own lives. The apostle John warns against temptations to sensual lust, enticement of the eyes, and a pretentious life (cf. 1 John 2:16). Before Eve plucks the fruit from the tree, she hears it is good for food, pleasing to the eyes, and desirable for gaining wisdom (cf. Genesis 3:6). The temptations of Jesus are our own.

"Turn these stones to bread." Here is the lure of bodily comfort, like good food or sensual lust. It's the simplest of temptations because it's instinctual. We want good for our bodies! But there may be times these bodily goods don't serve the higher good for our souls. The leap "from the temple parapet" would entice the eye of the person watching. A feat like this would prove Jesus' Messianic ability. His popularity could be a shortcut to the cross. We might not be daredevils, but we want people to like us and be impressed by us. Do we sacrifice our values along the way? To "bow and worship" the devil - and so claim power and a pretentious life - seems like a dramatic temptation. Not everyone may feel enticed by power in the professional sense, but all of us want control. A volunteer team can feel just as intense as the boardroom! How often do we prefer to be in control of our lives (and perhaps even the lives of others), rather than allow God to be God?

When we consider areas of temptation and sin, it's not to feel ashamed. The temptation in the desert reminds us that we are not alone and that the strength of Jesus can be our strength, too.



# This Week

## Wednesday, March 13

The Light is On", 6:30-8PM,  
St. Julia Church  
Book Review, 7:30PM, St. Julia Parish  
Center

## Friday, March 15

Adoration, 12 Noon—1PM, St. Julia  
Church  
Soup & Stations, 6PM, St. Julia Church



## Helping Hands - A Generations of Faith Event— Sunday, March 24

### REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED SPACE IS LIMITED

To sign up to attend a session, please go on  
our website, and click on the Helping Hands  
slider.

Help sponsor the cost of the food and other  
supplies sent to Burkino Faso. We need to  
raise at least \$5,076.00. As of February 24, we  
have only raised \$750. **Help!** Checks are to be  
made payable to St. Julia Parish, earmarked  
CRS-Helping Hands. Please forward to Cindy  
Harrington at the Parish Center.

## SOUP & STATIONS

will take place on Fri-  
day March 15th from  
6 - 8pm. The Liturgy  
Committee and mem-  
bers of SVdP will pro-  
vide a variety of deli-  
cious soups at 6.30pm.



From 6 to 6.30pm we will meet in the Church  
to meditate on the last hours of Jesus' life  
and how we can unite our sacrifice and ser-  
vice with His service. All are welcome

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 9/10, 2019

## MASS And Prayers Requested INTENTIONS

We pray for Katharine Row, whose funeral was  
celebrated recently.

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| Sun., March 17 | 7:30AM  | James Nicholson     |
|                | 10:30AM | Theresa Greaves     |
|                | 12:00PM | Louis "Dan" Valente |

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| <b>CONFESSORS:</b> | March 13 | Fr. Mahoney |
|                    | March 16 | Fr. Mahoney |
|                    | March 20 | Fr. Mahoney |



CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of  
Reconciliation  
(Penance) will be  
celebrated on

**Wednesday evenings, 6:30 to 8PM, March  
13 through April 17th.** Confessions will be  
celebrated in St. Julia Church. All are most  
welcome.

## Lenten Prayer Circle:

Many of you signed up in the  
past years for the Lenten  
Prayer Circle. Hopefully you  
will sign up again this year  
and encourage your friends to sign up too.



Here's how it works.

1. You sign up on the sheet provided at both  
Churches or pick a date and email me and I will  
sign you up.
2. Place your intentions in the prayer basket at  
either Church or email me  
[prayercircle@stjulia.org] and I will add it to the  
list.
3. I will email you the list of prayer intentions  
(which increases as Lent progresses and a re-  
minder of your prayer day).
4. Your only commitment is to take a moment to  
pray in a special way on your "prayer day" for the  
listed intentions. The prayer can be an Our Fa-  
ther/Hail Mary, a Rosary, a Mass offering, an  
Hour of Adoration, or a favorite Devotion or Pray-  
er from your heart.

Wishing you a Lenten Season filled with peace  
and grace. Alpheen Menachery

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/[Jn 6:63b]/Mt 25:31-46  
 Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15  
 Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32  
 Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12  
 Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26  
 Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48  
 Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Phil 3:17-4:1

### MARCH 17

**FIRST READING:** The Lord God took Abram outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can. Just so," he added, "shall your descendants be." (Gn 15:5)

**PSALM:** The Lord is my light and my salvation. (Ps 27)

**SECOND READING:** He will change our lowly body

to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself. (Phil 3:21)

**GOSPEL:** While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. (Lk 9:29)

## LIVE THE LITURGY

Temptation is a part of our lives. Even Jesus wrestled with temptation. Our faith tells us that we are meant to live our lives in service of God's kingdom. Yet, we often find ourselves pursuing our own desires rather than God's. The Gospel clearly tells us that true power is found in the embrace of virtue - living lives of non-violence, mercy, and forgiveness. Yet, we still are not convinced and seek things that will hurt us and retaliate against those who harm us. When Jesus faced temptation, he found security in who he was, which firmly rooted him in his mission and gave him the determination to trust in God. We, too, must learn to find security in our identity as a son or daughter of God, to live out our mission rooted in that truth, and to be confident in God's abiding presence.

**Abstinence** -- Catholics over 14 years of age are bound to the obligation of abstinence. Abstinence is to be observed on **Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays of Lent**. On days of abstinence, meat may not be used at all.

**Fast** -- Catholics over 18 and up to the beginning of their 60th year are bound to the obligation of fasting. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the days of fasting. On these days, only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed.

## SUPPORTING OUR PARISH'S MISSION

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| Weekend of March 2/3                   | \$4,821                         |
| Weekend of February 23-24              | \$4,376                         |
| Weekend of February 16/17              | \$3,514                         |
| Econd Collection—Snow Remov/Heat       | \$1,831                         |
| Feb 09—March 03 [Includes mail-ins]    | \$19,465                        |
| Online Giving                          | \$11,318                        |
| Total                                  | \$30,783                        |
| Avg/Week Feb 0 thru March 03 (4 weeks) | \$ 7,696                        |
| Budgeted Total for FY 2019             | \$ 440,000                      |
| Budgeted Avg/Week                      | \$ 8,462                        |
| <b>Grand Annual/Budgeted Amt.</b>      | <b>\$218,570/<br/>\$295,000</b> |

### 2019 CATHOLIC APPEAL

From Catholic Education to Addiction Recovery Services to Faith Community Nursing for the elderly, more than 50 critical ministries enrich parish life and the lives of those who turn to the Church for assistance; Catholic Appeal provides nearly half of the funding for these life-changing programs. We hope that you will prayerfully consider pledging your support. Please find more information about this lifechanging work at [bostoncatholicappeal.org](http://bostoncatholicappeal.org) and make sure to view our latest video about the Appeal. Thank you!



## GRADES 1-6

**March 10:** Classes/Grade 4 Hosts 9:00 am Mass, Family Gathering in Hall following Mass; at least one parent required to attend with child.

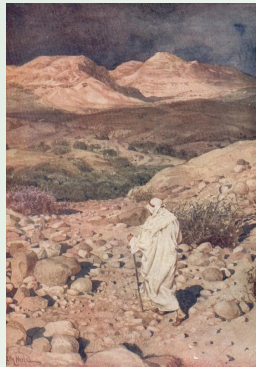
**March 11:** Classes for Grades 1, 2, 3, and 5. No Grade 4 classes.

**March 17:** Classes/Grade 5 Hosts 9:00 Mass, with a Family Gathering in Hall following the Mass, at least one parent required to attend with child.

**March 18:** Classes for Grades 1, 2, 3, and 4. No Grade 5 Classes.

Did you know...that we fast during Lent, in imitation of Jesus fasting the 40 days while in the desert? As Catholics, we fast from eating any form of meat on Fridays (all pork, poultry and beef). The Church chose Fridays because Jesus died on a Friday. Some Catholics fast on Wednesdays and Fridays, and some Catholics fast every day of Lent. It depends on what culture you are from, but all fast for same reasons— it teaches us to see how the poor are unable to eat proper meals - Jesus calls us to help those in need, and sometimes we need to “step in their shoes” in order to understand the suffering of the poor; and we fast because it reminds us of the sacrifice of Jesus’ flesh on Good Friday, so we avoid eating any “flesh”. Since a fish has been a traditional symbol of Christ, it has become a tradition to eat fish on Fridays! We are also expected to “fast” from any bad habits, practicing good ones instead. I will talk more on that next week!

Fast with Joy!



## YOUTH MINISTRY

Classes meet as normal this weekend for grades 7 - 10 at 3.45pm.

Don't forget to sign up for Generations of Faith . Finally thanks to all who volunteered at Pine Street last Monday

Thanks to Kiernan, Declan, Mara, Jackie and Owen as well as Mrs Santucci for coming to Pine Street last Monday. The next Pine Street gathering is Monday April 1st

**NPH USA** is holding their annual **Irish Hearts for Orphans Benefit Dance** on Sunday, April 7 from 2pm-7pm at the Boston Marriott Quincy. The event is fun for the whole family and will feature live Irish music, dancing, raffles, a silent auction, and even an Irish Step lesson for kids! The *Grand Prize Raffle* is round-trip airfare for two to Ireland! Raffle tickets are only \$10 each. This year will also feature a *10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Raffle* with a prize of \$5,000.00! Raffle tickets are \$100 with only 100 are available. You can buy raffle tickets anytime via your mobile phone by texting **IrishHearts** to **41444**. For more information, to learn about how you can support the event, or to register to attend, visit [nphusa.org/irishhearts](http://nphusa.org/irishhearts) or call 617.206.4940 . Thank you for your support!



Still Possible to sign up for DR trip - Tuesday March 12th is the final date for registration. Open to families and parishioners of all ages.

**Don't do Lent Alone.**

**Join a Small Group!**

Have you tried to pray more or read Scripture for Lent, only to fall short of your goal? A small group gives us supportive and encouraging communities that can make your Lent much more meaningful.

**SMALL GROUPS**  
*Seek Jesus. Together.*

**Interested? Signup online at [stjulia.org/smallgroups](http://stjulia.org/smallgroups) or contact Colm McGarry**

"Let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works." Hebrews 10:24



**WHAT IS CRS RICE BOWL?**

CRS Rice Bowl is Catholic Relief Services' Lenten faith-in-action program for families and faith communities.

Through CRS Rice Bowl, we deepen our personal experience of Lent, and hear stories from our brothers and sisters in need worldwide. We devote our Lenten prayers, fasting and gifts to transform our relationship with God and neighbor.

To make your Lenten sacrifice, please pick up a Rice Bowl at the entrance of both our churches.

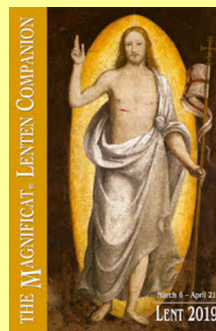
**BEST LENT EVER**

Help make this your "Best Lent Ever" with an evening to share about Matthew Kelly's Book "The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity" Wednesday March 13th from 7.30pm - 8.30pm in the Parish Center

All parishioners were given a copy of the book at Christmas Masses. More copies are available.

**YOU ARE INVITED: 6 WEEK ADULT LENTEN SCRIPTURE SERIES: WEDNESDAYS BEGINNING MARCH 13TH TO APRIL 17TH. 10 - 11.30 AM - St. Julia Parish Center with Fr Bob Branreuther SJ**

Fr Bob has enjoyed a remarkable career of learning, teaching and ministering in Europe and the United States. In addition to lecturing at Boston College, his ministries have ranged from working with abandoned children in Haiti to mentoring priests and other graduate students at Loyola University in Chicago. Themes of Sacred Scripture that will be explored include Mystery, Revelation, Inspiration, Inerrancy, Creation, Covenant, Prophecy and selected New Testament passages. All are welcome, at no charge. Coffee will be served at 9.30am.



**THE MAGNIFICAT LENTEN COMPANION** is available for your Lenten journey by providing a series of original, inspiring reflections to guide us through every day of Lent into the heart of the Mystery of Jesus Christ.

You will find copies of the Magnificat at the doors of both our churches.