

Third Sunday of Easter
April 10, 2016

Salesian Perspective

The risen Jesus appears to his disciples, “children” as he calls them. Once they realize it is the Lord and they come ashore with their tremendous catch, they see that Jesus has prepared breakfast for them. We are privileged to hear a conversation between Jesus and Peter. Three times Jesus asks him, “Simon, do you love me more than these?” We hear Peter eagerly respond: “Yes, Lord, you know that I love you.”

Peter is right; Jesus already knows that Peter loves him. But Peter needed to hear his own response. Each time Jesus asked, Peter needed to reach deeper within himself for his answer. Jesus wanted Peter to know that his declarations of love were freeing him from the memory of his earlier denials. Jesus wanted Peter to understand that his love for Jesus was able to cover a multitude of human failings. Peter’s responses restored his faith in himself and made him ready to accept the commission of Jesus: “Tend my sheep.” Peter was freed now to follow Jesus more fully.

Each day Jesus asks us,” (Michael, Sr. Anne, Sr. Jane, each of you), do you love me?” We should welcome Jesus’ question. He already knows our answer. You and I are the ones who need to hear our response. Jesus is helping us to reach deeper within us for our response. He is helping us to reach down through our human failings and find the place within us where the love of God dwells. There we find the grace and courage to tell Jesus, “Lord, you know that I love you.”

In that sacred place deep within us, we find the strength we need to follow Jesus each day. From that sacred place, God’s love desires to flow out and transform us more and more in the image of Jesus. God’s love wants to overflow through us and touch the lives of all we meet each day.

We might learn much if we took Jesus’ question to prayer each day. Let us try not to rush our answer. Let us hold his question and allow it to reach deep within us for a response. When we hear our response, we will learn the power of the new life Jesus has won for us by his death and rising. Then we will be freed to follow Jesus more fully and tend his sheep more lovingly.

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LITTLE WHITE BOOKS The seasonal prayer reflection booklet (Easter 2016) contain helpful daily entries to serve as an aid to prayer. You can find them in our vestibule on the table.

PRIZES, PRIZES, PRIZES!



The prizes for our annual fundraising raffle are terrific this year! Be sure to purchase your raffle tickets today before you leave. They will be sold before and after Mass (5/\$20 or \$5 each). The drawing will be held in December 4th, but you do not have to be present to win. Proceeds go to the

support of our parish.

Here are the prizes that we have to date:

- A vacation home in western NC for one week
- A vacation home in Frisco for one week
- 8’ rod and reel
- A Gulf Stream fishing trip on the Miss Hatteras out of Odens Dock
- 2 - \$500.00 cash prizes
- Signed, numbered, limited-edition print of our church by local artist, Linda Browning
- Gulf Steam Fishing trip on the Big Eye out of Hatteras
- North Carolina gift basket from Lee Robinson General Store
- A gourmet basket from Sea Treasure Ocean
- Original art by Linda Browning
- Dinner for 2 at Café’ Pamlico located at the Inn on the Pamlico Sound Hwy 12, Frisco
- Gift certificate from Conner's Market
- Gift certificate from Captain’s Table
- Gift Certificate \$100 from Breakwater Restaurant

These are the electronics for the raffle and we are looking for sponsors for them.

- \$269.00 Apple I Pad Mini – 2
- \$169.99 Acer Chrombook – 2
- \$149.00 Apple TV FOR STREAMING INTERFACE 32 GB
- \$99.99 Amazon Fire FOR STREAMING TELEVISION INTERFACE
- \$35.00 Crome Cast INTERNET/INTERFACE DIVICE

Also if anyone would wish to donate a prize or know anyone, it would be greatly appreciated.

“Strive to see God in all things without exception, and consent to His will joyously.”

- St. Francis de Sales

The Color White and Gold

Jesus' Birth and Resurrection

Symbolic of purity and light, these shades are most often seen at Christmas, Easter and other celebrations of life, including Weddings and Funeral.

As the pope is God's representative on earth, these hues are also closely associated with him.

Even the Vatican flag is white and gold.

~ Spring Mass Schedule ~

- Saturday 6:00 pm
- Sunday 9:00 am
- Sunday 6:00 pm (Spanish)
- Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 8:30 am



**April is
National Child Abuse
Prevention Month**



WHAT IS THE YEAR OF MERCY!!!

Seeing the great need for mercy and healing in the world, Pope Francis called for the Year of Mercy—a special period, also known as a Holy Year or Jubilee Year, for the Catholic Church. It is a time for the Church across the world to take approximately a year to focus on forgiveness and healing in a special way.

Pope Francis has asked us as individuals and as a Church “to be a witness of mercy” by reflecting on and practicing the spiritual and corporal works of mercy (Pope Francis’ Announcement of the Year of Mercy). Beginning December 8, 2015, the Holy Year of Mercy will focus on studying and reflecting on mercy, receiving mercy, and being merciful towards others.

The Jubilee Year was inaugurated 700 years ago. Today is the 29th time that we celebrate the jubilee, “Jubilee with the Year of Mercy”.

WITH THE JUBILEE COMES THE DOOR!

PRO-LIFE April 10 (week 3)

Multiplying and developing rapidly, Gabriela's cells are separating into those that will form her body and organ systems. Before the second week is over, her cells have separated into those that will give rise to the brain, the nervous system, skin, digestive system, muscles, bones, and circulatory system. “I praise you, so wonderfully you made me . . . my bones were not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, fashioned as in the depths of the earth.” (Psalm 139)

Our Stewardship Weekend 4/3/2016

	<u>Buxton</u>	<u>Spanish</u>	<u>Ocracoke</u>
Offertory	\$854.00	\$160.00	cancelled
Debt Reduction	\$736.00		
Attendance	150	46	
Principal Balance as of 2/2016 ~ \$213,639.29			

Music for the Liturgy at 9:00 am

Processional: #728 Morning Has Broken
Glory to God (Mass of Creation)

Psalm response: “I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.”

Gospel Acclamation: Celtic Alleluia

Offertory: #649 Peace

Communion: #524 Behold the Lamb
#525 Gift of Finest Wheat

Recessional: #420 Crown Him with Many Crowns

The Reading for today's Mass are found in the

Glory & Praise at number **778**

1st Reading ~ Acts of the Apostles 5:27-32, 40b-41

2nd Reading ~ Revelation 5:11 – 14

Gospel Reading ~ John 2:1 – 19

Mass Intentions for the Week



So that they and their families may be remembered in prayer by the community.

Saturday, April 9, 2016

✠ **In memory of Bob Martini**

Requested by Barbara Martini

Wednesday, April 13, 2016

✠ **In memory of Bernard and Edith Halsall**

Requested by the Rosemary Marianik

GIVING TREE MEMORIALS



Do you want to share in the GIVING TREE? A donation of \$500 will purchase a leaf which has 4 lines to list an inscription. It is quite fitting that the new “GIVING TREE” has

taken root in the vestibule of our church. Any questions contact Dave Kelmer 252.986.2719



Sacrament of Penance

Fr Fred will minister to the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturdays, starting at 4:45 pm