In From the Margins

Have you ever noticed how often people who were ill, or those troubled by demons take center stage in the Gospel? Our first reading and Gospel this weekend provide perfect bookends. In the excerpt from Leviticus, we hear how, out of fear, those with leprosy were pushed out of the community, instructed to always keep their distance. Meanwhile, in the Gospel, the direction of movement is just the opposite. Jesus’s very presence gives hope to the gentleman with leprosy. Courageously, filled with hope, he approaches Jesus, kneels, and asks for help. In turn, Jesus reaches out, touches him, and not only brings healing; Jesus makes it possible for the man to be restored to community. The isolation is broken, the community whole again.

It was not only those with skin diseases who were often unwelcome in the towns and villages. Those with troubled minds and troubled spirits were also pushed to the margins. Their unpredictability, not fitting in was troubling; better to keep them at a distance. As we heard two weeks ago, Jesus began his ministry casting out an unclean spirit. Last week, we heard more of the same. Jesus shared that power when he sent out the Apostles.

The poor were not especially welcomed in better neighborhoods in the heart of Jerusalem either. No wonder Jesus associating with them, telling them they were blessed, and that the kingdom of God was theirs proved unpopular among the most powerful. Why, take this man seriously, and it turns everything upside down! Yes, and inside out as well.

I don’t believe it was Jesus’s wish to put the physically healthy, those whose demons were already conquered, and the wealthy outside the camp, to suffer as did the unclean and those with various afflictions. Rather, without extra care, without allowing those from the margins some time for a place in the center, how would they ever fully overcome the effects of isolation and being scapegoated?

Put those driven to the margins center stage, watch what compassion and the power of God can do, and it isn’t just the individual whose life is changed, the whole community can begin a transformation. It is called the Kingdom of God breaking in. Most human kingdoms begin by defining clear enemies, then waging war against them. Those inside, those outside. It is hardly different today than in Biblical days. We see it on the global scene, in happens in local politics, it can even plague a family. Jesus came to inaugurate a different kind of world, lead us there, and he launched the effort by putting folks who were often convenient scapegoats right in the center of his ministry.

This vision of transforming the world has had champions ever since Jesus picked up a scroll in Capernaum and said: Today, this reading is fulfilled in your hearing. Entering the season of Lent this Wednesday, how might we champion Jesus’s vision of a different way of living? Details, inside!

A blessed Lent to you all, Fr. Bob
Mass Intentions for This Week

**Monday - February 16**
Gn 4:1-15, 25/Mk 8:11-13
- 11:00 am Victor Merkel - Family
- 5:15 pm Connie Runzo - Ed & Carm Fugo

**Tuesday - February 17**
Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Mk 8:14-21
- 6:45 am Theodore A. Weber - Pittsford American Legion
- 11:00 am Funeral Mass

**Ash Wednesday - February 18**
Day of Fast & Abstinence
Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20–6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
- 6:45 am Tibor Balogh - Mersich Family
- 11:00 am Ginny Krieg - Ed & Janet Walsh
- 5:15 pm Andy Eilertsen - Shirley & Chuck Ray
- 7:00 pm Irene Hurley - Students of St. Louis School

**Thursday - February 19**
Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25
- 6:45 am Anthony P. Pires, Sr. - Jeff & Nancy Mason
- 11:00 am Lu Ann Perham (Anniversary) - Perham Family

**Friday - February 20**
Day of Abstinence
Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15
- 11:00 am Harold Barnes - Babette
- 5:15 pm Ginny Krieg - Lillian Jabbour & Mary Murphy

**Saturday - February 21**
Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32
- 9:00 am Margaret F. O’Neil - Family
- 4:30 pm Nita Johnsen - Perham Family

**Sunday - February 22**
1st Sunday of Lent
Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15
- 7:30 am Christina Leone Cybrynski - Norma & Tony Leone
- 9:00 am Rosemarie Kyle - Michael & Janet Stapleton
- 11:00 am Jack Tosh - Family
- 5:00 pm Elmer Fisher - Jeanette

**Requiem Aeternam**
Joseph Rymanowski

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**Saturday & Sunday, February 21 & February 22**

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**Sunday Communion Service - February 22**
The Highlands: Darlene Huver  
Heather Heights: Marcia & Dick Hilliard
Don’t Touch Me!
If you have trouble making sense of the laws regarding things ‘clean’ and ‘unclean’ in Leviticus, don’t feel bad! Scholars haven’t found a simple rule to cover every law. What we do know: the book of Leviticus is concerned with orderliness. Some things are holy, others profane. Some are pure, some impure. Yet another category: ‘clean’ and ‘unclean’. The laws view separation of unlike things as important; someone becomes unclean if they touch anything unclean. Why would a leper, a corpse, even a moldy wall be defined as unclean? What is your first reaction to touching an oozing sore, a corpse, blood, or mold? That may be a clue. Tragically, as the countless fine distinctions were codified into law, one painful result was the isolation of lepers that we see in our first reading. Another window into the distinctions: ‘unclean’ were those conditions that didn’t seem to fit into the normal order of things. We may not have laws regulating “clean” and “unclean”, but the question to ask: do we ostracize those that don’t seem to fit in? See how many things you can think of that might parallel this ‘stay away from me’ solution. Maybe gated communities? How does Jesus’ allowing the leper to approach him challenge us?

A Fine General Principle
The detailed question Paul addresses in chapter 10 of I Corinthians: whether or not Christians can participate in the banquets held in pagan temples. His answer, no. Of course idols are not real Gods. But just as sharing in one bread and one cup makes the Christian community one, so sharing in a pagan banquet would incorporate one into the community of those who worship idols. What about a dinner invitation from a non-Christian, who may have bought meat sacrificed to an idol in the market and brought it home? A different story. But the operating principle – just because something is OK for you, if it troubles the other’s conscience, don’t do it. Any practical application today? If at dinner with someone who had just barely gotten into recovery from a drinking problem, would Paul order a drink before dinner?

Too Good to Hold In
Mark can cover so much in so few words! The leper is so convinced of Jesus’ power that he risks kneeling before him, rather than warning Jesus to stay away. Jesus reaches out to touch the man with leprosy, not fearing becoming unclean himself. We see Jesus healing power. He asks the man to follow the law with regard to returning to the community (show yourself to the priest). The impact of being healed by Jesus shines through: you can’t hold the joy in. Some of Pope Francis’ Joy of the Gospel bubbles up in our Gospel this week!

Preparing for Next Weekend:
1st Sunday in Lent

God’s covenant with all creation

Brought to life in the Spirit

Tempted in the desert.

That’s Where It Came From!
Ever wonder about that line in the Apostle’s Creed, ‘he descended into hell’? Pay close attention to our second reading next week. “Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit. In it he also went to preach to the spirits in prison, who had once been disobedient while God patiently waited ....”

GREAT ADVENTURE - THE BIBLE TIMELINE RETURNS!
This Catholic Bible study takes you on a journey through the entire Bible, bringing you deep into each period of salvation history while you discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. We completed the first 8 sessions during Lent 2014. We continue with the next 8 sessions including a series of eight videos presented by Jeff Cavins. Each video is preceded by a lively group discussion. Materials purchased for the previous study can be used. If you did not participate in the previous study you can still join us. The cost is $45 to cover The Bible Timeline study kit. We meet on Saturdays at 9:30 am in the Parish Meeting Hall. If you have questions regarding the study or the materials, please contact Kathryn McAlarney at mcalarney1@gmail.com.

Scrutin What?
By now we are in the rhythm of year B, the lectionary cycle when we listen, predominately, to Mark’s Gospel on Sundays. So why does At Home with the Word have 2 sets of readings for the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent? When the Scrutinies are celebrated, special prayers for those preparing to be baptized at Easter, the readings from year A are used. More next week ....
Truly your Sunday offering makes a difference! Your contributions make every program here at St. Louis possible: religious education for our children, adult education for adults, formation for those choosing to become Catholic, pastoral care for those in the hospital and our senior residence facilities, our liturgies, and all that goes into making them worthy, holy celebrations. Sunday offerings fund the office, all of our staff, outreach to new parishioners, basics like heat and light, cleaning, snow removal, maintenance and upkeep of this amazing campus, support for our school, for Saint’s Place, insurance, supplies, the list goes on. And because God is so generous to many in our parish, who are then generous in response, we are able to tithe from the Sunday collection, so that our blessing also can be a blessing for others beyond our community. Thank you for being such good stewards!

The annual second collection in support of Black, Native American and Hispanic Ministries is next weekend, February 21 & 22.

A New Development
At our last parish Finance Council meeting, the idea was discussed of bringing together a Parish Wide Development Task Force, to explore our fund raising and event efforts across all missions, how to coordinate them more effectively, and how we might make good use of current best practices in the area of development. Do you have some expertise or passion in this area? Might it be a way to get more involved, to share your gifts and experience? Please e-mail or call Fr. Bob Ring@dor.org

WE ARE IN URGENT NEED OF:

- **BOOTS** all sizes
- and
- **KITCHEN TABLES and Chairs** If you have one sitting in your basement or garage, please consider donating it to a family who has no place to eat their meals. We can pick it up! Call 385-6860 to schedule a pick up.

LENTEN FRIDAY FISH FRY
February 20, 27, March 6, 13, 20, 27 and April 3

**TAKE OUT DINNERS ONLY**
4:30 pm to 7:30 pm
Fresh Breaded Haddock Fillet, French Fries, Cole Slaw Roll and Butter
Price $11.00 – Cash only, Please

Located at **St. John of Rochester Church** on the corner of Route 31 and Wickford Way. Go to the school building next to the Gym in the back parking lot and enter through the school’s double doors. Watch for the signs. Thank you.

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Rev. Michael C. Hogan Council 15917

**OUR GIFT TO THE LORD**

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**This Week’s Tithing Will Support Catholic Relief Services Assistance for Ebola Virus Victims in West Africa**

Bishop Matano has requested that diocesan parishes assist Catholic Relief Services (CRS) in its efforts to battle the deadly Ebola virus and its victims in West Africa. St. Louis will be tithing the weekends of February 14/15, 21/22 & February 28/March 1 to support CRS, the official overseas relief agency of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. Among its many efforts, CRS has committed to training thousands of health workers and facilities in infection-control procedures, ensuring safe and dignified burials for victims of Ebola and developing and implementing prevention awareness programs, as well as providing food to more than 120,000 people who have lost their source of income or can no longer meet their food needs due to the outbreak’s effect on local economies. Please keep the Ebola virus victims and the CRS workers in your prayers.
ALL ABOUT FAITH

BECOMING THE BEST VERSION OF YOURSELF

Join Matthew Kelly, the best selling Catholic author in America, on a life-changing journey through your Best Lent Ever. Each week, participants will receive short videos and inspiration from Matthew that explain the genius of Catholicism and empower them to become the best-version-of-themselves.

It's simple and completely free. The only cost is your commitment to live better each day this Lent.
To find out more and/or sign up, please go to www.dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever.

We Adore You

So you have heard of Eucharistic Adoration, and you aren’t quite sure what it means? To adore means to love, cherish, venerate; in Eucharistic Adoration, one spends time in a spirit of prayerful presence before the Blessed Sacrament, in devotion to and worship of Jesus Christ. It is hard to find better words than those of Pope Paul VI:

Therefore, the devotion prompting the faithful to visit the blessed sacrament draws them into an ever deeper share in the paschal mystery and leads them to respond gratefully to the gift of him who through his humanity constantly pours divine life into the members of his Body. Abiding with Christ the Lord, they enjoy his intimate friendship and pour out their hearts before him for themselves and for those dear to them and they pray for the peace and salvation of the world. Offering their entire lives with Christ to the Father in the Holy Spirit, they derive from this sublime colloquy an increase of faith, hope, and charity. Thus they foster those right dispositions that enable them with due devotion to celebrate the memorial of the Lord and receive frequently the bread given us by the Father.

Eucharisticum Mysterium

This Friday, the 1st Friday of Lent, after the 11:00 AM Mass, there will be a soup luncheon at 11:30 AM, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at noon, and Adoration, concluding with Benediction at 4:00 PM. Come at any time from noon to 4:00 PM, and spend some time in prayer and adoration! Material will be available to deepen understanding of this devotion and rich tradition of the church.

Rediscover Catholicism Book Study

Are you enjoying your Christmas present? As a follow-up to the distribution of these books at many of our Christmas Masses, we are meeting to share our reactions in a book study on Mondays, 7:00-8:00 p.m., Feb. 9, 16, 23, March 9, 16, 23 in the Manse. Don’t have a copy? Just let us know and we’ll have a one for you before our first session. Come for evenings of great discussion, insight, and friendship! Come even if you can’t attend all sessions! Call Kathryn McAlarney at 490-2745 or email mcalaraney1@gmail.com for more info and to register.

Life Pray-ers Week V

This weekend, February 14/15 will be the last weekend of this year’s Life Pray-ers Program. The Life Pray-ers Program ties each Consistent Life Ethic (CLE) tenet to a particular sacrament. The pairings encourage prayer towards life issues by focusing on God’s sacramental graces, together with God’s love and mercy to those affected by the life issues. Each weekend, parishioners wrote their name (or family name) on a card to be hung on a beautiful, large banner in church. The card simply stated that the person/family would pray for that week’s life issue. This weekend, euthanasia will be paired with the Sacrament of the Sick. CLE committee members will collect the cards after each Mass and hand out a relevant reflection. The banners will remain until Lent, to “catch-up” anytime. If you have any questions, Please email Deacon Dave (1deacondave@gmail.com) . God bless and please know that everyone's prayers are needed and important! The CLE committee thanks you for participating in this program and learning about Consistent Life Ethic tenets.

Women’s Cursillo

Women’s #85 will be held the weekend of July 12, 2015. applications are available in the sacristy.

CRS Rice Bowl

Join our parish community — and more than 13,000 Catholic communities across the United States — in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family’s rice bowl in church after all Masses on Ash Wednesday or next weekend, February 21 & 22.

HUNGERING FOR THE JOURNEY

Don’t forget to download the CRS Rice Bowl app at www.crs.org/ricebowl-app! Remember, your Lenten sacrifices change lives. Faith. Action. Results.
WE LISTEN MORE CLOSELY

BIBLE STUDIES
Understanding Sunday Scriptures:
On-going
Manse Tuesdays 7:30 am no cost

Great Adventure Bible Timeline
January 24 – March 14
Parish Meeting Hall (PMH) 9:30 am $45.00
Still time to join us!

A Quick Journey Through the Bible
March 1 – March 22
Parish Meeting Hall 2:00 pm $20.00

Little Rock Scripture Study:
The Passion and Resurrection Narratives of Jesus
March 10 – April 28 1:15-2:30 pm
OR
March 12 – April 30 6:45-8:00 pm
Parish Meeting Hall $13.00

SYMBOLON: THE CATHOLIC FAITH EXPLAINED
Journey of Faith February 1 12:15 pm PMH
Divine Revelation February 15 12:15 pm PMH
Salvation History March 1 12:15 pm PMH no cost

BOOK STUDY
Rediscovering Catholicism by Matthew Kelly
February 9 – March 23
7:00 pm Manse no cost

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES
Seven Pillars of Catholic Spirituality
DVD w/ Matthew Kelly
February 12 7:00 pm PMH no cost

Momnipotent: The Not-So-Perfect Woman’s Guide to Catholic Motherhood
February 25 – April 22 9:00 am PMH $30.00

Tri-Parish Retreat w/ Bishop Emeritus Matthew Clark
March 2 St. Catherine’s 9:00 am & 7:00 pm
March 3 Transfiguration 9:00 am & 7:00 pm
March 4 St. Louis 11:00 am & 7:00 pm no cost

Intergenerational Lenten Gathering
March 8 10:00 am GYM no cost

Understanding the Eucharist w/ Father Bob
March 10 7:00 pm Church no cost

Watch the bulletin for more information about the other listed adult faith formation opportunities!
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### Tri-Parish Lenten Retreat

St. Catherine of Siena/Church of the Transfiguration/St. Louis

March 2nd-4th 2015

**The Call to Discipleship:**

daily challenge, lasting joy

Presented by: Bishop Emeritus Matthew Clark

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Dear Teens,

This week marks the beginning of Lent with Ash Wednesday. It is easy to just go through the motions during Lent, but we are called to make this time a period of renewal.

The word "Lent" comes from an old English word, Lencten, which means spring. Spring obviously is a time of new life, new growth. Our Lenten goals should bring about new growth in us and in our relationships. Strive to come up with a Lenten plan that will really motivate you in your faith, attitude or treatment of others. Maybe try adding 10 minutes of daily prayer to your morning routine, or spending time each week with an elderly relative or friend in need.

Join us for some of our upcoming events! We'd love to have you. Each one of you has special gifts to share with our group!

Have a great week, Molly and Mr. McBride

Find Peace, Balance, & Joy in Your Vocation as a Mother

Momnipotent

“Is being a mother what you thought it would be? The exhaustion, monotony, mounting unfinished projects, loss of a sense of self…. Too many moms feel disillusioned and overwhelmed.”

“Momnipotent validates the dignity and importance of motherhood and will help you recognize your uniquely feminine strengths. Come join fellow moms and see how you can use those strengths to find peace, balance, and joy in being the woman God created and called you to be.”

February 25 - April 22 (8 sessions), Materials $30. 9:00 am - 11:00 am. St. Louis Parish Meeting Hall

For more information or to register, contact: Dawn Adams, email: woolies7@gmail.com or phone: 267-7542.

Choices

Today's Gospel invites us to think about the choices we make as individuals and as a family. Jesus was faced with a choice in today's Gospel. By choosing to heal the man with leprosy, Jesus showed God's compassion for the sick and the outcast. The man knew that Jesus had a choice and that Jesus could reject his request. He may have expected that Jesus would not help him. The social taboos regarding leprosy certainly gave him little on which to base his hope. In the person of the man with leprosy, we see an image of all those in need. The sick and the outcast of our world are watching us, to see if we as Christians will choose to extend ourselves to others in need of healing and compassion.

In Jesus' time religious and social taboos dictated the behavior of those with leprosy and other skin diseases. The Law of Moses provided for the examination of skin diseases by the priests, and if leprosy was identified, the person was declared unclean. People with leprosy lived in isolation from the community. They were instructed to rip their clothes and to announce their presence with loud cries when moving in the community. If the sores of leprosy healed, the Law of Moses provided a purification rite that permitted the person to return to the community.

Although Jesus touched the leper, he did not break completely with the Law of Moses. He instructed the man not to tell anyone about the cure and told him to present himself to the priests as prescribed by the Law of Moses. The first instruction sounds nearly impossible to honor. Certainly, the man would want to share the good news of his healing, and his quick improvement would require an explanation. The second instruction honors the Law of Moses.

Gather with your family and talk about some of the choices you have made as a family. (where to go on vacation, what activities to do together, how to spend our evenings, and so on) How does your family go about making these decisions? What do your choices communicate to others about your family's values? In today's Gospel, Jesus was faced with a choice. In choosing to heal the man with leprosy, Jesus chose to show God's compassion and mercy. All our choices reflect our faith, and others are watching.
On Monday, February 16 the St Louis Council Knights of Columbus will hold the monthly meeting in the Parish Meeting Hall. Our meeting starts with the Rosary at 6:45 PM and a business meeting following at 7:00 PM. All 1st Degree or higher Knights are encouraged to attend.

The agenda includes many Committee reports, C&B, Audits, Membership drive in March or April. Also, the Men's Conference in May.

On December 15 after our Council meeting, we had our annual Christmas Party and a great time was had by all. Thank you Father Bob for your Christmas Blessing. Also our Recorder, Michael DeCocq was named the Knight of the Year by Grand Knight Rick Whelehan. This is bestowed every year to an active member who practices the principles of our order: Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. Congratulations Michael! (The Grand Knight will choose a "Family of the Year" in July, 2015.)

On January 18, St Louis Council hosted the "Mass For Life" at Sacred Heart Cathedral. It was very well attended by many families. Look for it next year, and keep the Unborn in your prayers.

We meet the 3rd Monday of every month. We look forward to having you become a Knight of Columbus. Please contact the Grand Knight Rick Whelehan at 797-4638 or wheels282@rochester.rr.com.

~ God Bless, Dick Hilliard, Deputy Grand Knight

**Lenten Regulations**

The following regulations for Lenten sacrifice are based on the 1983 Code of Canon Law.

- All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat for Catholics over 14. Anyone with a chronic illness or in a weakened condition receives dispensation automatically.
- Ash Wednesday (February 18) and Good Friday (April 3) are days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59. Fasting means taking only one full meal and two smaller meals that, taken together, do not equal one full meal.
- Throughout Lent, Catholics are especially encouraged to perform voluntary acts of penance.

**Go ... TELL MY PEOPLE**

On Monday, February 23 from 7:30 - 8:30 pm, Women of the Well will present Women of John's Gospel with Scripture, Story, and Song at the Formation Building, Church of the Transfiguration. Encounter Jesus' mother at Cana, the Samaritan woman at the Well, and a woman from the village who believed in her testimony (John 4:39) as well as Jesus' dear friends, sisters Martha and Mary, and Mary of Magdala.
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