

Fourth Sunday in Lent

LAETARE SUNDAY

March 15, 2026

Saint Vincent de Paul Roman Catholic Church

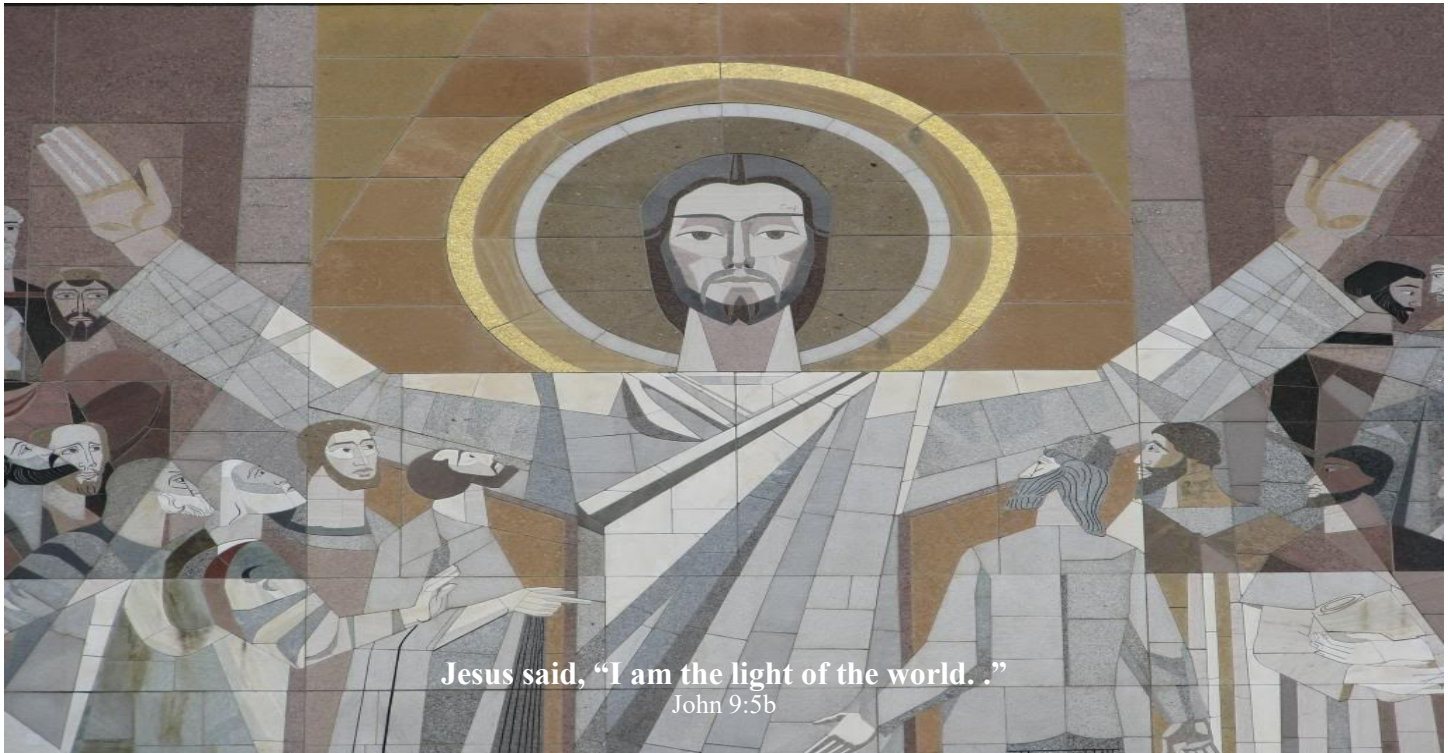
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Rev. Michael P Reid II, Pastor

Sandra Clark, Director of Religious Education



Jesus said, "I am the light of the world."
John 9:5b

Confessions: Saturdays 9:00 a.m.; First Sundays between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.; and by appointment

Masses: Saturday at 4:30 p.m.; Sunday at 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.; Monday through Friday at 8:00 a.m.; First Saturday at 8:00 a.m.; Holy Day Vigil at 5:30 p.m.; Holy Day at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.; except Christmas, New Year

Eucharistic Adoration: Friday at 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.; First Sundays - Saturday at 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.; 2nd Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

Rosary: Monday to Friday at 7:20 a.m.; Saturday at 4:00 p.m.; Sunday at 10:00 a.m.; 2nd Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to Noon, and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Friday 9:30 a.m. to Noon, and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Monday-Friday; Closed weekends, Holy Days & Holidays

Parish Religious Education (K-8th): 8:45 A.M. to 10:15 A.M. on Sundays, September - May. For more information please contact Sandra Clark: (717) 632-1461 or smclark@pa.net.

Parish Thrift Shop: Open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Located in the basement of the Parish Education Building. (717) 633-6198.

Alternatives to Abortion:

call (717) 854-6285 or 1 (888) LIFE-AID [5433-243].

Tender Care Pregnancy Consultation Services:

600 John Street, Hanover, PA;

Text (717) 862-7050; Call (717) 633-1200;

Jackie@tendercare.org; Lori@tendercare.org

Help After Abortion:

Project Rachel (717) 857-2282; prm@hbgsdiocese.org

Suicide and Crisis Hotline: 988

Anointing of Sick: If you, or your loved one, is going to be admitted to or is in the hospital and would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick, Confession, Holy Eucharist, or a visit from clergy or parishioner, then you MUST call the parish office.

Baptisms: will be scheduled on an individual basis; generally, Baptisms are celebrated Sundays at 12:30 P.M. A sacramental preparation class is required of parents and godparents.

Weddings: Engaged couples: please contact the Parish Office at least one year before the anticipated date of your wedding. We are looking forward to working with you as you prepare yourself spiritually for the Sacrament of Matrimony.

Mass Intentions This Week



SAT MARCH 14 *St. Peter Damian,
Bishop and Doctor of the Church*
9:00 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
VIGIL: 4TH SUNDAY IN LENT
4:00 pm Rosary
4:30 pm People of the Parish



SUN MARCH 15 **4TH SUNDAY IN LENT**
7:30 am Dale Shrader
10:00 am Rosary
10:30 am Stephen Lawrence

MON MARCH 16
8:00 am Gilbert Bowling

TUE MARCH 17 *St. Patrick of Ireland, Bishop*
8:00 am John A. Bennett

WED MARCH 18 *St. Cyril of Jerusalem
Bishop and Doctor of the Church*
8:00 am Lionel & Viola Smith

THU MARCH 19 **ST JOSEPH**
SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
8:00 am Rodney Goetz

FRI MARCH 20
8:00 am Evelyn Keith
8:30 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament +
9:30 am Benediction Adoration



SAT MARCH 21
9:00 am Sacrament of Reconciliation
VIGIL: 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT
4:00 pm Rosary
4:30 pm Wayne Lookenbill

SUN MARCH 22 **5TH SUNDAY OF LENT**
7:30 am Mr. & Mrs. Lewis S. Smith
10:00 am Rosary
10:30 am People of the Parish

VOCATIONS

"I am the light of the world."

(John 9:5)

Christ's light shines through those who answer His call. In marriage, couples reflect that light by the way they love, forgive, and serve one another. Their faith-filled witness creates a home filled with love and grace, drawing others closer to Christ. How does your marriage reveal God's love to those around you? Talk to your priest or reach out to Father Joshua Weaver, Vocation Director, at (717) 657-4804 or email him at frjweaver@hbgsdiocese.org.



Parish Life This Week

SUN MARCH 15
10:00 am - Rosary / Church

MON MARCH 16
7:20 am - Rosary / Church

TUE MARCH 17
7:20 am - Rosary / Church
10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm

WED MARCH 18
7:20 am - Rosary / Church
10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm
6:30 pm - Stations of the Cross
7:00 pm - HDCCW Rosary / Zoom - Telephone - Home

THU MARCH 19
7:20 am - Rosary / Church

FRI MARCH 20
7:20 am - Rosary / Church
8:30 am - Holy Hour: Adoration
10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm
12:00 pm - Legion of Mary Praesidium / Library
2:00 pm - Stations of the Cross
6:00 pm - OCIA, Credo / Rectory

SAT MARCH 21
9:00 am - Confessions
10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm
4:00 pm - Rosary / Church

Please note that Father Michael will be away from the Parish from Thursday through Sunday this week. He will be presiding at the Nuptial Mass of parishioner Anthony "Tony" McDonald and Karthryn Hamilton in the Basilica of Saint Augustine, St. Augustine, Florida.

GETTYSBURG VFW ST. PATRICKS' DAY PARTY

The Adams County Ancient Order of Hibernians is holding a St. Patrick's Day Party on **Saturday March 21st from 5:30-10pm** at the Gettysburg VFW. The event is open to the public and admission includes a traditional ham (or corned beef) & cabbage dinner, dessert, snacks and features live music by Irishtown Road. Tickets are \$35; ages 8-12, \$15; age 7 & under, free. The event benefits the Hibernian Hunger Project which supports local hunger-relief organizations. For tickets or more information, call (240) 818-3652 or scan the QR code.



Everyone is encouraged to gather for the
**ROSARY ON THE SQUARE IN
HANOVER**
to pray for America and the world at 12 Noon
this coming Saturday, March 21st.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

	EMofHC	Lector	Altar Servers
March 14 / 15			
4:30 p.m.	H. Strausbaugh	M. Lybarger	A. & T. Kuhn
7:30 a.m.	J. Smith	I. Walsh	T. & V. Caracino
10:30 a.m.	J. Oparanozie	J. Krill	C. Oparanozie, R. Ebert
March 21 / 22			
4:30 p.m.	H. Strausbaugh	N. Spangler	B. Wildasin, C. Spangler
7:30 a.m.	F. Livelsberger	M. Lybarger	T. & V. Caracino
10:30 a.m.	J. Oparanozie	J. Krill	N. Brinkerhoff, B. Poole

DIOCESE OF HARRISBURG FEASIBILITY STUDY

The Diocese of Harrisburg has partnered with the Steier Group to conduct a feasibility study. Diocesan and parish leaders are seeking our parishioners' feedback on the best way to address immediate needs and to strengthen funding for our ministries in the years ahead. **For the next several weeks, we will be highlighting the priorities of the campaign.**

Priority: Our diocese has 32 Catholic schools serving over 9,000 children, guided by 1,000 devoted teachers and staff. In our schools, children receive more than an excellent academic education. They are formed into future Church leaders, strong Catholic disciples, and compassionate adults. Our schools also face undeniable realities: financial pressures on parishes, aging facilities, rising costs, and a need for continual innovation. We hope to restore and strengthen school facilities, expand financial aid to meet increasing demand, unlock EITC and grant opportunities, invest in educators and leadership, and enrich curriculum and faith formation.

Priority: Cathedral renovations, diocesan infrastructure and parish initiatives are an integral part of the proposed diocesan-wide campaign. The Cathedral of Saint Patrick is our mother church, a place where the faithful from across the diocese can gather and unite as one. Built in 1907, the building is a grand structure and a symbol of our faith. As we approach the bicentennial of the parish, we are called to honor its legacy and ensure the beauty and hospitality of this sacred space for future generations.

To learn more about these priorities, review the mailing you received or go to steiergroup.com/survey and select Roman Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg. Please complete and return surveys by March 20th. Additional Fact Sheet booklets are available in the back of church and on our website syparish.org.

DELONE MUSIC ASSOCIATION MULCH SALE

The Delone Catholic Music Association is now taking pre-orders for its Annual Mulch Sale, to be held on March 28, April 11, and April 25, from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. 2 cu. ft. bags of brown hardwood shredded mulch cost \$5.50 each and must be pre-ordered for curbside pick-up or delivery by 12 p.m. on Friday, March 20th. Orders of 10 or more bags can be delivered free of charge to the McSherrystown/Hanover area. Place orders online at delonecatholic.org/mulch. Questions can be addressed to Jerry Ricucci at 717-476-7461 or ricucci@rocketmail.com.

Saint Vincent de Paul Roman Catholic Church

Identity

We are a messianic people established by Christ as a communion of life, charity and truth.

Mission

We are at work with Christ as His instruments for the redemption of all. We are sent forth by Christ into the whole world as the light of the world and the salt of the earth.

PARISH CUB PACK 108



MONTHLY PAPER & CAN DRIVE

at 9:00 a.m.

on **Saturday, March 21st**

in the Church Parking Lot.

FAST FOR VOCATIONS THIS LENT

Join Bishop Timothy Senior in fasting on Wednesdays during Lent for an increase in vocations in the Diocese of Harrisburg. Parishioners are invited to offer this sacrifice in prayer and to make a commitment through the online pledge form at hbgdiocese.org/fast or scan the QR code:



CELEBRATING LIFE

Holiness isn't found in doing everything, but in doing your part with love. God weaves our unique efforts into something beautiful and sacred—not through grand acts, but through simple, faithful love in daily life. Are you embracing your unique role in God's plan, trusting that even your small acts of love can help build something holy?

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

From a treatise on John by Saint Augustine, bishop (Tract. 34, 8-9; CCL 36, 315-316)

Christ is the way to the light, the truth and the life.

The Lord tells us: *I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.* In these few words he gives a command and makes a promise. Let us do what he commands so that we may not blush to covet what he promises and to hear him say on the day of judgment: "I laid down certain conditions for obtaining my promises. Have you fulfilled them?" If you say: "What did you command, Lord our God?" he will tell you: "I commanded you to follow me. You asked for advice on how to enter into life. What life, if not the life about which it is written: *With you is the fountain of life?*"

Let us do now what he commands. Let us follow in the footsteps of the Lord. Let us throw off the chains that prevent us from following him. Who can throw off these shackles without the aid of the one addressed in these words: *You have broken my chains?* Another psalm says of him: *The Lord frees those in chains, the Lord raises up the downcast.*

Those who have been freed and raised up follow the light. The light they follow speaks to them: *I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness.* The Lord gives light to the blind. Brethren, that light shines on us now, for we have had our eyes anointed with the eye-salve of faith. His saliva was mixed with earth to anoint the man born blind. We are of Adam's stock, blind from our birth; we need him to give us light. He mixed saliva with earth, and so it was prophesied: *Truth has sprung up from the earth.* He himself has said: *I am the way, the truth and the life.*

We shall be in possession of the truth when we see face to face. This is his promise to us. Who would dare to hope for something that God in his goodness did not choose to promise or bestow?

We shall see face to face. The Apostle says: *Now I know in part, now obscurely through a mirror, but then face to face.* John the Apostle says in one of his letters: *Dearly beloved, we are now children of God, and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be. We know that when he is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.* This is a great promise.

If you love me, follow me. "I do love you", you protest, "but how do I follow you?" If the Lord your God said to you: "I am the truth and the life", in your desire for truth, in your love for life, you would certainly ask him to show you the way to reach them. You would say to yourself: "Truth is a great reality, life is a great reality; if only it were possible for my soul to find them!"¹

Live for God.

Be transformed by His Grace.

Go and make disciples.

Peace in Christ, *Father Michael*

¹ <https://www.liturgies.net/Liturgies/Catholic/loh/lent/week4sundayor.htm>



THE ADAMS DEANERY PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Announcement line:

717-632-2154

The Adoration Chapel has

11 open hours for adorers:

Monday: 6pm; 11pm

Thursday: 9am; 8pm; 9pm; 11pm

Friday: 5am

Saturday: 1am; 1pm; 6pm; 7pm

If you desire to give one hour a week in prayer to our Lord in the Eucharist, please contact Maxine Staub at 717-637-5683. The Adoration Chapel will be closed on Sunday, March 22nd at 6 AM until Tuesday, March 24 at 8 PM for the Forty Hours celebration.

MEDICAL CLOSET

If you are in need of medical equipment (wheelchair, walker, crutches, tub benches, raised toilet seats, etc.) or incontinence products, please call Mary at 410-274-6104.

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