

Readings For Sunday, March 19, 2023

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 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Mass Scheduling & Offering

Monday, March 13

9:00 a.m. Mass ~ Adoration 8-9

†Karen Rea

(Tom & Rose Bouchey)

Tuesday, March 14

9:00 a.m. Mass ~ Adoration 8-9

†Tom Hollenback (Joe & Sue Kennard)

Wednesday, March 15

All Day Adoration Until 4p.m.

9:00 a.m. Mass

†Roger Frye (Joe & Sue Kennard)

Thursday, March 16

9:00 a.m. Mass ~ Adoration 8-9

†Bob & Phyllis Kenyon (Bob & Rose Kenyon)

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Saturday, March 18

4:30 p.m. Mass – Atlanta

The People

Sunday, March 19

8:00 a.m. Mass - Hillman

†Cameron Lange (Grannie & Papa)

10:00 a.m. Mass - Hillman

†Joe Lentini (Mary Lou Lentini)

Please enjoy weekly Lenten Reflections from our bishop.

New video every Monday through Lent

Here is how to access them:

Go to the Diocese of Gaylord website – under "Office of the Bishop" click on Bishop Jeffrey J. Walsh – next under "In this section" click "Eucharistic Revival" – scroll to the bottom of the page and there is a link to a video from Bishop Walsh talking about the Eucharistic Reflections.

Standing In Need of Prayer

Kris Duchene, Claudette Colombo, Kevin Struzik, Myles Richardson, Genelle MoreauLee, Connie Von Siegrist, Chris Mutz, Dominic Tillman, Eric Tillman, Bonnie Benac, Corey Morrison, David Dusseau, Patty Luxford, Sam Vicari, Margaret Barton, Cecile Kortier, Brenda Sabol, Jim Shepherd, John Platevoet, Jack Stevens, Michele Klotz, Mary Ann Cook, John Minaudo, Mary Ann Ferasin, Kris Munroe

Prayer Chain Key Person ~ Darlene O'Callaghan ~ 989-742-3669 **Judy Elkie** ~ 989-590-8411

Prayers For Clergy & Religious

Sun: Rev. Bernard Tyler Mon: Rev. Michael Verschaeve Tues: Rev. Duane Wachowiak Wed: Rev. Matthew Wigton Thurs: Rev. Peter Wigton Fri: All Deacons Sat: Rev. John William

Weekend of March 4 th & 5 th		
St. Augustine		
Envelopes (34) Online (6)	\$	1,608.00
Loose	\$	240.00
Building & Maintenance (8) Online (2)	\$	186.00
Deficit Reduction Online (1)	\$	
Mass Stipend; Votive Candles		115.00
Rice Bowl; Hall Rental	\$	75.00
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Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief and give online at https://support.crs.org/donate/.











Slip Sliding Away

We know conversion cannot be forced, but it can fade if not reinforced. As we look around our church on a Sunday morning, we look in vain for friends, children, or grandchildren, for they have slipped away from the faith. They probably haven't left intentionally, but Sunday by Sunday the world interfered and Mass no longer became the focus of the Holy Day of Rest; the Sabbath became an unfamiliar call to them.

So many excuses: how can we possible follow along? yet the Mass is in a variety of publications for our children (Magnifikids) and for us in our books in the pews. Next Mass time was all wrong, it broke up the day, so we have an early Mass, or Mass was too early, so we have a mid-morning Mass. The kids want to sleep in, they can do that on Saturday. The children can't sit still for such a long time...how do they survive day care or classes in school?

Eventually the world wins, and their pew is empty, filled by someone else. But they are missed. What they don't realize is that as far as they run from God, they cannot escape Him. "Where can I go from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there: if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there. If I take the wings of morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, even there you hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast." (Psalm 139:7-10) Nagging in the back of their minds is the Sabbath call, even if they ignore it, for as Paul tells us, "I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor heights, nor depths, nor anything in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God."

This same God knew us when we were "knit in our mother's womb." He knows us by name, so why He doesn't punish us here and now for our transgressions, for our leaving Him? He put the breath of life in us and can take it away, but He loves us and gives us time to come back to Him. He is the Father awaiting the prodigal son. The Shepherd searching for the one lost sheep. "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts."

Conversion and Return cannot be forced, nor can Repentance. We can only plant seeds of God's Love and the depth of His Love in hearts. Let us remember God's Love and give Love in return.

46th Annual Hillman Fireman's Ball Saturday, March 18th

Hillman Community Center Tickets are \$25/per person

Socializing: 5pm ~ Catered Dinner: 6pm ~ Cash Bar, Music, and Door Prizes: 8pm- Midnight

Tickets available @ Marty's Barbershop, A-1 Woods & Waters, and by any Hillman Firefighter

St. Rose of Lima

Lenten Fish Fry Every Friday from February 24^{th} – March 31^{st} ~ 4:30 – 7:00pm Adults \$15.00 / Children 5 & under \$5.00

Jesus the Good Shepherd Friday 1p.m. **During Lent** There will be stations of the cross followed by the Rosary.

Friendly reminder that our **Annual Parish Festival**

is quickly approaching! We are looking for your help by selling raffle tickets, which can be picked up at Mass or from the office, as well as items donated for the silent auction and large items for the live auction! If you have any questions contact Judy Elkie 989-590-8411

Kathy Weiberg 989-306-6233

"I would like to thank everyone, especially my St. Augustine and Jesus the Good Shepherd family, for your thoughts and prayers and concern for me in my recent surgery and recuperation.

Thank you and may God bless all of you!" -Roger Marquardt and Family



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Entrance: Prepare Daily She walks in His Footsteps.

4th Station: Reflect Jesus and His Mother meet.

7th Station: Reflect She watches Him Fall again.

12th Station: Reflect-

Her son, Jesus dies on the cross.

 Meditation Place: Consider the Mother of God, now our Mother and Mother of the Church— Our gift to her—to love her Son and walk this Path with Her.



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In loving memory of our most beloved grandson, †Cameron Lange. Pray for him & all family members called home by our Lord & for those of us left behind to grieve.



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