

**Second Sunday of Lent
February 28, 2021**

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Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

Rom 8:31b-34

Mk 9:2-10

Monday, March 1

Dn 9:4b-10

Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday, March 2

Is 1:10, 16-20

Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday, March 3

Jer 18:18-20

Mt 20:17-28

Thursday, March 4

Jer 17:5-10

Lk 16:19-31

Friday, March 5

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a

Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday, March 6

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

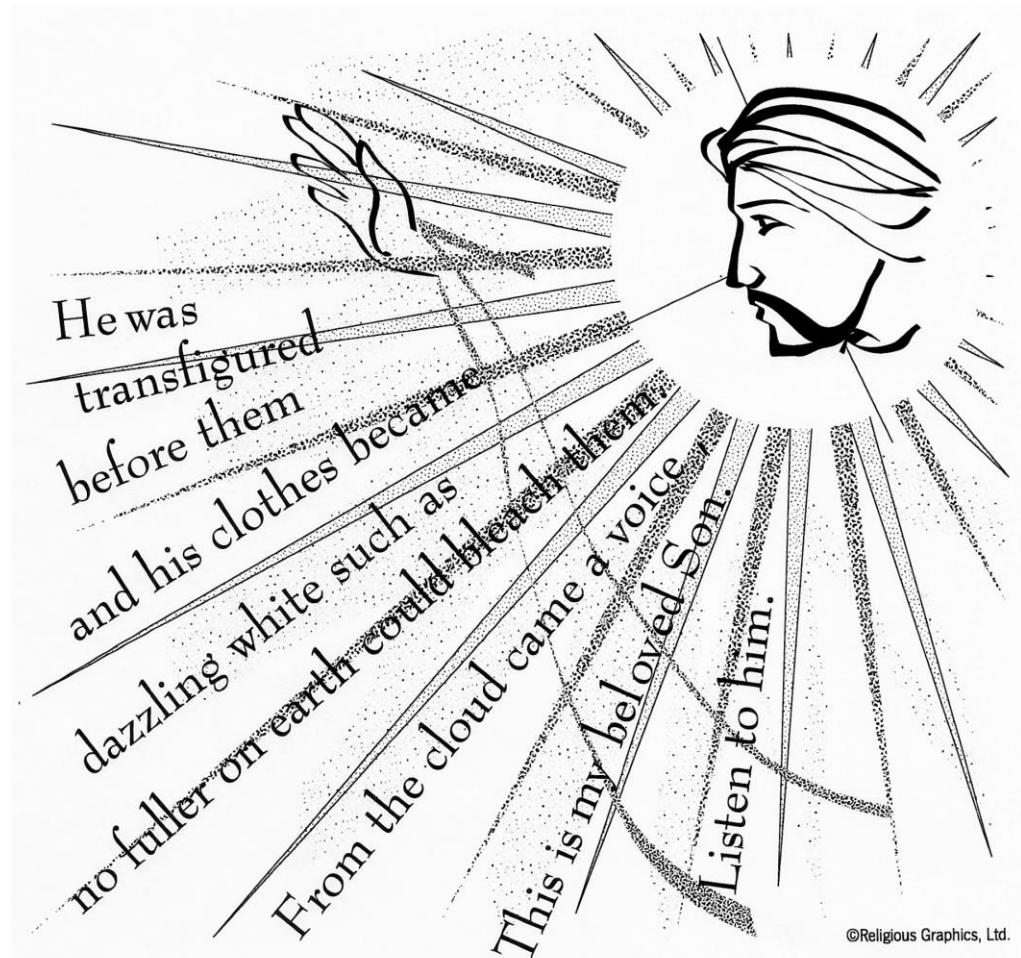
3rd Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 7

Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17

1 Cor 1:22-25

Jn 2:13-25



SAINT ROSE OF LIMA

SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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This Week's Mass Intentions

Monday, March 1	No Mass
Tuesday, March 2	No Mass
Wednesday, March 3	No Mass
Thursday, March 4 8:30 a.m. Lewiston	<i>Family of Gerry and Nicholas Thein</i>
Friday, March 5 8:30 a.m. Altura	<i>Gene and Tamara Stevens+</i>
Saturday, March 6 4:30 p.m. Wilson	<i>Deceased Members of the Kunst Family</i>
Sunday, March 7 8:30 a.m. Lewiston 10:30 a.m. Altura	<i>Sr. Peggy Glynn+ Parishioners of the Cluster</i>

WELCOME TO OUR TRI-PARISH COMMUNITY

New Parishioners are invited to contact the Tri-Parish Office at 507-523-2428 or via email at strose@hbc.com. Normal office hours are Tuesdays, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., and Fridays 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

BAPTISM: Baptisms are regularly celebrated during Saturday and Sunday Masses and Sunday afternoon. Parents are asked to meet with Fr. Thompson before the baptism of their first child. Please call the St. Rose Rectory to set the date of the baptism.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions are offered every Saturday at St. Rose from 11:00 a.m. to noon, or anytime by appointment with Fr. Thompson.

MARRIAGE: Instruction must begin at least six months in advance. Please contact Fr. Thompson to begin the preparation process. An Engaged Encounter or similar course is also required.

RCIA: Those wanting to learn more about our faith or are interested in becoming full members in the Catholic Church please contact the Office.

Prayer Chain: Call Rosie Moger 523-3357 with prayer requests or to join the prayer chain.

Bulletin announcements: Please submit items to the office by Wednesday 11:00 a.m. for publication in the following Sunday bulletin.

St. Rose of Lima

Sacrificial Giving – February 14/17, 2021

Contribution Total..... \$ 1,786.67

St. Anthony of Padua

Sacrificial Giving – February 21, 2021

Contribution Total..... \$ 542.00

Immaculate Conception

Sacrificial Giving – February 13, 2021

Contribution Total..... \$ 365.00

Health and Safety Guidelines

- Please do not attend if you are feeling even the slightest bit ill or are in a high-risk category.
- Wash your hands before attending and use hand sanitizer upon entering and exiting.
- Get the vaccine when it is available for you.
- People not of the same household must always remain at least six feet apart.
- All attendees must wear masks.

New Giving Options Now Available!

We now have two new options for sacrificial giving to your church of choice. We hope these will be easy and convenient ways to offer your support at all three parishes. You can also choose whether you want to make a one-time gift or choose the recurring option .

1. **Online Giving:** Go to the following site: giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/strose. There you will be asked to choose which parish and what fund you would like to give to (currently the choices are Adult Support, Christmas Offering, and Charity Fund.)

2. **Text:** Simply text the word "give" to **507-578-5629**. You will get a link sent back to you to make your donation. It's that simple!

Please join us for Stations of the Cross at St. Rose in Lewiston on **Friday, March 5** at 5:30 p.m. Those who would like may receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation afterwards.

Confessions will be available at St. Rose in Lewiston on **Wednesday, March 3** from 5:15-7:30 p.m.

Cor Jesu - First Friday of March! The Cathedral invites you to Cor Jesu on **Friday, March 5** from 7:00-8:30 p.m. Cor Jesu is an evening of Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions, and music in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. For more details, search for Winona Cor Jesu on Facebook, go to cascwinona.org/prayer-opportunities and click on "Cor Jesu" in the drop-down list, or call Olivia Gadiant at 951-7063.

The Active Aging Programs, of Catholic Charities of Minnesota, is offering a Money Smart for Older Adults workshop. This is a FREE two-part program for older adults concerned with protecting their assets and finances. Participants will be taught to recognize and reduce the risk of financial exploitation, guard against identity theft, plan for the loss of decision-making capacity, and other helpful tips to avoid recent scams and common fraud via Zoom videoconference. Participants must have access to the internet and have a personal computer, laptop or tablet device with a camera, microphone, and speakers. **Monday, March 22** from 10:00-11:00 a.m. AND **Wednesday, March 24** from 10:00-11:00 a.m. Register by **March 10** to reserve your space. Contact Marlene at 450-1518.

**Eucharistic
Adoration**

**Wednesday, March 3
St. Rose of Lima 8:30
a.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

Adorers Needed!

Looking for peace and quiet? Come and pray with Jesus. Recite your favorite prayers, do some meditative reading, or just bask in the healing rays of Jesus before you. *We will also be having adoration every Wednesday during March. If you can spare an hour to spend with the Lord, please sign up on our website, www.st-rose.org, on the sign-up sheets located in the St. Rose narthex, or call the office.*

#Mercyinmotion Campaign

Give Drink to the Thirsty: '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' (Jn 4:13-14). This week, answer Christ's call to Give Drink to the Thirsty by 1) Using Lectio Divina to pray with the story of the Woman at the Well; 2) Drinking only water for a day (no other beverages) or making a conscious effort to conserve water when you shower or brush your teeth; 3) Giving the gift of water by supporting the work of Catholic Relief Services in digging wells in other countries.

Shelter the Homeless: 'Is this not, rather, the fast that I choose: . . . sharing your bread with the hungry, bring the afflicted and the homeless into your house; clothing the naked when you see them, and not turning your back on your own flesh' (Is. 58:6-7)? This week, answer Christ's call to Shelter the Homeless by 1) Praying for those without shelter, as well as those who are forced to leave their home countries; 2) Lowering the thermostat by 5 degrees in solidarity with those who have no warm shelter; 3) Generously supporting your local Habitat for Humanity. For more ideas on how to put Christ's Mercy in Motion this Lent, visit www.ccsomn.org/mercyinmotion.

The Light Is On 2021: There will not be a weekend dedicated to encouraging sacramental reconciliation, given the challenges of COVID-19 and being unsure of pandemic-related access any given weekend. However, the website is being updated for 2021 and we encourage its use throughout Lent as a way to reach out to those who desire sacramental reconciliation with God through his Church. There are witness talks, how-to's, examination of consciences, and more. <http://www.thelightisonsouthernmn.org>.




Winona Serra Club Ministry will meet on **Friday, March 5**, at 5:00 p.m. at Cathedral Church for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.


Come and join us as we pray for all religious vocations.



SHARE THE
LIGHT
OF **HOPE**



Fr. Jason Kern
Director of
Vocations
Diocese of Winona-
Rochester



2021
Catholic Ministries Appeal

Our Diocese currently has 17 men studying in the seminary, and over 45 young men and women are active in discernment and formation groups. I am grateful for being able to see that God is at work and calling young men and women to serve the church.

As the vocations director, I speak at schools, parishes, conferences, and youth events about growing closer to Christ.

Gifts to the Catholic Ministries Appeal allow me to [redacted] men and women as they say "yes" to the Lord.

Please give generously to the 2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal.
www.catholicfsmn.org/catholic-ministries-appeal

St. Rose Parish Goal: \$11,516

We have received \$1,906 from 9 parishioners.

Gracious and Loving Triune God, we thank you for the many blessings you have bestowed upon us. You call us to be stewards, receiving your gifts gratefully, cultivating them responsibly, sharing them lovingly in justice with others, and returning them with increase to You. Help us to remember our vital role in stewardship as we plan to Share the Light of Hope through the 2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal. With grateful hearts, we pray our service may bear witness to Your love in our lives. Amen.

Why is the Diocese conducting the Catholic Ministries Appeal? Each year, the Bishop asks for the participation of the more than 34,000 Catholics living in the Diocese to support the Catholic Ministries Appeal. He asks us to generously support the many ongoing ministries of the Church that provide educational, pastoral, and charitable outreach to those living in the Diocese.

Pastor's Perspective: The Relationship Between Suffering and Faith



I noticed a Letter to the Editor this week by a State Representative who is advocating for the passage of a law that would allow for physician assisted suicide in the State of Minnesota. These sorts of laws rarely go by that term anymore but prefer phrases like "death with dignity" or "compassionate death." Making the choice on when and how we die is contrary to our faith and should be not only avoided but rejected. There are several reasons that we believe not only that death will come when it comes, but that the suffering we endure is not pointless.

A primary reason that the movement to allow physician assisted suicide bothers me is that in those areas that have allowed this practice, most people do not choose to die because of unbearable pain (as is advertised as a reason to favor this form of dying). Rather, they choose to die at a specific time because they feel that they are a burden to others. Laws govern what is possible and what is not. This perception that dying people are burdens cannot be governed by laws—but they can be regulated by true compassion.

When referring to physician assisted suicide as a "compassionate death," I have to say that the term is a misnomer. There is no compassion in forcibly ending suffering. The word compassion, in fact, means "to suffer with." If we want to show compassion, caring for others is essential. Showing compassion by sitting with someone in their pain, reflecting on the joys of life, or granting forgiveness, helps that individual to not only endure their suffering, but find meaning. Pain is physical; suffering is spiritual. No one needs to suffer alone, and I pray that no one feels that their suffering is a burden on others.

How do we ensure that people do not feel like burdens? First, by spending time with them. Second, be aware of how you are making the suffering person feel. When I care for someone who is suffering, I may in fact feel burdened. But that is a feeling to be overcome, especially when it is related to selfishness. Third, recognize the inherent dignity in the person who is suffering. People do not gain personal dignity by what they do, or the value they add to society. They have dignity because they are created in the image and likeness of God.

Suffering is a part of life, and we do not have to be afraid of it, we do not have to avoid it. Lent provides a time for us to freely choose suffering in our penance so that we can understand more fully the joys of heaven that wait for us. Lent is a time to know that Jesus chose to suffer—he was compassionate with humanity—so that we can know the depth of God's love for us. Let's be sure to let God and our neighbor know the depth of our love for them by being present to those who suffer rather than seeking to avoid suffering at all costs.

In Christ,
Fr. Will Thompson