### ST. VALENTINE'S POLISH NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

## **SUNDAY MARCH 30th 4th SUNDAY OF LENT, (PURPLE)**

LESSON: Joshua 5:9, 10-12 LESSON: 2nd Cor. 5:17-21 GOSPEL: St. Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

**9:30AM** Mass for the soul of the departed Timothy O'Neil:Req. by Tom O'Neil.

## **MONDAY MARCH 31st LENTEN WEEKDAY, (PURPLE)**

**8AM** Mass for the intentions of our parish family.

## **TUESDAY APRIL 1st LENTEN WEEKDAY, (PURPLE)**

**8AM** For the soul o the departed Prime Bishop Francis Hodur, to mark his birth.

## WEDNESDAY APRIL 2nd LENTEN WEEKDAY, (PURPLE)

**8AM** Mass for the health of the sick.

### THURSDAY APRIL 3rd LENTEN WEEKDAY, (PURPLE)

**8AM** Mass for the soul of the departed Andrew Bolock.

# FRIDAY APRIL 4th LENTEN WEEKDAY, (PURPLE)

**8AM** Mass for an increase of Vocations.

**7PM** Stations of the Cross, Benediction.

### SUNDAY APRIL 6th 5th SUNDAY OF LENT/PASSION SUNDAY, (ROSE)

LESSON: Isaiah 43:16-21 LESSON: Philippians 3:8-14 GOSPEL: St. John 8:1-11

**9:30AM** Mass for the soul of the departed Thoomas & Helen Misewitz: Req. by Mari Ann

Woodland & Henry Jakowitz.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: APRIL 13th Palm Sunday; APRIL 20th Easter Sunday

**VEILING OF THE CROSSES:** Will be done next Friday following Stations of the Cross.

**SACRED VOCATIONS:** Please pray for an increase of vocations to the Priesthood and Diaconate.

**RETURN:** Today's Gospel is one that had been quoted time and time again, The Prodigal Son. The younger son thought the "grass was greener on the other side." But, soon he found out it was not. He tried the wide life only to end up broke and hungry. He looked for work, Jesus tells His listeners the job he got the worst a Jew could get, feeding the pigs. When he finally comes to his senses he goes home. He does not expect to be welcomed with open arms by his father. But the father does and throws a party for him. The elder son protested and will not celebrate. He does not reform, he holds bad feelings on the whole thing. When we sin we may think God the Father will not forgive us, but He does. He stand with open arms to take us back, no matter how many times we stray. Lent gives us the chance to reform to seek the forgiveness of God. Who takes us back and loves us. We do not know how the parable ends, we hope the elder son reformed.

**IN NEED OF PRAYER:** Michele Elliot, Bridgette Roth, Christi Duff, Nancy, Kyle, Fr. Carmen, Mary Gonzalez, Marie Harrington, Brian Poplarchick, Cliff and Julie Brown.