

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



### PASTOR'S CORNER

**Why are you envious?** Did I open your “Pandora’s box,” so to speak? I ask these questions because Lent is a good time to try, at least, to eradicate this ugly vice from your heart and mind. Of course, it is your choice whether to do so or not. I like this inspiring quote from *Man’s Search for Meaning* by Viktor Frankl: *“Everything can be taken from a man but one thing: the last of the human freedoms - to choose one’s attitude in any given set of circumstances, to choose one’s own way.”* Even more profound is the context, because he drew this conclusion from his experience in a concentration camp. But to undertake this difficult task of becoming envy-free in a meaningful way, you will need to keep in mind this perennial truth: *Never treat another human being as a means to an end, but rather as an end unto himself.*

Envy is usually defined as “sorrow over another’s good fortune.” Since it lacks charity, it is a sin. And not just any sin, but a capital sin, because it readily gives rise to other sins that may be graver than envy itself. Unfortunately, no one is immune to it because of Original Sin in the Garden of Eden. This is why people often resent the fact that others score better on a test, or that they make more money for less work, for instance. But jealousy can be contravened by our effort to be content with what we have and who we are. Jesus often tells us not to worry about what we lack, but to ask our Father in heaven for what we need, for as someone once said, *“We need to learn how to want what we have, and not to have what we want in order to get steady and stable in our life.”* I think that this phrase is worth remembering. So put it on the refrigerator or on your screensaver. There is no better one-line guide to the good life that is free of any tinge of jealousy during this Lenten journey and beyond.

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**P.S.** Just one more quote to give you food for thought: *“If you suddenly find yourselves dealing with episodes of jealousy and you are not sure what is causing them, look at your level of gratitude. How grateful are you for the gifts which you possess? Jealousy is seldom eliminated by will power; it is rather eradicated by our daily thankfulness for many talents we possess.”*

*Fr. Slawek*

# MARCH 30, 2025

## The Divine Mercy Novena

Good Friday April 18 – Saturday April 26, 2025



- Day 1 - Good Friday After the 3:00 p.m. Service  
Day 2 – Holy Saturday After the 7:30 p.m. Mass  
Day 3 – Easter Sunday After 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Mass  
Day 4 – Monday 10:15 a.m. (In Church Basement)  
Day 5 – Tuesday After the 9:00 a.m. Mass  
Day 6 - Wednesday After the 9:00 a.m. Mass  
Day 7 – Thursday After the 9:00 a.m. Mass  
Day 8 - Friday After the 9:00 a.m. Mass  
Day 9: Saturday 3:45 p.m. – Before Evening Mass

## Christian Life Program

The Couple for Christ Community would like to invite your family and friends to join us **Saturday April 5** for the Orientation Session that starts **at 10 a.m.**. The Christian Life Program (CLP) is an integrated course intended to lead the program participants into a renewed understanding of God's call to them as Christian Couples or individuals.

Lunch will be served to the participants during the session.



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul  
Holy Spirit Conference

Please remember the POOR BOX on your way out of the Church.  
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!**



## Parish Summer Camp Grade 1—8

July 7-11 and July 14-18  
from 9 am to 3 pm.  
**More information to follow**

## ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS

**Assigned Envelopes not pick up by March 31, 2025  
Will be reassigned.  
Envelopes listed below.**

13, 19, 24, 33, 45, 49, 82, 95, 102, 107, 130, 147, 148, 161, 172, 173, 175, 180, 183, 194, 199, 205, 221, 222, 229, 231, 240, 250, 256, 267, 277, 289, 291, 294, 304, 307, 313, 316, 320, 321, 323, , 328, 331, 340, 354, 368, 372, 375, 376, 381, 382, 385, 386, 387, 388, 394, 397

Please come to the parish office during office hours to collect your envelope. After March 31, 2025 the number will be removed from parishioner and reassigned.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Tuesday, April 1

9 a.m. Private Intentions.

### Wednesday, April 2

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Francis Sr. & Francisca Anchuelo req. by Lourdes Anchuelo.

### Thursday, April 3

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Ophelia Chai req. by the Chan family.

### Friday, April 4

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Czeslaw Sawicki req. by Nunji Sawicki.

### Saturday, April 5

4:30p.m Intentions of all Parishioners.

### Sunday, April 6

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Bruno Gomes req. by the Gomes family.

11 a.m. Repose of the soul of Eveline Lee Nam Kwong req. by family.



## COFFEE & TEA & SNACKS SOCIAL

**Wednesday, April 2, 2025**  
After the 9 a.m. Mass  
in the Parish Basement



## ARE YOU MOVING? OR HAVE YOU MOVED ALREADY?

Please contact the parish office so your records can be updated.

**"As I walked out the door toward the gate that would lead to my freedom, I knew if I didn't leave my bitterness and hatred behind, I'd still be in prison."**

**- Nelson Mandela**

