



# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

## Monday, March 8th:

2 Kgs 5: 1-15b; Lk 4: 24-30

8:30am Betty Masdea by Jerry & Doris Chiasson

## Tuesday, March 9th:

Dn 3: 25, 34-43; Mt 18: 21-35

8:30am Isabelle Theriault by Carol Vanderlosk

## Wednesday, March 10th:

Dt 4: 1, 5-9; Mt 5: 17-19

8:30am Roy Hult by his friends at Milette Manor

7:00pm Mass in Spanish

## Thursday, March 11th:

Jer 7: 23-28; Lk 11: 14-23

8:30am Kimberly Bates by her friends

## Friday, March 12th:

Hos 14: 2-10; Mk 12: 28-34

3:00pm Stations of the cross in church in English

5:00pm Confessions in the church

6:00pm Stations of the cross in church Spanish

## Saturday, March 13th:

Hos 6: 1-6; Lk 18: 9-14

4:00pm Rose Niquette by her Estate

Wilfred Constant (22nd anniv.) by his family

Lucille Berube by M/M Florian Ouellette

Robert Cormier by Mr. & Mrs. Robert McHugh

6:00pm Spanish Mass (see last page)

## Sunday, March 14th:

Jos 5-9a, 10-12/2, Cor 5: 17-21; Lk 15: 1-3, 11-32

9:00am Benjamin Comeau (30th anniv.)

by his family

Virgina & Peter McDonald

by the Chaplick family

11:00am Conrad Thibault (15th anniv.)

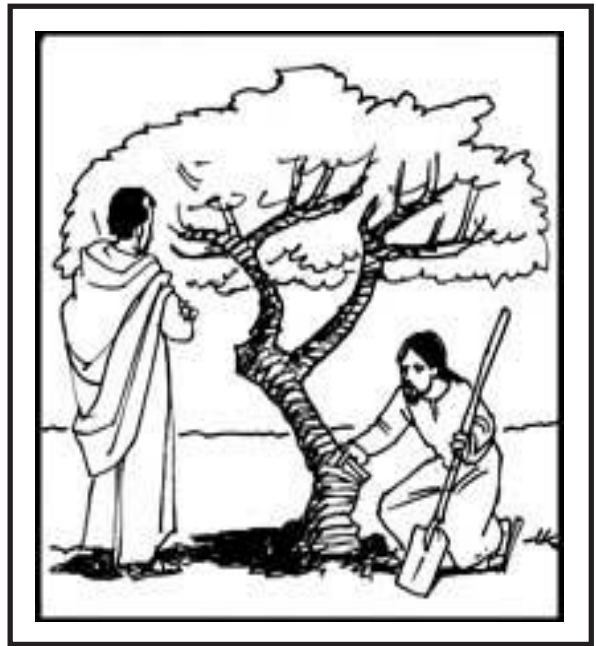
by his wife Charlotte

George Sargent by Cornelia Morin

Albert Thibault by Lionel Thibault

Roger Duclos by Doris Duclos & Dela

Nicholas Dahl by his wife Madeline



### 3rd Sunday of Lent

"Leave it, sir, this one year while I dig around it. If it bears fruit, well and good." Luke 13:9



*Holy Lord, eternal God, hear our prayers for All our deceased family members, Whom you have summoned out of this world. Forgive thierfailings and grant them a place of refreshment, light and peace.*



## Weekly Stewardship

### Weekend of Feb. 27th & Feb. 28th

Collection Total : \$5417.92

Tithing: \$243.00

Catholic Education: \$215.00

God, you are the source of life and every blessing. All that we have comes from you. Help us to walk in your ways as faithful disciples of Jesus. As good stewards of your many blessings teach us to receive your gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them in justice and love with others, and return them with increase to you, our generous God and Father.

**A time to consider the giving up of what we are, for what we may become.**



## The Week Ahead

### Monday, March 8th

10:00am - 8:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel  
 6:30pm: Bell choir practice in the church  
 7:30pm: Bible Study with CERS at the Chapel

### Tuesday, March 9th

10:00am - 8:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel  
Religious Education In English- Gr. K-4—4:30 - 5:45pm,  
 Gr. 5-8—6-7:15pm lower level classrooms Milette Manor.

### Wednesday, March 10th

10:00am - 8:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel  
 5:30pm: Spanish Bible Study at Milette Manor lower level

### Thursday, March 11th

10:30am - 12noon: Alanon Meeting lower level of Milette Manor 1st classroom.  
 10:00am - 8:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel  
 6:00pm: Confirmation class in Spanish, lower level of Milette Manor

### Friday, March 12th

5:00pm Religious Education Classes in Spanish, lower level of Milette Manor

### Saturday, March 13th

10:00am - 12:00noon: Spanish Bible Study lower level of Milette Manor

### Sunday, March 14th

9:00am - 5:00pm Confirmation Seminar in the lower level of Milette Manor

**The Gospel parable says** for “three years” the owner of the fig tree had been waiting for good fruit. God waits more than three years for us to bear fruit—God waits each and every day of our lives for us to

bear fruit. The good news is that God never gives up on us. God continually cultivates and fertilizes—especially by the ongoing proclamation of God’s word and the invitation to

God’s table. All we need do is respond by dying to self. God does bring forth new life in us.



## Brown Bag Collection

Thank you in advance to all who heard that there was a need in our community answered. The shelves of the Food Pantry will be well stocked with your generous donations. Mindful of our Christian mission to help feed the poor and hungry of our community. During the Mass Fr. will ask you to bring your bags up to the front. At the end of Mass we will be looking for helpers to bring the bags to the church hall.



## FASTING AND FEASTING

LENT SHOULD BE MORE THAN A TIME OF FASTING. IT SHOULD BE A JOYOUS SEASON OF FEASTING. LENT IS A TIME TO FAST FROM CERTAIN THINGS AND TO FEAST ON OTHERS. IT IS A SEASON IN WHICH WE SHOULD:

- FAST from judging other;
- FEAST on the Christ dwelling in them.
- FAST from emphasis on differences;
- FEAST on the unity of all life.
- FAST from thought of illness;
- FEAST on the healing power of God.
- FAST from words that pollute;
- FEAST on the phrases that purify.
- FAST from discontent; FEAST on gratitude.
- FAST from anger; FEAST on patience.
- FAST from pessimism; FEAST on optimism.
- FAST from worry; FEAST on hope.
- FAST from complaining; FEAST on appreciation.
- FAST from negatives; FEAST on affirmatives.
- FAST from bitterness; FEAST on forgiveness.
- FAST from self –concern; FEAST on compassion for others.
- FAST from discouragement; FEAST on hope.
- FAST from suspicion; FEAST on truth.
- FAST from thoughts that weaken;
- FEAST on promises that inspire.

*Sanctuary Lamps: Annette Dufour. Eucharistic Chapel: Betty Masdea from her friends at St. Louis*

## Booster Club News

March 1st (60/40 Split) parish: \$60, Lorette Desmarais \$40



Musings

In the year 2000, while I was pastor of St. Thomas More Parish in Durham and Catholic chaplain to the University, I began an alternative spring break immersion program in Honduras. Although there was already in place a trip to the Appalachian region during this time, I thought it would be good to offer students an opportunity to go beyond the boundaries. Ten years into this experience, close to 100 students have participated. This year, this week to be precise, nine students from UNH will be journeying to San Francisco de La Paz, Olancho, Honduras. I will be accompanying them and will leave on Monday, March 8, which gets me there 3 days before they arrive so I can be sure that all is ready.

While there, the students will get to work in *Project Eden*, the agricultural/nutritional project. They will, literally, “get down and dirty”, working side-by-side with the “hombres” in the project (Rigo, Manuel, Osman and Mario). They’ll get to visit and work in the family gardens, village gardens and school gardens. They will meet the local folk and get to play “futbol” (soccer) with some of the kids. They will also get the chance to just mingle and probably even go for a hike in the mountains.

Tuesday and Saturday the *Adelante* program has tutoring for local kids. The UNH students will get the chance to tutor them with their English, math, science or computer studies.

It has always amazed me to watch what happens in a short period of time. Many of the students arrive totally unaware of what they will be doing, or even how they will do. They are plopped down in the middle of a foreign land, where animals (pigs, cows and chickens) roam freely. Their eyes are opened to poverty and goodness, sadness and hope. In a short period of time, they experience a whole other world....a world which reflects the reality of the majority of people on this planet.

When the week is over and it is time to return to NH, you would think that they had been there for years. They met life face-to-face, a life without pretension and, because of that, their lives will never be the same.

**Catholic Relief Services**

Catholic Relief Services Home Mission Appeal is the official international humanitarian agency of the U.S. Catholic community. CRS is motivated by the example of Jesus Christ to assist the poor and suffering in more than 100 countries on the basis of need, without regard to race, religion or nationality. For more information, please visit [crs.org](http://crs.org). There will be a collection for Catholic Relief Services the weekend of March 13 & 14th, donations may be put in with the regular collection.

**Big Brothers Big Sisters**

*Of Greater Nashua always have children looking for someone who can mentor them. If you would like information please call 883-4851*

**Mark your calendar TIME CHANGE**, Remember next weekend to turn your clocks ahead before you go to bed on Saturday, March 13th.

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• *When making out your Easter Flower envelopes **PLEASE PRINT** clearly.* •  
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During: ***LENT***

Way of the Cross on Fridays  
3:00 p.m.  
6:00 p.m. (español)

Confessions will be held on Fridays in March at 5:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, March 23 from 6-7 p.m. Confesiones, Miércoles 23 de marzo, 7:00 p.m.

**Weddings**  
At least one person of the couple must be a registered and active member of the parish for at least eight months. Diocesan policy states that the couple should contact the parish priest at least six months prior to the wedding, before making any arrangements. Please call the Rectory for further information.

**Baptisms**  
Celebrated according to need for registered parishioners of at least 6 months. Please call the Rectory Office for catechesis and preparation.



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Intenciones Misas

En acción de gracias a Jesús Sacramentado ofrecida por Edwin D'oleo.

**Lecturas de la Semana:**

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| Lunes     | 8  | (m) | 2 Re.5,1-15b/Lc.4,24-30                         |
| Martes    | 9  | (m) | Dn.3,25.34-43/Mt.18.21-35                       |
| Miércoles | 10 | (m) | Dt.4,1.5-9/Mt.5,17-19                           |
| Jueves    | 11 | (m) | Jer.7,23-28/Lc.11,14-23                         |
| Viernes   | 12 | (m) | Os.14,2-10/Mt.12,28-34                          |
| Sábado    | 13 | (m) | Os.6,1-6/Lc.18,9-14                             |
| Domingo   | 14 | (m) | Jos.5,9a.10-12/2Cor.5,17-21/<br>Lc.15,1-3.11-32 |

**Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento**

La capilla "Cuerpo de Cristo" ubicada en la calle 43 de Franklin en Nashua permanece abierta para la adoración.

La adoración es de Lunes a Jueves de 10:00 am a 8:00 pm . **Te esperamos...**

**EL PRIMER SABADO DE CADAMES HAY ADORACION NOCTURNA, NO TE OLVIDES SERA UNA EXPERIENCIA UNICA. INICIA A LAS 10:00 PM Y TERMINA A LAS 6:00AM.**

**La fuerza de la oración supera toda angustia y llena de consuelo espiritual al hombre luchador que busca el conocimiento y cumplimiento de la voluntad de Dios. (Orar evangelizando ).**

**REUNIÓN DE ALCOHOLICOS ANÓNIMOS**

¿Cuándo? Todos los sábados después de la Misa de las 6:00pm. ¿Dónde? Milette Manor

Hora: 7:00pm

**Próximo Bautismo**

**Los próximos Bautismos serán el 17 de Abril, y la charla el 10 de Abril (Melette Manor a la 1:00p.m.)**

**Durante los meses de Febrero y Marzo no habrá celebración de Bautizos, se omiten por ser tiempo cuaresma.**

**BODAS**

Por lo menos durante ocho meses una de las personas debe estar registrada en la iglesia y debe ser miembro activo de la misma. Deben hablar con el sacerdote por lo menos seis meses antes de hacer cualquier arreglo antes de la boda. Por favor llame a la Rectoría para cualquier información.

**BAUTIZOS**

Se celebran de acuerdo a las necesidades de los miembros de la parroquia que estén activos por lo menos durante seis meses. Llame a la Rectoría para su preparación.

**Avisos para la CUARESMA:**

Todos los viernes habrá el rezo del Vía crucis a las 6:00p.m. y a las 7:00p.m. pláticas cuaresmales. Algunos viernes tendremos confesiones en este mismo horario. Somos conscientes que la vida es muy agitada, pero te invitamos a darte la oportunidad en este tiempo para acercarte más a Dios por medio del ayuno, oración y la limosna.

**3er Domingo de Cuaresma**

*Las tres lecturas de la palabra de Dios en este domingo llenan nuestras vidas de esperanza. Se nos habla de una zarza ardiendo y de un Dios que se revela a Moisés con su nombre " 'Yo-soy' y veo la miseria y opresión de mi pueblo y deseo que sea liberado". En el Evangelio, con la imagen de jardinero, Jesús intercede por un año más por la higuera que no da fruto. En ambos casos, los símbolos de la zarza y la higuera nos indican la presencia de un Dios misericordioso que perdona, comprende, y espera.*

*Muchas veces nos preguntamos: ¿Qué conocemos de Dios? ¿Dónde está? ¿Cómo es? Nuestra vida está tan llena de acontecimientos e impaciencias que muchas veces no alcanzamos a comprender a este Dios imprevisible. Descubramos pues el gran amor de Dios en los símbolos de la zarza y de la higuera. El Dios de la zarza en el Éxodo se revela a la humanidad con calor, efectividad, y ternura. Este Dios está cercano a los que sufren y se preocupa por ellos. El Dios paciente se revela en la historia de la higuera, dándole una oportunidad más para que dé fruto. Es por eso que cada año Dios nos da una oportunidad nueva para renovarnos en su gracia.*

*Debemos de conocer las muchas facetas y cualidades de nuestro Dios. Mediante sus acciones y su vida, a través de su muerte y resurrección, Jesús nos muestra la abundancia del perdón de Dios. Por último es bueno que hagamos una inspección a fondo de ver cómo anda nuestra higuera. ¿Necesita ser podada? ¿Tenemos un año más?©2010 Liturgical Publications Inc*