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CONFESSIONS/RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays: 5:00 - 5:20 PM
Sundays: 7:15 - 7:45 AM
and on request

HALL BOOKINGS
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3rd SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B

INTRODUCTION:

Today we celebrate the third Sunday of Lent. In our celebration we are called to rejoice and be happy at all times because the Lord is near. But often we don't feel like rejoicing. Our hearts are sad. The Lord is far from us. We feel miserable and bad. We look for the Lord but cannot find him. But John the Baptist tells us: Rejoice, your saviour is among you, though you do not recognise him, but look, he is very close to you.

GOSPEL: MARK 1: 29 - 39

On leaving the synagogue Jesus entered the house of Simon and Andrew with James and John. Simon's mother-in-law lay sick with a fever. They immediately told him about her. He approached, grasped her hand, and helped her up. Then the fever left her and she waited on them. When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him. Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed. Simon and those who were with him pursued him and on finding him said, "Everyone is looking for you." He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose, have I come." So he went into their synagogues, preaching and driving out demons throughout the whole of Galilee.

YOUNG ADULTS

Would like to invite parishnores between the ages of 20 and 40 yrs to join the group. Anyone interested in joining can contact Melissa on 076673642.



BAPTISM

Classes for parents who want to baptise their babies have started. RPP - Brenda 0763796891 & St Jude - Bryonni on 0828497844.

YOUTH

At St Jude there will be a meeting after Mass 03/03/2024. For more information contact Lusanda 0781400237.



ALTAR SERVERS' TRAINING @ RPP

Will continue on Fridays @ 3:00pm, after Catechism classes.

ST ANTONINE HOME OF THE AGED

The collection for January 2024 was R6249.50 in cash and there were several donations in kind also. Thank you for your generosity.

SEMINARIAN'S FUND



Please support the seminarian's fund. R10 per parishioner per month will easily reach our target of R2400 per quarter. Collection box on the pillar at

back of the church. Quarter 1 is due on 31 March 2024.



LENTEN DIARY

WAY OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during lent

StJude @ 17:00

RPP @ 18:00.

Groups leading:

08/03 Music Ministry

15/03 Catechism 22/03 Youth/young adults.

LENTEN FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMME

½-hour session every Friday during Lent, after the Way of the Cross in the hall at RPP.

Topics:

01/03 Marriage & the Submissive wife
08/03 Confession
15/03 Retreat (see below)
23/03 Why Do Some People Suffer More than Others?



Retreat master: Fr Msizi Msimango

Friday 15 March 2024

18:30 Adoration & Benediction with Taize & Healing Service

Saturday 16 March 2024

09:00 Spiritual talks

11:00 Mass

12:00 Confession

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

For the new martyrs: We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

PARISH DIARY & MEETINGS

Mon 04	18:00	Singing practice
Tue 05	10:00	Mass @ RPP
Wed 06	06:00	Mass @ RPP
Thu 07	09:00	Mass @ RPP
	09:30	Adoration
	18:00	Benediction
Fri 08	13:30	Catechism @ RPP
	15:00	Altar Servers' training
	17:00	Way of Cross St Jude
	17:30	Mass @ St Jude
	18:00	Way of the Cross RPP followed by Lenten Programme
Sat 09	17:30	Mass @ RPP
Sun 10	08:00	MASS @ RPP
	09:00	Catechism @ RPP & St Jude
	10:00	Mass @ St Jude followed by Exec Com meeting

SICK & ELDERLY

Please pray for the sick & elderly of the parish, family & friends especially: Fr John-Allen Green OFM, Nokuthula Kubheka, Penny Powell, Jean Smith, Dolly Bimbrish, Simon Zulu, Alvin Govender, Siva Naidoo, Mavis Makhubo, Noel Hoffman, Norman Brown, Anabela De Pontes and Benvinda Da Costa.

ISIVUNO FUNDRAISING

On 9 & 10 of March, Fr Marek has invited someone to give us more information about Isivuno fundraising.

CATECHISM OUTING TO VICTORY HAVEN

On 9 March 2024, girls of any age and boys up to 10 years old. Meet @ RPP at 9:30am. R20 per child.

DATE	SACRISTAN	EMOHC	PROCLAIMER	MASS INTENTION	FR'S DINNER
02/03/2024	Michelle		Evelyn/Nokwazi	J.B De Sousa R.I.P	Nirvana
03/03/2024	Lindiwe	Fabian	Leah/Asanda		
09/03/2024	Shamim		Gill/Sal		Coehleen
10/03/2024	Brenda	Anton	Khohli/Lihle	Nirvana Michael Thanksgiving	