

“The lifting up of the serpent is the death of Christ; the cause, by a certain mode of construction, being put for the effect. The serpent was the cause of death, inasmuch as he persuaded man into that sin, by which he merited death. Our Lord, however, did not transfer sin, i. e. the poison of the serpent, to his flesh, but death; in order that in the likeness of sinful flesh, there might be punishment without sin, by virtue of which sinful flesh might be delivered both from punishment and from sin.”

Saint Augustine

March 14, 2021
Fourth Sunday of Lent



**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
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Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:15 am - 2:30 pm

Administrative Assistant:
Agata Rabos-Kusmierczuk

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Mass Schedule - Horario de Misas

Saturday - Sábado 6:00 PM Español Clinton
Sunday - Domingo 10:00 AM English Clinton
Sunday - Domingo 12:30 PM Español Clinton
Sunday - Domingo 6:00 PM Español Ingold

Reconciliation - Confesiones

Saturday - Sábado, 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.
Daily Mass – As published inside bulletin.

Faith Formation - Catequesis

Immaculate Conception, Clinton

Primera Comunión - Año II (Español)
Saturday, 4:30 PM- 5:45 PM
First Communion Year II (English)
Sunday, 11:00 AM-12:15 PM
Confirmation - Year II
Wednesday, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Group I
Wednesday, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Group II

San Juan, Ingold

Primera Comunión - Año II
Sunday, 4:40 PM - 5:45 PM

Emergency phone: 910-594-0287

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 13

6:00 PM People of the Parish

Week of Sunday, March 14

Sunday, March 14

10:00 AM + Henryk, Adela, Teofil Adasiak

12:30 PM + Fa. Santos, Lino Arellano

6:00 PM People of the Parish (Ingold)

Monday, March 15

8:00 AM Virginia Hardy

Wednesday, March 17

7:00 PM + Fa. Gutiérrez; Maximino, Juan de Jesús, Rosa, Mercedes, Maximiliano Gutiérrez

Thursday, March 18

8:00 AM Marietta Duprey-Siegler

Friday, March 19

8:00 AM Rusty Bates

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 20

6:00 PM + Maria de la Luz Ávila

Week of Sunday, March 21

Sunday, March 21

10:00 AM + Bill Edwards

12:30 PM + María Antonia & Sebastian Mejía, Maria A. Mejía, por los niños abortados

6:00 PM People of the Parish (Ingold)

OFFERTORY REPORT

Weekly budget required: \$3,750.00

Offertory received March 7 **\$2,732.00**

Total loan amount owed: \$137,017.54

Total paid to date: \$78,269.88

Amount owed: \$58,747.66

WEEKLY MEETINGS AND CLASSES

Sunday, March 14

11:00 AM - 12:15 PM First Communion Class - Year II, Fr. Price Center

4:40 PM - 5:45 PM First Communion Class - Year II, Ingold

Wednesday, March 17

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Confirmation, Year II Group I, Fr. Price Center

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Confirmation, Year II Group II, Fr. Price Center

Saturday, March 20

4:30 PM - 5:45 PM First Communion Class - Year II, Fr. Price Center

Sunday, March 21

11:00 AM - 12:15 PM First Communion Class - Year II, Fr. Price Center

4:40 PM - 5:45 PM First Communion Class - Year II, Ingold

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rm 4:13:16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:3-4, 12-15; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33
Alternate readings (Year A):
Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8;
Rom 8:8-11;
Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

Please pray daily for our church community:

Elly Tsao, Joan Pomnitz, Marta Melton - Dambeck, Laura Schoenleber, Evelyn Kornegay, Marie Stowers, Joseph Miller, Julia Moore, Carlyle Williams, Theresa Williford, Pearl Bradshaw, Liz Wills, John Stiles, Levere C. Montgomery Jr., Warren Montgomery, Londyn Marie Gwinn, Loretta Walker, Richie & Rosamaria Ochatorena

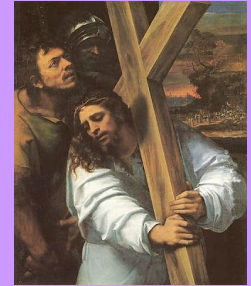


Please call the church office if you wish to add a name to this list.

Stations of the Cross/ *Via Crucis*

Fridays during Lent/ *Cada Viernes de Cuaresma*

7:00 p.m.



Greetings Church Family!

MUSIC

Daylight Savings Time begins today and the first day of Spring is Saturday, March 20. I remember as a child always thinking that when I saw the first daffodil blooming, that was a clear sign that Spring was on its way. It is a blessing to witness the renewal of the earth and our faith as we travel together during this Lenten journey. Thank you for your kind words about the "A Cappella Praise" last Sunday. I also found three more reasons how it can be good for worship: 1. It encourages participating rather than spectating. 2. It requires following a leader and listening to each other. 3. It celebrates the unity in our diversity. I have to give credit to discoverworship.com for these "compelling" reasons to sing a capella. My 4th reason is it makes me SO grateful for the faithful ones who have played for us! We are blessed! I thank God for the fine musicians who have joined us in worship! Please let Dr. Cabral know how much we appreciate her today. Michael

Covid disrupting your lives? Don't let the stresses destroy your marriage. Join us for a virtual or in person Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Take a weekend away at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter to gain a richer, fuller married life together. Attend a Marriage Encounter weekend and learn the tools needed to keep your marriage strong. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming virtual **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends** on Aug 27-29, 2021 in HICKORY, NC and Nov 5-7, 2021 in ATLANTIC BEACH, NC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://NCMarriageDiscovery.org> or contact us at applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org or 704-315-2144.

How's your Lent going? Still hanging on? Well, hopefully you noticed the pink vestments at Mass today. They're an indication that today is "Laetare Sunday," a moment to stop, rejoice, and remember that the difficulties of Lent lead us to the joy of Easter. Today is a reminder that we don't practice penance and self-denial so that we can "earn" or be rewarded with Easter. Instead, it's our confidence that the Easter victory has already been won that allows us to joyfully embrace this penitential season as an opportunity to grow closer to God.

Something similar happens in today's Gospel: Christ reminds us that God has given his only Son; that the light has come into the world; that the victory has already been won! We can live joyfully and love selflessly, even in the midst of life's hardships and uncertainties, because God's love has conquered all. Confidence in this truth has been a source of Christian charity throughout the ages, from the heroic sacrifices of the early martyrs to the selfless service of modern-day saints like Mother Teresa. And it needs to animate our lives today, too.

How might we love others if we were truly and completely convinced that God's love is supreme—that it wipes away our sins, our failings, and even the sting of death? What would we be free to give that we currently hold back, out of fear or self-preservation? Opportunities to love selflessly, as Christ and the saints did, surround us—from reaching out to an elderly relative experiencing loneliness, to giving generously to our diocese's Bishop's Annual Appeal. Let's ask God for the grace to be more confident in his love, so that we might love others more fully .

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Did you give up something for Lent and finding it hard to stay committed? Have you stumbled? Remember God is always with us, helping us pick ourselves up and try again.



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Lilly's are \$15.00 each.

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