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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND: Saturday - 4:00 PM
Sunday - 7:00 - 9:00 - 11:00 AM

HOLY DAY: As Announced in the Bulletin
WEEKDAY: 8:00 AM Monday through Saturday
FIRST FRIDAY: 8:00 AM Adoration from 8:30 through 10AM

NOVENA MASS:

Miraculous Medal Novena and Mass, Monday evening,
7:30 P.M.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

Saturday: 3:00 to 4:00 P.M.
Other times as announced in the bulletin.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Second Sunday of the month at 12:15 P.M. Please call the
Rectory for information concerning Baptismal instruction for
parents and for registration.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples planning to be married should contact the priest at
least 6 months in advance.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:

Persons interested in inquiring about the faith should call the
Rectory - 410-483-1700.

RELIGION CLASSES:

For public school children in the Religious Education Center:
Pre-K to 8, Saturday morning at 10:00 A.M.
To register, contact the Rectory, 410-483-1700.

THE SICK:

Please notify the Rectory when a member of the parish is in
the hospital, or is unable to attend Church and wishes to
receive Holy Communion at home.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

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your Parish. Parishioners are requested to register at the
Rectory Office, Monday through Friday, 9:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.
or complete the following form:

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- New Registration Moving out of Parish
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(BULLETIN DEADLINE — MONDAY, 12:00 NOON)

SHRINE of the LITTLE FLOWER
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Monday, February 15: Lv 19:1-2,11-18 Ps 19:8-10,15
Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday, February 16: Is 55:10-11 Ps 34:4-7,16-19
Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday, February 17: *The Seven Holy Founders of
the Servite Order* Jon 3:1-10 Ps 51:3-4,12-13,18-19
Lk 11:29-32
Thursday, February 18: Est C:12,14-16,23-25
Ps 138:1-3,7c-8 Mt 7:7-12
Friday, February 19: Ez 18:21-28 Ps 130:1-8
Mt 5:20-26
Saturday, February 20: Dt 26:16-19 Ps 119:1-2,4-5,7-8
Mt 5:43-48
Sunday, February 21: **SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**
Gn 15:5-12,17-18 Ps 27:1,7-9,13-14 Phil 3:17—4:1 or
3:20—4:1 Lk 9:28b-36

SACRIFICIAL GIVING (2-6 & 7)

Envelopes: (#119) **\$4,012** avg. per envelope **\$33.71**
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Weekend (2-6 & 7) **Souper Bowl of Caring = \$220.00**

Weekend (2-13 & 14) **St. Vincent DePaul Society**

Weekend (2-20 & 21) **St Vincent's**

"EMBRACING OUR MISSION-SHAPING OUR FUTURE"

As always, thank you for using the envelope provided in
next weekend's Archdiocesan monthly collection.

**When he calls on me, I will answer
him; I will deliver him and give him
glory, I will grant him length of
days.**

*Grant, almighty God, through
the yearly observances of holy
Lent, that we may grow in
understanding of the riches
hidden in Christ and by worthy
conduct pursue their effects.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son, Who lives and reigns
with You in the unity of the
Holy Spirit, one God, for ever
and ever. AMEN*

FEBRUARY 13 & 14, 2016

Good News!

(Dt 26:4-10 Rom 10:8-13 Lk 4:1-13)

When I was on a pilgrimage to Israel, we visited Masada, the last stronghold of the Jews after the Romans destroyed Jerusalem. The temperature hit 117 degrees the day we came. We wandered around and wondered what it must have been like to hold out for a long time. When we returned to our bus, we couldn't wait to get to the cold water that awaited us. The priest said, "*The Jews were in the desert for forty years; Jesus was in the desert for forty days; you've been in the desert for forty minutes. Think about that.*"

I have no doubt that Jesus was tempted to give Himself food and water when He was enduring the desert heat. I have no doubt that in his agony He might also have thought about seizing power for Himself. These are the things that tempt us when we are worn out, beaten down, or simply think we are not getting enough of what we believe we deserve.

Lent begins with the temptation of Jesus. Like us in all things but sin, He knew about being and feeling deprived and weak. And while his temptations came while He was in an actual desert, our harsh and barren places may be physical, psychological or spiritual. We may feel lost, alone, helpless and sometimes hopeless. In our times of weakness, evil can find a foothold and convince us that we must control our lives, that we can and should have whatever we want. In this account, we find in Jesus an example of how to resist temptation—patiently, humbly, with trust in God's promise of salvation.

Mary Katharine Deeley

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***"Jesus said ... 'You shall not
put the Lord, your God, to the test.'"***

PRO-LIFE CORNER

"By our gracious gift each year, your faithful await the sacred paschal feasts with the joy of minds made pure" (Preface of Lent I). The purpose of Lent is succinctly expressed by this preface. Catechumens prepare for baptism into the paschal mystery. The faithful are reminded of their baptism, and will renew their baptismal vows at the Easter Liturgy. Baptism initiates us into the eternal life Christ gives us. The baptized are sons and daughters of God and are members of the Church, the People of Life. The choices of the baptized are therefore to be shaped by their new identity (see Rom 6:6; Eph 4:17-24). Christ calls the Samaritan woman to repent as she accepts the waters of new life (see John 4:15-24). Lenten repentance is necessary so that God's people may more deeply become who they are. They are called to see their sins more clearly. Hence baptism is known as "illumination." Anyone who makes the Lenten journey is called to be more alert to the attacks on human life and dignity around them. The people of life are called to reject sin and all the devil's works and empty promises (Renewal of Baptismal Promises, Easter Liturgy). The "pro-choice" and "right to die" mentalities are two of those "empty promises" which are firmly rejected by the baptized. A firm rejection of these positions is integral to repentance. Lent is the perfect time for us to call our congregations to a clearer understanding of why this is true, and to lead them to a deeper affirmation of life, both natural and eternal, in the celebration of the Paschal Mystery.

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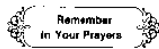
For the strength to resist the temptation to discriminate against the poor, the immigrant, the elderly and the unborn

LET US PRAY TO THE LORD



Let us always remember and pray for **all** the souls of the faithful departed, may they rest in Christ's Peace. Let us also pray for the **recently** deceased in our parish and community, and for their loved ones, that they may be consoled by God's Tender Love and Divine Mercy:

Glen Grasso



Let us pray for the sick, dying and homebound of our parish and community, our families and friends, the special intentions on the Little Flower Prayer Chain; the elderly, lonely, downhearted; the poor, destitute, oppressed; unemployed, homeless, helpless, addicted, prisoners, sinners and those who have no one to pray for them; for caregivers, ministers to the sick, those in nursing homes and hospice care and those in (or recently released from) the hospital:

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Lorien (BelAir): **Helen Bialek**

St. Elizabeth Hall: **Rita Lee**

Masses ~~Wol~~ ~~the~~ ~~Week~~

Mon. 2/15	8:00	Msgr. John V. Ballard (anniv)
	7:30	Respect Life Movement
Tues. 2/16	8:00	Charles & Kathleen Doherty Special Intention
Wed. 2/17	8:00	The Duhan Sisters Margaret E. McLaughlin
Thurs. 2/18	8:00	Geraldine Sebour & Family (liv)
Fri. 2/19	8:00	Myra Miller (anniv)
Sat. 2/20	8:00	Mr. & Mrs. Charles Catalfamo & Daughters (liv)
	4:00	Thomas LeWald (liv)
Sun. 2/21	7:00	For the People
	9:00	Marty Goldsmith
	11:00	Theresa & Joseph Annarino (anniv)

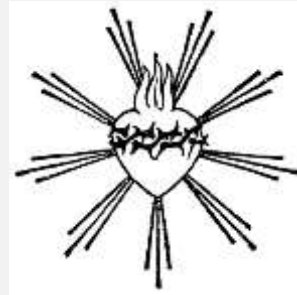
ON COMPUNCTION OF HEART

(to be continued)

Do not mind other people's business and do not become involved in the affairs of great men. Keep an eye on your own self and reprove yourself rather than your friends. Do not be upset if you are not in favor of the worldly-minded; but rather be sorry that your behavior is not that of a devout servant of God.

It is far better for a man to lack consolations in this life, particularly those of the flesh. If we receive little or no spiritual consolations it is our own fault (though sometimes the lack of them is a test of our faith); for we do not have true compunction of heart, nor do we refrain altogether from seeking consolations from without.

(The Imitation of Christ .. Thomas A. Kempis)



*"Most Sacred Heart of Jesus,
Pray For Us."*

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