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<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Lent (2)</b>				
<b>Date March</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Liturgy</b>	<b>Intention/Donor</b>
<b>SAT 11</b>	<b>SHJ</b>	<b>4pm</b>	<b>Third Sunday of Lent</b> 	<b>Needs and Intentions of Our Parish Family</b>
<b>SUN 12</b>	<b>SJM</b>	<b>9am</b>		<b>Ed Vanattan [RIP] Marian &amp; Harry Scanlan</b>
	<b>SFA</b>	<b>11am</b>		<b>Andrew Ross [RIP] Eleanor Ross</b>
<b>TUE 14</b>	<b>SFA</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Ferial</b>	<b>Souls in purgatory Shirley Bala</b>
<b>WED 15</b>	<b>SFA</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Ferial Exposition</b>	<b>Charlene Jordison [RIP] Diana Mosco &amp; Family</b>
	<b>SJM</b>	<b>3:30pm</b>		
<b>THR 16</b>	<b>SFA</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>Ferial</b>	<b>Deceased Members Knight of Columbus Council #11655</b>
<b>FRI 17</b>	<b>SJM</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Way of the Cross</b> 	
	<b>SFA</b>	<b>3pm</b>		
<b>SAT 18</b>	<b>SHJ</b>	<b>5pm</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Lent</b> 	<b>Maddy &amp; Joni Kort [RIP] Doris Beers</b>
<b>SUN 19</b>	<b>SJM</b>	<b>9am</b>		<b>In Thanksgiving [Int] Kateri Bamford</b>
	<b>SFA</b>	<b>11am</b>		<b>Needs and Intentions of Our Parish Family</b>

### **Lay Ministers**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>St. James</b>	<b>St. Francis</b>
<b>Saturday, Mar 11</b>	<b>René Lefort</b>	<b>Lector – Brian Kerby</b>	<b>Lector – Karen Partridge</b>
<b>Sunday, Mar 12</b>		<b>Usher – J. Forestell</b>	<b>Usher – W. Sulyok</b>

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### **Introducing Our New Parish Secretary Rosa Penney**

A very warm and enthusiastic welcome to our new Parish Secretary, Rosa Penney, who came to Canada from the U.K. some 35 years ago, where together with her two sons has made her home in Quinte West. Rosa is looking forward to serving you on Tuesdays and Thursday from 8:30 am until 4:30pm.

**Daylight Saving Time** begins this Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 at 2:00 am. be sure to ‘spring forward’ so as not to miss morning Mass!

**SHJ – The Sacred Heart of Jesus** Saturday Mass time will return to 5pm as of Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> March 2023.



**Where is God?** Even St. Teresa of Calcutta experienced a period of “spiritual dryness.” We pray, we go to Mass faithfully, we serve others – yet at times God’s presence may seem elusive. Like the Israelites, we may ask, “Is the Lord in our midst or not?” As we enter the Third Sunday of Lent, today’s readings assure us that God remains with us even during those times when we may feel spiritually parched. In Exodus, water flows from a rock to satisfy the people. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the Samaritan woman at the well: “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” The woman, a sinner and an outcast, recognizes Jesus as Messiah, and it changes her life. Even when we don’t “feel” God’s presence, we can rest assured that Jesus stands beside us. He is our redemption and our Hope, and “Hope does not disappoint.”

**What Can I Do?** In today’s Gospel, Jesus breaks with Jewish custom by talking to a Gentile woman – a Samaritan no less. He “sees” her in knowing that she has been married five times before and is presently living with a man who is not her husband. Yet Jesus chooses to reveal to her his identity as the Messiah and offers her “living water.” But it doesn’t end there. The woman at the well goes forth and shares her experience with others. Many more came to believe in the Messiah based on her testimony. What an unlikely disciple she is! We may feel that we, too, are unlikely disciples: We are sinners, we’ve made mistakes, perhaps we feel that we are too unworthy to represent Jesus to others. But nothing is further from the truth. Jesus invites us not only to partake of the living water but to share it with others so that all may come to believe.

**Where to Start?** Put a note on your mirror or bedside table: “Hope does not disappoint.” Each morning, remind yourself that Jesus is the source of your hope, and try to think of ways to share this hope with others.