### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Knights of Columbus of SH Lenton Fish Fries are back! Each Friday 5:30pm-7pm at \$10/plate @SH Life Center. Proceeds support Priest Education. Cheese Pizza also on menu.

Stations of the Cross: Each Friday during Lent at 5:30 pm here at HOLY ROSARY; 5:30 pm at SH and 6:15pm SH Spanish.

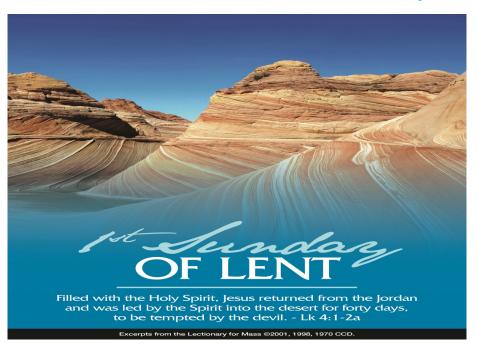
The Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who came out and supported them!



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#### HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

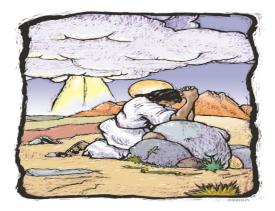
# **MARCH 10, 2019**



The story of Jesus' temptations in the wilderness is always told on this Frist Sunday of Lent. This year is Luke's turn to tell the story. Luke's temptation story follows Jesus' baptism. Jesus goes into the wilderness led by the Spirit, whom Jesus experienced so vividly in his baptism. Jesus experiences trials like those his ancestors faced in their forty years in the wilderness. They, too, struggled to remain faithful to God when faced with hunger, the gods of other nations, and risk situations. It is important to recognize the temptations as real options that Jesus could reasonably have accepted. The devil tempts Jesus with good things. It is good to eat when you are hungry. It is good to have the authority bring about change. It is good to be protected from danger. Yet, for Jesus to accept these good things from the devil would mean giving up his allegiance to God and abusing God's promise to care for him. Because he was grounded in Jewish faith and Scripture, Jesus had the resources to meet these temptations with integrity and confidence. He refuses to doubt or test his relationship with God, refuses to bypass the Cross. Lent is a perfect time for questioning, sorting our priorities, and recommitting ourselves to God. We remember that temptations are not aberrations or glitches in the Christion life, forcing us to focus on what is really im-

portant.

Liturgical Publications





GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

March 10, 2019 1st 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.

## WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of March 10, 2019

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/

Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [Jn 6:63b]/Mt 25:31-46 Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [18b]/Mt 6:7-15 Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [3a]/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14[1a]/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36



March 10, 2019
Holy Rosary Parishoners
March 12, 2019
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Date		Commentator	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
MAR	10	Dominique	Nikki	Voncille, Arthur
MAR	17	Charo	Shirley	Dominique, Nikki
MAR	24	Dominique	Nikki	Voncille, Arthur



## Alter Servers

MAR	10	Raider, Townsend
MAR	17	Ameze, Aj
MAR	24	Adam, Raider