Mass Intentions from Feb 10-16, 2024

Sat. Feb 10/4:30 p.m. Nick Baird - Teresa Baird

Sun. Feb 11/10:00 a.m. Nick Baird - Teresa Baird
Ida Cassar - Samia Cassar
Franco Bertucci - Caterina Bertucci
Eileen Shanahan - Shanahan & Scott families
Lucia I. Liganor & Ricardo T. Liganor Sr. - Wah Chan & Lilian Liganor

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ASH WEDNESDAY

Wed. Feb 14 /10:00 a.m. Living & Deceased members of the Baird, Shanahan, Scott, Ryan, Malone, Faherty, McGarry & Kostner families - Teresa Baird

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Thu. Feb 15/10:00 a.m. Rosaria Bertucci, Vito Andreacchi & Bruno Roti - E Nardi

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Stations of the Cross after mass

Fri . Feb 16/10:00 a.m. Living & Deceased members of the Baird, Shanahan, Scott, Ryan, Malone, Faherty, McGarry & Kostner families - Teresa Baird

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - (Year B)
WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

First Reading (Leviticus 13:1-2.45-46)

Laws are imposed on Israel regarding leprosy. We can understand the fear in a community when a skin compliant which looks like decomposition is found in the camp: dire measures are enforced.

The psalm speaks about the need for spiritual healing from the blemish of sin.

Second Reading (1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1)

Paul insists that whatever is done should be done in the name of the Lord, and that nothing offensive should be done to anyone.

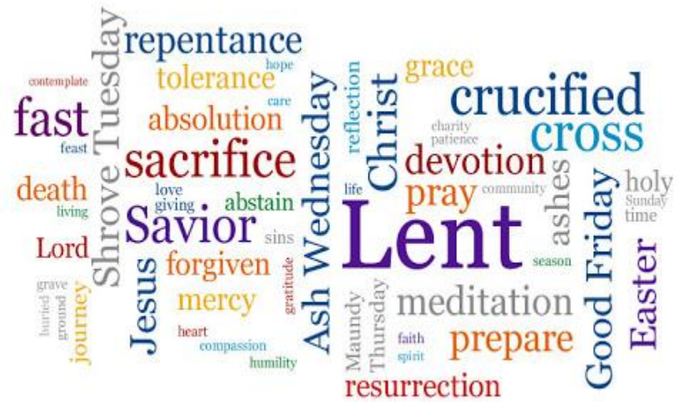
Gospel (Mark 1:40-45)

Jesus does the unthinkable. He not only cures a leper, he touches him, thereby incurring the life of a leper: exclusion and isolation from people.

Reflection

Leprosy was the great taboo in ancient world: lepers were cut off from all human contact. Outreach to lepers plays a large part in Jesus' Mission; he reaches out to the most marginalized people in society. As Jesus effectively changes places with the leper we see what happens when Jesus dies for us – exchanging places with sinful humanity as He bears the consequences of human sin on our behalf. How do we express solidarity with those who suffer marginalization today? Are we being united in their suffering, are we fulfilling the words of St. Paul today: "whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God."

May you continue to come to the Lord Jesus and seek the solace which He offers you so that you can be a whole and healthy member of the community of faith.



Ash Wednesday - February 14,
Mass and distribution of ash at 7:30 p.m.

Meditation on the Stations of the Cross every Friday after the 10:00 a.m. mass.

Lenten Reflection

If we wish to change the outer aspects of our lives
we must first change the inner attitudes of our minds.
The miracle of inner change is possible.

Change requires the substituting of new habits for old ones.
It calls for self-discipline.
You have to command yourself and make yourself do what needs to be done.

The change of heart to which Lent calls us
can be accomplished most of all through the power of prayer.

Lord, as the Spirit led you into the desert to face temptation, so may that same spirit guide us this Lent as we seek to follow your way more faithfully.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the Living & Deceased members of the Baird, Shanahan, Scott, Ryan, Malone, Faherty, McGarry & Kostner families.

By-Teresa Baird.

Sick and Shut-Ins

**If you have a family member or know of a friend who is shut-in and wish to receive Holy Communion or a visit from our pastoral home care team please call the parish office.
We are here to serve you.**

AS WE CONTINUE CELEBRATING ST. RICHARDS 60TH ANNIVERSARY…

Activities are being planned to continue celebrating this momentous milestone until June 16th 2024, which will include all parishioners. These events will recognize the contributions of the many people and groups who were instrumental in the development of our parish.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY BRUNCH
SUNDAY MARCH 17TH, AFTER THE 10 AM MASS.

This is a fund raiser and we need your help to buy and sell tickets. The adult tickets will be $25.00 and the children's tickets will be $10.00 for children 10 and under.

Please keep March 17th free to attend the brunch.

Please contact Teresa Baird for tickets.
Thank you for your help.