# Most Holy Trinity Parish mhtstl.org | FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT | MARCH 26, 2023

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Jesus responded with compassion to Martha and Mary. Mary and Martha were strengthened by their encounters with Jesus. Lazarus, entombed in darkness, responded, and experienced the power of grace.



We, too, are strengthened by our encounters with Jesus through the Word of God, in loving communion with Jesus and through the faith of the community. We meet Jesus through faith-strengthening and hope-giving encounters with others. People may call us to "Come Out!" of our discouragement by a kind remark, or when our limitations are forgiven by a smile and welcome. The power of grace is experienced as we walk with others through suffering.

- Sister Janice



### SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 9:30 AM

Presider: Father Tom Melancon

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 4:00 PM

Presider: Father Tom Bryon

#### PALM SUNDAY MASS, APRIL 2, 9:30 AM

Presider: Father Gerry Kleba

Lectors: First Reading, Nicky Hoxworth; Second

Reading, Mary Grayson Eucharistic Ministers:

Bread: Donna Lindsay, Rochelle Jones Cup: Korky Buhr, Brenda Tillman

#### PASSION READERS

First reader: 14 -35, page 143-144 - Meg Reask Second reader: 36-54, page 144-145 - Sister Luanne Third reader: 55-75, page 145-147 – Mattie Patterson Fourth reader: 1-32, page147-149 - Christine Trudell Fifth reader: 33-50, page 149-150 - Melita Long Sixth reader: 51-66, page 150-151 - Adrian Stillman

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WE HOLD IN HEART AND PRAYER: Philip Brown, Ed Deason, Joan Hasser, Mary Lee Howard, Doris (Feeherty) Janz, Lester Jones (Uncle of Rochelle Jones), Paul King, Ethel Long, Joetta Lukowski, Mary Meyer, Sharon Morrow, Marta Reyna, James Smith, John Towles, and the Tracy and Usanga families.

**OUR BELOVED FATHER RICH:** Friday, March 31, marks the third anniversary of his passing. On the fifth Sunday of Lent 2015 Father Rich reflected: "Jesus' action surmounts human experience and reveals something entirely new: Everyone who lives and believes in him will live always. Belief in Jesus unties us from the limits of human experience and frees us for the eternity of risen life. "Father Rich knows the depths of God's eternal embrace and continues to smile his joy upon all of us.

We celebrate the RITE OF WELCOME AND ACCEP-**TANCE** this morning with Aryn Bostic. We support her in our prayer and friendship as she professes the Catholic faith and prepares for the Sacrament of Confirmation on Holy Saturday.

WELCOME: The Rev. Earl G. Strauther, Sunday, March 26. We welcome our speaker who currently serves as Deputy Director of Gene Slay's Girls & Boys Club of St. Louis which serves over 800 youth annually. He serves as assistant pastor of St. Peter AME Church of St. Louis.

One of Rev. Earl's passions is the intersection between black history, a liberation theology, the Justice of Jesus and the graces and gifts of God for God's people. He preaches a historic text to inform our contemporary lives.

#### **CATHOLIC MAN OF THE YEAR: Kenneth Patterson.**

Sunday, March 19, Kenneth was recognized for his work with the St. Vincent Society and our parish. He was presented the certificate displayed on the table in the narthex. We are grateful for the countless Annual Catholic Campaigns (ACA) he has done for us. We benefit from emergency grants for repairs that Sister Gail has applied for and received from this endeavor. Kenneth has served on the Parish Council, Finance Committee, and been a Lector and Eucharistic Minister. Most Holy Trinity celebrates with you.

# MASS INTENTION

Sunday March 26, 9:30 AM: Mike Lemond, Jr. Saturday April 2, 4:00 PM: Mary Conner Skies

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