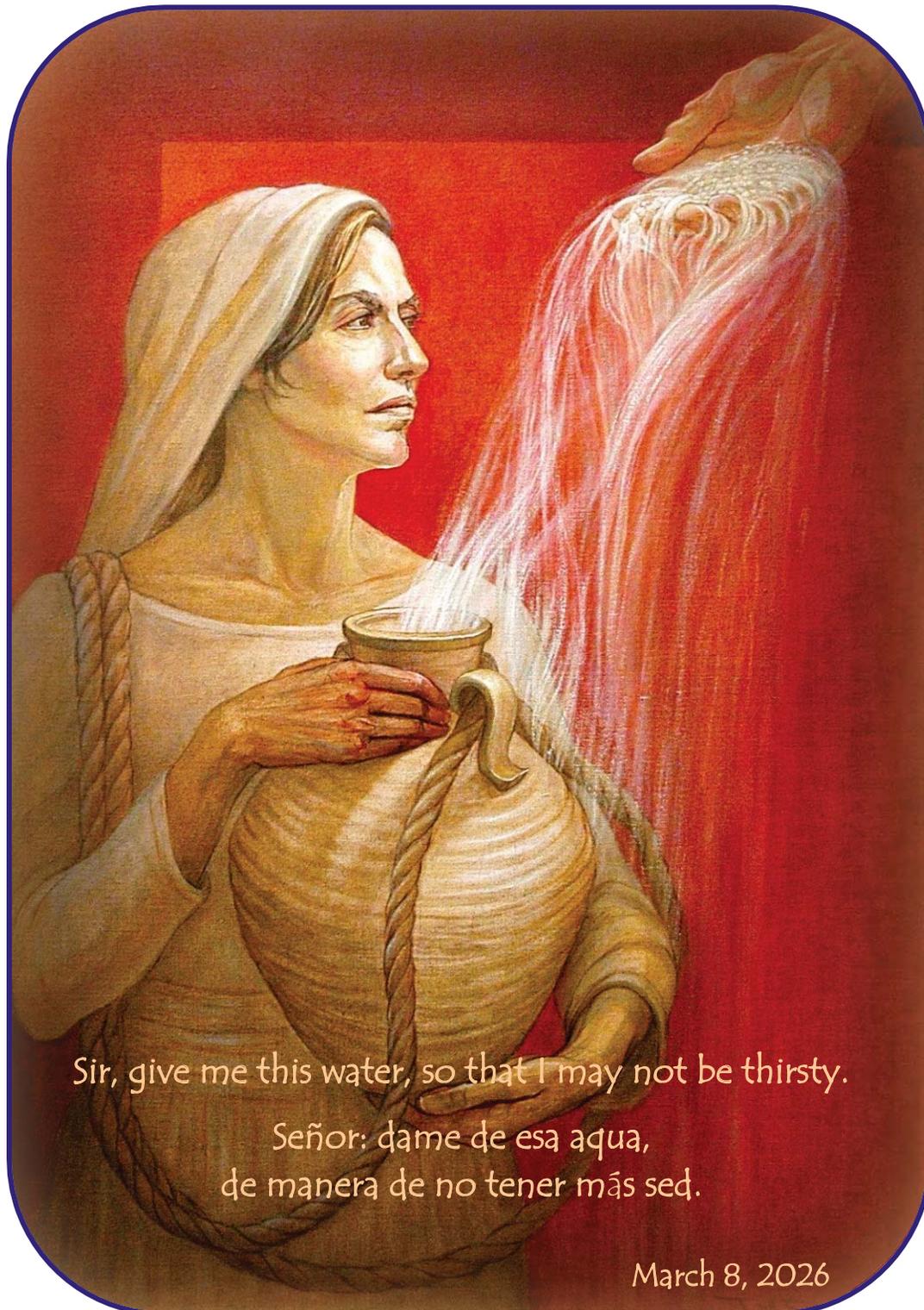


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Third Sunday of Lent
Tercer Domingo de Cuaresma



Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty.

Señor: dame de esa aqua,
de manera de no tener más sed.

March 8, 2026

Third Sunday of Lent

March 8, 2026

Exodus 17:3–7 • Romans 5:1–2, 5–8 •
John 4:5–42

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4pm

Sunday:

9am Children's Mass | 10:30am | 12:30pm Español | 5pm

Weekday (followed by the Rosary):

5:30pm Monday–Friday (Lannon Chapel)

8am Monday–Sunday (St. Mary's Chapel, BC)

Confession

Saturday: before Mass, 3–3:45pm

Adoration

Thursday: before Mass, 4:15–5:15pm

Please keep in your prayers:

Saturday, March 7

4pm Carmen Vegliante

Sunday, March 8

10:30am Officer Andrew O' Connor

5pm Rita Head

Monday, March 9

5:30pm Peter Gillis

Tuesday, March 10

5:30pm Louis Casale

If you have an intention at a weekend Mass and would like to process with the gifts, please speak with a Greeter when you arrive.



Mní wičhóni (Water Is Life), Audra Kay Dowling (2023).

Reflection on the Reading

The readings for Sunday speak of a key desire within us, a longing, a craving. The best symbol for this desire is the thirst for water.

In the Gospel, Jesus uses water as a symbol to the Samaritan woman about slaking her thirst forever, about putting a flowing fountain of water right inside her. He is talking about the longing each of us has deep within for “the love poured forth from God in Jesus through the Holy Spirit.” That is the way Paul puts it in the second reading. This need of ours is much like thirst except that it is more subtle. We use many other substitutes to fill it, which ultimately do not work. They leave us croaking the famous line, “Is that all there is?”

It is not. We are constructed in such a way that without real love we die. St. Ignatius points to this fact again and again. Our small selves are constructed with a soul that can open wide enough to admit even the very presence of God himself. Nothing else can slake our heart's thirst for God except God. Jesus, take your staff, strike our hearts of stone, and cause a fountain of God-love to spring forth within us. We pray with the Samaritan woman, “Sir, give me this water.”

— from John Foley, SJ

The First Scrutiny

We witness the first of the three Scrutiny Rites at the 10:30am Mass this Sunday. The rites are celebrated on the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Sundays of Lent by the Elect (catechumens) preparing for the Easter Sacraments.

The Scrutinies are rites for self-searching and preparation, meant to uncover those things which are keeping us from the love and unity of God. They protect and strengthen the Elect as they continue their journey to Easter, deepening their resolve to hold fast to Christ. The Scrutinies even include a ‘Rite of Exorcism’ which may sound a little scary, but is a prayer for the Elect to free them from sin, protect them from the power of Satan and help them towards salvation.

Each Scrutiny is paired with readings that symbolize something specific to the Elect. The primary symbol in this week's Gospel is water, indicating that God wishes to give us abundant, renewing life.

Shall We Dance?

Thursday, March 19 at 7pm

(w/Fr. Bob and the Boston Liturgical Dance Ensemble)

As part of the St Ignatius Centennial Celebration series, Fr. Bob VerEecke, SJ and members of the Boston Liturgical Dance Ensemble will offer a presentation on movement and dance as an expression of prayer and worship. Over the past decades, dance has been an integral part of worship for special feasts and celebrations at St Ignatius. **This evening's presentation for all ages will deepen your understanding of an answer to the question, "Shall We Dance?"** In addition to some of the dances that have been part of liturgies and prayer services, you will see and hear "Seasons Suite," with poetry and choreography by Fr. Bob.



Become a Eucharistic Minister

Instead of Giving Up this Lent—Sign Up!

Our parish is in need of Eucharistic Ministers to assist at our weekend Masses and special liturgies. This ministry is essential to our worship, especially for us to continue offering Communion under both species. Those interested in becoming an Eucharistic Minister must complete a training session.

Eucharistic Minister Training Sessions

Saturday, March 14 after the 4pm Mass (5:15pm)

Sunday, March 15 after the 5pm Mass (6:15pm)

Current ministers are welcomed to attend for a refresher.

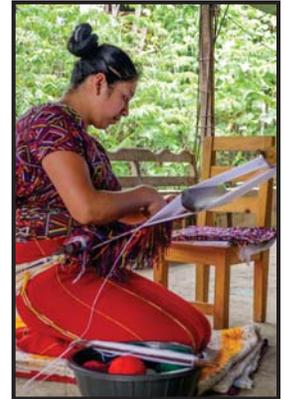
Please email ignatius@bc.edu by Friday, March 13 if you plan to attend. We can also schedule a training session for anyone interested in being a Lector, Acolyte, or Greeter are also needed.

Thank you for considering this meaningful way to serve the Lord and our parish family!

CRS Rice Bowls

A Story of Hope from Guatemala

In the town of Janlay, Guatemala, the streets are filled with people wearing bright clothes that stand out against the bold green of the surrounding mountains. There are many talented weavers in the community—like Maribel, who creates traditional güipiles, the embroidered blouses worn by Indigenous women in Central America. Maribel is also mom to a cheerful little girl named Juana, who keeps Maribel on her toes. "She's a very healthy little girl. She loves running around the house. She's the one who brings happiness to our home," Maribel says.



But they face challenges too. When Juana was just 4 months old, Maribel's husband had to travel far to find work. Maribel stayed home with Juana, doing her best to take care of her. She needed help. Then she joined a CRS program that offered nutrition classes, where she learned how to make healthy food choices for her family. Her family was used to eating chips and drinking soda, which made them feel tired and unwell. But after making changes to their diet, their health is improving. Now, Maribel feeds Juana fruits, vegetables, eggs and hot cereal full of vitamins and protein. She also makes her own drinks instead of buying soda.

The program also taught families—and the whole community—how to save money and build better habits for everyday life. She says, "For all the support they've given us, we feel very grateful. Through healthy eating and the practice of saving, we have been able to improve our family's health, nutrition and financial well-being."

Learn more about this program in Guatemala and support the work of Catholic Relief Services:



Check out this week's Flocknote for a Guatemalan recipe for tostadas and guacamole!

Catholic Appeal

Commitment Weekend

This weekend, the 2026 Catholic Appeal launches across the Archdiocese of Boston! Please enter into solidarity with our brothers and sisters in need and spread hope by making a gift today. Thank you to those who have already responded generously to Archbishop Henning's invitation to contribute. **Through early support, our parish has already reached 19% of our goal of \$110,000.** Together, we are on our way to greater success. Thank you for your support!



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Bearing Witness @ ICE Burlington

Wednesday, March 11

The Immigration Committee is planning another day of **Catholic Public Witness for Immigrants at Burlington-ICE** on Wednesday, March 11, 11am-1pm. To gather with other St. Ignatius parishioners, email the Parish Office at ignatius@bc.edu, and ask for Margaret Van Gelder. To learn about Bearing Witness at ICE, visit <https://bearingwitnessne.org/>.



4 3rd Sunday in Lent

Sock Drive

Boston Health Care for the Homeless

March 14-15 & 21-22

Join us in collecting new white socks (including diabetic socks) for women and men living in shelters and on the streets. White socks can reduce the risk of skin infections, prevent frostbite, and foster good hygiene.



Collection boxes location:

Upper Church Gathering Space

Or order online and have the socks shipped directly to the Parish Office (28 Commonwealth Ave, Chestnut Hill).

Bilingual Via Crucis Stations of the Cross for Justice

Friday, March 27 @ 7pm
Dinner at 6pm in the Friary Room

BILINGUAL VIA CRUCIS

Friday, March 27 | 7:00pm

Join for dinner before at 6:00!

This Stations of the Cross, developed by our Peace, Justice and Reconciliation Commission, focuses on social justice, imagining where we see Jesus today in the most vulnerable among us.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations will take place in the Upper Church

Immigration Committee

Our next meeting will take place on
Tuesday, March 10 at 7pm via Zoom

All are welcome to participate!

To obtain the agenda and link,
email the Parish Office at ignatius@bc.edu
and ask for Rita Rodriguez.

Hidden in Plain Sight *Racial Justice Committee Film Screening*

The Racial Justice Committee's showing of the film *Hidden in Plain Sight: The History of Black Catholics in the Archdiocese of Boston*, postponed because of the snowstorm, **will be rescheduled for sometime in the spring**. Registration information will be available in a future bulletin.

LUCE Community Training

March 11 | 7-9pm
War Memorial, Newton City Hall
1000 Commonwealth Ave

A collection of faith communities is sponsoring a **citywide training by the LUCE Immigrant Justice Network of Massachusetts** to help Newtonians learn how to protect and support our immigrant neighbors. Donations of cookies for a reception to follow the training are very welcome.

To RSVP, please use the link below or scan the QR code.
Registration is required for entrance to the training.

<https://bit.ly/LUCENewton>



LUCE is a coalition of immigrant-led, grassroots organizations who build people power for everyone across Massachusetts.

Cosponsoring congregations include: The First Unitarian Universalist Society in Newton, NewCity Church, St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish, and The Union Church in Waban.

RCAB Social Justice Convocation

March 14 | 8am-3:30pm
Boston College High School

Join the Archdiocese of Boston for a day filled with reflection, dialogue, and action as we celebrate the 17th annual RCAB Social Justice Convocation. Let's amplify our commitment to creating a world that upholds justice, equality, and human rights for all. **Together we can build an equitable world!**

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

- MASS
- RESOURCE CENTER/WORKSHOPS
- KEYNOTE SPEAKER
- LIGHT BREAKFAST / LUNCH
- CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AWARDEES



Green Team Corner

A local diet is a beautiful diet. Knowing that your food came from the land is one thing, but knowing it came from up the road or one state over is something special. This kind of local relationship deepens our connection with our food while reducing the carbon emissions needed for transport. Considering the complexity and fragility of the modern supply chain, local produce can be more reliably accessed, as well. While bananas are hard to come by here in New England, there are plenty of other fruits and vegetables we can rely on near at hand. During this Lenten season, consider shopping local and spend time thinking about not only what you eat but also where it comes from!

Greener + Lent

"Fasting involves choosing a sober lifestyle: a way of life that does not waste, a way of life that does not throw away."

Pope Francis, Homily on 5 March 2014

Welcome!

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Sacraments

St. Ignatius Parish Team

Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3-3:45pm in the Upper Church/Lower Church or by appointment.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA):
For adults seeking Baptism, and/or Confirmation, contact the Parish Office.

Baptism: For infant and young child Baptisms, contact Sr. Diane Vallerio.

First Communion: Preparation begins in grade 1 and includes classes, retreats, and home instruction. Children receive First Communion in grade 2. For further information, contact Liz Turnwald.

Confirmation: Preparation begins in 7th grade; students are confirmed after their second year of Confirmation prep. For further information, contact Liz Turnwald.

Matrimony/Wedding: Parishioners, BC Alumni, and non-parishioners are welcome to be married at St. Ignatius. Contact our Office Manager, Carol Russo, for available dates and details.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the parish office.

Sacramental Forms/Letters

Please note that you must be registered for at least six months before we can issue any verification of your status as a parishioner for godparent/sponsor letters, or permission for marriage, baptism, or confirmation in another parish.

Creating a Safe Environment at St. Ignatius

stignatiuschestnuthill.org/creating-a-safe-environment

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Following Archdiocesan online security guidelines, we have removed email addresses from our parish bulletin to avoid the danger of potential phishing scams. If you need a staff member's email address or contact information for a parish group or ministry, please contact the Parish Office and we will be happy to share the appropriate information!

Contact the Parish Office for more information about anything in today's bulletin.

Get Involved!

The many St. Ignatius commissions, committees, and volunteer roles always welcome new members!

Peace, Justice & Reconciliation

Green Team

Racial Justice Committee

Immigration Committee

LGBTQ+ Committee

Liturgy Commission

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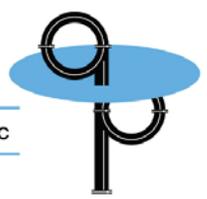
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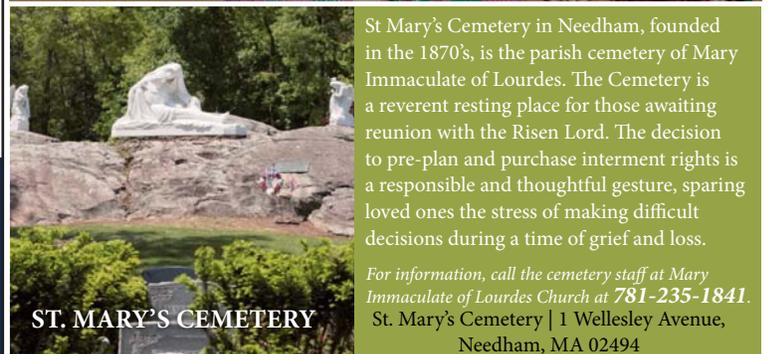
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