Holy Cross Community of Paroisse St. Luc Parish

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11:00 Mass: Harry Chou,



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Serving the English-speaking Roman Catholic community of Rosemère, Lorraine, BoisdesFilion, Ste. Thérèse, Blainville, Boisbriand, and Terrebonne.

Eucharistic Celebrations

Sunday Service at 9.30am & 11:00am in English at Ste. Françoise Cabrini Church (210 de l'Église, Rosemère) church closed until further notice.

Saturday Service celebrated in French, at 4.30pm and Sunday service in French at 9:00am 10:00am and 11:00am celebrated at St-Maurice, 388 Adolphe-Chapleau, Bois des Filion visit:www. Paroisse-St-Luc.org for reservation

February 21st Year B



The Holy Cross Regional Community is a Roman Catholic community supporting young parents and families in the growth of their faith journey through instruction and the sacraments.

Our mission is to welcome with openness, compassion and understanding, inclusive of all ages in our journey of faith together with the love and hope God brings to His people.

Parish Moderator: Father Sylvain Lauzon

Bishop of the Diocese of St. Jerome: His Excellency, Msgr. Raymond Poisson

Celebrant priest at Françoise Cabrini: Father Marc Lussier

A prayer praising God for his covenant (Psalm 25)

Mass offerings: N. B. Mass Intention requests: Pastoral Animator: 450-621-5521 EXT 216 Suggested love offering is \$15.00. Please indicate on your offering who the Mass is for and who is requesting it. Thank You.

Readings: Sunday Februay 21st 2021

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-15

God establishes a covenant with Noah, giving a rainbow as its sign.

Second reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

In our baptism, we are saved through Christ's death and Resurrection.

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

Jesus is tempted in the desert by Satan.

Interested in becoming a Lector, Altar Server, greeter, etc....?

Contact Pastoral Animator: Suzanne Marion **450-621-5521 EXT 216 or email:** smarion@paroissestluc.org

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The Parish office in Bois des Filion is now open

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Loyola Press: Sunday Connection

Gospel: Mark 1 12-15

Background on the Gospel Reading

On the first Sunday of Lent, the Gospel reading in each Lectionary cycle is about Jesus' temptation in the desert. This event in the life of Jesus is reported in each of the Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke—but it is not found in John's Gospel. This year we read Mark's account of this event.

Compared to the Gospels of Matthew and Luke, the details throughout Mark's narrative are sparse. This is evident in Mark's account of Jesus' temptation in the desert. Mark tells us only that Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and that for 40 days he was tempted by Satan. The Gospels of Matthew and Luke explain that Jesus fasted while in the desert, that Satan presented him with three temptations, and that Jesus refused each one, quoting Scripture. Only the Gospels of Matthew and Mark report that angels ministered to Jesus at the end of his time in the desert.

In each of the Synoptic Gospels, the temptation of Jesus follows his baptism by John the Baptist. In Mark's Gospel, we are told that Jesus went into the desert immediately after his baptism, led by the Spirit. Jesus' public ministry in Galilee begins after his temptation in the desert. Mark's Gospel makes a connection between the arrest of John the Baptist and the beginning of Jesus' ministry. Jesus' preaching about the Kingdom of God is in continuity with the preaching of John the Baptist, but it is also something new. As Jesus announces it, the Kingdom of God is beginning; the time of the fulfillment of God's promises is here.

The fact that Jesus spent 40 days in the desert is significant. This recalls the 40 years that the Israelites wandered in the desert after being led from slavery in Egypt. The prophet Elijah also journeyed in the desert for 40days and nights, making his way to Horeb, the mountain of God, where he was also attended to by an angel of the Lord. Remembering the significance of these events, we also set aside 40 days for the season of Lent.

In Mark's Gospel, the desert marks the beginning of Jesus' battle with Satan; the ultimate test will be in Jesus' final hours on the cross. In a similar way, our Lenten observances are only a beginning, a preparation for and a reinforcement of our ongoing struggle to resist the temptations we face in our lives. During Lent, we are led by the Holy Spirit to remember the vows of Baptism in which we promised to reject sin and to follow Jesus. Just as Jesus was ministered to by the angels, God also supports us in our struggle against sin and temptation. We succeed because Jesus conquered sin once and for all in his saving death on the cross.

Video for adult on lent by Bishop Robert Baron

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vm3JK7JYAKs

Videos for children on lent

Important Days During Lent | Bible Story for Children | Holy Tales Bible Stories

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RmvL3lqknRs

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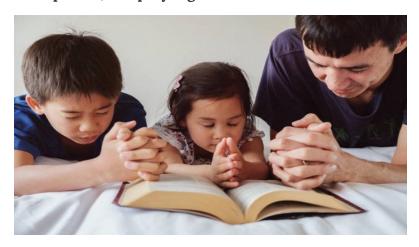
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Parents and children's corner

Family Connection

The announcement that Jesus makes as he begins his preaching in today's Gospel is recalled on Ash Wednesday at the signing with ashes: "Repent and believe in the gospel." This is our challenge for Lent; indeed, it is the challenge of our entire life. During Lent, we are invited to strengthen and to renew the promises that we made at our Baptism, to reject Satan and sin so as to live as children of God. Through the grace of God that we received at Baptism, we follow the promptings of the Holy Spirit and know that with Jesus' help, we will be victorious over sin.

As you gather as a family, talk about the importance of Baptism. At our Baptism, our sins were forgiven, and we promised to live as children of God. As part of the Rite of Baptism, we rejected sin and Satan. Read today's Gospel, Mark 1:12-15. During Lent, we renew the promises of our Baptism, turning again from sin and promising to follow God. Light a candle, perhaps a candle used at one of your family member's Baptisms, and pray together the Act of Contrition.



Spiritual communion: prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You.

Faith First: Level 2: Parents meeting (workshop) Saturday February 20th from 10:00 to 11:15am

ON ZOOM



ZOOM Meeting

Pastoral council meeting Tuesday evening, Februay 23rd 2021 at 7pm

Our thrifts stores are now open

Rosemère 12:30pm to 4.30pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Saint of the Day for February 23 Saint Polycarp's Story

Polycarp, bishop of Smyrna, disciple of Saint John the Apostle and friend of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, was a revered Christian leader during the first half of the second century.

Saint Ignatius, on his way to Rome to be martyred, visited Polycarp at Smyrna, and later at Troas wrote him a personal letter. The Asia Minor Churches recognized Polycarp's leadership by choosing him as a representative to discuss with Pope Anicetus the date of the Easter celebration in Rome—a major controversy in the early Church.

Only one of the many letters written by Polycarp has been preserved, the one he wrote to the Church of Philippi in Macedonia.

At 86, Polycarp was led into the crowded Smyrna stadium to be burned alive. The flames did not harm him and he was finally killed by a dagger. The centurion ordered the saint's body burned. The "Acts" of Polycarp's martyrdom are the earliest preserved, fully reliable account of a Christian martyr's death. He died in 155.

Reflection

Polycarp was recognized as a Christian leader by all Asia Minor Christians—a strong fortress of faith and loyalty to Jesus Christ. His own strength emerged from his trust in God, even when events contradicted this trust. Living among pagans and under a government opposed to the new religion, he led and fed his flock. Like the Good Shepherd, he laid down his life for his sheep and kept them from more persecution in Smyrna. He summarized his trust in God just before he died: "Father... I bless Thee, for having made me worthy of the day and the hour..." (Acts of Martyrdom, Chapter 14).