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Mr. Norris Berry

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Mr. Clarence Quander

**Pastoral Council Co-Chair**

Ms. Brenda Johnson

**Worship**

**Holy Rosary**

30 minutes before Mass

**Saturday Vigil Mass**

4:00 pm

**Sunday Mass**

9:00 am

**Holy Days**

10:00 am

**Weekday Adoration & Mass**

Rectory Chapel

(Mon, Tues, Thur, Fri)

8:00 am/ 8:30 am

**Penance & Reconciliation**

**(Confession)**

**Saturdays**

3:15 – 4:00 pm

Also available by appointment

**Baptism & Weddings**

Contact the Parish Office

**Religious Education**

(202) 581-4986

CCD/Sunday School pre-school  
to grade 12

Adult Bible Sharing

September-May, 10:15 am

Sundays in the school

# OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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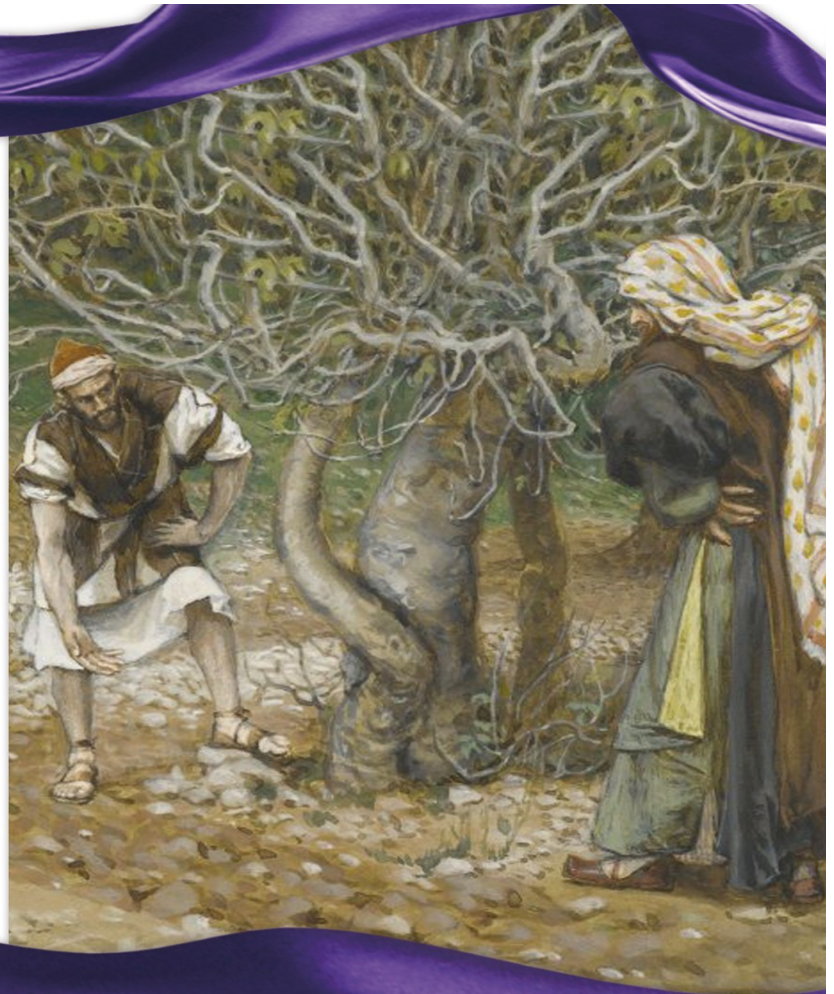
“BUILDING A FAITH FAMILY  
FOR FAMILIES OF FAITH”

**Third Sunday in Lent  
March 23, 2025**

“Sir, leave it  
for this year  
also, and I shall  
cultivate the  
grounds around  
it and fertilize it;  
it may bear fruit  
in the future.  
If not you can  
cut it down.”

*Luke 13:8, 9*

The Vine Dresser and  
the Fig Tree  
by James Tissot, circa 1890s



3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF  
**LENT**

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, March 22

4:00 pm Jaqueline A. Ashton (+)

### Sunday, March 23

9:00 am OLQP Parishioners

### Monday, March 24

8:30 am Beverly Hawkins (+)

### Tuesday, March 25

8:30 am Religious Vocations

### Thursday, March 27

8:30 am Sick and Homebound

### Friday, March 28

8:30 am 2025 Jubilee: Pilgrims of Hope

## Pray for Parishioners

Marion Jackson, Joyce D. Williams, George Freeman, Dwayne Eley, Sr., Steven Poyner, Denise Somerville, April Wright, Tyler Brody, Wendell & Loraine Harris, Vernon Wardrick, June Russ, John A. McNair, Jr., Grace Taylor-McNair, Carolyn Savoy, Robert & Darnelle Sneed, Lennette Gilliam, Nicole Stewart, Diane Miller, Adele Smith, Nancy Blackstone, Jeanette Catherine Cooper, Sandra Gilbert, Glenda Clarke, Linda Barnes, James Crawford, Josephine Campbell, Pat Brown, Barbara Jean Anderson, Leonard Washington, Margaret Ricks, Lucille Bailey, Sylvia Catlett, Charles & Lilly Brunswick, Joyce Gamble, Gramblin Family, Sass Family, Seldon Family, Gordon Family, Caridad Jones, David & Brenda Goodwin, Agnes Briscoe-Jarrells, Robert & Shirley Jones, Cheryl Gilliam-Neal, Carolyn Thompson, Doris Seldon, Reggie Gramblin, Odessa Thomas, Jacquelyn Pace, Joan Davis, Sheila Vallot, Gloria Taylor, Betty Clarke, Jessie Bridgewater

## Scripture Readings

### For the Week of March 23, 2025

Sunday

#### Third Sunday of Lent

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15; Ps 103: 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11;  
1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12; Lk 13:1-9

*Scrutiny Readings:* Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9;  
Rm 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42 or Jn 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday

2 Kings 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday

#### Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11;  
Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday

Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19

Thursday

Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23

Friday

Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17;  
Mk 12:28-34

Saturday

Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Lk 18:9-14

Sunday

#### Fourth Sunday of Lent

Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; 2 Cor 5:17-21;  
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

*Scrutiny Readings:* 1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 or Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

## March 23, 2025: Third Sunday in Lent

*"He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.'" - LUKE 13:7*

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have, or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous; we are called to develop and nurture our gifts as Stewards; and return them with increase. We are called to be generous with all of gifts; especially the one that means the most to you.

# LENT

- ♦ Continue your Lenten Journey. with Stations of the Cross every Friday at 11am in the church. Join our faith community in a transformative Lenten journey through CRS Rice Bowl. Lenten calendars are available in the vestibule.
  - ♦ Attention Lectors, the April lector schedule has been changed. The updated schedule has been mailed. There are extra copies in the Sacristy.
  - ♦ Attention Ministers of Hospitality, there will be an Ushers Meeting on March 30th.
  - ♦ The Plus Pretty fashion show is Saturday, April 5th at 1pm. The theme is "Deep in my Roots". Parishioners come see our collection and more. Fliers are available with ticket and other information.
  - ♦ **OLQP Sodality Events:**
    - ◇ Pick up the 2025 Cardinal Hickey Scholarship application from the rectory and return them to the rectory no later than 4PM on Thursday, May 1. Open to OLQP members who are 6th grade - 2025 High School Graduates, or undergraduate students. Contact Sandra Gilbert for additional information.
    - ◇ Sunday, April 6th: Sodality Scholarship Fundraiser Breakfast after the 9am Mass.
    - ◇ Saturday, April 12th: Sodality Lenten Prayer Breakfast at 10am. Tickets are \$35.00. The last day to purchase tickets is April 6th. See Nancy Blackstone or Betty Clarke for ticket purchases.
    - ◇ Friday May 9th: Sodality Scholarship Committee Fundraiser Bus trip to Charlestown Casino. Ticket are \$60.00. Contact Renee Ashton or Vanessa Jackson.
  - ♦ Join us for the OLQP FISH FRY, hosted by the Emergency Scholarship Fund, on Good Friday, April 18th in the newly renovated Casa Cremona Hall and Kitchen.
1. Join the **OLQP Rosary Ministry** each evening at 8:00 pm. Call the rosary line, at 605-562-8400, access code 5245910 and follow the instructions.
  2. OLQP Monthly Events Calendar: **Please submit your updates for the OLQP May calendar by Wednesday, April 23.**
  3. **For the weekend of 04/05 – 04/06 submit your requests for bulletin and pulpit announcements by Thursday, 03/27/2025** to Jan Johnson, [olqpdv@verizon.net](mailto:olqpdv@verizon.net), and Alexandria Robinson, [olqpdv.secretary@gmail.com](mailto:olqpdv.secretary@gmail.com).



## St. Vincent de Paul Ministry

### Non-Perishable Food Pantry

Anyone in need of non-perishable food items, please contact the parish office or stop by to pick up food.

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday and Friday until noon

**Note:** Please consider placing an advertisement or memoriam in our bulletin. For more information contact Adam Snyder, our Diocesan representative at 814-771-8628. -Thank you!



## SHARE Food Network

*Affordable Nutritious Groceries  
Every Month!*

**April 2025**

**April Payment Date:** 04/13/2025

After 9am Mass in the Casa Cremona

**April Food Distribution:** 04/26/2025 9:30-10:30 am in the Casa Cremona

**Contact:** Robin Jones (240) 350-1764 or Dianne Currie (301) 938-2255