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#### LOOKING AHEAD:

- TODAY:** Kid's Fun Sunday
- March 16:** (Tomorrow) 6:00 pm Finance Meeting and 6:30 pm Vestry Meeting
- March 20:** Fish Fry - 5:00 - 7:00 pm
- March 22:** Community Meal: we need cooks to help with the Epiphany meal. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin by the kitchen. Thanks for your cooperation!
- March 24:** Seder at Fairmont Temple from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. This is an interesting and educational experience. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.
- March 25:** West Side Shared Ministry - St. Luke's.

Lenten Soup-Supper-Study will be with (and at) Good Shepherd this year. Each week will have an outside speaker with varied topics. Good Shepherd is supplying all meals, and asks for a small donation. Final session is March 26 (THURSDAY).

The Vestry was presented with a talk on "The Open Table", a program helping the indigent, young and old, who are at a point in their lives where they will accept ideas of self-help and community help. Leaflets about the program are on the back table, for anyone who might like to become involved. If interested, contact Fr. Steve or Casey Matthews.

**Fish Fries continue. We are in dire need of people to clean up at 7:00 pm.**

**The "Buy a Brick" Campaign is in full swing. There is no set cost for a brick, and no one will know what anyone paid. This way, the entire church family can be involved—even the children! It is a Lenten project, for the actual work will begin immediately after Easter. Please give this your prayerful thought. Cash should be put in an envelope, marked "Building Fund". If writing a check, please put "Building Fund" in the memo space. Kids can just write "brick" on an envelope! If you prefer to remain anonymous, indicate same.**

#### THE LENTEN BANNER

Starting from lower left corner, and moving clockwise:

The grain and the grapes, in remembrance of the Holy Eucharist

Jesus Christ rode a donkey into Jerusalem, his way paved with palm branches, in fulfillment of a prophecy spoken by the prophet Zechariah (Zechariah 9:9).

The three crosses of Golgotha

The cat-of-9-tails whip, the Crown of Thorns, and finally, the three nails

**HE DIED TO SAVE US ALL**

Celebrant: The Rev. Stephen Secaur

Eucharistic Ministers: Linda Price (8:00) and Richard Wise (10:30)

Lectors: Frank Camperchioli (8:00) Nancy Secaur and Dick York (10:30)

Acolyte: Nancy Nicholls

Ushers: Tom and Linda Poelking

Teller: Rob Finnie

Organist: Aleksandr Leybkind

## The Fourth Sunday in Lent

15 March 2015

Welcome! Please enter the nave quietly and reverently as there may be people already in prayer and contemplation.

Thank you for worshiping with us today. Your presence is important to all of us. If you are just passing through, we wish you Godspeed on your travels and hope that you will join us whenever you return. If you live in this area and are new to this parish, we welcome you and invite you to make Saint Bartholomew your church home. If you are a long-time member who has been gone for a while, welcome home---we've missed you! And if you are a member of this parish who generally shows up every week, thank you for your commitment to our parish family---well done, good and faithful servant!

### About Today's Lessons

The Old Testament contains accounts of God saving the people at various times in their history. We remember those times during Lent as a part of our preparation to celebrate the ultimate salvation of all people in the death and resurrection of Jesus. The story of Israel's wandering in the wilderness continues today. Again the people complain about hunger and thirst and rebel against God. They are set upon by poisonous serpents. Moses intercedes with God and is directed to make a bronze serpent. When the people look at the serpent they are saved.

The Gospel reading is John's account of Jesus' predicting his death. He likens his crucifixion to the event in today's Old Testament reading. He promises that he has come not to condemn the world but to save it. Only those who reject this message and the light of God given by Jesus are in danger of being lost.

The reading today from Ephesians announces that in his resurrection and ascension, Jesus has raised us who know him by faith into the new life of God. It is in Baptism that we have become part of that new life and have received the grace which saves us.

The most consistent message in Holy Scripture is God's love and repeated interventions in history to bring about redemption. As we move nearer to Easter we are led by means of Word and Sacraments to a deepening realization that God is still redeeming us. Let us remember today those who will be baptized at Easter, who are joining us in the journey of the redeemed to God.

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## Worship through the Week

A guide for Prayer and Study at Home

We pray for those who are infirm, and for the continued healing of:

Richard and Mary, Ben and Dorothy, Tabatha Jim and baby, Kristen, Ed, and Drew, Jordy and family, Dottie, Betty, Bill, Chris, Fr. Jim, Maisie, Rob, Joanna, Cara, Carol, Tom, Will, Jan, Kelly, Jane, David, Andrea, Jean, Val, Annie, Tom, Alice, Kevin, Emily, Katy, Sharon, Nancy, Norma, Shirley, Laurie, Lucille, Joe, Andy, Chris, Anne, Bobby, Marie, Gavin, John, Scott, Manette, Laura, Connie, Lenny, Jennifer, Paul, ...

And we offer our thanksgivings for your many blessings upon us especially for:

March 8th attendance was 63.

The birthdays of Shirley Cerjan, Ben Howes, ...

The anniversary of Fr. Steve and Nancy Secaur, ...

We pray for those serving in the Armed Forces...

Major Dan Knaup, Corporal Jason Thompson, Lt. Colonel Trent Johnson, Major David Marcinski, Sgt. Mark Ditchman, Pvt 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Kyle Lewis, Col. Howard Pearce, Quartermaster Mike Thoumire, Lieutenant Joanna Chmielecki, Staff Sgt. Paul Workman, Seaman Kyle Knowlton, Airman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Rebecca Voigt, Pvt. Jack Rolf, Robert Register.

We also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially Jean Plum and those who have given their lives in the Armed Forces the past week:

Outreach – Giving Tree: For the month of **March** beverages **such as: coffee, cocoa, tea and juices.** Thanks so much for the outpouring of gifts to the Giving Tree.

**The Shawl Ministry** would like to encourage everyone to give a shawl to someone you know that can use a little extra love and prayer. Please feel free to take one even for yourself. Blessed shawls are always available in the library area. Shawl Ministry meets the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm here at St. Bart's. Please join us if you knit or crochet. Liz York: 440-946-3374.

Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

If there is an enclosure (envelope or separate sheet) in the announcement folder, and you do not plan to use it at this time, please leave it on the table in back, instead of the trash. We can save a lot of paper that way. Thanks!

## This Week at a Glance

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|---------|-----------|--|--|
| 16      | Monday    | 6:00 pm  | Yoga with Betty Rendlesham<br>St. Bart's Finance Meeting<br>Vestry Meeting (Open to all)             |
|         |           | 6:00 pm  |  |
| 6:30 pm |           |  |  |
| 17      | Tuesday   |  | <b>Patrick, Bishop and Missionary of Ireland, 461</b>  |
|         |           | 9:00 am<br>6:00 pm                                   | Office Open Franco<br>Jenny Dance  |
| 18      | Wednesday |  | <b>Cyril, Bishop of Jerusalem, 386</b>   |
|         |           | 9:00 am<br>7:00 pm                                   | Office Open Franco<br>Prayer Shawl Ministry  |
| 19      | Thursday  |  | <b>SAINT JOSEPH</b>  |
|         |           | 8:00 am<br>8:00 am<br>6:00 pm                        | Thursday Morning Cleaning Crew<br>Office open - York<br>Yoga with Betty Rendlesham                   |
| 20      | Friday    |  | <b>Thomas Ken, Bishop of Bath and Wells, 1711</b>  |
|         |           | 9:00 am<br>9:00 am<br>5:00 - 7:00 pm                 | Office Open Franco<br>Morning Prayer<br>Fish Fry   |
| 21      | Saturday  |  | Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop of Canterbury and Martyr, 1556  |
|         |           |  |  |
| 22      | Sunday    |  | <b>THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT</b>  |
|         |           | 8:00 am<br>9:15 am<br>9:15 am<br>10:30 am<br>4:00 pm | Holy Eucharist, Rite I<br>Bible Study<br>Choir Practice<br>Holy Eucharist, Rite II<br>Community Meal |

## This Week's Readings

From the Daily Office for the week of March 16th through March 22nd, 2015

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| Monday: 89:1-18 & 89:19-52<br>Gen. 49:1-28; 1 Cor. 10:14–11:1; Mark 7:24-37                      | Friday 95* & 102 & 107:1-32<br>Exod. 2:1-22; 1 Cor. 12:27–13:3; Mark 9:2-13             |
| Tuesday:97, 99, [100] & 94, [95]<br>Gen. 49:29–50:14; 1 Cor. 11:17-34; Mark 8:1-10               | Saturday 107:33-43, 108:1-6(7-13) & 33<br>Exod. 2:23—3:15; 1 Cor. 13:1-13; Mark 9:14-29 |
| Wednesday: 101, 109:1-4(5-19)20-30 & 119:121-144<br>Gen. 50:15-26 ; 1 Cor. 12:1-11; Mark 8:11-26 | Sunday 118 & 145<br>Exod. 3:16–4:12; Rom. 12:1-21; John 8:46-59                         |
| Thursday:69:1-23(24-30)31-38 & 73<br>Exod. 1:6-22; 1 Cor. 12:12-26; Mark 8:27—9:1                |   |

How to use the Daily Office: For each day, the Psalms are split into AM (morning) and PM (evening) readings by the “&” You may read them this way or together at one time. Optional readings are in [brackets]. Below the Psalms you have an Old Testament, New Testament, and Gospel reading for each day. The entire Bible can be read in two years following this format from the Book of Common Prayer.