

# ST. JULIA PARISH



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## The Third Sunday of Lent ~ March 12, 2023

**Gathering Hymn:    Shall We Gather at the River**

Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod;  
With its crystal tide for ever flowing by the throne of God?  
Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river;  
Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease,  
Soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace.  
Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river;  
Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

**First Reading:    Exodus 17:3-7**

In those days, in their thirst for water, the people grumbled against Moses, saying, "Why did you ever make us leave Egypt? Was it just to have us die here of thirst with our children and our livestock?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? A little more and they will stone me!" The LORD answered Moses, "Go over there in front of the people, along with some of the elders of Israel, holding in your hand, as you go, the staff with which you struck the river. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock in Horeb. Strike the rock, and the water will flow from it for the people to drink." This Moses did, in the presence of the elders of Israel. The place was called Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled there and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD in our midst or not?"

**Responsorial Psalm:                                        "If today you hear God's voice, harden not your hearts."**

**Second Reading:    Romans 5:1-2,5-8**

Brothers and sisters: Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in hope of the glory of God.

And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. For Christ, while we were still helpless, died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

**Gospel Acclamation:                                        "Praise to you, Lord Jesus, king of endless glory,  
Savior of the world, Savior of the world."**

**Gospel:****John 4:5-42 [Short Form]**

[Jesus came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of land that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there. Jesus, tired from his journey, sat down there at the well. It was about noon.

A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?" —For Jews use nothing in common with Samaritans.— Jesus answered and said to her, "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." The woman said to him, "Sir, you do not even have a bucket and the cistern is deep; where then can you get this living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us this cistern and drank from it himself with his children and his flocks?" Jesus answered and said to her, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."]

Jesus said to her, "Go call your husband and come back." The woman answered and said to him, "I do not have a husband." Jesus answered her, "You are right in saying, 'I do not have a husband.' For you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true." The woman said to him, "Sir, [I can see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain; but you people say that the place to worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You people worship what you do not understand; we worship what we understand, because salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when true worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit and truth; and indeed the Father seeks such people to worship him. God is Spirit, and those who worship him must worship in Spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming, the one called the Christ; when he comes, he will tell us everything." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one speaking with you."]

At that moment his disciples returned, and were amazed that he was talking with a woman, but still no one said, "What are you looking for?" or "Why are you talking with her?" The woman left her water jar and went into the town and said to the people, "Come see a man who told me everything I have done. Could he possibly be the Christ?" They went out of the town and came to him. Meanwhile, the disciples urged him, "Rabbi, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Could someone have brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work. Do you not say, 'In four months the harvest will be here'? I tell you, look up and see the fields ripe for the harvest. The reaper is already receiving payment and gathering crops for eternal life, so that the sower and reaper can rejoice together. For here the saying is verified that 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap what you have not worked for; others have done the work, and you are sharing the fruits of their work."

[Many of the Samaritans of that town began to believe in him because of the word of the woman who testified, "He told me everything I have done." When the Samaritans came to him, they invited him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. Many more began to believe in him because of his word, and they said to the woman, "We no longer believe because of your word; for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the savior of the world."]

## **The Nicene Creed:**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all things  
visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
consubstantial with the Father;  
Through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came  
down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the  
Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried, and rose again  
on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right  
hand of the Father. He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and  
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen

## **Preparation of the Gifts:**

### **I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say**

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto to me and rest;  
Lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast."  
I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad;  
I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold I freely give  
The living water, thirsty one, stoop down, and drink, and live."  
I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream;  
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and know I live in him.

**Memorial Acclamation: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death,  
O Lord, until you come again.**

## **Communion Hymn:**

### **My Soul Is Thirsting**

*Refrain:* My soul is thirsting, my soul is thirsting,  
my soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

## **Communion Meditation:**

### **O Lord, Hear My Prayer**

O Lord, hear my prayer, O lord, hear my prayer: When I call, answer me.  
O Lord, hear my prayer, O lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

## **Closing Hymn:**

### **Jerusalem, My Destiny**

*Refrain:* I have fixed my eyes on your hills, Jerusalem, my destiny!  
Though I cannot see the end for me, I cannot turn away.  
We have set our hearts for the way; this journey is our destiny.  
Let no one walk alone. The journey makes us one.

In my thirst, you let me drink the waters of your life.  
Here among you I have met the savior, Jesus Christ. *Refrain*

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information.  
Have a blessed  
Lenten Season!*

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**On Facebook:** "Saint Julia Parish—Weston & Lincoln" and **Instagram** "St Julia Parish"

**OUR MAILING ADDRESS** St. Julia Parish  
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**OFFICE HOURS** 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM,  
Monday through Friday.

## **RECONCILIATION**

Parish Center Conference Room, Saturday: 3:00-3:45 PM

## **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

By request after the 4:00 PM Saturday Mass;  
or contact Parish Office.

## **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Fridays in St. Julia Church, from Noon—1:00 pm

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

Contact Parish Office to notify of anyone ill, home-bound or hospitalized.

## **ROSARY ON ZOOM**

After each daily Mass; ask for link at  
[director.of.ministries@stjulia.org](mailto:director.of.ministries@stjulia.org).

## **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  
Friday afternoon: [parish@stjulia.org](mailto:parish@stjulia.org).

## **Readings for the Fourth Sunday of Lent**

**First Reading:** 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

**Psalm:** 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 5: 8-14

**Gospel:** John 9:1-41

## **MASS TIMES**

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm—St. Julia Church  
Sunday: 8:00am—St. Joseph Church  
9:30am—St. Julia Church  
11:30am—St. Julia Church  
5:00pm—St. Joseph Church

Daily Mass: Monday-Thursday  
8:00am—St. Julia Church

Wednesday  
5:30pm—St. Joseph Church

All Masses taking place in St. Julia Church are live  
streamed—[www.stjulia.org](http://www.stjulia.org)

## **Supporting Our Parish's Mission**

Weekend 3/4 and 3/5 = \$9,781.00

## **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.

## ~ Parish Life ~



### St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

The costs of operating our food pantry have exploded! **Can you help?** This month we especially need cereal, low salt pasta sauce (Prego), low salt soups (Progresso), oil and condiments. We are grateful for **all** food donations within the use by date. Please drop your donations off in the Parish Center during office hours or at any time at the back porch of St. Joseph House, 142 Lincoln Rd, behind St. Joseph Church. We are grateful for the ongoing support from parishioners and especially to the children at the 9.30am Mass!



### Eucharist Adoration

Every Friday in  
St. Julia Church  
12 noon—1pm.

### Mass Intentions for this week:

Sun. 3/12	8AM	John & Margaret Finn & Family
Sun. 3/12	5PM	Claire O'Brien
Tues. 3/14	8AM	Brian Closs (Living)
Wed. 3/15	8AM	Bob Duffy Sr.
Thurs. 3/16	8AM	Theresa Greaves
Sat. 3/18	4PM	Ruth Mary Donahue
Sun. 3/19	8AM	Henry & Omaha Tye and Family
Sun. 3/19	11:30AM	Louis P. "Dan" Valente 5th Anniversary
Sun. 3/19	5PM	Billie Jorgensen

### St. Julia Parish Triduum Liturgies

Holy Thursday Mass (April 6): 7:30 pm—St. Julia Church

Good Friday (April 7): Stations of the Cross, 12:00 noon—St. Joseph Church  
Stations of the Cross, 3:00 pm—St. Julia Church  
Service, 7:30 pm—St. Julia Church

Easter Vigil (April 8): 7:30 pm—St. Julia Church (No 4:00 pm Mass)

Easter Sunday (April 9): 8:00 am— St Joseph Church  
9:30 am and 11:30 am—St. Julia Church  
(No 5:00 pm Mass)



### The Children's Choir is Returning to St. Julia Parish!

Due to COVID, our Children's Choir had to take a sabbatical. Our Music Director, Brian Moll, is starting it up again! All interested children in grades 2 and above are invited to join singing with the Children's choir at the 9:30 am Masses through Memorial Day weekend. Rehearsals will take place just before and immediately after the 9:30 am Mass. Anyone interested should please send an email message to Brian Moll at [bcmoll@yahoo.com](mailto:bcmoll@yahoo.com) or call or text at 617-548-5841.



There will be **no classes on March 12/13**, due to Weston Public Schools having Friday, March 10 as a day off for Professional Staff Day. Classes return on March 19/20.

On Sunday, **March 19th**, all students preparing to receive **First Eucharist** will attend a **Parent and Child Workshop**, from 12:30-2:30 pm. A reminder will be sent to the families.

## ~ Catholic Life ~



Lent is a time to consider how well we are living our lives of faith, through Prayer, Sacrament, and Scripture. The Church sets aside this time of the year for us to grow closer to Christ, by shedding those habits and attitudes that keep Him away, and embracing the virtues that invite Him in.

St. Julia will be hosting a series of **Prayer Events** on the latter Thursdays in Lent, as a complement to our Scripture Groups. This series offers different Prayer experiences, each aimed to help your Lenten Journey. Each session will be held at St. Julia Church and start at 7pm.

**March 16** Liturgy of the Hours

**March 23** Second Lenten Meditation based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius

**March 30** Eucharistic Adoration, with a Meditation from Anthony deMello's "Wellsprings"

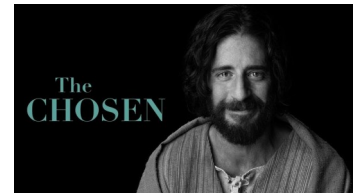
We hope that you can join us for one, several, or each of these evenings. To find out more information, please reach out to Deacon Phil at [director.of.ministries@stjulia.org](mailto:director.of.ministries@stjulia.org).



Have you checked out Deacon Phil's latest "5 Minutes" Video, entitled, "Transfig-U-ration" It can be found at

<http://stjulia.org/DeaconPhil5-049> . The latest video can always be found at <http://stjulia.org/DeaconPhil5-latest>, and the entire playlist at <http://stjulia.org/DeaconPhil5-play>. Give them a try!

Deacon Phil's Video Watch Series on "The Chosen" will continue through the end of March, on the weekends that Youth Faith Formation meets. The final sessions will be March 19 and 26. All are welcome! Contact Deacon Phil at [director.of.ministries@stjulia.org](mailto:director.of.ministries@stjulia.org) for more details.



### St. Julia Church Bible Winter/Spring Bible Study, Psalms Part 2

We will be studying Psalms II, a 7-week session, on Tuesdays from 9:00-11:00 a.m. starting March 21, 2023, at St. Julia Parish Hall. The Book of the Psalms is a unique collection of the song-prayers of Israel. To study Psalms is to study prayer, ultimately to enter into prayer. The study will challenge participants to reflect on their own prayer and life experiences. Psalms II focuses on a selection of twenty-eight psalms divided into three categories: Royal Psalms, Psalms of Lament and Psalms of Declarative Praise. All are welcome! If interested please contact Deacon Phil at [director.of.ministries@stjulia.org](mailto:director.of.ministries@stjulia.org)

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We're very excited to launch the Catholic Appeal this weekend at St. Julia Parish. Thank you to those who have already responded generously to the Cardinal's invitation! As Catholics, each of us shares the responsibility of the Church community – both directly within our parish and to the greater Church. Thank you for responding in faith, hope, and charity by making a gift to the 2023 Catholic Appeal. We are stronger together and your generosity is greatly appreciated!