# March 22, 2020 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

In today's Gospel, we are invited to focus on the physical and spiritual aspects of sight and light. Jesus responds to the prevalent belief of this time that misfortune and disability were the result of sin. He responds by giving the question a different twist that through this man's disability, God's power will be made known.

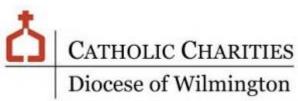
God makes himself visible through our lives, through the good or happy occurrences. But sometimes, as with the man born blind, we come to know God through the challenges we face. God works in us, even in dark times, shining a light of hope and faith and offering healing for body, heart, or soul. God not only works in us, but also walks with us through all the good and the bad.

## What might it be like not to physically see?

**Marriage Moments:** Unfaithfulness starts by demoting your spouse by making work, children, internet, hobbies, etc. a higher priority. What distracts your attention you're your beloved?

**Parenting Pointers:** It's all about balance and equality. Is your family satisfied with the balance of chores that each person contributes to the household?

# **POSTPONED TIL FURTHER NOTICE**



**Catholic Charities to honor Mike Hare at Annual Tribute Dinner in April 2020** 

CATHOLIC CHARITIES Mike Hare, Executive Vice President for **Development at the Buccini Pollin Group will** receive the Msgr. Thomas J. Reese Award at **Catholic Charities Annual Tribute Dinner on** 

Wednesday, April 1, 2020. Mike serves on Bishop Malooly's Pastoral Council and on the Vocations Admissions Board for the Diocese of Wilmington.

The Msgr. Thomas J. Reese Award recognizes exemplary individuals who have demonstrated a deep commitment to promoting and restoring the well being of people - the Catholic Charities' mission.

The Most Reverend W. Francis Malooly, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Wilmington, will present the award at the dinner to be held at the Chase Center on the Riverfront.

To learn more about the Annual Tribute Dinner and our honoree, or to support the Tribute Dinner through sponsorship or ticket purchases, visit the Catholic Charities webpage for the dinner at www.cdow.org/charities. You may also call Catholic Charities at 302 655 9624.



**Poor Boxes at the exits of Church:** the main revenue for our St. Vincent DePaul Society comes from the poor boxes at the exits of church. Drop a coin in one of the boxes. The partnership of giving is a special one created by faith, bonded by sacrifice, nurtured by love and blessed by God. How can we fail, if you remember our poor?



## <u>Prayer, Penance and Works of Charity are the three-fold program of</u> <u>Lent. We encourage you to make this you're best Lent of your life.</u>

<u>"Prayer for the good of your soul."</u> We encourage you to come to daily Mass as often as possible during Lent. Mass will be celebrated Tuesday through Friday at 6:30AM and 8:30AM in the Chapel. On Friday's, the **Station of the** 

**Cross will be at 7:00PM** in the Church. Take each Friday as an opportunity to experience special meaning during Lent by attending the **"Way of the Cross" (Stations**). Let this important devotion help you to: grow closer to others; strengthen your faith community; grow in faith and love and enhance your celebration of Lent.

**"Fasting for the good of your body."** The church calls us to do penance - to have a change of heart - and as a sign of that change, to die to ourselves by fasting and abstinence. Fasting means only one full meal for those 18 to 59 years of age. Abstinence means no meat for those 14 years and older (Good Friday is a day of strict fast and abstinence.) Every Friday of Lent is a day of abstinence. While these are minimum practices of penance specified by our Church, we are urged to do something that is truly penance for us, to say "no" to legitimate desires to strengthen our sense of discipline and resistance to temptation.

**<u>"Almsgiving for the good of your neighbor."</u>** The Lord and His church also call us to turn away from centering our lives on ourselves and our pleasure, to turn to the Lord and serve Him, especially in our needy brothers and sisters. **Operation Rice Bowl** is an excellent opportunity to encourage and participate in this meaningful Lenten observance. Give your sacrificial gifts to Operation Rice Bowl to help our sisters and brothers in need around the world through Catholic Relief Services' development projects.

Lenten Confessions will be held on April  $2^{nd}$  at 7PM here at Our Lady of Fatima in conjunction with Holy Spirit and St. Peter's.

All Saints Catholic School News March 28, 2020 Bunny Breakfast and Easter egg Hunt March 31, 2020 Open House 5:30 - 7 p.m.

Listen to Catholic Forum every Saturday morning at 11:00 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, Fr. Edward Looney will discuss his book, "A Lenten Journey with Mother Mary." After it airs, listen online anytime as <u>www.cdow.org/CatholicForum</u>, or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHearrtRadio podcasts.





**Sodality Bake Sale** – the Sodality will again hold their annual bake sale on *Palm Sunday weekend*. If you can donate an item for the fundraiser, please call the rectory at 302-328-3431 and leave your name and number. You will be given information where to drop your product off and what time to deliver it. Thank you in advance.

<u>A vocation must be nurtured</u> for a lifetime through prayer and developing a relationship with the Lord. You can help nurture the vocations of priests, sisters and brothers and married couples by praying, listening, and expressing appreciation. HOW will you work out your life response to God?

### No masses or Stations. All masses will be rescheduled.

### ANNOUNCED MASSES

#### Monday, March 23

Communion Service 8:30AM **Tuesday, March 24** 6:30AM Deceased members of Kanward & Neva Families Chelsea Ruggiero 8:30AM Wednesday, March 25 6:30AM Mark Foster 8:30AM Thomas Riley (daughters) Thursday, March 26 Thanksgiving for Kanzie Sidonie 6:30AM & Family Joe Hudson (sister, Bess) 8:30AM Friday, March 27 6:30AM Dec'd members of Kanward & Neva Families 8:30AM **Richard Whatley** 7:00PM **Stations of the Cross** 

The Stations of the Cross are an ancient tradition in the Catholic Church going back to the fourth century when Christians went on pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Like many of our Catholic traditions, The Stations of the Cross can be rich, deep, and meaningful, but at the same time we can lose sight of their significance and how to relate them to our everyday lives.

#### Saturday, March 28

8:30AM	<u>Sheila Pruett</u>
5:00PM	People of the Parish
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<del>7:00PM</del>	<ul> <li>Spanish Intentions/People of</li> </ul>
	— the Parish

#### Sunday, March 29

8:00AM	Victims of Coronavirus
10:00AM	<u> </u>
Noon	<u>— Emma Borres (Family)</u>

Honors: I am happy to honor the following students who are part of our parish:

### Honors @ Padua:

Lydia Faries, Lauren McLaughlin & Marissa McCarrick and Rachel Tomlinson. You make us proud!



Please pray for the following: Frances Grecco, Eugene Smallwood, Connie McElwee, Donald Yanick, Carmlelita Kutch, George Dzarnik, Cindy Johnstone, Leslie Hampton, Anna Brown, Matthew Gray, Richard Woerner, Joseph DiMartino, Donna and Bill Thomas, Rev. Robert Hoban, Hayden Godwin, Gerard Pelletier, Pat Donohue, William Hoops, Tony NeCastro, Irene Suigne, Silva Lopez, Robert Evanousky, Mary Harrison, Meta Caserta, Scott Baker, Tyler Messinger, Ben Saffer, Joan Carilli, Joe Ellis, Len & Margaret Earl, Fred Hagerty, Helena Miller, Tommy Martone, Samuel Watts, Frank Yarrusso, Betsy Tong, Tony Arcaro, Anna McDonald, Christopher White, Maureen Monaghan, Darlene Bargelski, Donna Hagan, Dr. Marion Panyan, Kansas Collins, Frank Pecoraro, Mary Querey, Rosa Santos, Kay Jarman-McElwee, Gina Coburn, Angeline DiRienzo, Meghan Ward, Linda Murphy, Raul & Juanita Lopez, Mark Davis, Amy Hamm, Debbie Ferraro, Tommy Marino, Wayne Bacon, Joshua Waltz

## SANCTUARY CANDLES

The candles burning over the sanctuary are in memory of Mike & Mary O'Neill (Family.)



# <u>Please check out the web page for information on our</u> <u>upcoming Spring Bingo.</u> <u>www.olfnewcastle.com</u>.

Are you someone who attends Mass here regularly but have not joined the parish? Please fill out the form below and we will mail you a census form to fill out and return in next weekend's offertory basket. If you would like to fill out the form, you may print it off from online at <u>www.olfnewcastle.com</u>.



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